



Liberty Lodge No. 412 F&AM



August 2019 Trestleboard

Message from the East; Worshipful Master Tom Haber

My Brothers,

As we wrap up our busy summer months and our families get back to other things, remember to get back to the Lodge too! At our next Stated Communication meeting this August 10th we are expecting to ballot on at least one Candidate, hear the EA Catechism giveback of at least 2 Brothers. The following week Liberty Lodge will be doing a FellowCraft degree on Saturday August 17th at 9am, with a light breakfast starting at 8:00am. We will need conductors, and a full sideline is always appreciated during a Degree, so please add this to your schedules and plan to attend if possible. Remember to come early and enjoy the fellowship of our Brothers. I hope to see you all in the Lodge soon!

W.: Tom Haber; 904-501-0993

Message from the West; SW Ken Ammons

Brothers,

Nothing from the West this month.

Ken Ammons; SW 941-238-8828

Message from the South; JW David Finkelstein

My Brothers, the Entered Apprentice lecture says "Freemasonry unites men of every ...opinion." What exactly does that mean? Does that mean I have to compromise my political beliefs because other Brothers have other political beliefs? Of course not. It just means you ought to be friends with people that have different beliefs: "Freemasonry conciliates true friendship among those who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance." They say our society has become a series of bubbles, where we all stay in a bubble where all our friends, our TV and radio stations and our newspapers all think like we do. Freemasonry breaks the bubble and unites men of every opinion. It doesn't tell you to change yours, just to be friends with people of other opinions.

I see Masons opining on Facebook, but sometimes I see them get carried away and insult the actual people who hold opinions contrary to theirs. In law, we have something called "Argumentum Ad Hominum". It means "Argument about the Man," as opposed to argument about the issue. Argumentum Ad Hominum is considered un-persuasive and a court of law will make you stop if you start doing that in an argument. I suggest that insulting the people who disagree with you is more than just Argumentum Ad Hominum. Because it fails to conciliate true friendship among those who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance, it's un-Masonic. Let's don't do that. And if you disagree with me, you are a ... whoops! Gotta go read the lecture again!

David Finkelstein; JW 941-587-8800



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From the Lodge Secretary; Richard Benson

If you would like to become a Trestleboard Sponsor, to help the Lodge defray the cost for our Website and Communications, please send a check to the Secretary.

Current 2019 Trestle Board Sponsors:

Platinum Sponsor (\$100)

SW Ken Ammons

Gold Club (\$50)

None

Silver Club (\$25)

PM.: Mark Mason

WM.: Tom Haber

Br. Richard Benson

Liberty Lodge Brothers with a July or August Birthday:

Horace G. Griffin Jr., July

Stanley Walker, August

Otis Wilson Jr., July

Michael Arnold, August

Gerardo Carmona, July

Shaun Koby, July

Have a Great Birthday!!!!

Liberty Lodge Brothers Celebrating a Masonic Birthday in July or August:

Gerardo Carmona, July, 1 year

David Finkelstein, July, 10 years

Michael Rogers, August, 5 years

Liberty Lodge 412 - Committees for 2019:

Masonic Education – Brother JW David Finkelstein & W.: Tom Haber.

Finance - Brothers SW Ken Ammons, PM Mason, Benson, Light and RW.: Dobbs.

Petitions - Brother Secretary Richard Benson & PM Mason.

Board of Masonic Relief - WM.: Haber and Brother SW Ammons & JW Finkelstein.

Petition Investigation – Brother SW Ammons, Rogers, Sloan; others assigned as needed.

Charity - Brothers Cunningham, Ammons, Benson.

Lodge Property - Brothers SW Ammons, PM Mason, Light.

Richard Benson, Secretary - Liberty Lodge 412 F&AM

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Liberty Lodge No. 412 F&AM meets the second Saturdays of the month

Lodge Meetings:

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Piggy Banks for Charity is a Liberty Lodge program started by our Brother JW David Finkelstein. He purchased piggy banks and passed them out to all present at our Stated Communication and asked that our Brothers put their spare change into the bank and when full return it to the Lodge to go towards our LYPMGC and other Charity donations. So far Brothers Horace Griffin, Seaborn Walker, Otis Wilson, WM Tom Haber and PM George Vomvoris have returned their Piggy Banks for a total contribution of \$118.81 with 2 banks yet to be counted!

Thank You to these Brothers for your Contributions to Piggy Banks for Charity!

If you did not receive a Piggy Bank for Charity and would like one, see the Lodge Secretary for your bank. You do not need to be a member of Liberty Lodge to participate. If your Bank is full please turn it in to the Secretary for counting!

Liberty No. 412 Past Masters

2017 - Earl Dennis Jr.

2018 - Dr. Mark L. Mason

Liberty No. 412 Perpetual Members

Dr. Mark Mason, PM: 2018

Ken Ammons

Thomas Haber, PM: 2019

Steven Grubbs

Les Ruggerio

Liberty No. 412 Sick and Distressed:

None that we are currently aware of.

Please inform our Chaplain Bob Cunningham of any sickness, distress or requests for Funeral Services at (941) 417-7872 or at bob44c@aol.com

Liberty Lodge Social Media Links:

Liberty Lodge 412 F&AM Website: <https://libertylodge412.com/>

Liberty Lodge FaceBook Site: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1987051098234807/>

23rd Masonic District Website

Webmaster: Gary Schweinshaupt

www.trowel.com/flamason/dist23.htm or via email at: GarySch@trowel.com



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Friends & Brothers of Liberty Lodge No. 412

Help us out by signing on to www.Libertylodge412.com to launch your Amazon shopping. That way your orders will bring Money to the Lodge, while costing nothing additional to you. Thanks for your consideration!



RW.: Dan Van Alstine and his District Committeemen visited Liberty 412 on July 13th, 2019

Degree and Proficiency Work

Awaiting Balloting: Baron Kamp, Cameron Mailloux, Joshua Pelton & Jose Lopez Morgado.

Awaiting EA Degree: None.

Awaiting EA Catechism: Amir Ghaenzadeh, Dariush Ghaenzadeh, Stanley Walker Jr., Horace Griffin Jr., Kevin Clayton, Otis Wilson, Robert Leonard, Seaborn Walker, Yerandy Molina, Tamas Zettener & Jason Garrett.

Awaiting FC Degree: None

Awaiting FC Catechism: None

Awaiting MM Degree: None

Awaiting MM Catechism: None



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Calendar of upcoming Lodge Events

Wed. July 31st, 2019 – 23rd Masonic District MLT Classes (Session #1, Modules 1-5) at **6:30 PM**;
Hosted by Phoenix Lodge No. 346

Sat. August 3rd, 2019 – Liberty 412 / Manatee 31 Lodge Cleanup day, **8:00 AM**; at Manatee
Lodge No. 31

Sat. August 10th, 2019 - Liberty Lodge Stated Communication, **9:00 AM**; at Manatee Lodge No.
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Sat. August 10th, 2019 – 23rd Masonic District Open Books, **9:00 AM**; at Sarasota Lodge No. 147

Sat. August 17th, 2019 - Liberty Lodge Called Communication for a FellowCraft Degree, **9:00 AM**;
at Manatee Lodge No. 31

Thr. August 22nd, 2019 – 23rd Masonic District Master Mason Association Meeting, **6:45 PM**;
Hosted by Manatee Lodge No. 31

Wed. August 28th, 2019 – 23rd Masonic District MLT Classes (Session #2, Modules 6-10) at **6:30**
PM; Hosted by Manatee Lodge No. 31