

## 2025 OFFICERS

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## **DECEMBER 2025 TRESTLEBOARD**

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### **Palmwood Lodge No. 303**

Constituted May 6, 2000, AD 6000 AL



*Happy  
Holidays!*

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#### **MONDAY DECEMBER 1**

MASTER MASON ASSOCIATION DIST. 25

PALMWOOD LODGE NO. 303

6:30 PM DINNER • 7:30 PM MEETING

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#### **THURSDAY DECEMBER 4**

STATED COMMUNICATION

**\*ELECTION of 2026 OFFICES\***

6:30 PM DINNER • 7:30 PM MEETING

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#### **THURSDAY DECEMBER 18**

**DARK – NO MEETING**

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**\*\*\*\*\* LOOKING AHEAD \*\*\*\*\***

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#### **THURSDAY JANUARY 1**

**DARK – NO MEETING**

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#### **THURSDAY JANUARY 18**

STATED COMMUNICATION

6:30 PM DINNER • 7:30 PM MEETING

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#### **INSTALLATION OF 2026 OFFICERS**

DATE & TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON

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## MESSAGES

### FROM THE EAST

Brothers,

As we close out the year, I want to express my deepest gratitude for the privilege of serving as your Worshipful Master. It has truly been an honor, and I am humbled by the trust and support each of you has shown throughout this journey.

To the officers of Palmwood Lodge, thank you for your hard work, dedication, and the sincere brotherly love you brought to every meeting, event, and decision. Together we accomplished a meaningful and memorable year—one that I will always carry with pride

I would also like to extend my warmest congratulations to the incoming 2026 Officers. May your year be filled with wisdom, unity, and great success. I am confident the Lodge is in excellent hands and will continue to thrive under your leadership.

As a reminder, our last Stated Communication of the year will be Thursday, December 4th, 2025. I hope to see many of you there as we close this chapter together.

Thank you, my Brothers. It has truly been an honor to serve you.

Fraternally,

Leo Mondragon, Worshipful Master

## MESSAGES

### FROM THE SECRETARY

The Lodge dues notices for 2026 have been mailed. Please respond promptly to assist your Lodge in meeting its obligations. If you're experiencing difficulty meeting your obligation, please contact the Lodge ASAP.

Al Flores, Secretary - 561-833-0034

### TRESTLEBOARD BOOSTERS

|                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| W.M. Leo Mondragon    | W:.. Edwin Lopez      |
| W:.. Chris Acevedo    | W:.. Al Flores        |
| W:.. Carlos Sotolongo | W:.. Albert Mazmanian |
| Ernso Charles         | Jailer Hechevarria    |

### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

|    |          |    |             |
|----|----------|----|-------------|
| 6  | Robert   | F. | Conley      |
| 10 | Leonardo |    | Mondragon   |
| 19 | Marion   | L. | Dimick      |
| 31 | Angel    | M. | Perez-Smith |

### Perpetual Members

|                                 |    |                |
|---------------------------------|----|----------------|
| Carl                            | E. | Akins *        |
| Alejandro                       |    | Aparicio       |
| Aparicio                        |    | Aparicio *     |
| Jimmy                           | P. | Bailey *       |
| Dale                            | M. | Blocher *      |
| Walter                          | G. | Brandon, Sr.*  |
| Harold                          | F. | Broughton      |
| Colin                           | M. | Cameron        |
| Ibrahim                         | H. | Chalhoub       |
| Alfredo                         |    | Flores         |
| Nicolas                         | I. | Gamboa *       |
| Harvey                          | M. | Good #         |
| Robert                          | E. | Graham         |
| James                           | D. | Haines *       |
| Brian                           | J. | Henderly       |
| Charles                         | F. | Henderly *     |
| Jerry                           |    | Kelley "       |
| Donald                          | L. | Kelly          |
| Bennett                         | T. | Kennedy, Jr. * |
| Robert                          | J. | Lambert        |
| Edwin                           | S. | Lopez          |
| George                          | G. | Matthews       |
| Albert                          | O. | Mazmanian      |
| Diego                           | F. | Romano *       |
| Mark                            | G. | Samra          |
| George                          | G. | Samra, Jr. *   |
| Michael                         | D. | Smith          |
| William                         | F. | Thompson       |
| Robert                          | W. | Walker *       |
| Allan                           | E. | Ward           |
| John                            | F. | Wymer, Jr. *   |
| *Deceased   #Plural   "Memorial |    |                |

### PASSED TO THE CELESTIAL LODGE

\* Br. John V. White -12-21-24 \*

\* W:.. Juha Hyvarinen - 2-12-25 \*

\* Br. Richard Sothen - 6-20-25 \*

### AWAITING INVESTIGATION / DEGREES

Rene Isquierdo Casanueva – FC Degree

Eric Brandon Frye – FC Degree

## Past Masters

| Northwood Lodge No. 303                     |                                             |                                               |                                                     |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 1952 UD * R.H. Mathews                      | 1988 William Fred Thompson                  | 1982 * Clarence E. Townsend                   | 1992* Daniel H. Lind (also 1994)                    |
| 1952 * Allan Seeley                         | 1989 * Edgar Allen “Al” Reese               | 1983 * Aquinas "Moe" Evans                    | 1993 John Bosco Jr                                  |
| 1953 * Mitchell Bishop Jr.                  | 1990 Harold Broughton                       | 1984 * Jimmy P. Bailey P.D.D.G.M.             | 1994* Daniel H. Lind (also 1992)                    |
| 1954 * Richard Atkins                       | 1991 * Samuel Singer (also 1986) P.D.D.G.M. | 1985 * Robert H. Walker P.D.D.G.M.            | Palmwood Lodge No. 303                              |
| 1955 * William Colby                        | 1992 * Joe Sellers                          | 1986 Robert E. Graham                         | 2000 J.J. (Jeff) Franklin                           |
| 1956 * Chris Johnston                       | 1993 * Richard Philbrick (also 1981)        | 1987 * James B. Locklair                      | 2000 * Walter Brandon (also 1979 & 1990)            |
| 1957 * Samuel Best                          | 1994 * Donald P. Kohl                       | 1988 * Dale Blocher                           | 2001 * James Douglas Haines                         |
| 1958 * Harry Bennett                        | 1995 * Edgar Allen “Al” Reese               | 1989 * George Samra (also 1965) P.D.D.G.M.    | 2002 William Donald (Billy) Hollywood               |
| 1959 * David Greer                          | 1996 * William Brian Hollywood              | 1989 * Diego” Dick” Romano H.P.M.             | 2003* Charles Frank Henderly (also 2004) P.D.D.G.M  |
| 1960 * Ben Coachman                         | 1997 Albert J.” Joe” Townsend               | 1990 * David M. McConnell (posthumously) P.M. | 2003 * Henry (Hank) Whittington H.P.M.              |
| 1961 * Lee C. Hubbard                       | 1998 Kevin Sauickie                         | 1990 * Walter Brandon (also 1979 & 2000)      | 2004* Charles Frank Henderly (also 2003) P.D.D.G.M. |
| 1962 * Robert Williams                      | 1999 Colin M. Cameron                       | 1991 * Louis J. Eassa                         | 2005 Efraim Logreira                                |
| 1963 * Wallace Brinker                      | Palm Lodge No. 327                          | 1992 John G. Chalhub                          | 2006 Robert F. Conley                               |
| 1964 * Glenn House                          | 1959 UD * R.H. Mathews                      | 1993 Robert A. Van Reeth                      | 2007 J. Scott Carnegie (also 2008)                  |
| 1965 Cecil Luhnner                          | 1959 * Louis A. McBane                      | 1994 Martin T. Tierney                        | 2007 * Merwin Stewart, H.P.M                        |
| 1966 Ben Warnell                            | 1960 * Harvey J. Bixler                     | 1994 * Barnett C. Briskman H.P.M.             | 2008 J. Scott Carnegie (also 2007)                  |
| 1967 * Fred Blankenship P.D.D.G.M.          | 1961 * H. Claude Joiner                     | 1995 Mark G. Samra                            | 2009 * Nicolas Gamboa                               |
| 1968 * Carl Newsome                         | 1962 * Garrison N. Turner                   | 1996 Ibrahim H. Chalhoub                      | 2010 * Juha Hyvarinen                               |
| 1969                                        | 1963 * Ronald E. Taylor                     | 1997 Paul H. Snitkin                          | 2011 Harvey M. Good                                 |
| 1970 * Donald Flanery                       | 1964 * Arthur B. Crouch                     | 1998 * David M. Snitkin                       | 2012 Albert Mazmanian (also 2018)                   |
| 1971 Harry “Bud” Herrington Jr.             | 1965 * George Samra (also 1989) P.D.D.G.M.  | 1999 Tom Strickland                           | 2013 * Robert J. Kenny                              |
| 1972 * Harry Herrington Sr.,                | 1966 * D. William Beebe                     | 2000 * Walter Brandon (1979 & 1990)           | 2014 Tony Nehme                                     |
| 1973 * Richard Wallace (also 1976)          | 1967 * John C. Jones                        | Utopia Lodge No. 377                          | 2014 George Matthews, H.P.M.                        |
| 1974 * Floyd C. Hoefs, P.D.D.G.M.           | 1968 * Edward M. Abufaris                   | 1977* Henry H. Nussbaum                       | 2015 Alfredo Flores                                 |
| 1975 * William C. Brown P.D.D.G.M.          | 1969 * Samuel Smith                         | 1978* Bernard L. Kass                         | 2015 * Aparicio Aparicio, H.P.M.                    |
| 1976 * Richard Wallace (also 1973)          | 1970                                        | 1979* Morris Shuken (also 1980)               | 2016 * Reijo Seppanen                               |
| 1977 * William Gilley                       | 1971 * John F. Wymer (also 1977) P.D.D.G.M. | 1980* Morris Shuken (also 1979)               | 2017 Fahed Michael Mlayess                          |
| 1978 Seth Phelps                            | 1972 * Lester Helser                        | 1981* Bernard Hurson                          | 2017 Eladio Naranjo, H.P.M.                         |
| 1979 Michael Wheeler                        | 1973 * J.D. Iseman                          | 1982* Jack L. Michaels                        | 2018 Albert Mazmanian (also 2012)                   |
| 1980 * Royal Mollineaux                     | 1974 * William E. Stockman                  | 1983* Nathan Brostoff                         | 2019 George G. Matthews (also 2020)                 |
| 1981 * Richard Philbrick                    | 1975 * Angelo A. Rodo                       | 1984* Alvin Heilpern (also 1987)              | 2020 George G. Matthews (also 2019)                 |
| 1982 * Dennis Myers                         | 1976 * Frank H. Collins                     | 1985* Samuel R. Appelman                      | 2021 Christopher Acevedo                            |
| 1983 * Harry Stewart                        | 1977 * Richard H. Morris                    | 1986* Jack Donahue                            | 2022 Carlos Sotolongo                               |
| 1984 George Barnes                          | 1978 * Robert V. Parker P.D.D.G.M.          | 1987* Heilpern, Alvin (also 1984)             | 2023 Edwin S. Lopez (also 2024)                     |
| 1985 * Henry “Bill” Walker                  | 1979 * Walter Brandon (also 1990 & 2000)    | 1988 Aaron J. Saylor                          | 2024 Edwin S. Lopez (also 2024)                     |
| 1986 * Samuel Singer (also 1991) P.D.D.G.M. | 1980 George Kinard III                      | 1989* Lee A. Balch                            | 2025 Leonardo Mondragon                             |
| 1987 * Carl Akins P.D.D.G.M.                | 1981 George C. Debay III                    | 1990* Henry Sapenoff                          |                                                     |
|                                             |                                             | 1991* Milton G. Goodman                       |                                                     |

## 2025 LODGE COMMITTEES

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Chairman: Edwin Lopez, PM  
Christopher Acevedo, PM, Ernso Charles

### **VIGILANCE COMMITTEE**

Chairman: Christopher Acevedo, PM  
Rene Hernandez, Jailer Hechevarria

### **PETITIONS COMMITTEE**

Chairman: Albert Mazmanian, PM  
Ramon Viamonte, Jailer Hechevarria

### **MASONIC EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Chairman: Carlos Sotolongo, PM  
Alfredo Flores, PM, Christopher Acevedo, PM  
Albert Mazmanian, PM, Ernso Charles

### **BOARD OF RELIEF**

Chairman: Leo Mondragon, WM  
Edwin Lopez, PM Christopher Acevedo, PM

### **CHARITY COMMITTEE**

Chairman: Christopher Acevedo, PM  
Carlos Sotolongo, PM

### **LODGE PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

Chairman: Albert Mazmanian, PM  
Carlos Sotolongo, PM, Ernso Charles

### **EDUCATION & SCHOOLS**

Chairman: Alfredo Flores, PM,  
Christopher Acevedo, PM

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

#### **Website / Social Media**

Chairman: Ernso Charles, Rene Hernandez

### **LODGE MENTORS**

Albert Mazmanian, PM, Edwin Lopez, PM

### **Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of Florida**

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## **CHARITIES OF THE MONTH**

|     |                                                              |      |                                  |
|-----|--------------------------------------------------------------|------|----------------------------------|
| Jan | Police Benevolent Association                                | Jul  | Friends of Fisher House          |
| Feb | American Disabilities Foundation                             | Aug  | Real Life Children's Ranch       |
| Mar | Palmetto Elem. School & Wounded Warrior Project              | Sept | DAV Disabled American Veterans   |
| Apr | Masonic Charities of Florida - Kentucky Disaster Relief Fund | Oct  | FL Masonic District 25 Toy Drive |
| May | Special Olympics                                             | Nov  | Local Food Bank                  |
| Jun | PBCSO - Police Athletic League                               | Dec  |                                  |

## **Palmwood Lodge Officers Nominated for 2026**

W.:Carlos Sotolongo - Worshipful Master

Br. Ramon Viamonte - Senior Warden

Br. Jailer Hechevarria - Junior Warden

Br. Fidel Machin - Treasurer

Br. Pedro Alonzo - Secretary