

Lehigh Acres Lodge #344 Free & Accepted Masons

Trestle Board — February 2018

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Greetings from the East



Greetings Brethren,

The Installation of Officers on January 8th was a great success and I thank all who attended. Thanks also to our Installing Officer R.W. Ed Lanham and his Team and to W. Bobby Lippek who prepared a delicious dinner for

everyone to enjoy.

At our second meeting, on January 22nd, Brother Fred Natoli conferred the Entered Apprentice degree on Messrs: Odonel Joseph of Veritas Masonic Lodge #396 F&AM and Mitchell Schneider of Lehigh Acres Masonic Lodge #344 F&AM. Congratulations to the newly initiated Entered Apprentice Masons and to W. Tom Boardman for his usual excellent work... giving the Lecture... and to Brother Fred Wright for the Charge.

We have a strong team of Officers at Lehigh Acres Masonic Lodge of which a few are recently raised Master Masons. Special thanks to our Junior Warden, Bro. Joe Propst, for the nice Italian dinner he prepared prior to the EA degree.

On February 12th we will have a regular business meeting, however family members are welcome to attend a pre Valentine Day Dinner with us and Kids eat free.

Our second meeting will be February 26th and open to the public where we will honor Brother George Washington with a patriotic "Building of the Flag" presentation and the historic "Toast to the Flag" put on by the Melvin W. Byers Chapter #503, National Sojourners (a Masonic Veterans Organization) from North Fort Myers.

Happy Valentine's Day.

Fraternally, Jim Bolla, Sr. Worshipful Master









Important Dates:

02/12 Stated Meeting 6:30 PM Dinner 7:30 PM Meeting 02/26 Stated Meeting

> 6:30 PM Dinner 7:30 PM Meeting



Greetings from the West



This year is off with a bang. I had the honor of conferring the Entered Apprentice degree to Brother Mitchell Schneider and I would like to congratulate him on the start of his journey.

This month's charity will be the national pediatric Cancer Foundation. The national pediatric Cancer Foundation is a nonprofit organization dedicated to funding research to eliminate Childhood Cancer . You can read up on them at Nationalpcf.org.

Sincerely & Fraternally, Bro. Fred Natoli Senior Warden



Charity of the Month

National Pediatric Cancer Foundation <u>www.nationalpcf.org</u>



Birthdays for February

Robert Beans—6th

Frederick Steinbach, Jr.—12th

Carleton Peterson, Sr.—17th

Jarvis Roland—21st



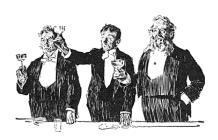
February Anniversaries in Freemasonry

Albert Samuelson, 45 Years

Joseph Kane, 23 Years

James Marsh, 10 Years

Bojan Stricevic, 9 Years



Greetings from the South

I would like to say Congratulations to our newest EA, Brother Mitchell Schneider. He was confirmed a just and upright man along with Brother Odonel Joseph from Veritas Lodge #396. Many blessing to you in your travels toward the East.

Everyone did a wonderful job with the EA Degree. Good Job BROTHERS!

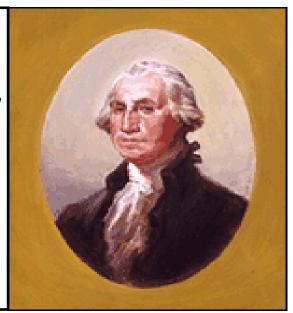
I'm excited to be the JW this year. Hearing all the horror stories from the kitchen has not wavered that. That being said, if anyone would like to help in the kitchen let me know and I'll let you know when I need it. I'm sure there will be times my schedule will conflict.

With the Knife, Fork and Spoon, Joe Propst Junior Warden



Washington's Birthday is a United States federal holiday celebrated on the third Monday of February in honor of Bro. George Washington, the first President of the United States, who was born on February 22, 1732. It can occur on the 15th through the 21st of February inclusive.

Colloquially, the day is also now widely known as **Presidents' Day** and is often an occasion to honor the incumbent president and all persons who have served as president, not just George Washington



From the Secretary's Desk

Brothers there is still a few who have outstanding dues.

Respectfully, Mike Frisby Secretary



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Order of the Eastern Star

LEHIGH ACRES CHAPTER 291

Worthy Matron: Florence Pitt (245-4206)

Worthy Patron: Jeffrey Nowak (591-0935)

Secretary: Gerald Pokorny (239-303-2374)

Regular Meeting Second Friday Each Month at 7:30 PM

Rebekah Lodge

Noble Grand: Charles Martin (239) 369-6478

Secretary: Ada Thompson

Regular Meeting Second Tuesday each month at 1:00 PM.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows

LEHIGH ACRES LODGE 2009

Noble Grand: Charles Martin (239) 369-6478

Secretary: Ada Thompson

Regular meeting Second Tuesday each month immediately after Re-

bekah meeting.

Tall Cedars of Lebanon

Tamiami Forest #205

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Regular Meetings are held the second Sunday of each month at the Punta Gorda Lodge at 2:30 P.M.



Lehigh Acres Shrine Club

Meeting Every Fourth Thursday

Location: China Star Restaurant

Dinner: 6:00 PM

Business Meeting: 7:00 PM

All Shriners, Master Masons, and their ladies are welcome to attend for dinner.

- Noble Bill R. Jones (President) (239) 368-6474 wrj509@aol.com
- Noble Jim Bolla, Sr. (Secretary) (239) 368-8065 shrinerjim@hotmail.com

Master Mason Association of Southwest Florida

- President: W: Dan Akard
- Vice President: Bro. Michael Gardner
- Treasurer: R∴W∴ Joe Smedley
- Secretary: R∴W∴ Jeff Nowak
- Social Media Director: W∴ Robert Lippek

Business Meeting Every Fourth Wednesday

Dinner: 6:30 PM Meeting: 7:30 PM

Scottish Rite Valley of Fort Myers

10868 Metro Pkwy Fort Myers, Florida 33966

Personal Representative: Ill. Clay Taylor, 33°

Secretary: Bro. Fred Wright, 32° KCCH

Phone: (239) 332-2311

Regular Meetings are held the third Wednesday each month. 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Dinner.

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ROBERT BERNSTEIN*	1962
WALTER RIDGE*	
GRADY RYMER*	1963 1964
THOMAS BOSWELL*	1965
LEON HURTADO*	1966
WILLIAM BEEMAN*	1967
FRANK LYONS*	1968
THOMAS BOSWELL*	1969
CHARLES GOEHLE JR*	1970
THOMAS BOSWELL*	1971
CHARLES GOEHLE JR*	1972
PAUL MELOY	1973-1974
JAMES FOSTER*	1975
ROY C. ROBERTS*	1976
WILBER FRENCH*	1977
PAUL WILLIAMSON*	1978
JAMES BURGETT*	1979
RONALD TEMPLIN*	1980
JOHN BEDNAR*	1981
ERNEST SAMUELSON*	1982
HOWARD SPOERKE*	1983
WALTER REESE*	1984
ROBERT CAMPBELL*	1985
PAUL GOEHLE	1986
WALLACE BATEMAN*	1987
LEWIS FISH	1988
TED BLOCK	1989
ROBERT HOEPPNER*	1990
ALBERT SAMUELSON	1991
ANDREW STANFORTH*	1992
J. DOUGLAS WRIGHT	1993
HOWARD SPOERKE*	1994
HARRY HOPKINS*	1995
CLIFF AYERS	1996
KENNETH LAVINE*	1997
JEROME MASSEE*	1998
WILLIAM HORSELING*	1999
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PAST MASTERS



CHARLES MARTIN	2000
KENNETH LAVINE*	2001
HELMUT REIMER	2002
JAMES ROSE*	2003
CARL PETERSON	2004
JONATHAN HAMMETT	2005
RALPH MCDONALD*	2006
MICHAEL CROUCHELLI	2007
GUY WALTMAN	2008
JOHN CARTER	2009
JASON HOLLINGER	2010
WILLIAM HORACIO JR.*	2011
PAUL GOEHLE	2012-2013
G. RICHARD CURETON	2014
DANIEL AKARD	2015
ROBERT LIPPEK	2016
KEVIN GOURLEY	2017

* Indicates Deceased

2018 Officers

Worshipful Master Jim Bolla, Sr.

Senior Warden Fred Natoli

Junior Warden
Joe Propst

Treasurer Daniel Akard, PM

Secretary

J. Michael Frisby

Senior Deacon Kevin Gourley, PM

Junior Deacon Clinton Larkins

Chaplain Charles "Bill" Martin, PM

Tyler Michael Crouchelli, PM

> **Senior Steward** Timothy Fjelsted

Junior Steward Kawelo Makaneole



District 24 Grand Lodge Officers

District Deputy Grand Master

R::W:: Mike Gardner

District Instructor

R::W:: Jeff Nowak