### LABELLE LODGE No. 379 F&AM

TRESTLE BOARD - AUGUST 2021 - REVISED 8/2/21



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## STATED COMMUNICATION AT 7:30 P.M. ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAYS



**AUGUST 10th & AUGUST 24th** 



IMPORTANT: The New York Strip Dinner that was originally planned for August 24th has been postponed. We will look at rescheduling this event and hopefully have an update for you in the September Trestle Board.

## GRAND LODGE OFFICERS FOR DISTRICT 24

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#### GREETINGS FROM THE EAST

Prayers are rising from the East for Brothers all, and their families.

We, at LaBelle Lodge No. 379, met last night and enjoyed a great meal prepared by our Past Master Tom Boardman. It was very well done, Brother! We were honored with two first time visitors. We assigned an investigation committee, for a new petitioner. For the first time in a very long time, the Lodge voted to adopt a first-year teacher at Country Oaks Elementary School. We also voted to adopt Country Oaks, itself.

I whole-heartedly and passionately do not believe that a Lodge can continue to grow - even survive - if it is one of its communities best-kept secrets. A Lodge must be involved in its community, sowing seeds of goodwill, and its properties must be inviting, with curb-appeal. At LaBelle Lodge, we are striving to do just that.

The Lodge will not be having a Stated Communication on August 24th. In lieu of that, we are having a Fellowship Meeting—all Brothers are invited, and bring your wife or significant others, as well as a man of whom you might believe might be a good Mason, and his wife or significant other. R:W: Ed Lanham will give a short talk on Masonry. New York Strip steaks will be served at \$20.00 a plate. That is August 24th, 6:30 pm, at LaBelle Lodge, RSVP is requested by August 17th. Text me at 863 673-2192, and leave me your name - Lodge - and number of people in your party. Thanks in advance.

On September 11th we will be having a Family Day honoring our First Responders, and held at the Lodge, also. We are planning to have hot dogs, hamburgers, and all the trimmings, games, and fellowship. We will need help for both, my Brothers. Please contact me again by text if you can help with these endeavors.

The first Saturday, August 6th at 9:00 am, we have our Work Day at Lodge and need everyone's help.

A practice will be held on Monday, August 9th, at 6:30 pm. We will be working on openings, the office above you, and the proper use of the Great Lights in opening, closing, and degree work. Everyone who has a desire to learn more is welcome to attend.

I pray that my Brothers "all" remain safe in your travels and that you may be blessed as you serve the True Light of the World.

Yours in Christ, W∴ Bill Maddox, PM Worshipful Master







#### FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY

Greetings, My Brothers. I hope this message finds all of you doing well and staying healthy.

I am happy to report that despite the pandemic LaBelle Lodge No. 379 has actually grown and prospered. Our Treasurer reports a healthy balance in our accounts and the Lodge has made numerous charitable donations through the generosity of the Brothers. Under the direction of Worshipful Bill Maddox we have held several work days and the Lodge is looking great.

However, as in all organizations, 90% of the work is done by 10% of the membership. Such a situation cannot continue. In order go grow and remain healthy and prosperous we need all of the Brothers to step up do their part. Come out and be a working part of our Lodge Family.

This will benefit you as well as the Lodge and we all win.

Fraternally, Nicholas S. Fidanza, PM Secretary





#### THE CHAPLAIN'S NOTES

As the Brethren arrive on lodge night, small groups gather and a wide range of conversation topics ensue. In the event we should ever be inclined to eavesdrop on any of these groups, we'll find that each and every brother utilizes a personal accumulation of words and phrases to express his feelings, ideas and sentiments. This is the "friendly and social intercourse" we use in the Chaplain's closing prayer.

As we converse and enjoy the company of our brothers, a note of caution is wise: choose our words and tone of voice carefully. Never should we speak to gain power over another person, but use our words as a gift that help us serve others and worship God.

The Disciple James in his letter in the New Testament cautions us, "The tongue is a little member and boasts of great things. How great a forest is ablaze by a small fire!" And, in Proverb s 15:4 – "A gentle tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit", then, again in Proverbs 25:11, "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver."

Phillip Keyes Chaplain

# Past Masters

JAMES PENDRY*	1977-78	JIM CIANFRANI	2000
CHARLES MACDOWELL*	1979	JERRY HUBBART*	2001
EDWIN RENOLDS	1980	STEVE POLHEMUS	2002
THOMAS K. WOOSLEY*	1981	GLENN R. MICKEY*	2003
KENNETH PICKLES	1982	RUSS BUCCINI*	2004
ROBERT P. MIDDLETON*	1983	JACK ROSE*	2005
JOSEPH H. FUTCH*	1984	KEVIN NELSON	2006-07
WILLARD BRYANT	1985	HERBERT HOLLENBECK*	2008
ROBERT P. MIDDLETON*	1986	CURTIS DODD	2009
GLENN R. MICKEY*	1987	BRUCE ARMSTRONG	2010
EASTON BURCHARD*	1988-89	JOHN W. NELSON	2011
LEWIS WHIDDEN*	1990	M. MATT HECKERT	2012
MICHAEL BOYLE	1991	RAY NAVOR	2013
L.E. RICHARDSON, SR.*	1992	NICHOLAS FIDANZA	2014
DOUG SCRATCHLEY, SR.*	1993	GREG GUNTER	2015
J.S. HARRIS	1994	L.E. RICHARDSON, JR.	2016
MIKE GUTHRIE	1995	THOMAS BOARDMAN	2017
J. THOMAS PAXON*	1996	TONY WEEMS	2018
JAMES JENNINGS*	1997	ADRIAN SANCHEZ	2019
JIM MARSHALL*	1998	ED LANHAM	2020
CARL W. SWANSON*	1999		

\*Indicates Deceased

