



# LABELLE LODGE No. 379 F&AM

## TRESTLE BOARD - JULY 2019



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**STATED COMMUNICATIONS ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAYS**

**DINNER AT 6:30 PM—COMMUNICATION AT 7:30 PM**

July 9th  
July 23rd

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# GREETINGS FROM THE EAST

Is it hot or is it not? Already half of the year has passed.

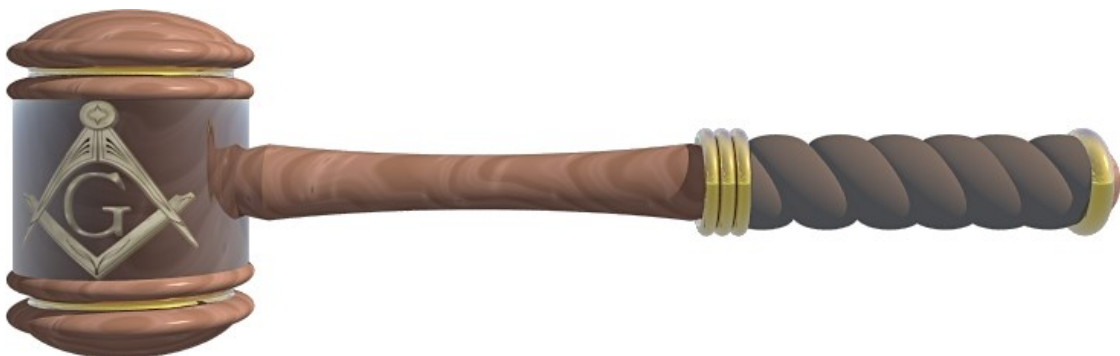
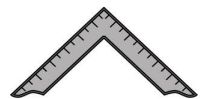
For those that haven't been by the Lodge let me say that the painting has been definitely an improvement. Thanks to Brother John Smith who set forth the motion to paint the Lodge and Worshipful Bill Mad-dox who supplied the paint.

I was reading an article yesterday that I had to read twice to understand. Thought I'd share it with the Craft:

*" AFTER all, the great secret of Masonry is that it has no secret, and might better be called the Open Secret of the World. If it retires into the tyled recesses of the lodge and works in the quiet and privacy thereof, it is the better to teach in parable, symbol, emblem and drama those great and simple truths which are to our human world what light and air are to the natural world. When a young man enters a Masonic lodge he is asked whence he came, and what he has come to do. Today let us reverse that order of inquiry and ask of Masonry the question which she asks of all who bow at her altar: Whence it has come, and what service it has to render to humanity? Time does not allow us to answer such questions in detail, but perhaps a brief sketch may provoke others to pursue the study, and thus learn how far back the story of Masonry goes, and how deeply it is rooted in the nature, need and aspiration of the race."*

May God Bless Brothers and see you at Lodge on Tuesday.

Adrian Sanchez  
Worshipful Master



## GREETINGS FROM THE WEST

HAVE A HAPPY AND SAFE 4TH OF JULY!!

Yours in Christ,  
Bill Maddox, PM  
Senior Warden

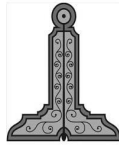


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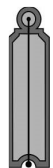
## GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTH

Greetings, Brethren. I just thought I'd share with you some interesting thoughts about the Acacia Tree.

The Acacia tree was found in the area now known as Palestine during ancient times, but today it is found all over Africa. It looks like the mulberry tree and can grow to well over one hundred feet tall. The gum obtained from it is known as Arabic. Acacia is a very hard, and sacred Hebrew wood known in the scriptures as "Shittah." The Ark of the Covenant was made from it. Acacia is part of our Master Mason ritual and represents the immortality of the soul, as the soul lives on after our bodies have been put to rest. It can be a bush, a tree, or a grove of trees. If you cut it down it grows back, if you burn it, it grows back. If you try to dig it up and leave one root, it will grow back. Acacia can live through floods, droughts, and bad soil conditions.

Is there any doubt as to why the Acacia tree is our symbol for immortality?  
See you in Lodge, Brothers!

Ed Lanham, PDDGM  
Junior Warden



## FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY

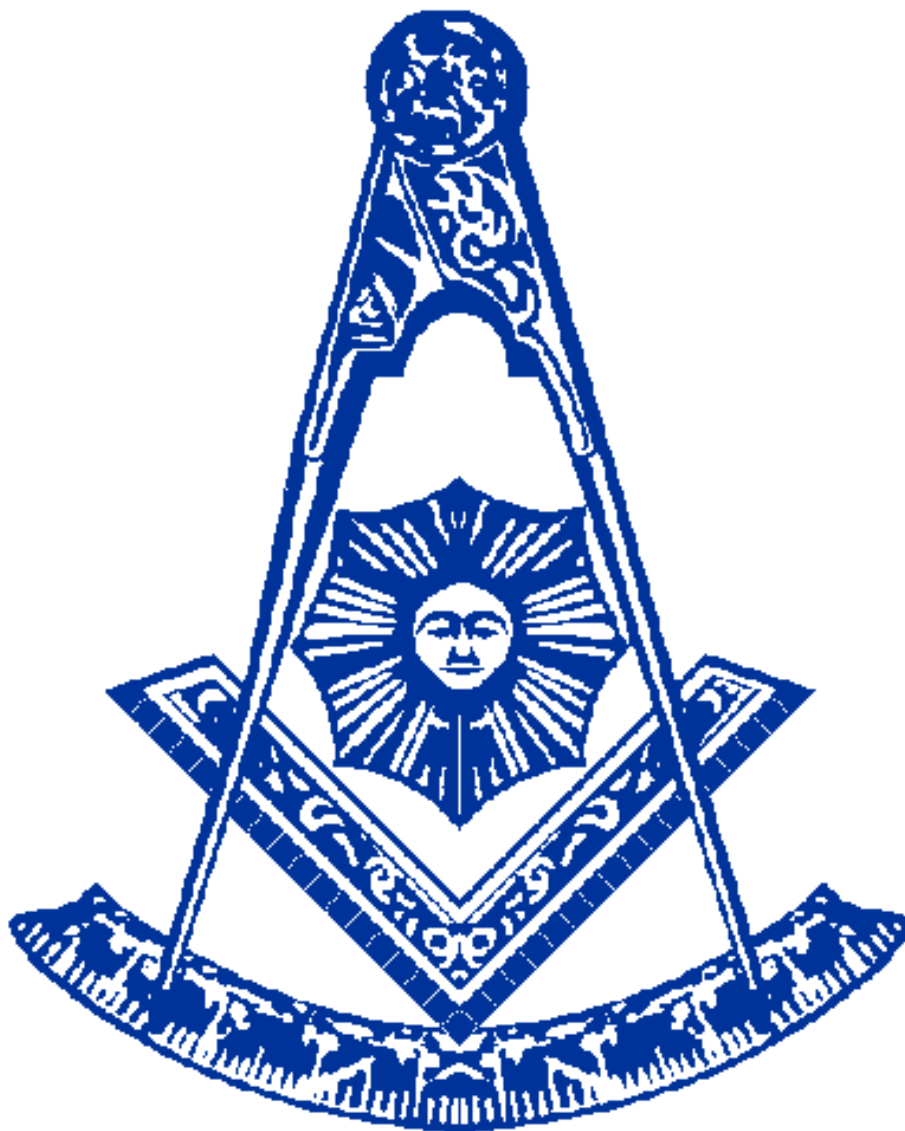
Summer greetings, my Brothers. As those of us who lived up North and were Lodge members up there, Northern Lodges go dark during the months of July and August, but not here in Florida, we keep going through the heat.

Be sure to check your dues card to make sure it is up to date.

Come out and be an active member of LaBelle Lodge No. 379. As with most organizations 90% of the work is done by 10% of the people in the organization. At our Lodge the 10% number appears to be shrinking. Let's pick it up a bit.

Fraternally,  
Nicholas S. Fidanza, PM  
Secretary





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ROBERT P. MIDDLETON*	1983
JOSEPH H. FUTCH*	1984
WILLARD BRYANT	1985
ROBERT P. MIDDLETON*	1986
GLENN R. MICKEY*	1987
EASTON BURCHARD*	1988-89
LEWIS WHIDDEN*	1990
MICHAEL BOYLE	1991
L.E. RICHARDSON, SR.*	1992
DOUG SCRATCHLEY, SR.*	1993
J.S. HARRIS	1994
MIKE GUTHRIE	1995
J. THOMAS PAXON*	1996
JAMES JENNINGS*	1997
JIM MARSHALL*	1998
CARL W. SWANSON*	1999
JIM CIANFRANI	2000
JERRY HUBBART*	2001
STEVE POLHEMUS	2002
GLENN R. MICKEY*	2003
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M. MATT HECKERT	2012
RAY NAVOR	2013
NICHOLAS FIDANZA	2014
GREG GUNTER	2015
L.E. RICHARDSON, JR.	2016
THOMAS BOARDMAN	2017
TONY WEEMS	2018

\*Indicates Deceased