

TRESTLE-BOARD



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Ridge Masonic Lodge No. 398 Floral City, FL

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From the EAST



We will have a SPECIAL Meeting this month. Wor. Richard and Lady Sherry Whitford will present a program that will delight all.

They will present several readings concerning our country and associated topics.

You do not want to miss this one.

We will put the Lodge "At Ease" for their presentation, so family and friends may attend.

Usually when you come to Lodge, we ask you to bring a Masonic Friend but for the July Meeting, we ask you to bring friend, period as I mentioned earlier, we will be "At Ease" so all may enter and enjoy.

In addition to our monthly raffle, we will have a drawing for a handmade 4 by 4 foot Lap Robe with

Hearts – Stars – Liberty Bells

tastefully displayed throughout.

No ticket to buy, no donation required, just show up and get a free ticket, cross your fingers and hope for the best.

Celebrating the 4th, please wear

RED, WHITE & BLUE!

Fraternally,

Worshipful Master - Chris Edney

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



In June, we had our Official Visit from our new DDGM, R.:W.: John Dragneff.

It was his first visit to any Lodge in Dist. 14 as DDGM and was a little apprehensive but everything went according to plan.

I'm sure that by now, he is an "Old Pro".

We did not have a winner at our monthly drawing last meeting, so the monies are carried over to the next one, so this month the pot will be a little larger, and if no one wins this month, it will be just that much bigger next month.

I should mention that the raffle is only for members of Ridge Masonic Lodge.

LAP Day was at Crackers in Crystal River on June 25th at 11:30.

The ten in attendance all had a good meal, good fellowship with good friends. If by chance you missed it, the next on will be at Cheddars in Spring Hill on Tuesday, July 23rd at 11:30.

The next Masters & Wardens meeting this month will be at Pearl of the West No. 146 at 6319 Louisiana Ave., New Port Richy on July the 19th.

Citrus Lodge No. 118 had an E.A. Degree on Monday, June 24. Several visitors helped fill up the sidelines for a more enjoyable evening.

Senior Warden,
R.:W.: Robert "Slim" Owen 33

We have received an official list of material that we must use for Masonic Education. So, starting now, we will adhere to this list explicitly and in so doing we will include some tid-bit of information each month in the Trestle-Board.

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"Every candidate is a stranger to Freemasonry and Fremasonry is a stranger to him"

We must make him feel welcome!

Happy Birthday To:



Pete Raymond	Jul 1
Steve Bradley	Jul 6
Ken Rowe	Jul 11
Bill Harms	Jul 20
Stephen Zane Jr.	Jul 30

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



THE UNANSWERABLE QUESTION

CHAPLAINS CORNER

What is the symbolism of the *ASHLARS*?

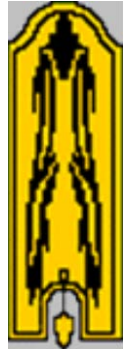
In architecture, an ashlar is a squared stone. Masonically, the ashlar is “rough” – not dressed, squared, or polished – and “perfect” – ready for use in wall or other structure. The information given in most rituals is scanty and does not include the greater meanings which symbolists find in these two stones. Students direct attention to the fact that the perfect ashlar is made from the rough ashlar entirely by a process of taking away, removal of unwanted material. Nothing is added to the rough ashlar to make it perfect. The analogy to the Mason, who is a building stone in the spiritual temple of Masonry, is that the perfect man is within the rough man, and that perfection is to be obtained by a process of taking away the “vices and superfluities of life.” Every beautiful statue ever carved from stone was always within that stone, needing only the tool of the artist to take away the material not wanted and leave the statue, which was there since the stone was first formed. Compare Luke XVII:21: **“The kingdom of God is within you.”**

My Brother, if you know of a Brother or family member ill, or just needs a card or note of cheer please advise your Chaplain by e-mail awalls37@gmail.com . May peace and joy be with you everyday.

Fraternally

R.:W.: Alan Walls – Chaplain

LAP Day for
July 23
Will be at
Cheddars
In
Spring Hill



Greetings from the South

At the present time, the South is vacant. We will seek permission from Grand Lodge for a Special Election and if granted, we will hold an election and Brother David Murray, our Senior Deacon has indicated that he would accept the nomination if so elected. I will keep you informed in this space of all that transpires concerning this matter.

We have draped our Charter in honor of W.: Benny E. Edney and our Alter is draped in honor of M.:W.: John Karroum.

May God Bless them both.

Officers 2019

Wor. Master..... Wor. Chris Edney
Senior WardenR.:W.: Robert Owen
Junior WardenWor. Ben Edney
Treasurer Bro. Tom Kellogg
Secretary W.: Robert Bernard
ChaplainR.:W.: Alan Walls
Senior Deacon Bro. Dave Murray
Junior Deacon Bro. Mark Sullivan
Senior StewardTBA
Junior StewardTBA
Tyler.....TBA