

# **TRESTLEBOARD**

Winter Garden Masonic Lodge No. 165 F&AM

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#### **GREETINGS FROM THE EAST**



Greetings from the East,

I hope that as of the publication of this Trestleboard every one of the brethren and their families are fine and enjoying great health.

February was great, and we accomplished a lot in a short month. We had several activities, including, Bible and apron presentation to Brothers Randall Roig and Steven Ecweilen, presented by R.W. Steve Teal and R.W. Jerry Clark. R.W. Steve Teal presented the masonic education

"BROTHER" (Masons take care of another). A special thank to R.W. Steve Teal for doing such a great job. We stepped down from MM degree to EA degree for the Catechism of Yari Gaeta. In addition, there was a balloted on the petition for the three degrees in Freemasonry for a new candidate. Last but not least, as part of our commitment to contribute to our community efforts, we held our "Adopt A Highway" clean up and it was a great success.

Thanks to Br□ Ken McGowan for stepping out in the East for the Fellowcraft Degree in which we passed 5 brothers. Br□Yati Geata,of Winter Garden Lodge #165, Br□ Rommell Berredo of Orlando #69 and Br□ Tashaumbea Hunter and Bro□ Kyle Snider of Pinecastle Lodge #368 and Bro□ Mark Dayeo of Orange Blossom Lodge #90.

I would like to extend my gratitude to Brothers Stephen Dimond JW. and Brad McDowell SS, for the special meals they have prepared for us these past months. The hard work and dedication is greatly appreciated.

A call to action: We are still looking for monthly sponsors to help with the cost of the meals and we appreciate your support.

As a reminder, we have the RW DDGM visiting our lodge for our next meeting on Thursday, March 3rd. Let's give him a warm Winter Garden welcome. I appreciate your participation.

Fraternally, W:.M:. Jose Morales

### **GREETINGS FROM THE WEST-**



Greetings from the West my brothers!!!

I hope that as the publication of this Trestleboard every one of the Brethren and their families are fine and enjoying great health.

Hope to see you brothers soon!

Fraternally, Steve Czerniejewski Senior Warden



#### **GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTH**



Greetings from the South,

I pray that each of you and your families are well and staying safe. With the OMICRON and other variants of COVID-19 and its contagious ability, I would ask you all to be mindful of the safety precautions outlined by the CDC. We have masks available at the entrance and hand sanitizer in just about every location in the Lodge.

I would like to thank our Stewards for keeping the Lodge clean and making outstanding meals for the Brethren and families. Please after Stated and called communications ensure that water bottles and other debris are removed and put in the trash. Trash cans are emptied by the Stewards. On that note, Lodge rentals are beginning to gain momentum and it is important that we keep the Lodge clean and in good condition.

As other Junior Wardens have asked in the past, if any Brother has ideas for Masonic Education, please bring them to my attention along with the date you or your invitees would like to present and barring any scheduling conflicts, I will make it happen. Masonic education for the month of March will be the DDGM official visit.

The events I am posting below are very important for the officers of the Lodge to attend. Any other Brother in the Lodge can and should attend as this is an opportunity to meet and get to know other Brothers from other Lodges. Also, you just might learn something new.

#### Events in March are:

- · March 5, 2022 at 8:00 am: Masters & Wardens Association Meeting Location: Orlando No. 69, Breakfast at 0800am, meeting 9am; and Memorial Lodge follows
- · March 10, Master Mason degree given in our Lodge by Orange #36. 2nd section provided by WG Lodge #165.

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- $\cdot$  March 23, District School of instruction at Orlando #69 from 6:30pm to 9:00pm
- $\cdot$  March 26, Open Books at Winter Park starting at 8:00 am to 12:00pm. Memorial Lodge to follow.
- · March 31, Masonic Education workshop, EOLA Lodge 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm.

Sincerely, Stephen (Steve) Dimond Jr. Warden



#### FROM THE SECRETARY



Greetings Brothers,

We have now collected approximately 80% of our dues payments through the beginning of March. For those that are still outstanding, I hope that you will be able to pay them soon. We depend on our dues payments to pay for the general operation and maintenance of our building. Our building continues to get older, and we must continue to look ahead and plan for new renovation projects. We are planning on finishing up the installation of the downstairs tile floor and then sealing and painting

the exterior of the building this year. The building committee is coming up with a priority list of lodge renovation projects for the next 3 to 5 years. Your dues payments will help to pay for these improvements.

We continue to have momentum in our membership in 2022. We just balloted on a petition for the three degrees in Freemasonry for Mr. Cesar Hernandez-Barrios. The degree is being scheduled for March 22nd. We just had a FC Degree on February 22nd for Brother Yari Gaeta. We are also processing a few Dual and Plural memberships. Look out for upcoming dates for the degree work and come out and support our new Brothers.

I would like to send the following Brothers warm Birthday Wishes in the month of March: Adam Alvarez 3/29 Connor Eversen 3/27 Stephen Dimond 3/26 Bernie Greer 3/3 Ernie Harper 3/11 Paul Harvey 3/17 Ken Lyons 3/10 Ken McGowan 3/25 Leonardo Pedro 3/14 James Ragan 3/17 James Rooney 3/11 Carlos Vettorazzo 3/18 Nathan Zetterland 3/22 Brad McDowell 3/30 Bart Nyarady 3/14

Lastly, please keep an eye on the Trestle Board, our Facebook page, and website (www.wintergardenmasoniclodge.org) for upcoming events and information. If you have new contact information, or a new mailing address, please contact me at 407-435-9198, or email me at gatordoc05@hotmail.com. Thanks again for the opportunity to serve. Remember that we meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of every month. Dinner is served at both meetings at 6:30pm. Hope to see you at our next stated communication.

Fraternally, W:.Frank Lopez (2015) Secretary / Winter Garden Lodge No. 165

#### FROM THE CHAPLIN



Brothers,

When we turn to Holy Scripture we find in Acts chapter 20, verse 24, the following: "But my life is worth nothing unless I use it for doing the work assigned me by our Lord – the work of telling others the Good News about God's wonderful kindness and love." As masons we are also assigned work, tasks in the lodge room, ritual and floor work and largely we perform these tasks. For instance, who is responsible for seeing the hoodwinks and clothing worn by the

candidates in each degree is laundered and neatly hung up in the ante room, who is responsible for distributing aprons and jewels to the officers chairs, who is responsible for making sure that the alter and kneelers are strait after a degree? If you do not know the answers to these questions perhaps you should ask the Worshipful Mater who is assigned to these tasks!

As masons we are also charged with spreading the love and brotherhood with all people specially our brothers. To pray for, and support those in need. To reach out to those in our community who need our help and support. Most importantly we are to respond to the task given us by out Lord, to share the Good News that God loves us, cares about us and is there for us always.

Be blessed my brothers, live I peace and love.

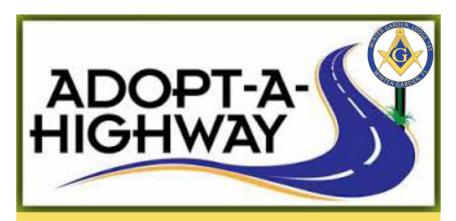
Fraternally, Ed McMullen Chaplin



#### MASONIC EVENTS

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## www.WinterGardenMasonicLodge.org



Winter Garden Masonic Lodge 2022 Clean Up Dates!

# February 19th August 20th

May 21st November 19th

Time 8:00 A.M.

We will meet at the Lodge for a safety meeting and overview. After which we will car pool to the work location and expect to finish by 12:00 P.M.

Location
Winter Garden
Masonic Lodge No. 165
230 West Bay Street
Winter Garden, FL 34787

We will be cleaning up a section of Highway 50 from Dillard Street in Winter Garden heading west to Tubs Street in Oakland. Please wear appropriate clothing. Other things to consider are Sunglasses, Sunscreen, Water bottle, and a Snack. We will provide you with trash bags, rubber gloves, and required safety vests. For youth needing volunteer hours if you are between the ages of 12 and 15 you MUST be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. No volunteers under the age of 12.