

# LEHIGH ACRES LODGE NO. 344 F&AM

## TRESTLE BOARD — JULY 2020

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## GREETINGS FROM THE EAST



Brothers, the COVID-19 virus is still among us here in Lee County. As of this writing there has been an increased number of cases reported in SWFL. Here are just a few short reminders from the Florida Department of Health for how to prevent the virus from spreading: Wash your hands with soap & water. Cover your coughs & sneezes with your arm, not your hands. And, if you're sick, stay at home & avoid crowds.

The official visit for the District Deputy Grand Master (DDGM), R.:W.: Scott Peacock, is scheduled for July 27th this month. This is the only Stated Communication we will be having in July. Please remember that since this is an official visit the dress for that evening will be business/formal, so don't forget your suit and tie.

For the remaining Summer months of August and September we will be dark. Although there will not be any stated communications during this period, we will still have a couple of Lodge Officer meetings and Ritual practices on select Monday nights where we can get together for any Brother who wants to attend.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has finally installed our Adopt a Highway road signs along our section of State Road 82. From what I have seen, this section of highway typically remains quite clean, so hopefully we won't have too difficult of a time keeping this area litter free. We will plan on a clean-up day there real soon.

Lastly, but certainly not least, I would like to congratulate Brother Tyler Smith for being passed to the degree of Fellow Craft on June 29 of last month. Next stop: Master Mason. Our Catechism Instructor, Bro. Luis Tulier, will continue working with him through the Summer. I look forward to hearing him give back his FC catechism once we return from the Summer break.

We did courtesy work for LaBelle No. 379 as well. A congratulations also goes to Bros. Robert Hollingsworth and Emmanuel Ambrosio who were passed to Fellow Craft as well.

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



## IMPORTANT DATES

**July 4**   
**4th of July / Independence Day**

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

**July 13**  
Dark—No Stated Communication

**July 20**  
Ritual Practice 7:00pm

**July 27**  
Stated Communication  
Official DDGM Visit  
Dinner 6:30pm / Meet 7:30pm

## Quote of the Month

Freemasonry is an ancient and respectable institution, embracing individuals of every nation, of every religion, and of every condition in life. Wealth, power and talents are not necessary to the person of a Freemason. An unblemished character and a virtuous conduct are the only qualifications for admission into the Order.



—Brother Andrew Jackson

## GREETINGS FROM THE WEST



Greetings Brethren,

I hope everyone is healthy and doing well.

Please join me in congratulating Brother Tyler Smith on being passed to the degree of Fellow Craft.

Our charity for the month of July will be the [American Red Cross](#). Red Cross volunteers and staff work to deliver vital services – from providing relief and support to those in crisis, to helping you be prepared to respond in emergencies. From disaster relief to lifesaving blood, they are there.

As always, if you know of a brother and eating a ride to Lodge please offer your services or reach out for assistance.

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



## JULY BIRTHDAYS

- Robert Sweet—5th
- Norman Castor—11th
- William Wheeler—27th
- Tim Fjelsted—28th



## ANNIVERSARIES IN FREEMASONRY

- ♦ Jerry Michael Frisby  
5 years
- ♦ Bill Jeffries  
71 Years
- ♦ James Pletcher  
53 Years
- ♦ William Teal, III  
26 Years



## GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTH



My Brothers, I hope all is well. I would first like to congratulate Brother Tyler Smith on being passed to the degree of Fellow Craft. I would also like to congratulate Brother Fred Wright on receiving his Honorary membership to Lehigh Acres No. 344. I would also like to thank Brother Marty Thompkins for stepping up and filling in for me in the kitchen this past month.

Fraternally,  
Bro. Clint Larkins  
Junior Warden



Passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft on June 29th:

Tyler Smith (Lehigh Acres No. 344)  
Robert Hollingsworth & Emmanuel Ambrosio (LaBelle No. 379)

## CHARITY OF THE MONTH



**American  
Red Cross**



**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  
[liizziesec@yahoo.com](mailto:liizziesec@yahoo.com)

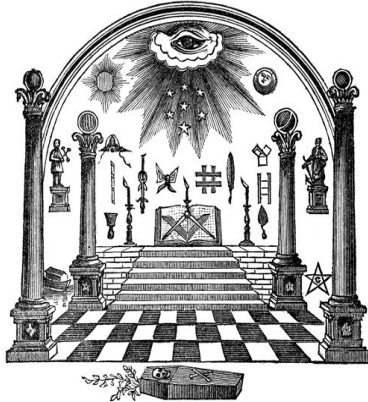
**El Tarasco Mexican Restaurant Lehigh Acres- 3rd Thursday**  
**Dinner 6PM, Meeting 7PM**



**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



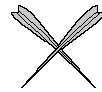
**Treasurer**

Rob Antkiewicz, PM  
(239) 220-7569



**Secretary**

Mike Frisby  
(239) 728-3811



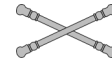
**Senior Steward**

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