

TRESTLE-BOARD



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From the EAST



The end of another year is upon us and we are so fortunate to live in a country that is so well governed.

We do not live in fear for the loss of life because of our political or religious beliefs, but enjoy the freedom that our great democracy provides for us.

This month has a special day set aside for us to give thanks for the plenteous bounty provided us and for that we do, most assuredly, give thanks.

We have another special day this month, the 11th, Veterans Day, for which we honor our living Veterans from all branches of our military force with parades and luncheons in every community.

All I ask of you is to join in the festivities and show your/our support for all who have placed their lives in jeopardy to protect and defend this great land of ours.

The best I can offer:

“God Bless America.”

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
E Ireland Ct.
Hernando, FL 34442

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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



Wow! If you did not attend our last stated meeting, you missed a great return of the E. A. Catechism.

Brother David R. Boylan did an outstanding presentation, ably assisted by Wor. John Nicoll who, much to my enjoyment, volunteered to teach Brother Boylan his lesson and he has consented to follow through with the F. C. Catechism as well.

You guessed it, two weeks later we passed him to the degree of Fellow Craft.

We had a very fine degree team and my thanks go out to all who assisted. I know if I tried to list them, I'd omit someone, and that is not my intent, so once again, **THANK YOU!**

While we are on the subject, we will be voting on another candidate this meeting so come to the meeting and express your interest in him.

Nomination Forms are due this month per new Grand Lodge Regulations for the top five positions in the Lodge.

If you are of a mind to run for office, now is the time to make your wishes known. Do not be bashful, shy or even intimidated by the process as it doesn't hurt at all.

There also are several "Appointed" positions that need to be filled so do not be afraid, most positions speaking parts are very minor, just enough to let you get acclimated to the job, break through the ice

and become a more valuable member. If you do not express your desire, you probably will not get an appointment; however the opposite is true as well.

Let your conscience be your guide.

Senior Warden,

R.:W.: Robert "Slim" Owen 33^o



Happy Birthday To:



Ray Devaul

Nov 2

Richard Whitford

Nov 11

Grant Schlenker

Nov 14

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



From Coil's Masonic Encyclopedia:

Lodge Chaplain: "In some jurisdictions, an officer of the Lodge and other Masonic bodies to offer prayers or read scriptures, some Lodges have no such office".

Grand Chaplain: An officer in the Grand Lodge of England and all Grand Lodges in the United States. "It is not an old institution, having been originated apparently in 1775, and being first mentioned in the English Constitutions in 1784." (N. King, FPS, Philalethes Society)

From the Catholic Encyclopedia: Chaplain – "In its religious spirit, Anglo-Saxon Masonry after 1730... It is principally due to the conservation of English-speaking society in religious matters, to the influence of ecclesiastical members, and to the institution of "lodge chaplains" mentioned in English records since 1733...

Still, in some older manuscripts, there were lodge chaplains active in lodges prior to 1717, each lodge being autonomous. Their duties, other than in the opening and closing prayers, were not described.

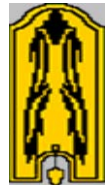
There are Grand Chaplains in all United States jurisdictions. Many jurisdictions do not have district teams, as we have in Wisconsin, but all regular Masonic Lodges, in all jurisdictions, now have the appointed office of "Lodge Chaplain".

Fraternally

R.:W.: Alan Walls – Chaplain

Please pray for our Military and our First Responders.

LAP Day for
November 19
Will be at
Cheddars
In Spring Hill



Greetings from the South

No one knows with certainty how or when the Masonic Fraternity was formed. A widely accepted theory among Masonic scholars is that it arose from the stonemasons' guilds during the Middle Ages. The language and symbols used in the fraternity's rituals come from this era. The oldest document that makes reference to Masons is the Regius Poem, printed about 1390, which was a copy of an earlier work. In 1717, four lodges in London formed the first Grand Lodge of England, and records from that point on are more complete.





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

NOVEMBER Ridge Masonic Lodge No. 398 - Floral City, FL 2019

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