



SPRIG OF ACACIA

ACACIA LODGE NO 163 F.&A.M.



Volume 115, Issue 12

www.acacialodge163.org

December 2021

Special points of interest:

Remember the Blood
Bank Please Donate
Account # is A61

Grand lodge of Florida
web site
www.gflflamason.org

Lodge Number is
(772) 219-7588

Mailing address is
PO box 2415
Stuart FL 34995

Please contact our
Secretary for Funerals
and any other lodge
business

Please send in 2021
Dues

WORDS OF WISDOM

"Education is what remains
after one has forgotten what
one has learned in school."

Albert Einstein

"A man's real education
begins after he has left
school. True education is
gained through the discipline
of life."

Henry Ford

"The only real education
comes from what goes coun-
ter to you."

Andre Gide

Greetings from the East Brothers,

On the 30th of October we had our Worshipful Masters Ball to honor the Past Masters of Acacia Lodge. It was a very special evening and I was personally humbled by the support and presence of all the Past Masters and Brethren. I was fortunate and honored to present a 50-year Membership Certificate and Gold pin to Brother Albert "Gus" Habersberger. Thank you, Brother Gus, for 50 years of faithful service and dedication to the Craft. I was privileged to present Masonic Bibles and Aprons to Brothers Frank Wilson III, Raymond Weltzen Torano, Marcelo Do Prado and Ronny Hanna. Congratulations Brothers. I would like to thank all who took the time to support me and the Past Masters of Acacia Lodge. Thank you, W Brother Wayne Richter, for your heartfelt message on behalf of the Past Masters. A HUGE thank you to RW Paul W Friend and W Brother Jeremy Horton and my family for all their hard work and assistance in making the evening such a success.

At our first stated communication we honored our Veterans and had a guest speaker, W Brother Matt McKaig PM. He served as a tomb guard at the tomb of the unknown soldier at Arlington National Cemetery. (Badge No. 400) and twice as Master of his Lodge. His talk was not only interesting but very fitting as we highlighted the dedication of service of our veterans. I am ever so grateful for your unwavering service and the freedoms and liberties that you ensured. Brother Stephen Hedrick was presented his Masonic Bible and Apron. Congratulations Brother

At our very well attended second stated meeting we had a fabulous Thanksgiving dinner prepared by W Brother Jeremy Horton and our JW, Brother Glenn Chadbourne. Thank you so much, the turkey and the gravy was perfect !! The theme of the month to honor our Veterans and Past Masters was concluded with a short talk of W. Bro Fred Stafford (1935) and W. Bro Joe Crankshaw (2000) and their Military Service History and personal sacrifices they made during the three campaigns they were in.

On November 20th, we had our annual Dollars Fore Scholars John Gray Golf Classic. It was a great event as usual and we were able to raise more money for our scholarship program. This is an important program and it so rewarding to know that we make a difference to worthy and well deserving students. I would like to give a big THANK YOU to Brothers Paul Friend, Jeremy Horton and Russell Gibson for all their hard work in putting this event together, it is much appreciated.

At our Stated Communication on December 2nd, we will be having our Officer elections. All are running unopposed so please come out and show your support. We will also be conducting an Entered Apprentice Degree on six Candidates. Please come out and support the Lodge and these men on that first very important step of their Masonic journey.

Save the date: On Saturday, January 8th, we will be having our Officer's Installation Ceremony. Dinner will begin at 6:00 with the Installation following at 7:30. This meeting will be open to everyone, so please bring your families and join us in welcoming your Officers of Acacia Lodge for 2022.

As we start the holiday season, I urge you to remember those who are less fortunate and assist them as you can. There are many opportunities to practice Charity, which is one of our principal tenets. Brother Kevin Gilbert is collecting non perishable items for the local food bank. If possible, please drop what you can in the box at the Lodge or contact me and we will arrange to collect form you.

(Continued pg 2)

Lodge Officers

It is hard to believe that my year as Worshipful Master is at an end. I reflect back with humility and gratitude for the Brotherly love shown to me and for the strengthening of friendships. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve you.

This has been a great experience and I have learned so much. I am so very thankful for everyone that helped and guided me during the year. I would like to thank every Officer for their hard work and dedication as well as the members who stepped up to help when called upon. It takes a team to accomplish the things that we did not just a couple of people, so thank you to ALL of you.

The Officers of Acacia Lodge worked so well together ensuring peace and harmony and I am so proud to be an Acacia Mason.

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season, a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Fraternally,

Stephen
Worshipful Master

Perpetual Membership

You are strongly encouraged to purchase a Perpetual Membership. This will not only eliminate your need to pay dues in the future but also help our lodge forever. The funds from your Perpetual Membership will continue to be received by the lodge long past the time when you pass on to the Celestial Lodge above. Through these Perpetual Memberships, Acacia Lodge will continue to thrive in the future. A future guaranteed by your foresight and commitment to our lodge. This Perpetual Membership is not costly and there are many ways to pay for it. For further information please contact our Secretary. And thank you for your dedication.

Acacia Lodge No. 163 Perpetual Members

PETER ALVAREZ	JEREMY W HORTON	MAHENDRA RAMGOPAL	JAMES W. GOODE	HONORARY
ANTHONY A ANDREOLI	JEFFREY HUNTER	RAJINDHAR RAMSINGH	JASON E. HELVESTON	GERALD D. BOYLES *
JAMES M BLOOMER	R DAVID HUNTOON	THOMAS RANDAZZO	B. DAVID SHORE	SAMUEL DURJAN *
MARTY BOATRIGHT *	GARY JONES	ANDREW J RIESS *	DONALD M. KNOTT	A. ARVIN FABER *
MATHEW BUTTERI JR*	ORION (OJ) JONES IV	MICHAEL ROMANOWICZ	JOHN F. BARCA	ANTHONY G. FABER *
MARK L CASSIDY III	CHRISTIAN B KALB *	JAMES ROWELL	CHARLES T. ZIRKLE	JUDGE GIRLINGHOUSE*
MARK CASSIDY JR	STEPHEN L KARR	JULIO SANCHEZ	GIANCARIO E. ODERDA	DAVE HELLINGS *
GLENN CHADBOURNE	MICHAEL KATZ	RICHARD L. SAWYERS	JOHN CLARK	FELIX H LYNN *
CHASE CHENAULT	VICTOR KENNEDY	JOSEPH SCHOONOVER	JOHN RASH	ROBERT TRUMP PGM*
THEODORE A CLARK *	FRANK E KIEFER	JOSEPH SCHULZ	ALBERT HABERSBERGER	MARTY REITZ, PDDGM
ROBERT COY *	G. KEIR LEBECK	DONALD A SCOTT	FRANK WILSON, III	
L EVANS CRARY JR PGM	KENNETH W. LEEDHAM	WESLEY SCOTT	STEPHEN P. SMITH	
CHRISTOPHER CRUCE	STEPHEN G LEIGHTON	HAROLD SEAL	KEVIN GILBERT	MEMORIAL
DAVID W CUMMINGS	MARC I. LEVINE	J BRUCE SIFF *	SERGIO NATIVI	STEVE ANDER*
MATTHEW DAHLQUIST	JAMES G LIANOS	JAMES (BUD) SLAY *	J. STEVEN COY	LAWRENCE E CRARY SR*
IRVIN DEGGELLER *	RICHARD D LOEW	JAMES E SMITH *	RAYMOND W TORANO	HOWARD FRENZ *
STEPHEN DILLEMUTH	JONNY KEITH LONG	TERRY SMITH		JOHN C GRAY *
JACK DURJAN	CABOT LORD	JOE C. STATON *		JACKSON M HARTMAN *
RUI JESSE DUTRA	RICHARD LUKESIC*	GEORGE STOKUS		RALPH W HARTMAN SR*
RICHARD ARVIN FABER *	LAWRENCE LUTRIN	CURTIS STOVER SR*		HARRY L. JACOBS SR.*
ROLAND E FINES	HARRY McCUBBIN	STEVEN SUMNERS		STANLEY KENNEDY *
FRANK FORTE	WILLIAM H MCMILLAN	LAWRENCE SUTTON		LEON LAROCHE *
WILLIAM FRANKLIN	JACK C MILLER*	IRA W SWIGART *		RICHARD MARTIN *
PAUL W FRIEND	ROBERT MITTMAYER	STEVE TATE *		FRANCIS E PIERCE *
D TRENT GALLIMORE *	DONALD MURPHY	GREGORY THOMPSON		LLOYD W PROPER *
STEVEN GARRETT	THOMAS NEILD JR *	HAL TOBIAS		THOMAS F TAYLOR *
OTIS (BEN) GEIGER II	STEPHEN C NELSON	ANDERSON L. TRIGGS		LLOYD R. GASKINS *
STEVE GLUCKSMAN	MATTHEW OLIVO	JOHN WALLACE *		RONALD CANTANA*
ROBERT GOODRICH *	GARY W OWEN	DONALD J WILSON *		RICHARD COX*
ALBERT GRYDER*	DYLAN PARRISH	WALTER S WINDECKER *		
MATTHEW E HARRIS	THORNEY PATTENAUD*	WILLIS YOUNG		
STEVEN K HARTMAN *	VIRGIL (RED) PERRY *	CLIFFORD S YUHAS		FRIEND OF THE LODGE
ROBERT W HESLOP *	BRAD PETERS	STEPHEN G. PAULSEN		ANITHA NELSON
SAMUEL HIRSCHLER	JOHN D PICKFORD	TOMAS E. ROJAS		CATHERINE ANN SIANO
H. DALE HOFFA *	ROBERT A PIERCE *	PETER R. SICOLI		JUDY P FRIEND
MICHAEL HOFFA	ALLAN J PITCHFORD JR*	AUSTIN DRUKKER, JR		KATHERINE COLLINS

Worshipful Master

Stephen C. Nelson
(772) 333-4973

stephennelson72@gmail.com

Senior Warden

Julio Sanchez

Junior Warden

Glenn Chadbourne

Treasurer

John D. Pickford, PDDGM

Secretary

Paul W Friend, PDDGM

(772)260-6404

mipgm96@aol.com

Senior Deacon

Stephen Paulsen

Junior Deacon

Steven Sumners

Senior Steward

Joseph Schoonover

Junior Steward

Austin Drukker, Jr

Marshal

Jeremy W. Horton, PM

Chaplain

Frank E. Kiefer, PDDGM

Tyler

Michael Lynn

Musician

Marty Reitz, PDDGM
Walter Hanner

Lodge Instructors

John D. Pickford, PDDGM

Paul W. Friend, PDDGM

Lodge Historian



Acacia Lodge No. 163 F.&A.M. Past Masters



1906 THOMAS HELLIER *	1939 RALPH B ULMER *	1970 DEAN GARY *	1998 ALBERT D GRYDER*
1907-10 DOUGLAS E AUSTIN *	1940 A C COURSON *	1971 IRA W SWIGART *	1999 MATTHEW E HARRIS
1911,13 CHARLES T HELLIER *	1941 ARLIS STUART *	1972 RAY L BLACKWOOD JR*	2000 JOSEPH C CRANKSHAW*
1912 H L PHILLIPS *	1942 H E REDDELEIN *	1973 JAMES E BROWN *	2001 PETER A ALVAREZ
1914 L L YELRINGHAM *	1943 R A TUNLEY *	1974 WILLIE W BARRIOS *	2004 MICHAEL J YUHAS*
1915 EDWARD LAKE *	1944 JOHN N MANN *	1975 VIRGIL S PERRY *	2005 OTIS (BEN) GEIGER II +
1916 ERICH SCHROEDER *	1945 J F WESTER *	1976 G WADE AYCOCK	2006 EARL S KRATZER*
1917 GUARD SCHROEDER *	1946,47 W D BLANTON *	1977 WILLIAM CUNNINGHAM *	2007 GEORGE H WINTERLING
1918 M R JOHNS SR *	1948 E E VAN SCOY *	1978 RALPH S WOOD + *	2008 KEVIN M GRIMES*
1919 GEORGE W PARKS SR *	1949,52 LEE HIGBEE *	1979 COY D ISAACS *	2009 RICHARD G BEECROFT JR
1920,21 S A MATHEWS *	1950 GEORGE W PARKS JR *	1980 WILLIAM MCELHELRY	2010 R. WAYNE RICHTER
1922 JOE A YOUNGBLOOD *	1951 J L COLEMAN *	1981 FRED L EMERY*	2011 JAY L. REX
1923 A M CHRISTIANSON *	1953 GEORGE W LAVENE + *	1982 WALTER S WINDECKER *	2012 G. KEIR LEBECK
1924 L B EURIT *	1954 GLENN F ULMER *	1983 CHARLES A KNOELLER *	2013 JOHN D. PICKFORD +
1925 E H ARBEAU *	1955 HENRY C BECKMAN JR*	1984 JACK E BRADY *	2014 FRANK E. KIEFER +
1926 TOLEY ENGERBRETSON *	1956 JACKSON M HARTMAN *	1985 ROBERT L CROWDER	2015 DYLAN PARRISH
1927 M G LITTMAN *	1957 ERNEST HIGBEE *	1986 HAROLD CATO *	2016 GEORGE M. STOKUS +
1928 J H WHITFIELD *	1958 STEPHEN HUDDLE *	1987 EDWARD S BOBECK *	2017 LAWRENCE G LUTRIN
1929 J E COLEY *	1959 ED SCHNURBUSCH *	1988 MARTIN E MALTBIÉ *	2018 JUSTIN M KUNST
1930 CHARLES H RUE *	1960 L EVANS CRARY JR + >	1989 DAVID J ROBERTSON*	2019 ORION F JONES, IV
1931 R CECIL JOHNS *	1962 JAMES FOSTER + *	1990,02,03 PAUL W FRIEND +	2020 JEREMY W. HORTON
1932 EDWARD MAPP *	1963 CARL F DYKES	1991 HARLEE J ENGEL	
1933 M R CARTWRIGHT *	1964 CHRISTIAN B KALB + *	1992 MARVIN W SAWYERS *	
1934 R J TAYLOR *	1965 JOHN C GRAY *	1993 RICHARD L SAWYERS	HONORARY
1935 F A STAFFORD *	1966 JOSEPH S HENDERSON*	1994 DAVID J ROBERTSON*	1998 THEODORE A CLARK*
1936 J R POMEROY *	1967 FRED J NIEBLING*	1995 JAMES E SMITH *	* DECEASED
1937 A O KANNER *	1968 LLOYD W PROPER*	1996 WILLIAM H MCMILLAN +	+ PDDGM
1938 R C MINNEHAN *	1969 WILLIAM S ROBSON	1997 WILLIAM J GILBERT JR	> PGM

December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1) Officer's Meeting & Degree Practice	2) Stated Communication 6:30PM Dinner, 7:30PM Meeting E.A. Degree	3)	4)
5)	6)	7)	8)	9) Unity Chapter No 37 OES Meeting 7:30	10)	11)
12)	13) Treasure Coast Court No. 76 Order of Amaranth	14)	15) Officer's Meeting & Degree Practice	16) Stated Communication 6:30PM Dinner, 7:30PM Meeting	17)	18) 8:00-10:00 AM Acacia Pancake Breakfast *Masters & Wardens 9:00 AM at Okeechobee Lodge No 237
19)	20)	21)	22)	23) Unity Chapter No. 37 OES Meeting 7:30	24)	25)
26)	27)	28)	29)	30)	31)	1)

Acacia Lodge No. 163, F.&A.M.
P.O. Box 2415
Stuart, FL 34995
Address Service Requested



Non-Profit Organization
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
STUART, FLORIDA
Permit No. 28

ACACIA LODGE No. 163, F.&A.M.

20 Osceola Street, Stuart Florida
Meets first and third Thursdays at 7:30pm
(Dinner at 6:30pm)



Unity Chapter No. 37, Order of Eastern Star

Meets second and fourth Thursdays at 7:30pm



Treasure Coast No. 76 Order of the Amaranth

Meets third Monday at 7:30pm



Ziba Grotto, of the Florida State Grotto Assoc.

Meets Quarterly, usually at 6pm the first Monday of the Quarter



Sickness and Distress If you know of any Brother who is having Health problems, please let us know. Please keep the families of Brothers Weldon Cardin, Bruce Walker, Albert Gryder PM, Thorney Pattenaude, Jr., James Danuser who passed away in the month November in your prayers. Also remember Brothers L. Evans Crary, Jr., Antom Eastman, Gus Habersberger, Milton Wegler, Duane Gardner, Richard Diekmann, Kevin Beebe, James Gibbs, Robert Crowder PM, Jack Cole, Victor Kennedy, Ray Gosnell PM, Charles Tucker and Samuel Hirschler in your prayers.

Awaiting E.A.

MARCOS A. HERNANDEZ

Awaiting F.C.

CHESTER ARTHUR KING III

Awaiting M.M.

Affiliations

MIICHAEL NORMAN DENNEBY

MICHAEL D. MCLAUGHLIN

RUSELL A HERNANDEZ

SYLVESTER C. SPINETTA, IV

GREGORY S HENDRICKS

TIMOTHY VAN DEN HEUVEL

ERIC CAPERS

PABLO A. ORTEGA

JOSEPH AMORATIS

BRENTON A. ROBERTS

ASK, SEEK, KNOCK