

# Lehigh Acres Lodge No. 344 Free & Accepted Masons

Trestle Board — September 2018

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## **Greetings from the East**



On August 6, 2018, Worshipful Kevin Gourley conferred the Fellow Craft Degree on Brother Mitchell Schneider at a Called Communication. Congratulations to Brother Mitchell on this momentous occasion and my heartfelt thanks to all who participated

and to those (who by their presence) showed support.

Our Stated Communication of August 27th, 2018 was the Official visit of our DDGM, Right Worshipful Dan Akard. It is always a pleasure and honor to have the DDGM with us, and more so inasmuch as he is also our Treasurer, so I know his books are in order. Financially, we are no longer in the red in but in the black, turning a modest profit which is expected to rise due to a rental increase for the parking lot.

Kudos! A special thanks to our Junior Warden, Joe Propst, who took a day off from work, to prepare a special dinner for the DDG-M's Official Visit. Great job Brother, you make us proud.

Lastly, the big District event for September will be the Grand Master's dinner at Tropical Lodge No. 56 on 10868 Metro Pkwy in Fort Myers. For further details, contact our Secretary, Worshipful Kevin Gourley so he can have a head count.

Fraternally,

James R, Bolla

James R. Bolla, Sr. Worshipful Master



If you have anything really valuable to contribute to the world, it will come through the expression of your own personality, that single spark of divinity that sets you off and makes you different from every other living creature. —Bruce Barton

## **Important Dates:**

09/03—Ritual Practice 7:00pm

09/10—Ritual Practice 7:00pm

09/14—Grand Master's Official Visit to the

24th Masonic District

Where: Tropical Lodge No. 56

10868 Metro Pkwy, Fort Myers

When: 5:30pm Registration 6:30pm Dinner

09/17—Ritual Practice 7:00pm

09/24—Stated Communication

6:30 Dinner

7:30 Communication

## **Greetings from the West**

Time is starting to fly by and this year will soon be over. I would like to congratulate Bro. Mitchel Schneider on being passed to the degree of Fellowcraft.

The charity for this month is the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA). The MDA is committed to saving and improving the lives of kids and adults living with MDA and related life threatening diseases.

As always, if you know a Brother unable to attend lodge because of transportation issues or perhaps they need assistance moving around, please reach out for help.

Fraternally yours, Bro. Fred Natoli Senior Warden





## Birthdays for September

Mike Crouchelli — 4th

Jim Pletcher — 9th

Bobby Lippek — 12th

William Teal, III — 23rd

Walter Seyfferth — 29th

Earl Newman — 30tth

## September Anniversaries in Freemasonry

Cleveland Edwards, 47 years

Fred Natoli, 3 years





## **Greetings from the South**



Thank you to all who came to the DDGM and District Committee visit on August 27th. We had a number of members and visitors show up. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the Grand Masters visit on September 14th.

I am also looking forward to seeing everyone who will be coming back to Florida for the winter. We will be going back to our regular meals starting in October, please join us in eats and fellowship.

Fraternally,
Bro. Joe Propst
Junior Warden



## From the Secretary's Desk



Congratulations to Bro. Mitchell Schneider for being passed to the degree of Fellow Craft on August 6th. It was fun being back in the Worshipful Master's chair to confer the degree. Bro. Schneider is now working on his FC Catechism proficiency with Bro. Fred Natoli.

We also have five new Entered Apprentices working on their EA Catechism. Bro. Fred Natoli and I have both been working with them on their proficiency.

Fraternally, Kevin Gourley, PM Secretary



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# District 24 Grand Lodge Officers

District Deputy Grand Master
R∴W∴ Daniel Akard

District Instructor
R∴H∴ Robert "Bobby" Lippek



#### Order of the Eastern Star

#### **LEHIGH ACRES CHAPTER 291**

Worthy Matron: Joan Gilmore

Worthy Patron: Jim Bolla, Sr.

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 Rebekah meeting.

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

## **Business Meeting Every Fourth Wednesday**

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

## Tall Cedars of Lebanon

#### Tamiami Forest #205

Grand Tall Cedar: C Cecil Raulerson

(239) 691-4283

swampy385@centurylink.net

Scribe: William P. Bond

(941) 475-4854

billandtinabond@yahoo.com

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



## Scottish Rite Valley of Fort Myers

10868 Metro Pkwy Fort Myers, Florida 33966

Personal Representative: III. 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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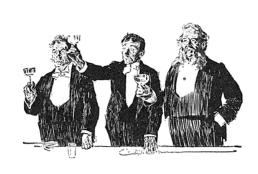


ROBERT BERNSTEIN*	1962
WALTER RIDGE*	1963
GRADY RYMER*	1964
THOMAS BOSWELL*	1965
LEON HURTADO*	1966
WILLIAM BEEMAN*	1967
FRANK LYONS*	1968
THOMAS BOSWELL*	1969
CHARLES GOEHLE JR*	1970
THOMAS BOSWELL*	1971
CHARLES GOEHLE JR*	1972
PAUL MELOY	1973-1974
JAMES FOSTER*	1975
ROY C. ROBERTS*	1976
WILBER FRENCH*	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



<sup>\*</sup> Indicates Deceased

## 2018 Officers

Worshipful Master Jim Bolla, Sr. (239) 368-8065

Senior Warden Fred Natoli (239) 895-6488

Junior Warden Joe Propst (239) 821-2844

Treasurer Daniel Akard, PM (239) 707-4451

Secretary Kevin Gourley, PM (239) 849-1534

Senior Deacon Robert "Bobby" Lippek, PM (239) 600-9086

> Junior Deacon Clinton Larkins (239) 204-1941

Chaplain Charles "Bill" Martin, PM (239) 369-6478

**Tyler** Michael Crouchelli, PM (239) 368-2047

> Senior Steward Timothy Fjelsted (239) 247-0254

Junior Steward Kawelo Makaneole (239) 322-9398

