



LaBelle No. 379 F&AM

Trestle Board — July 2025

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Greetings from the East



Brethren,

We had the pleasure of hosting R.:W.: District Deputy Grandmaster Bruce Rivera and his committeemen for his official visit to LaBelle Lodge on June 24.



Don't forget that we will be having a Master Mason Degree on **July 12**, breakfast at 8am, degree at 9am.

I would like to thank all the Brothers for their support of LaBelle Lodge throughout this year. Together we are able to show support to our community and let them see how Masons work harmoniously to accomplish great works.

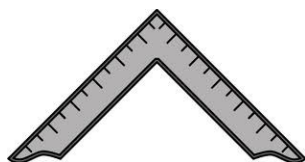
Fraternally yours,

W.: Isidro "Izzy" Lopez, PM

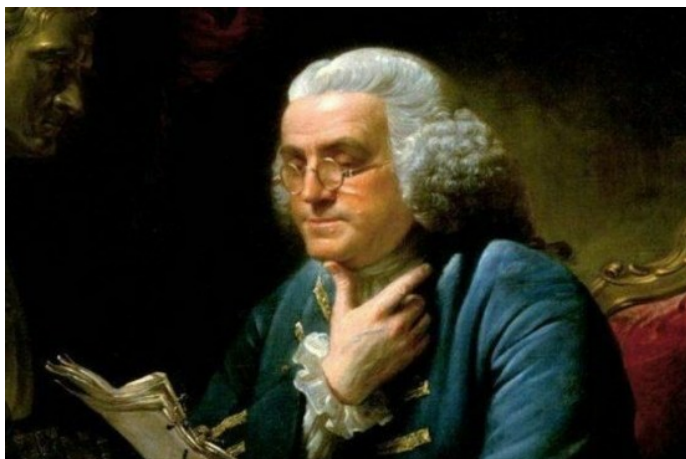
Worshipful Master

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Masonic labor is purely a labor of love. He who seeks to draw Masonic wages in gold and silver will be disappointed.



The wages of a Mason are in the dealings with one another; sympathy begets sympathy, kindness begets kindness, helpfulness begets helpfulness, and these are the wages of a Mason. —Benjamin Franklin

STATED COMMUNICATIONS SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAYS



July 8
6:30pm Dinner
7:30pm Meeting



July 22
6:30pm Dinner
7:30pm Meeting



Master Mason Degree

On **Saturday July 12** at LaBelle Lodge there will be a **Master Mason Degree** to raise Brothers Jacob Cuelar and Matthew Rentz to the sublime degree of Master Mason. The degree will start at **9:00 am** and should be over by noon.

America Word Search

There are eight (8) words related to America in the puzzle below. Can you find them?

W	B	A	M	S	D	V	D	Y	Y	Z	M	K	F	I
K	H	B	C	O	N	S	T	I	T	U	T	I	O	N
I	V	I	D	H	E	I	K	Z	R	Z	Z	A	E	D
P	S	C	T	H	B	Q	L	E	E	F	G	M	R	E
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E	L	G	A	E	D	L	A	B	T	L	C	U	O	Z
T	B	X	Y	N	A	Q	A	L	S	L	X	P	M	R

Bald Eagle Constitution Independence
Liberty Bell Mount Rushmore Old Glory
Statue of Liberty White House

"We must be unanimous; there must be no pulling different ways; we must hang together."



—John Hancock

Famous Freemason



JOHN HANCOCK

January 23, 1737 - October 8, 1793

In 1774 Hancock made his way to the Continental Congress in Philadelphia along with his fellow Massachusetts delegates. In late May he was elected to

be President of the Continental Congress by unanimous vote.

When the Congress recessed on August 1st, Hancock made plans to wed Dolly in Fairfield, Connecticut. Their marriage produced two children, neither of whom survived to adulthood. Their daughter died in infancy and their son died as a result of a head injury while ice skating.

Hancock became a member of the St. Andrew lodge in Boston in 1762. St. Andrew Lodge met at the Green Dragon Tavern where the Sons of Liberty met. St. Andrew Lodge shared many of the same members as the Sons of Liberty including Hancock.

This article provided by Today in Masonic History at <http://www.masonrytoday.com>.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Everyone has a story to tell. Often it is about a period or event that helped shape them, was extraordinary, or was an important lesson for them and perhaps their listeners. Personally, I would love hearing how my grandfather encouraged six of his seven sons to petition and receive the three degrees.

Many of the stories I hear in our Lodge are real gems. Several I've heard more than once but they are worth listening to again and again. No matter how many times I hear a story repeated, there is always something new that I missed on previous occasions or the brother failed to include on other occasions.

The sharing of these personal events makes for good conversation and strengthens the bonds of friendship. Accounts of

ones successes or failures have helped me from taking similar missteps. In other words, have been a "lamp unto my feet" enabling me to avoid a stumble.

The story topics differ widely, ranging from "What prompted me to seek Masonic membership" to "Avoiding Pitfalls Confronting Us in the World." Listen and learn, share your own experiences. Your brothers are anxious to hear your story.

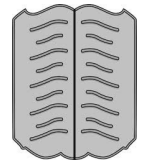
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Happy Independence Day!

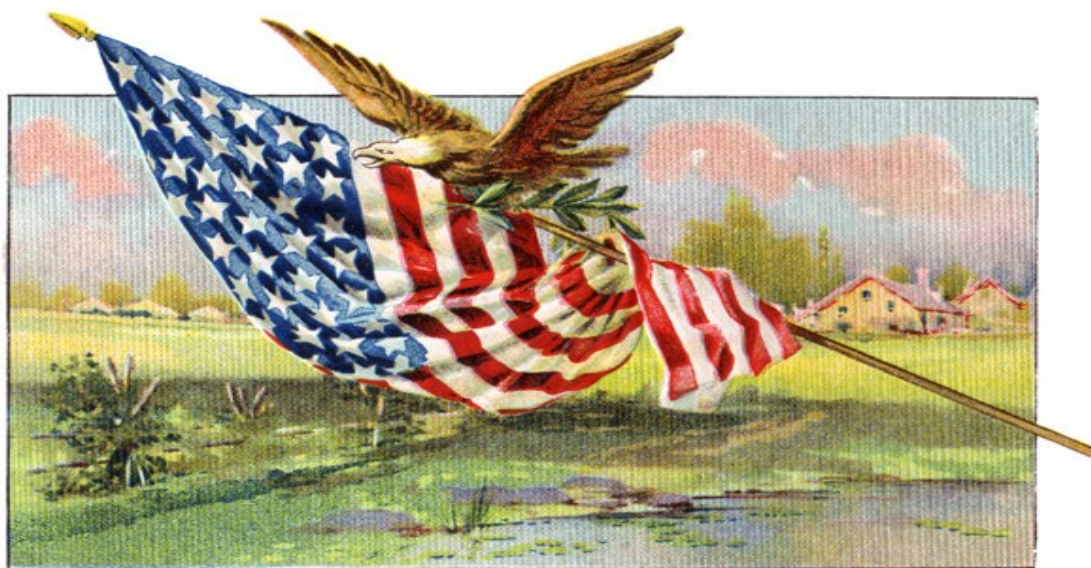
PAST MASTERS



JAMES PENDRY*	1977-1978	J.S. HARRIS	1994		
CHARLES MACDOWELL*	1979	MIKE GUTHRIE	1995		
EDWIN RENOLDS*	1980	J. THOMAS PAXON*	1996	BRUCE ARMSTRONG	2010
THOMAS K. WOOSLEY*	1981	JAMES JENNINGS*	1997	JOHN W. NELSON	2011
KENNETH PICKLES	1982	JIM MARSHALL*	1998	M. MATT HECKERT	2012
ROBERT P. MIDDLETON*	1983	CARL W. SWANSON*	1999	RAY NAVOR*	2013
JOSEPH H. FUTCH*	1984	JIM CIANFRANI	2000	NICHOLAS FIDANZA*	2014
WILLARD BRYANT*	1985	JERRY HUBBART*	2001	GREG GUNTER	2015
ROBERT P. MIDDLETON*	1986	STEVE POLHEMUS	2002	L.E. RICHARDSON, JR.	2016
GLENN R. MICKEY*	1987	GLENN R. MICKEY*	2003	THOMAS BOARDMAN	2017
EASTON BURCHARD*	1988-1989	RUSS BUCCINI*	2004	TONY WEEMS	2018
LEWIS WHIDDEN*	1990	JACK ROSE*	2005	ADRIAN SANCHEZ	2019
MICHAEL BOYLE	1991	KEVIN NELSON	2006-2007	ED LANHAM	2020
L.E. RICHARDSON, SR.*	1992	HERBERT HOLLENBECK*	2008	BILL MADDOX	2021-2022
DOUG SCRATCHLEY, SR.*	1993	CURTIS DODD	2009	ISIDRO LOPEZ	2023-2025

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* Indicates Deceased



For mothers, wives and children, for home and country pride
Our flag will guard the freedom Of land and ocean wide.

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York Rite



Shriners



Eastern Star



Grotto



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