

LaBelle No. 379 Free & Accepted Masons



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Greetings from the East



Brethren: April was a great month at LaBelle Lodge.

We received four petitions that have already been investigated and will be balloted on in the near future.

On April 9 we had a special presentation from the Daughters of the American Revolution. The ceremony recognized those Veterans that served during the Vietnam era.

Please be advised that the Lodge will be dark for our May 28th meeting due to Grand Lodge proceedings happening on this date.

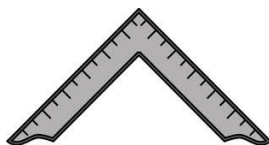
Remember that YOU are someone's only impression of Freemasonry.

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STATED COMMUNICATIONS

SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAYS

May 14

6:30pm Dinner

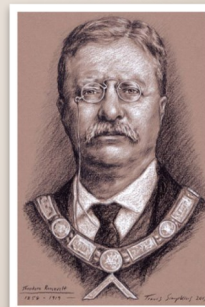
7:30pm Meeting

May 28

No Stated Communication
due to Grand Lodge in Orlando



Quote of the Month



"I ask of each Mason, of each member, of each brother, that he shall remember ever that there is upon him a pe-

culiar obligation to show himself in every respect a good citizen; for after all, the way he can best do his duty by the ancient order to which he belongs is by reflecting credit upon that order by way in which he performs his duty as a citizen of the United States."

—Theodore Roosevelt



Just a Little Lodge Room

By George B. Staff

Just a quiet little lodge room,
But a mighty force for good
With its loyal band of members
Learning more of brotherhood



Striving, stumbling but progressing
Down a Pathway towards the right
Just a humble bunch of plain folks,
Reaching seeking for the light.



Just a quiet little lodge room,
How it stirs the heart and soul
With a thrill of great endeavour
toward a high and common goal



With each pledge of faith and courage
To maintain the forward fight,
On the road that leads them onward
Even onward to the light

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



There are things we don't discuss at Lodge, namely politics, religion and smut. There are also things we don't do in Lodge, or even on Lodge property, such as consume alcoholic beverages or controlled substances or use tobacco products. This may lead the uninformed may ask, "what else is there to talk about?"

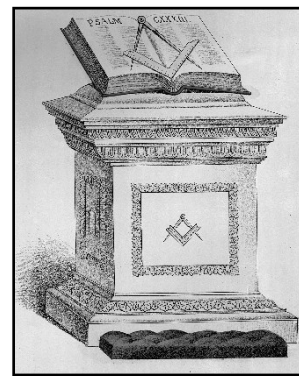
Actually, we Masons have plenty to discuss, and we do. We talk about those who find themselves in unfortunate circumstances and what we, as a group, can do to make their troubles easier. We discuss donating to an array of charities and civic activities, we discuss providing scholarship assistance to deserving students, we lift up in our prayers those suffering illnesses, we visit brothers who are confined at home or receiving treatment in the hospital.

We discuss the application of men seeking the benefits of the three degrees and their worthiness to receive them. We study and refresh our memory on the degrees and rituals of Masonry and work on the memorization of what we present at each Lodge meeting and to each new candidate. And, when one of our brothers departs this earthly realm to advance to the Great Lodge in the beyond, we discuss how best honor his memory and ease his passing for the widow and children.

Bro. Phil Keyes

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A SPECIAL PRESENTATION TO OUR *Vietnam Veterans ...*



LAST MONTH



by USS Hannah Chapter, NSDAR



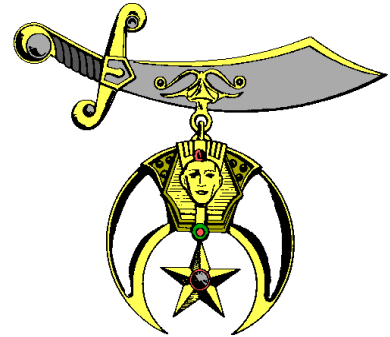
Local Appendant Bodies



Scottish Rite



York Rite



Shriners



Eastern Star



Grotto



Sojourners

You've completed the 3rd degree and you are a Master Mason. Or, you've been through all the chairs in Blue Lodge. Now What? Apart from continuing to be an active member of your Blue Lodge, there are also appendant organizations within Freemasonry that might be of interest to you. The six listed above have chapters in the Southwest Florida area. Information about each of them can be found online. You won't have to look far to find a Brother that is a member of one or more of these appendant bodies; they will be happy to provide additional information and tell you how to get involved.

NOTE: The Sojourners is made up of current and former members of the United States Armed Forces (any branch) and Honorary Members, who are Master Masons.



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