



# Liberty Lodge No. 412 F&AM



## January 2019 Trestleboard

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### Message from the East; Worshipful Master Tom Haber

My Brothers,

Welcome to February, the coldest month of the year. Or as I like to call it, the most comfortable time of the year! This time of year is also our area's busiest time. Our population seems to double this time of the year. One of the things this Lodge was built for were these snowbird Brothers who look for Masonry when they are here in FL. I have met many many Canadian Brothers in Lodges here and for the most part the Moose meat doesn't seem to have affected them much. They are fun, regular guys who enjoy Masonry as much as we do. Likewise the Brothers I've met visiting from Ohio, Michigan and even New York and New Jersey were fun guys to be around. When you meet other Masons out in the world, remember to invite them to visit our Lodge. I will be printing some Lodge business cards that any one of you can carry with you, to leave with a Brother you meet to invite them to our Lodge. The membership growth of this Lodge is essential to its success. Most of the Brothers who visit us won't become members, but some will and they may know someone who is looking for a fun active Lodge. The more welcoming we are to our visiting Brothers, the more likely it is that they will return and visit us.

*Everyone should feel welcome in our Lodge; except Phoenix 346.* Since there is no good font in Word for sarcasm, let me be clear that I am only joking about Phoenix 346 not being welcome. The Brothers from Phoenix Lodge are some of the most passionate and invigorated Brothers in our District, and I truly enjoy seeing them every time. However, Phoenix 346 did leave our last meeting with the 23<sup>rd</sup> Masonic District's Travelling Gavel, which I was very proud to have held in our Lodge for the past several months. It will be back before the year is over, rest assured. 😊

Brothers one last important item regarding the 23<sup>rd</sup> Masonic District; Liberty Lodge will host the Brothers of the 23<sup>rd</sup> District's Master Mason Association meeting on Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup> where we will provide pizza and beverages for the Brothers who attend. I would appreciate a good showing at this event since we are hosting it. If you have time, please mark your calendar to be at Manatee 31 on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm for dinner and then a brief meeting.

**W.: Tom Haber; 904-501-0993**

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### Message from the West; Ken Ammons

Brothers. We had a great meeting this past Saturday. We had a good crowd, almost 30 Brothers with Manatee 31 and Phoenix 346 Brothers in attendance. The Craft presented PM: Mark with his Past Master apron. Brother Chuck Knapp spoke on fundraising by working the Pirates and Marauders ball games and the Lodge receiving funds for it, training will be provided. Brother Victor Morales assisted by our JW David Finkelstein educated us on Trusts and Wills and a way to leave money to our Lodges and/or the Masonic Home which was very informative. Phoenix 346 requested the Traveling Gavel and then ran away with it. That's all from the West. See you soon.

**Ken Ammons; SW 941-238-8828**

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### Message from the South; David Finkelstein

Hello Brothers!

For Masonic Education this year, I thought I would discuss entries in the Masonic Etiquette Booklet each month, taking a break from the series whenever someone has another topic they would like to present. This is part of our goal to make our meetings so interesting that you won't want to miss them. Let me know how we are doing with that.

The Junior Warden heads up the Vigilance Committee. On that subject, I would like to mention briefly the Masonic way of dealing with disagreements or problems. I have too often had the humiliating experience of a Brother yelling out in front of a whole Lodge when I made mistakes. I have also had people come up to me and gossip about another Brother who has made a mistake. Neither one of these are the Masonic way. Masonry teaches us not to do these things, but to "whisper in the ear of an erring Brother and warn him of approaching danger." Masonry also teaches us not to humiliate our Brothers. But what if whispering in a Brother's ear doesn't work? Then can I shout out or gossip about it? No. That can create new problems that didn't exist before, and besides, Masonry has provided for that situation. If an erring Brother won't listen, come quietly to your Vigilance Committee or to your Worshipful Master and whisper in our ears. Or go to your DDGM and whisper in his hear. We are all here to help handle problems in a quiet way, in a way which respects the dignity of all Brothers, even those who sometimes err.

Like me. Like you. Like us all. Thanks!

**David Finkelstein; JW 941-587-8800**

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### From the Lodge Secretary; Richard Benson

If you would like to be a Trestle Board Sponsor, please send a check to Liberty Lodge 412 F&AM.

#### Current 2019 Trestle Board Sponsors:

**Pinnacle Sponsor (\$100)**

*None*

**Platinum Club (\$75)**

*None*

**Gold Club (\$50)**

*None*

**Silver Club (\$25)**

*PM.: Mark Mason*

#### Petitions:

Currently we have no Candidates waiting to receive the 3 Degrees of Freemasonry.

#### Happy Birthday to Brothers Celebrating a Birthday in February!

Giles Light

James Sloan

PM.: Mark Mason

#### February Masonic Birthdays

Jeffery Pick - 13 years

**David Rowe – 62 years**

*2019 Liberty Lodge Dues are now due and payable. You may send a check to the Lodge or pay through Circumscribe. If any brother is having difficulty making his payment please contact the Worshipful Master or the Secretary.*

**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

Meetings held at Manatee Lodge No. 31 located at:

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### Liberty No. 412 Past Masters

2017 - Earl Dennis Jr.

2018 - Dr. Mark L. Mason

### Liberty No. 412 Perpetual Members

Dr. Mark Mason

Ken Ammons

Thomas Haber

Steven Grubbs

Les Ruggerio

### Liberty No. 412 Sick and Distressed

*None currently that we are 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](mailto: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/>

### 23<sup>rd</sup> Masonic District Website

Webmaster: Gary Schweinshaupt

[www.trowel.com/flamason/dist23.htm](http://www.trowel.com/flamason/dist23.htm) or via email at: [GarySch@trowel.com](mailto:GarySch@trowel.com)

### Degree and Proficiency Work

Awaiting Balloting: None

Awaiting EA Degree: None

Awaiting EA Catechism: Amir Ghaenzadeh, Dariush Ghaenzadeh, Stanley Walker Jr.

Awaiting FC Catechism: None

Awaiting MM Degree: None

Awaiting MM Catechism: None



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### Calendar of upcoming Lodge Events

Mon. Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – Manatee 31 Stated Communication, 7:30 PM; Manatee Lodge No. 31

Sat. Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - Liberty Lodge Stated Communication, 9:00 AM; Manatee Lodge No. 31

Thr. Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – OES 87 Meeting, 7:00 PM; Manatee Lodge No. 31

Mon. Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – Manatee 31 Stated Communication, 7:30 PM; Manatee Lodge No. 31

Thr. Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – 23<sup>rd</sup> District Master Mason Association Meeting, 6:30 PM;

**Liberty Lodge 412 is hosting at Manatee Lodge No. 31 - Pizza to be served by Liberty Lodge**

Thr. Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – OES 87 Meeting, 7:00 PM; Manatee Lodge No. 31

Sat. Mar. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - Liberty Lodge Stated Communication, 9:00 AM; Manatee Lodge No. 31