



## Greetings from the East



Brothers, if all goes well our installation is planned for the evening of February 6, 2025. I am sorry it took so long. I really appreciate all my Brothers working with me thru this trying time, especially Worshipful Tony. Thank You!

Brother Mike passed his Master Mason Catechism and did an excellent job. I am very proud of him.

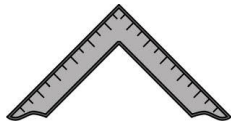
Most Fraternally,

**Roy Gattone**

Worshipful Master-Elect

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“To enlarge the sphere of social happiness is worthy of the benevolent design of a Masonic institution; and it is most fervently to be wished, that the conduct of every member of the fraternity, as well as those publications, that discover the principles which actuate them, may tend to convince mankind that the grand object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race.”

— Brother George Washington

## STATED COMMUNICATION

FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY

**OFFICER INSTALLATION**

**FEBRUARY 6**

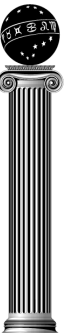
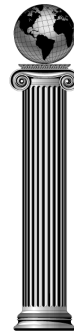
Dinner at 6:30 PM

Install Ceremony at 7:30 PM

**FEBRUARY 20**

Dinner at 6:30 PM

Communication at 7:30 PM



## From the Secretary's Desk



Once again as we begin this year, I offer Congratulations to Brothers Roy Gattone as Worshipful Master, Tommy Rudd as Senior Warden, and Khristian Moore as Junior Warden for 2025! I wish you all a good year w and will do my best to support you all as this year progresses.

I would also like to remind our newer Brothers to continue working on your Master Mason I, II, & III and MLT training. These are required if you wish to move through the chairs. No Brother is exempt from these requirements; even Brothers who have been Wardens or Worshipful Masters previously, this is required for you to now be elected to sit in those chairs. The training is very beneficial, & will be a big help to you as you move through the Chairs. Please see me, & we can go about setting up the training.

As I mentioned previously, this year will be the first year with no Past Masters moving through the line. This is where we've worked hard to get, so let's keep it going. I encourage all the Brothers to put in the work, it's worth the efforts & our Lodge needs YOU!

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Secretary

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For Master Masons looking to further their journey in Freemasonry, the **Scottish Rite Valley of Fort Myers** is looking for candidates for the 2025 Spring Reunion Class in March. If you would like to be considered for the upcoming class, email W.: Bob Sweet at [bob79sweet@duck.com](mailto:bob79sweet@duck.com) or

W.: Kevin Gourley at [KLGourley1971@gmail.com](mailto:KLGourley1971@gmail.com). There is an **online petition** on the Valley of Fort Myers website. Here you can learn about and become active in the 4th thru 32nd degrees of Freemasonry. If you enjoy ritual or the meaning behind it, the Scottish Rite may be for you.

## 2025 Officers

### Worshipful Master

*Roy Gattone*

### Senior Warden

*Tommy Rudd*

### Junior Warden

*Khristian Moore*

### Treasurer

*Jon Basquin*

### Secretary

*Richard Clemmons, PM*

### Chaplain

*Jim Rusty Griffin, PM*

### Marshal

*Joel Case, PDDGM*

### Senior Deacon

*Juan Carlos Santana*

### Junior Deacon

*Mark Branaman*

### Senior Steward

*Cecil Raulerson*

### Junior Steward

*Mike Castillo*

### Tyler

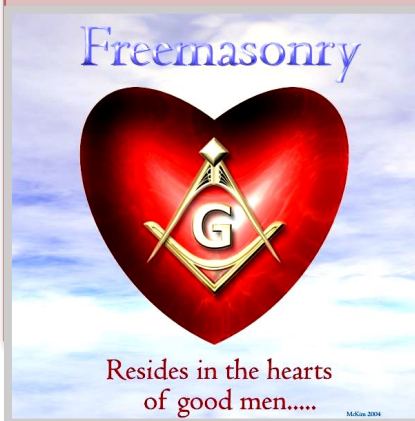
*Jesse Gutierrez*

## Musings From A Chaplain

By Brother Phil Keyes, LaBelle No. 379 F&AM

It was Lodge meeting night and still two hours before the gavel fell, but a lot of Masonic activity is under way. This scenario isn't unusual for many Lodges. On this particular night the Worshipful Master and secretary are going over Grand Lodge stuff and other Lodge business in the secretary's office; the Junior Warden and Senior Warden are in the kitchen working on the evening's meal; a class is in progress on the Northside of the Lodge room; and, as always, a couple other brothers have arrived early to relax and chat in a corner of the Brotherhood Hall..

As dinner time grows closer more members and visitors arrive. Soon the activity has spread throughout the Lodge. Occasionally a first time visitor must undergo examination and once cleared begins to mingle with his new-found brothers, perhaps establishing new friendships through the sharing of Masonic lore. Later, the Worshipful Master will formally welcome him and may even invite him to address the Lodge.



No two Lodge nights are ever alike in every detail and by the time we hear the words, "don't forget the charity box", the ground work for the next stated or called meeting is already underway. There is a lot to like and enjoy in our Fraternity, A lot you'll want to be a part of.

## District 22

### District Deputy Grand Master

R.:W.: Matthew Paul Buxton

### District Instructor

R.:W.: Jeff Zarrella

## PAST MASTERS



C.M. Pickle	1948 & 1949	Oswell L. Sutton	1973	Kevin M. Moore	1997
W.W. Perry	1950	Troy T. Cotton	1974	Ronald Evans	1998
Ezra E. Kelly	1951	Thomas Adams	1975	Wayne Wilkins	1999
James C. Jackman	1952	James Sorrells	1976	Glen R. Mickey	2000
W.J. Robinson	1953	T.W. Jack Wynn	1977	Alvin Akridge	2001
John R. Barton	1954	Bob Goedhart	1978	David J. Veale	2002
Floyd Andrews	1955	Melvin Keen	1979	Melvin Keen	2003
C.M. Giddens	1956	David Veale	1980	Teodoro "Ted" Reyes	2004
Lawrence E. Lee	1957	E. Edwards	1981	Richard Clemmons	2005
John Doty	1958	William Griffin Perry	1982	Melvin Keen	2006 & 2007
Robert E. Goedhart	1959	William "Bill" Thomas	1983	Teodoro "Ted" Reyes	2008 & 2009
John W. Wynn	1960	Wayne Wilkins	1984	John Cote	2010
Lewis W. Wethington	1961	John David Thomas	1985	Kevin M. Moore	2011
Thadis W. Wynn	1962	John Stanberry	1986	Kevin Nelson	2012 & 2013
John M. Drake	1963	James Armstrong	1987	Cecil O. Akin	2014 & 2015
Donald M. Galassini	1964	Wayne Wilkins	1988	Teodoro "Ted" Reyes	2016
Melvin C. Keen	1965	T.W. Jack Wynn	1989	William T. Maddox	2017
Abner H. Vann	1966	Price Wileman	1990	R.L. Marsh	2018 & 2019
Bobby Giddens	1967	John Drake	1991	John Cote	2020
Robert I. Pearce	1968	David J. Veale	1992	Kevin M. Moore	2021
W. Perry	1969	Wayne Wilkins	1993	R.L. Marsh	2022-2023
Robert Stacey	1970	Jim Griffin	1994	Antonio Weems	2024
Carl E. Wilson	1971	Glenn R. Mickey	1995		
Perl Corrington Spires	1972	Alvin Akridge	1996		

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