

# LEHIGH ACRES LODGE NO. 344 F&AM

## TRESTLE BOARD — SEPTEMBER 2020

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### GREETINGS FROM THE EAST



We have made it to September. Although we are dark this month we have some degree practices lined up and at our last officer meeting we scheduled our first Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup Day.

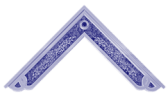
On **Saturday, September 19th at 9 a.m.** we will meet at Ray Ave S. which is at the light for Griffin Drive on SR 82. Lori Huff from FDOT will greet us there to go over safety procedures and to provide us with the necessary safety vests & equipment. Please email me at [KL.Gourley1971@gmail.com](mailto:KL.Gourley1971@gmail.com) and let me know if you or anyone else will be coming so FDOT can make sure we have enough safety vests for everyone. Keep in mind, per FDOT, that no children below the age of 13 are permitted to assist in the cleanup. If you haven't reviewed the online safety video, check it out at <https://www.fdot.gov/maintenance/aahinfo.shtm>.



Last month I visited LaBelle No. 367 for the District Deputy Grand Master's official visit. I was taken a little by surprise to learn that we, Lehigh Acres No. 344, came in third place in our District 24 this year for the combined total number of Let Your Pennies Make Good Sense (LYPMGS) and MH-100 donations per member. The District Chairman for LYPMGS / MH-100, W.: Bruce Rivera, presented us a 2020 Olympic-style bronze medal. We were only bested by Cape Coral No. 367 who took the first place gold medal and Labelle No. 379 who walked away with the second place silver medal.

Before you know it October will be here. Our next Stated Communication is the evening of October 12. Hope to see everyone then.

Stay Safe! Stay Healthy!  
W.: Kevin Gourley, PM  
Worshipful Master



WM Ed Lanham, LaBelle No. 379, 2nd Place Silver  
WM Shawn Morton, Cape Coral No. 367, 1st Place Gold  
WM Kevin Gourley, Lehigh Acres No. 344, 3rd Place Bronze

### IMPORTANT DATES

The Lodge is dark for the month of September. There are no Stated Communications scheduled.

#### September 7

Officer Meeting 6:30pm  
Ritual Practice 7:00pm

#### September 14

Ritual Practice 7:00pm

#### September 19

Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup  
9:00am, SR82-Ray Ave S

#### September 28

Ritual Practice 7:00pm



### Quote of the Month

Masonry aims at the promotion of morality and higher living by the cultivation of the social side of man, the rousing in him of the instincts of charity and love of his kind. It rests surely on the foundation of the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God.

—William Howard Taft

## GREETINGS FROM THE WEST



Greetings Brethren

I hope everyone is feeling well and doing fine and staying cool with these extremely warm days we are receiving. During the summer months, it is a great opportunity to further your Masonic education. Please ask the W.M.: or

myself for assistance, and continue to expand your knowledge to be the best Mason you can be.

The charity for this month is the [Muscular Dystrophy Association \(MDA\)](https://www.mda.org/). 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 of a brother needing assistance to make it to lodge, please reach out for help.

Sincerely & Fraternally,  
W.: Fred Natoli, PM  
Senior Warden

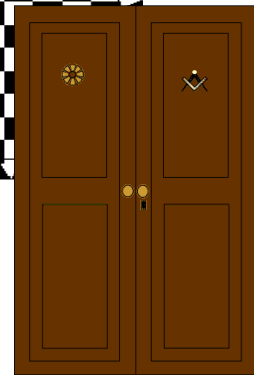
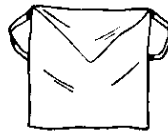
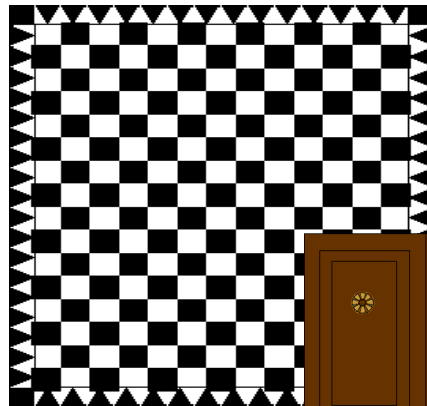


## GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTH



My brothers, I hope everyone is doing well. Remember once again that your health is the most important thing. In these trying times I ask everyone to stay safe and most of all remember your obligation.

Fraternally,  
Bro. Clint Larkins  
Junior Warden



## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- Mike Crouchelli — 4th
- Jim Pletcher — 9th
- Bobby Lippek — 12th
- William Teal, III — 23rd
- Earl Newman — 30th



## ANNIVERSARIES IN FREEMASONRY

- Cleveland Edwards, 49 years
- Fred Natoli, 5 years
- Scott Machado, 1 year
- Marty Thompkins, 1 year
- Leon Veilleux, 1 year
- William Wheeler, 1 year



## CELESTIAL LODGE



We are sad to announce that Bro. Richard "Dick" Keyes passed away last month to the Celestial Lodge at the age of 93. He is a member of La-

belle Lodge No. 379, but was also an Honorary Member of our Lodge here in Lehigh Acres. He was a Master Mason for 55 years and will definitely be missed. Alas, my Brother!





## Master Mason Association of Southwest Florida

- ◆ President: R.:W.: Dan Akard
- ◆ Vice President: R.:H.: Bobby Lippek
- ◆ Treasurer: R.:W.: Joe Smedley
- ◆ Secretary: R.:W.: Jeff Nowak
- ◆ Social Media Director: W.: Michael O. Gardner

**Business Meeting Every Fourth Wednesday**  
**Dinner: 6:30 PM**  
**Meeting: 7:30 PM**



## Independent Order of Odd Fellows & Rebekah

Noble Grand: Charles Martin  
 (239) 369-6478  
 Secretary: Ada Thompson

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



## National Sojourners

President: Mike Crouchelli  
 Phone: (239) 368-2047  
 Email: [unclemike73@msn.com](mailto:unclemike73@msn.com)  
 Secretary: Jeff Nowak  
 Phone: (239) 571-0935  
 Email: [jmnowak1@aol.com](mailto:jmnowak1@aol.com)

**Regular Meetings are held on Second Thursday at N. Fort Myers Elks Lodge. 6PM Dinner / 7PM Meeting**



## Tall Cedars of Lebanon

Tamiami Forest #205  
 Grand Tall Cedar: James (Jim) R. Bolla, Sr.  
 (239) 368-8065 [shrinerjim@hotmail.com](mailto:shrinerjim@hotmail.com)  
 Scribe: William P. Bond  
 (941) 475-4854 [billandtinabond@yahoo.com](mailto:billandtinabond@yahoo.com)

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



## Order of the Eastern Star

Lehigh Acres Chapter 291  
 Worthy Matron: Dorothy "Dotti" Foisy  
 Worthy Patron: Jeff Nowak  
 Secretary: Gerald Pokorny (239) 303-2374

**Regular Meeting Second Friday Each Month at 7:30 P.M.**



## Scottish Rite Valley of Fort Myers

Personal Representative: Ill. Clay Taylor, 33°  
 Secretary: Bro. Fred Wright, 32° KCCH  
[WWW.SCOTTISHRITEFORTMYERS.COM](http://WWW.SCOTTISHRITEFORTMYERS.COM)

**10868 Metro Pkwy  
 Fort Myers, FL 33966**  
**Regular Meetings are held the third Wednesday each month.**  
**6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Consistory**



## Lehigh Acres Shrine Club

President: John Geronimo.  
 239-940-9498  
[JGEROW81@yahoo.com](mailto:JGEROW81@yahoo.com)  
 Secretary: Russ Holck  
 239-813-8939  
[lizziesec@yahoo.com](mailto:lizziesec@yahoo.com)

**El Tarasco Mexican Restaurant  
 Lehigh Acres- 3rd Thursday**  
**Dinner 6PM, Meeting 7PM**

## District 24 Grand Lodge Officers

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER  
R.:W.: SCOTT PEACOCK  
(617) 271-4331

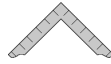
DISTRICT INSTRUCTOR  
R.:W.: GENE SIMS  
(239) 707-3030



## 2020 OFFICERS

### Worshipful Master

Kevin Gourley, PM  
(239) 849-1534



### Senior Warden

Fred Natoli, PM  
(239) 895-6488



### Junior Warden

Clint Larkins  
(239) 204-1941



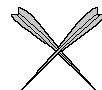
### Treasurer

Rob Antkiewicz, PM  
(239) 220-7569



### Secretary

Mike Frisby  
(239) 728-3811



### Senior Steward

Marty Thompkins  
(941) 232-5280



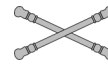
### Chaplain

Timothy Fjelsted  
(239) 247-0254



### Marshall

Robert Sweet, PM  
(239) 303-9989



### Senior Deacon

Luis Tulier-Fabregas  
(270) 319-7558



### Junior Deacon

William Wheeler  
(239) 791-9551



### Tyler

Michael Crouchelli, PM  
(239) 368-2047



### Junior Steward

Scott Machado  
(239) 229-9582



## PAST MASTERS



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
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
JAMES BOLLA, SR.	2018
FRED NATOLI	2019

\*Indicates Deceased