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## ACACIA LODGE NO 163 F.&A.M.



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- Remember the Blood Bank Please Donate Account # is A61
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### WORDS OF WISDOM

Remember not only to say the right thing in the right place, but far more difficult still, to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment.

Br. Benjamin Franklin

Education is an admirable thing, but it is well to remember from time to time that nothing that is worth knowing can be taught.

Br. Oscar Wilde

### From the East

Hello Brothers,

August has been a quiet month for the Lodge. Our brothers that are snowbirds are living comfortably in their northern homes away from the scorching Florida heat and humidity. Even with their absence, we are having a pretty good attendance at our summer meetings, and I really appreciate that very much.

On August 2nd, Brother Glenn Chadbourne did his EA Return at a Called Communication with great proficiency thanks in part to Brother W.: Frank Kiefer who was teaching him the catechism.

On August 12th, our Masonic District held a Cowboy BBQ for the residents of the Masonic Home in St. Petersburg. I would like to thank the following members of our Lodge for attending and making this day great for them: RW George Stokus and his wife Mary, W.: Frank Kiefer, Br. Gary Owen and his lady Kathy, Br. Stephen Nelson and his wife Anitha and son Caluhm, Br. Thorney Pattenaude and his wife Vivian. They served hamburgers, hotdogs, and a variety of other foods to everyone. Pictures of the day are available on our Facebook page, so please go check them out.

On August 17th, RW George Stokus had his Official DDGM visit to our Lodge with some of his Committeemen. It was a great night with a good turnout. RW George made the evening enjoyable as usual and read the Grand Masters message. Also, we were honored that evening with the presence of our Past Grand Master M.:W.: L. Evans Crary Jr.. It is always a pleasure sharing some fellowship with him. For those of you that didn't know, M.:W.: L. Evans Crary Jr. was our Grand Master in 1992.

On September 16th, we will be having our monthly breakfast at the Lodge from 8am—10am. Please bring your family and friends and help support our Lodge.

We have scheduled our annual John Gray Dollars Fore Scholars Memorial Golf Tournament. It will be held at the Martin Downs Golf Club in Palm City on Saturday, November 18th. Breakfast and lunch will be served, and we will also have several raffles. Please save the date as this is our main fundraiser for our Scholarship program. Prices for golfers are \$125 for singles, \$500 for a foursome and \$150 for a Hole Sponsor. It should be an enjoyable event as always.

September 4th is Labor day, which honors the American labor movement and the contributions that workers have made to the strength, prosperity, laws and well-being of the country. Beginning in the late 19th century, as the trade union and labor movements grew, trade unionists proposed that a day be set aside to celebrate labor. "Labor Day" was promoted by the Central Labor Union and the Knights of Labor, which organized the first parade in New York City. In 1887, Oregon was the first state of the United States to make it an official public holiday. By the time it became an official federal holiday in 1894, thirty U.S. states officially celebrated Labor Day. I hope everyone enjoys their holiday!

May peace and harmony prevail!

Fraternally,

*Lawrence Lutrin*

Worshipful Master

# Lodge Officers

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**Lodge Historian**

Joseph C Crankshaw, PM

In the First and Second Degrees, you found yourself surrounded by the symbols and emblems of architecture; in the Third Degree, you found yourself in a different order of symbolism, one cast in the language of the soul—its life, its tragedy, and its triumph. To recognize this fact is the first step in interpretation.

The second step is to recognize that the Ritual of the Third Degree by its nature, and purpose, may lawfully have many meanings; it is not intended to be a lesson, written complete, finished, closed up; but rather to be a pointing out of paths, a new departure, a series of inspirations, an awakening of all the faculties, like a great drama, picture or symphony to which one may evermore return to find new meanings as in an inexhaustible fountain-head of truth.

For this reason, there may be a number of interpretations of the Degree, and they may all be true at one and the same time. It is, for example, lawful to explain it as a drama of old age, with its attendant losses, sorrows, evils, and its final end. It is also lawful to find in it a drama of the Immortality of the soul, how in it, is set forth the truth that while a man withers away and perishes there is that in him which perishes not.

Based on the fact that at the center of the Degree is a dying and a Raising again, that this is the meaning most generally adopted by the Craft is shown by our habits of language; we say that a man is initiated an Entered Apprentice, passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft, and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason; by this it appears that it is the Raising that most Masons have found at the center of the conferral of this Sublime Degree. What does this Raising signify? If you have the answer to this question you can afterwards find your own way into all the meanings of the Degree.

## SEPTEMBER 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6 Officers Meeting 7:00 pm	7 Lodge Meeting 7:30 Dinner 6:30	8 WM B-day	9
10	11	12	13 Open Books Ft Pierce 6 pm	14	15	16 Lodge Breakfast
17	18	19	20 Officers Meeting 7:00 pm	21 Lodge Meeting 7:30 Dinner 6:30	22	23 Masters and Wardens Acacia Lodge Breakfast 8 am Meeting 9 am
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

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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 CECL JOHN S *	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 + *	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

## 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 com-

mitment 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	RAJINDHAR M. RAMSINGH	<b>HONORARY</b>
ANTHONY A ANDREOLI JR	STEVE GLUCKSMAN	JONNY KEITH LONG	CURTIS STOVER SR	GERALD D. BOYLES *
JAMES M BLOOMER	ROBERT GOODRICH *	RICHARD LUKESIC	DONALD A SCOTT	SAMUEL DURJAN *
MARTY BOATRIGHT *	ALBERT GRYDER	LAWRENCE LUTRIN	WESLEY SCOTT	A. ARVIN FABER *
MATHEW BUTTERI JR*	R DAVID HUNTOON	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	STEPHEN NELSON	GEORGE STOKUS	<b>MEMORIAL</b>
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CHASE CHENAULT	JEFFREY HUNTER	MATTHEW OLIVO	IRA W SWIGART *	LAWRENCE E CRARY SR*
IRVIN DEGGELLER *	GARY JONES	THORNEY PATTENAUDE JR	RICHARD L. SAWYERS	HOWARD FREN D *
STEPHEN DILLEMUTH	ORION (OJ) JONES IV	VIRGIL (RED) PERRY *	JOSEPH SCHULZ	JOHN C GRAY *
JACK DURJAN	CHRISTIAN B KALB *	BRAD PETERS	STEVE TATE *	JACKSON M HARTMAN *
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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 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



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**Sickness and Distress** If you know of any Brother who is having Health problems, please let us know.

Please keep Brothers Leon Smith, Curtis (Smokey) Stover, Sylvester Spinetta, Jack Cole, Victor Kennedy, Ray Gosnell PM, Charles Tucker, Cliff Wagner, Joseph Crankshaw PM, Ralph Pocelli, Rod Dennis, Stan Mazinowski, the family of Cyrus Trowbridge who passed away in May, the wife of Brother Azeal Colon, Zachariah Katz, the son of Brother Michael Katz, the family of our widow Grace Woodburn in your prayers.

Awaiting E.A.

Awaiting F.C.

Awaiting M.M.

Affiliations

KEVIN POPE

GLENN MICHAEL CHADBOURNE

AUSTIN PIERCE CAREY

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