

TRESTLE-BOARD



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Ridge Masonic Lodge No. 398 Floral City, FL

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From the EAST



DECEMBER!

At last, this month we will elect the officers for the coming year.

The five elected positions have all the necessary paperwork filled out and passed to the Secretary so it should be a slam-dunk this year.

The outgoing officers and the incoming officers (several Brothers hold both positions) have been awaiting this for a while with great anticipation.

Why not come to the December meeting and show your support. Good food is always provided prior to and after the meeting and the cost is minimal.

I would like to thank all my officers for their support this year, not the best one for me, but life goes on. Thank you for all your prayers and well-wishes, they do help. May the coming year be another great one for Ridge Masonic Lodge.

**Fraternally,
Worshipful Master - Chris Edney**

Dues – Dues – Dues

This year our G. L. Assessment is \$25.00.
Our Dues are \$36.00
Voluntary contribution of \$7.30 for LYPMGC
Total of \$68.30 or \$61.00 if the brother does not pay LYPMGC.

We also appreciate any \$10.00 donation for the Trestle Board, your name as a Booster will appear each month.

Checks may be sent to:
Ridge Masonic Lodge
61 E Ireland Ct.
Hernando, FL 34442

Past Masters

W.: Ben Edney*	2018
R.:W.: Robert "Slim" Owen 33°	2017
W.: Dennis Suarino	2016
R.:H.: Peter A. Carter	2015
W.: Pete Raymond	2014
R.:W.: John "Lucky" Lee	2013
R.:W.: Robert "Slim" Owen 33°	2012
R.:W.: Robert "Slim" Owen 33°	2011
W.: Charles "Chuck" Taylor*	2010
R.:W.: John "Lucky" Lee	2009
R.:W.: John "Lucky" Lee	2008
W.: Henry Oppenborn, Jr. 33° *	2007
R.:W.: John "Lucky" Lee	2006
W.: Robert "Buzz" Bernard	2005
W.: Charley Rhodes*	2004
W.: Charley Rhodes*	2003
W.: James McIntosh	2002
R.:W.: John "Lucky" Lee	2001
R.:W.: Robert "Slim" Owen 33°	2000
R.:W.: Paul Miller	1999
R.:W.: Paul Miller	1998

From the WEST



We were the host for the Masters & Wardens Association this last month. A very nice turnout and a whole plethora of information was offered for all to digest, take notes, go home and spread the word. Or you can go to my website for a refresher by clicking on "District Events".

I would like to point out, once again that the Masters & Wardens Meetings are for ALL Masons, EA's through MM's.

Our F. C., Brother Boylan is working very diligently on his catechism and I'm sure he will be ready before we are. ☺

Last month we accepted a petition for the three degrees and we have made arrangements to join Springs Lodge on the 21st of December. Put that date on your calendar and bring a Brother with you when you come.

Consider it a welcome break from all the Christmas Hoopla.

We have two fund raisers every year to help support the Lodge financially and I would like to thank all who have helped make these the successes they are. As a team, we can survive, more than that, we can thrive. We can always find something to do for the Busy Bees, you know, those who are always here to help; couldn't you be one as well?

My best wishes for the new year.
Merry Christmas!

Senior Warden,

R.:W.: Robert "Slim" Owen 33°



Happy Birthday To:



Wayne Reedy	Dec 12
Jesse Renfroe Jr.	Dec 14
Fred Basehore	Dec 26
John Grace III	Dec 27

2019 Trestle-Board Boosters

Art Lent
Ben Edney
Buzz & Gwen Bernard
Chris Edney
Dave Murray
Ed & Lil Gingrich
Fred & Dottie Basehore
Jesse & Heather Renfroe
John & Carol Ross
Kim & Peter Carter
Mark Sullivan
Slim & Anita Owen
Tammy Auld
Whitey & Marge Cassell



THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Lodge Chaplain: My Brethren,
Have you ever stopped and considered how blessed we are? Yes, blessed as individuals, as members of our families, as members of our community, as members of the Fraternity. The Supreme Architect of the Universe has been very gracious to all who are faithful. The Holiday season is upon us once again, Thanksgiving, with family, and Christmas forth coming. As I write my thoughts this mid November, the stores are decorated with music playing Christmas songs. For myself, after two months of a constant sales pitch, I have developed a mental turn off. I'm sure you also become placement with all the noise, and I truly hope we all not forget what is the true meaning of Christmas - Let Us Keep Christ in Christmas.

This time of year, please contact me should you know of a Brother or family member ill, in the hospital or may just need a kind word of cheer. I have been scammed and required to change my home phone number 352-637-0044, leave your message and I will return your call. E-mail contact:

awalls37@gmail.com

Please, remember our Service members and 1st responders and give thanks for their service. Wishing all a happy and blessed Christmas
Fraternally

R.:W.: Alan Walls – Chaplain

Please pray for our Military and our First Responders.

Greetings from the South



LAP Day for
December 10
Will be at
Olive Garden
Inverness

There are two branches in Masonry nowadays where people can proceed after completing the third, and final degree of the Blue Lodge Masonry. That third degree is the highest rank one can attain. The second branch is the York Rite.

Many people think that the Scottish Rite actually originates from Scotland, but that is not the case. The first reference of the rite is actually found in French records. In those records from the 17th century, the word "Ecosais" is found. The translation of the word means "Scottish", hence the name Scottish Rite.

**Junior Warden
David Murray**

Officers 2019

Wor. Master W.: Chris Edney
Senior Warden R.:W.: Robert Owen
Junior Warden Bro. Dave Murray
Treasurer Bro. Tom Kellogg
Secretary W.: Robert Bernard
Chaplain R.:W.: Alan Walls
Senior Deacon W.: Richard Whitford
Junior Deacon Bro. Mark Sullivan
Senior Steward TBA
Junior Steward TBA
Tyler TBA

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p>  <p>Eat a Red Apple Day</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Dade City 48 Ocala SR Masonic Luncheon</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Bushnell 30 Springs 378 Hernando Shrine Club</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Demolay - Trilby 141</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Floral City 133 Trilby 141 Ridge Practice</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8</p> 	<p>9</p> <p>Citrus 118 POW 146 Ridge 398</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Brotherhood 375</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Nobles Ladies</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Zephyr 198 Siloam 399 CSC Social Ridge practice</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Citrus Shrine Club</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Breakfast Bushnell 8-10</p>
<p>15</p> 	<p>16</p> <p>Dade City 48</p>	<p>17</p> <p>HCSC Social Bushnell 30 Springs 378</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Masters & Wardens</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Trilby 141 Ridge Practice</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>E. A. Deg Springs 10am</p>
<p>22</p> 	<p>23</p> <p>Citrus 118 POW 146</p>	<p>24</p>		<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Springs Inst. 6pm</p>	<p>28</p> <p>POW Inst. 10am Ridge Inst. Noon Brotherhood Inst. 5pm</p>
<p>29</p> 	<p>30</p>					