# **TRESTLE-BOARD**



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Our Website

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#### From the EAST



Greetings from the East my Brothers,

The upcoming month continues to provide plenty of Masonic events to attend, and we hope everyone will view the website calendar for dates. times, locations, and join us for Masonic Fellowship. Please make your best effort to support our RWDDGM Lucky Lee by attending The Grand Masters official visit on September 19 at the Hernando Shrine Club, registration will begin at 5pm, dinner at 6, and a Tyled meeting at 7pm next door at Brotherhood Lodge. This is your time to speak with the Grand Line about any ideas or concerns you may have about our Fraternity, and inquire of their plans, as our leaders, to ensure the vitality of Freemasonry in Florida. Please join us, and bring your Lady!

Hurricane season is still with us, and the threat of one is again quickly approaching. Brothers, please make sure to have your emergency plan and supplies in place, don't take any unnecessary chances, if anyone is in need of assistance please ask. It seems we may be overdue for a good storm, the folks I know in Pinellas County's EOC building are on high alert, and preparing for evacuations. We can't stop the forces of Nature, but pray that losses, if any, are minimal.

Brothers, let us also remember to pray for our Soldiers, our Republic, our World Leaders, those who suffer oppression, poverty, and disease... and please, also pray for a Spiritual and Moral awakening for all who share this small piece of paradise we have been graciously given by our Creator.

Fraternally,

W∴M∴ Peter Carter

#### **Past Masters**

W∴ Pete Raymond	2014
R∴W∴ Lucky Lee	2013
R.:W.: Slim Owen 33°	2012
R∴W∴ Slim Owen 33°	2011
W∴ Chuck Taylor	2010
R∴W∴ Lucky Lee	2009
R∴W∴ Lucky Lee	2008
W∴ Henry Oppenborn Jr. 33°*	2007
R∴W∴ Lucky Lee	2006
W.: Buzz Bernard	2005
W∴ Charley Rhodes*	2004
W∴ Charley Rhodes*	2003
W∴ Jim McIntosh	2002
R∴W∴ Lucky Lee	2001
R.:W.: Slim Owen 33°	2000
R∴W∴ Paul Miller 33°	1999

#### From the WEST



The end of summer is near as our brothers and sisters from the north and Canada will start coming back to Florida when the winter winds start chilling their homeland. I look forward to seeing all of them returning and have a great Winter at the lodge.

It is now been 14 years since we were attacked on September 11, 2001 let us keep all the victims in our prayers the ones that were killed that day and the ones that were injured and are still dying today.

Masonic history I hope you enjoy this story.

King Solomon's temple holds a place of universal and preeminent interest due, in great measure, to Freemasonry which has kept alive throughout the centuries many fascinating legends and romances, innumerable symbols and rituals, a goodly number of rites and ceremonies associated with the building of the temple and with its history. It is interesting to note that Masonic nomenclature the ideal life, here and hereafter, is described metaphorically as a temple, one of the thousand examples of the extent to which Freemasonry is saturated with religious language and emotions.

The legend of the temple builder which forms a significant feature of the 3rd° in Freemasonry is the basis of profound lectures has been an essential part of Masonic ritual and degree work throughout the history of the Order. Its authenticity cannot be questioned nor can its importance in the rights of Freemasonry be overestimated.

It will be nice to see everybody at the September meeting hope everybody is doing well and their families are doing well. S.W. Dennis Suarino

Fraternally S.W. Dennis Suarino

Your thumb is the same length of your nose.

At this very moment I know you are putting this last fact to the test...!

In 1872 the Commissioner of Patents held that the Masonic emblem could not be used in a trademark or trade name for commercial purposes

#### 2015 Trestle-Board Boosters

Fred & Dottie Basehore Buzz & Gwen Bernard Whitey & Margie Cassell Mike & Elaine Cota Gary Cronau Ed DeVita Sam & Donna Douglas Gunnar Erickson Bill & Jean Harms Ron & VJ Hatton Al & Ruth Mason Hank & Loretta McInturff Slim & Anita Owen Ernie Polk Pete & Mary Raymond Wayne & Barbara Reedy Ken & Jan Rowe John & Carol Ross Tom & Jean Stratford Chuck Taylor Bill & Ellie Wilcox



#### From the SOUTH

**LAP Day for September 22** 

Will be at

**Pecks** 

Ozello (Click here)



LAP Day for August at "GOOD TIMES" in Crystal River was great.

Menu for September:

Angel Hair Pasta, Marinara Sauce, Meat Balls, Hearts of Romaine Salad and Garlic Bread, Desserts included.

Just a friendly reminder:

**Rifle Raffle** is almost over, get you tickets on or before Sept. 16.

Drawing will be at Masters & Wardens in Floral City on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

Sep. 7 – Labor Day

Sep. 11 – Patriots Day

Sep. 13 – Grandparents Day

Sep. 19 - Grand Masters Official Visit

Sep. 23 – Summer Ends

Sep. 26 – Open Books @ Brooksville

Sep. 28 – National Punch Day (Look out)

#### R∴W∴ Slim Owen 33°

Officers 2015		
Worshipful Master	(352)345-0461	W∴ Peter Carter
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Secretary	(352)628-0668	W∴Robert Bernard
Chaplain	(352)795-9561	R∴W∴John M. Lee
Senior Deacon	(352)445-2422	Bro. Mike Cota
Junior Deacon	(352)637-5073	Bro. Ben Edney
Senior Steward	(352)697-3763	Bro. Chris Edney
Junior Steward	(352)634-1255	Bro. Ray Thompson
Marshall	(352)860-2385	W∴ Pete Raymond
Tyler	(904)490-2375	Bro. Richard Floyd

## The Chaplain's Corner

## MASONIC QUOTES BY BROTHERS:



I have ever felt it my duty to support and encourage the principles and practice of Freemasonry, because it powerfully developed benevolent social and affections, because it mitigates without, and annihilates within, the violence of political and theological controversy; because it affords the only neutral ground on which all ranks and classes can meet in perfect equality, and associate without degradation or mortification. whether for purpose of moral instruction or social intercourse.

(EARL OF DURHAM)

Let's keep the following in our prayers:

Bob Thompson

Greg Cwik

Bill Harms

Karen O'Dell

Milt and Leah Olsen

Wallie Hammer

Jim Roach

**Boogie Stevens** 

Ken Drennan

Don Wagoner

Richard Herman

Paul Rosser

Chuck Taylor

All of our Military Personnel

CHAPLAIN:

## R∴W∴ Lucky Lee

## Happy Birthday To:



Chris Edney Sept. 2
Wayne Smith Sept. 5
Robert Taber Sept. 18
Ernest Polk Sept. 28