

# TRESTLE-BOARD



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## From the EAST



What a great time of year the weather is getting nice and cool and some will say cold ,but some great holidays are coming up. I always look forward to Thanksgiving as being a time to reflect on family ,friends , relatives and my Brothers from the Lodge. I do miss the times when my family was able to get together and hold a phenomenal Thanksgiving feast . We were very blessed to be able to put out big turkey to feed the 20 of us who would be at the meal. We usually spend time at my sisters house with her children and grandchildren, then as the children got older we started holding it at my Godson Timothy's house. What a day that was with all my sisters children which are 6 plus there are 14 grandchildren it was wonderful to have such a large family together. My Brother and other sister go to their children's home , maybe some day we will all be able too together.

As we get together for this Thanksgiving season with all my Brothers coming back to the Lodge from their homes up north we can have our celebration at our Lodge and that too is a wonderful wonderful feeling. Again this year I will be asking those brothers who can donate a turkey that we donated to the poor that we will be giving out at Thanksgiving time with Floral City Lodge. Last year we gave out quite a few turkey dinners soup to nuts, your your generosity did not

go unnoticed by the people that came to get these meals . We use the list from Floral City school to give us the names of very poor people that have children that really do need the food in the basket that we give them at Thanksgiving and Christmas. It makes me very very proud of our lodge that we are able to do this in conjunction with Floral City Lodge. Thank you All  
W. . . Dennis Suarino

*Due to the Holidays of Thanksgiving and Christmas we have decided to cancel "Open Books" for November and December, restarting on January 28, 2017.*

### Past Masters

W.: Peter Carter	2015
W.: Pete Raymond	2014
R.:W.: Lucky Lee	2013
R.:W.: Slim Owen	2012
R.:W.: Slim Owen	2011
W.: Chuck Taylor	2010
R.:W.: Lucky Lee	2009
R.:W.: Lucky Lee	2008
W.: Henry Oppenborn, Jr.	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	2000
R.:W.: Paul Miller	1999
R.:W.: Paul Miller	1998

From the WEST



*Happy  
Thanksgiving*

Our November meeting will be what we call “Officers Appreciation Meeting” in that the outgoing officers will not be sitting in their respective chairs, but, hopefully, the incoming officers will. This is the first chance to see who will fill the chairs for next year and to see how proficient they have become. Our Junior Warden and I have been traveling around the district in support of our DDGM, R.:W.: Richard Munsell. It is interesting how each Lodge receives him and his party, as all are supposed to be the same, yet all are different. From my point of view, sitting on the sidelines, it gets to be quite amusing. His visitations are always well attended, well fed and very informative. There are only two more to go, Springs No. 378 and Hernando No. 97.

We have one opening in the line, the position of Junior Steward. If you are interested in going through the chairs, please let me know as time is of the essence. We work hard at keeping our line progressing in an orderly fashion. You could be next in line.

**R.:W.: Robert “Slim” Owen 33°**

**God Bless You and America!**

**2016 Trestle-Board Boosters**

Fred & Dottie Basehore  
Buzz & Gwen Bernard  
Steven Bradley  
Peter & Kim Carter  
Whitey & Margie Cassell  
Mike & Elaine Cota  
Ken & Rose Drennen  
Ben Edney  
Chris Edney  
Gunnar Erickson  
Ron & V.J. Hatton  
Lucky Lee  
Walter Mabie  
Al & Ruth Mason  
Robert O’Connell  
Bill Ortolf  
Slim & Anita Owen  
Wayne & Barbara Reedy  
Dennis & Gail Suarino  
Bob & Gert Taber  
Chuck Taylor

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## From the SOUTH

**LAP Day for November 15**

**Will be at  
Ruby Tuesday's  
In  
Spring Hill**



Our lunch for November stated meeting will be Chicken Breast in Mushroom Sauce over egg noodles with mixed vegetables and apple crisp for dessert. Jack and Margaret Perry have graciously volunteered to prepare the meal for us.

We had another very good attendance at the Olive Garden in October. 18 were present. Thank you all for being there and spending your time with us.

**Heads up Brothers! Lap day will be at Ruby Tuesday in Springhill on November 15.**

It will be on the third Tuesday instead of our usual 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday. It was decided to move Lap Day up a week due to Thanksgiving.

**J.:W.: Mike Cota**

### Officers 2016

Worshipful Master	(352)527-6847	Bro. Dennis Suarino
Senior Warden	(352)746-6936	R.:W.:Robert Owen
Junior Warden	(352)445-2422	Bro. Mike Cota
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Secretary	(352)628-0668	W.:Robert Bernard
Chaplain	(352)795-9561	R.:W.:John M. Lee
Senior Deacon	(352)637-5073	Bro. Ben Edney
Junior Deacon	(352)697-3763	Bro. Chris Edney
Senior Steward	(352)220-4706	Bro. Brian Lee
Junior Steward	(352)634-1255	Bro. Ray Thompson
Marshall	(352)345-0461	W.: Peter Carter
Tyler	(352)220-0256	Bro. Merle Rowe Jr.

## The Chaplain's Corner

CHRISTIAN ONE LINERS:



- 1) Don't let your worries get the best of you; Remember, Moses started out as a basket case.
- 2) Some people are kind, polite, and sweet-spirited until you try to sit in their pews.
- 3) many folks want to serve God, but only as advisers.
- 4) It is easier to preach ten sermons than it is to live one.
- 5) The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose, But mosquitoes come close.
- 6) When you get to your wit's end, you'll find God lives there.
- 7) People are funny; they want the front of the bus, Middle of the road, and back of the church.
- 8) Opportunity may knock once, But temptation bangs on the front door forever.
- 9) Quit griping about your church; If it was perfect, you couldn't belong.
- 10) If a church wants a new Pastor, it only needs to pray for the one it has.

Lets keep the following in our prayers:

Fred and Dottie Basehore, John Consoli, Richard Hermann, Al and Ruth Mason, Hank McInturff, Gerald O'Dell, Milt Olsen, Cliff McPhee, Sylvia Hartsfield  
All of our Military Personnel  
Lets pray for our Country

**R.:W.: Lucky Lee**

### Happy Birthday To:



Ray Devaul  
Richard Whitford  
Grant Schlenker

Nov. 2  
Nov. 11  
Nov.14