



1110 Ashlar Ave.  
Lehigh Acres, FL 33936

### Greetings from the East



The Fall Season is upon us and better weather is ahead. Soon the license plates will be changing colors as we look forward to welcoming our visiting Brother Masonic Snowbirds and their Families to Lehigh Acres Lodge No. 344 F&AM (“The Friendly Lodge”)

Thus far, we are having a great year with six new Brothers on their way toward the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. I thank all the Officers and members of this and neighboring Lodges for their continuing support in making 2018 an awesome year. Our financials are solid and growing as is our membership. What more can one ask for?

Additionally, more members are taking an active role in maintaining the premises by making repairs, keeping the air conditioners running, assessing damage to the illuminated sign on the roof (which was blown down by Hurricane Irma last year) and seeking possible solutions to our septic situation.

Scheduled, is a Called Communication for the Fellow Craft Degree, Monday evening, October 15<sup>th</sup> with dinner starting at 6:30 PM followed by the Degree at 7:30 PM. All Brother Fellow Crafts and Master Masons are invited and encouraged to attend (Dinner is open to Family and Friends of Masonry). Our Senior Warden, Brother Fred Natoli will Officiate.

As mentioned, we have six Brothers of varying degrees working toward the sublime degree of MM and at our September Stated Communication, the Secretary was handed a Petition from a young man interested in becoming a Mason, all of which makes me very, very happy. Getting new members and retaining existing members was one of my primary goals when I was elected Worshipful Master and we are on right on track toward meeting that commitment.

I am very proud of our Officers, both Elected and Appointed, and to the Members for their continued efforts to carry on the great traditions of Lehigh Acres Lodge No. 344 F&AM .

Lastly, and in keeping with the GL Digest, Nominating Applications for the 2019 Elected Officer positions are available from the Secretary or can be found on the State of FL Grand Lodge Website. All nominating applications need to be completed, signed and returned to the Lodge Secretary NLT the first Stated Meeting in November. In closing, May God Bless You and Your Family.

Fraternally,

James R. Bolla, Sr.  
Worshipful Master



### Important Dates:

- 10/01—Ritual Practice**  
7:00pm
- 10/08—Stated Communication**  
6:30pm Dinner  
7:30pm Communication
- 10/15—Called Communication**  
6:30pm Dinner  
7:30pm Fellow Craft Degree
- 10/22—Stated Communication**  
6:30pm Dinner  
7:30pm Communication
- 10/29—Ritual Practice**  
7:00pm



### Greetings from the West



As the summer ends, I am excited about receiving further light as we return to regular stated meetings.

I hope everyone had a great summer. As we get ready for this year to end, we have a lot going on. Please make every effort you can to come out for dinner and stated communications.

Our charity this month is Breast Cancer Awareness Month (BCAM). BCAM is a international campaign to increase awareness and raise funds for research into its cause , prevention , diagnosis , treatment , and cure.

Fraternally yours,  
Bro. Fred Natoli  
Senior Warden



**October Charity**  
**Breast Cancer Awareness Month**

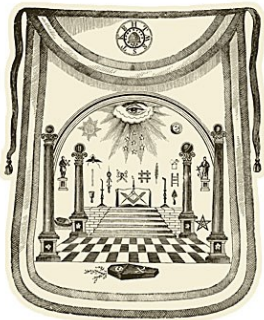


## Birthdays for October

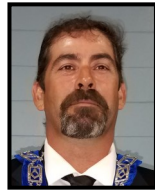
- Paul Meloy — 5th
- Henry Forschino — 6th
- Jason Hollinger — 10th
- Rob Antkiewicz — 10th
- Al Samuelson — 14th
- Robert Kruger — 16th
- Kevin Gourley — 19th

## October Anniversaries in Freemasonry

- Paul Goehle, 36 Years
- Doug Wright, 28 Years
- Jason Hollinger, 12 Years
- James Bolla, Jr., 5 Years



## Greetings from the South



Summer is gone and Fall is here so that means everyone will start to head to Florida for the cold spells up North. I would like to say Welcome back to Florida.

Congratulations to Luis Tulier-Fabergas for doing an outstanding job giving his EA Catechism. Looking forward to having your FC Degree done on October 15th.

Starting next month I will be posting the "planned" menu for the stated meeting to help you decide to come and have a home-cooked meal with us. If there are any special requests, feel free to ask me for it and I will see what I can do.

In Brotherly Love as always,  
Bro. Joe Propst  
Junior Warden



## From the Secretary's Desk



Brothers, the end of the year is nearly upon us. That means it is almost time for 2019 Officer Elections. I have nomination forms available if you have someone in mind for a position. Before submitting a nomination, make sure the person you want to nominate is willing to fulfill the duties of that office if elected. The nomination forms must be submitted before the first stated communication in November – nominations thereafter cannot be accepted.

The yearly dues notices should be sent out this month, so keep your eyes open for them.

There are some Brothers whose contact information on file is out of date and I have been unable to reach them. If any of you know the following Brothers, please have them call me at 239-849-1534:

- Douglas Compton
- Albert Samuelson
- Walter Seyfarth
- Ronald Webb

Fraternally,  
Kevin Gourley, PM  
Secretary  
[lehighacres344secretary@centurylink.net](mailto:lehighacres344secretary@centurylink.net)



## 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.**



## Tall Cedars of Lebanon

### Tamiami Forest #205

Grand Tall Cedar: C Cecil Raulerson  
(239) 691-4283

[swampy385@centurylink.net](mailto:swampy385@centurylink.net)

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.**



## Lehigh Acres Shrine Club

### Meeting Every Fourth Thursday

Location: Beef "O" Brady's  
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  
[wri509@aol.com](mailto:wri509@aol.com)
- ◆ Noble Jim Bolla, Sr. (Secretary)  
(239) 368-8065  
[shrinermj@hotmail.com](mailto:shrinermj@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



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## 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.**

[WWW.SCOTTISHRITEFORTMYERS.COM](http://WWW.SCOTTISHRITEFORTMYERS.COM)



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

# 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.*  
 (239) 368-8065

**Senior Warden**  
*Fred Natoli*  
 (239) 895-6488

**Junior Warden**  
*Joe Propst*  
 (239) 821-2844

**Treasurer**  
*Daniel Akard, DDGM*  
 (239) 707-4451

**Secretary**  
*Kevin Gourley, PM*  
 (239) 849-1534

**Senior Deacon**  
*Robert "Bobby" Lippek, DI*  
 (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

