

## Lehigh Acres Lodge #344 Free & Accepted Masons

## Trestle Board — March 2018

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#### **Greetings from the East**



Greetings Brethren,

February has been an exciting month thanks to our excellent team of Officers. Everyone is pulling together to make 2018 a great year. Our Junior Warden, Brother Joseph Propst, has been preparing some noteworthy

dinners and his Ritual is excellent.

Worshipful Kevin Gourley is also doing excellent job getting the Trestle Board out in a timely fashion. Kevin is also our Training Officer and Communications Officer. Our Senior Warden, Brother Fred Natoli, is one of the best on Ritual work and is our Catechism Instructor. Our recently raised Junior Deacon, Brother Clint Larkins, is impeccable with his ritual as are the two recently raised Stewards

A special thanks to R∴W∴ Gerald Pokorny for filling in as Secretary Pro Tem as our Secretary, Brother Mike Frisby, is facing serious back surgery on or about March 14th. Please keep Brother Mike and his family in your thoughts and prayers. And our Thanks to Worshipful Dan Akard, Treasurer, for all the good work he does work with the Masonic Home, The Master Masons Assn., the Candlelighters, the OES and as our Treasurer.

On February 26th, the National Sojourners Chapter #503 visited our Lodge to do a "Building of the Flag" and a "Toast to the Flag" in honor of Brother George Washington's Birthday. They always do great work.

At our second meeting in March we will have a talk about The Tall Cedars of Lebanon by our very own Grand Tall Cedar. C. Cecil Raulerson who will also elaborate a bit on the Charitable work that they do.

Happy Saint Patrick's Day!!

Fraternally, Jim Bolla, Sr. Worshipful Master



#### **Important Dates:**

03/12 Stated Meeting 6:30 PM Dinner

7:30 PM Meeting

03/14 Quarter Auction for Tall Cedars Muscular Dystrophy 5:00 PM Quarter Auction at Mugs & Jugs

03/26 Stated Meeting 6:30 PM Dinner 7:30 PM Meeting

### **Greetings from the West**



Greetings Brethren and All,

I hope you are all enjoying this unusually warm winter we are having. Personally, I wouldn't mind wearing a sweatshirt a few more times before Spring officially kicks in, but such is life in Florida.

I would like to thank the National Sojourners for their wonderful job of the Flag Building Presentation. I always enjoy watching this.

This month's charity will be the American Diabetes Association which you can read more about and donate at www.Diabetes.org.

As always, if you know of a Brother who is unable to drive himself to Lodge, please offer your services.

Sincerely & Fraternally, Bro. Fred Natoli Senior Warden





### Charity of the Month:











#### Birthdays for March

Lewis Fish—8th

James Grant—15th

James Bolla, Jr.—16th

Benjamin Lopez—18th

# March Anniversaries in Freemasonry

George Briede, 65 Years
John Carter, 41 Years
Mike Crouchelli, 39 Years
Danny Moss 31 Years
Paul Conrod, 29 Years
Michael Salas, Sr., 24 Years
Michael Stanforth, 24 Years
James Wright, 24 Years
Paul Benstine, 22 Years
Frank Caveliero, Jr., 13 Years
Benjamin Lopez, 13 Years
Ronald Carter, 9 Years

James Taylor, 7 Years

Terry Steele II, 4 Years

#### **Greetings from the South**

I am excited that we have received numerous petitions in the month of February, In the short time I have been a member of this lodge, I have been impressed with the growth.

A special thank you to the Sojourners for coming out and doing their flag ceremony for us and the visitors. It's always inspiring to me to watch as a member of the armed forces from days of old.

Please remember to come early to the meetings and get a home cooked meal, I will try not to buy any premade stuff if I can help it.

With Brotherly Love and Friendship,

Bro. Joe Propst Junior Warden



#### From the Secretary's Desk



I truly believe that everything that we do and everyone that we meet is put in our path for a purpose. There are no accidents; we're all teachers - if we're willing to pay attention to the lessons we learn, trust our positive instincts and not be afraid to take risks or wait for some miracle to come knocking at our door.

Fraternally, Bro. Mike Frisby Secretary



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

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Scribe: William P. Bond

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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: 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.

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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

## **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.

Senior Warden Fred Natoli

Junior Warden
Joe Propst

Treasurer Daniel Akard, PM

Secretary

J. Michael Frisby

Senior Deacon Kevin Gourley, PM

Junior Deacon Clinton Larkins

Chaplain Charles "Bill" Martin, PM

**Tyler** Michael Crouchelli, PM

> **Senior Steward** Timothy Fjelsted

Junior Steward Kawelo Makaneole



# District 24 Grand Lodge Officers

District Deputy Grand Master

R::W:: Mike Gardner

District Instructor

R::W:: Jeff Nowak