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WORDS OF WISDOM

Don't give up because of one bad chapter in your life. Keep going because your story does not end here.

Do not correct a fool or he will hate you. Correct a wise man and he will appreciate you!

Knowledge is knowing what to say, wisdom is knowing when to say it.

From the East

Hello Brothers,

The month of March is not only the beginning of Spring, it also has some history in Freemasonry. On March 17th, 1856, the Grand Lodge of Kansas was established in Wyandotte County. On March 25th, 1882, the Grand Lodge of Arizona was established in Tucson, and on March 18th, 1919, the Order of DeMolay was founded in Kansas City, Missouri, later to become DeMolay International. I thought I would share a little Masonic history with everyone, now on to some business.

On February 16th, we had a Patriotic Night which was an open meeting to celebrate President's Day. We also gave out years of service pins to deserving brothers as follows: 65 year pin to Robert W. Bailey Sr., 50 year pins to Willis "Ed" Young and Cleveland Glover, 40 year pins to John D. Pickford and Jack White, and 25 year pins to James "Ron" Cromer and Albert J. Kinsel. We also gave out Perpetual Membership cards to Michael Katz and Donald Murphy. Some of these brothers traveled many hours to receive their awards, and it is much appreciated. We invited Alice Luckhardt who is a local historian and author, as our guest speaker. She spoke about local families who served in both World Wars and also about some local history; it was very interesting. Dinner was delicious and was prepared by our JW OJ Jones and his wife Vonda. There was a total of 65 people present to celebrate this evening, and that just shows how strong our Lodge is. Thanks to all who showed up and also to those who helped with this special night.

The Officers and some Brothers met recently to review the applications for our Scholarships from the local high schools. We narrowed it down and interviewed the seniors who made the cut, and will be announcing the winners in April at their schools and awarding thirteen \$1,000 Scholarships to the ones chosen. These Scholarships will be given out on our Law Enforcement Appreciation Night on May 18th. This is one of the very important things we do for our community and I am proud to be a part of it. I want to thank all the Brothers who helped out especially Brother Steve Karr for all his help organizing our Scholarship program; it is very much appreciated.

On March 2nd, we will be having a Fellow Craft Degree. If you are available, please come out that evening and lets show these Brothers some support for the wonderful journey they chose to enter.

I would like to give a BIG thank you to Brother Tom Randazzo for taking pictures at our Officer Installation night, and also for taking professional pictures of the Officers for our website which were just uploaded. If you have not been on our website yet, you need to see the hard work some of the brothers are doing to maintain this website. The web address is www.acacialodge163.org. Thank you Brother SW Justin Kunst for setting it up and Brother Tyler Thorney Pattenaude for your work and assistance updating the website.

I would like to end with this thought, March 4th is the only day that is also a sentence. Go ahead and smile if you get it!

Fraternally,

Lawrence Lutrin

Worshipful Master

2nd Annual Shrimp Boil and Social

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Lodge Historian

Joseph C Crankshaw, PM

As I have already mentioned, we will be having another Shrimp Boil to help raise money so we can have the outside of our lodge stuccoed, sealed and painted which is a much needed update. The tickets for dinner and entertainment are only \$15.00 each, and it will be held at the lodge on April 29th, from 4:00 PM to 7:30 PM, and the Bluegrass band Skeeter Kreek will be performing. Please consider purchasing some tickets for yourself, family or maybe even just making a donation to the lodge if you are unable to attend. The funds raised by our Shrimp Boil will help with the cost but it won't be enough, and I know through the generosity of the craft we should be able to raise enough money to keep the lodge in great shape. The total cost of this work is estimated at \$19,000. We will be having silent auctions that evening as well, so if anyone would like to donate something to the lodge to be auctioned off to help raise money, please contact me or our Secretary Paul Friend. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated. We are continually working to raise money so that we can maintain our Lodge.



Famous Freemasons

William Clark—American explorer and frontier politician who joined another Freemason, Meriwether Lewis on the Lewis and Clark expedition (1804 through 1806), the first overland exploration of the American West and Pacific Northwest. Clark was responsible for the careful mapmaking. He later served as Native American agent and governor of the Missouri Territory (1813-1821). The records of his initiation do not exist, but on September 18, 1809, Saint Louis Lodge No. 111 issued a traveling certificate for Clark.

MARCH 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Officer's meeting 7:00 PM	2 Lodge Meeting 7:30 Dinner 6:30 FC Degree	3	4
5	6	7	8 Open Books 6PM Ft Pierce	9	10	11
12 Day-light Savings time	13	14	15 Officer's meeting 7:00 PM	16 Lodge Meeting 7:30 Dinner 6:30 PM	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 Lodge breakfast 8-10 AM M&W @ St. Pete Home
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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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 *	
1929 J E COLEY *	1959 ED SCHNURBUSCH *	1988 MARTIN E MALTBIE *	
1930 CHARLES H RUE *	1960 L EVANS CRARY JR + >	1989 DAVID J ROBERTSON	
1931 R CECIL JOHNS *	1962 JAMES FOSTER + *	1990,02,03 PAUL W FRIEND +	
1932 EDWARD MAPP *	1963 CARL F DYKES	1991 HARLEE J ENGEL	
1933 M R CARTWRIGHT *	1964 CHRISTIAN B KALB + *	1992MARVIN 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

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	OTIS (BEN) GEIGER II	RICHARD D LOEW	RICHARD L. SAWYERS	HONORARY
ANTHONY A ANDREOLI JR	STEVE GLUCKSMAN	JONNY KEITH LONG	JOSEPH SCHULZ	GERALD D. BOYLES *
JAMES M BLOOMER	ROBERT GOODRICH *	RICHARD LUKESIC	DONALD A SCOTT	SAMUEL DURJAN *
MARTY BOATRIGHT *	GARY JONES	LAWRENCE LUTRIN	WESLEY SCOTT	A. ARVIN FABER *
MATHEW BUTTERI JR*	ALBERT GRYDER	HARRY McCUBBIN	HAROLD SEAL	ANTHONY G. FABER *
MARK L CASSIDY III	MATTHEW E HARRIS	WILLIAM H MCMILLAN	J BRUCE SIFF	JUDGE GIRLINGHOUSE
MARK CASSIDY JR	STEVEN K HARTMAN	JACK C MILLER	JAMES (BUD) SLAY	DAVE HELTINGS *
THEODORE A CLARK *	ROBERT W HESLOP *	ROBERT MITTMAYER	JAMES E SMITH *	FELIX H LYNN *
ROBERT COY	SAMUEL HIRSCHLER	DONALD MURPHY	TERRY SMITH	ROBERT TRUMP PGM
L EVANS CRARY JR PGM	H. DALE HOFFA	THOMAS NEILD JR	JOE C. STATON *	
CHRISTOPHER CRUCE	MICHAEL HOFFA	MATTHEW OLIVO	GEORGE STOKUS	MEMORIAL
DAVID W CUMMINGS	JEREMY W HORTON	GARY W OWEN	LAWRENCE SUTTON	STEVE ANDER*
MATTHEW DAHLQUIST	JEFFREY HUNTER	DYLAN PARRISH	IRA W SWIGART *	LAWRENCE E CRARY SR*
IRVIN DEGGELLER *	R DAVID HUNTOON	THORNEY PATTENAUDE JR	STEVE TATE*	HOWARD FREND *
STEPHEN DILLEMUTH	ORION (OJ) JONES IV	VIRGIL (RED) PERRY *	MAHENDRA RAMGOPAL	JOHN C GRAY *
JACK DURJAN	CHRISTIAN B KALB *	BRAD PETERS	GREGORY THOMPSON	JACKSON M HARTMAN *
RICHARD ARVIN FABER	STEPHEN L KARR	JOHN D PICKFORD	HAL TOBIAS	RALPH W HARTMAN SR*
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WILLIAM FRANKLIN	G. KEIR LEBECK	RAJINDHAR M. RAMSINGH	DONALD J WILSON *	LEON LAROCHE *
PAUL W FRIEND	KENNETH W. LEEDHAM	THOMAS RANDAZZO	WALTER S WINDECKER *	RICHARD MARTIN *
D TRENT GALLIMORE *	STEPHEN G LEIGHTON	ANDREW J RIESS *	WILLIS YOUNG	FRANCIS E PIERCE *
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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 second and fourth Mondays at 7:30pm



Ziba Grotto, of the Florida State Grotto Assoc.

Meets quarterly, usually at 6pm the first Monday of the month



Sickness and Distress

If you know of any Brother who is having Health problems please let us know.

Please keep Brothers Ray Gosnell PM, Victor Kennedy, Charles Tucker, Cliff Wagner Joseph Crankshaw PM, Ralph Pocelli, Rod Dennis, Stan Mazinowski, Dale Hoffa's lady Sandy, Brother Rocky Rodriguez who is recovering from surgery, Earl McLean and Cyrus Trowbridge, the wife of Brother Tom Jenkins, the wife of Brother Azeal Colon, son of Brother Michael Katz, the family of Brother William Flerx, a 54 year mason who just passed away on Dec 26th and the family of our widow Grace Woodburn who just passed away, in your prayers.

Awaiting E.A.

Awaiting F.C.

Awaiting M.M.

Affiliations

JULIO SANCHEZ
STEVE SUMMERS
KEVIN POPE

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