

Sugarland No. 281 Free & Accepted Masons

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Trestle Board—April 2024



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Greetings from the East



I would first like to thank all of the Brothers who reached out over the last couple months. My Dad is in his final resting place and our family is grateful for the condolences and prayers. My surgery was a success. Eight biopsies were performed and all came back benign. The second part of the surgery was a success and I have been granted relief. The prayers sent have sped me on my way to recovery.

April 18th will be a stated communication and we will celebrate the 75th anniversary of Sugarland No. 281 F&AM. It has been my hope to have 75 Brothers join our communication. Worshipful Tom Boardman has agreed to do the Candlelight Vigil for another special occasion happening that night. We will have a great dinner that several Brothers are putting together. If you receive this Trestle Board and have not been to Lodge in a while, please consider coming out for this event.

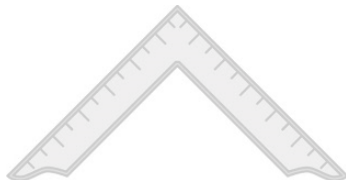
November 16th will be our annual golf scramble and it is never too early to start planning for success. We are also open to other fundraisers if you have something in mind. The more we can do the better we can continue to spread the values which make us Masons throughout the community.

Thank you,

W.: Tony Weems, PM

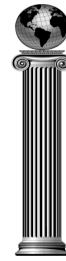
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Quote of the Month

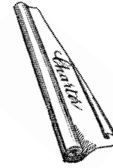
"To forgive is to pardon the unpardonable." — *Bro. Phillip*



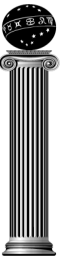
STATED COMMUNICATION FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY

Dinner at 6:30 PM

Communication at 7:30 PM



**APRIL 4
APRIL 18**



All Master Masons are invited to come out and help us celebrate Sugarland's 75th Anniversary. Our goal is to have 75 Brothers in Lodge the evening of **April 18** to commemorate this event.

Supper will be served at 6:30 pm and the gavel drops at 7:30 pm. Come out for what is expected to be a fantastic evening of fellowship!

From the Secretary's Desk



As we begin April 2024, we are seven (7) months away from having to have your required course completed to become eligible to be elected as a Lodge Officer. The required courses are Master Mason I, II, & III, along with MLT (Masonic Leadership Training). Please see me to begin or schedule the trainings you require, our Lodge's future depends on it!

I would like to remind everyone that April 18th, we will celebrate the 75th Anniversary of our Lodge! Please invite a Brother Master Mason or Masons, to come celebrate with us & reach the Worshipful Master's goal of seventy-five (75) Master Masons in attendance. I truly believe that this will be a great year for us, the 75th Anniversary of Sugarland Lodge No. 281!

Respectfully & Fraternally,

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Notes From A Chaplain

By Brother Phil Keyes, LaBelle No. 379 F&AM

Without feedback, patient repetition, and the gentle correcting of peers and mentors within our Lodge, the EAs, FCs and MMs going through the degrees would not be successful and Masonry will not survive as it has for centuries. Our strength comes from basic tenants: belief in the all serving and always caring God, the love we have for one another, and the betterment of all mankind as practiced by coaching our newcomers.

Each of us has formed valued friendships in our Lodges. Associations with men whom we would otherwise never have known, and often these relationships continue for years. It is a bonding one has to experience to understand. I feel honored and blessed to know my Masonic brothers, as well as their spouse and children. Many Masons regularly visit one another socially in their homes. No other fraternity or club can offer this closeness.

Making the three sublime degrees of Masonry available to a man of good character who shares our belief in God and our desire to improve ourselves while better providing for our family, is indeed a momentous occasion. Not a time for frivolity for it is serious business and not only does the future of our fraternity depend on it, but the future of each one of us.



PAST MASTERS

C.M. Pickle	1948 & 1949	Oswell L. Sutton	1973	Kevin M. Moore	1997
W.W. Perry	1950	Troy T. Cotton	1974	Ronald Evans	1998
Ezra E. Kelly	1951	Thomas Adams	1975	Wayne Wilkins	1999
James C. Jackman	1952	James Sorrells	1976	Glen R. Mickey	2000
W.J. Robinson	1953	T.W. Jack Wynn	1977	Alvin Akridge	2001
John R. Barton	1954	Bob Goedhart	1978	David J. Veale	2002
Floyd Andrews	1955	Melvin Keen	1979	Melvin Keen	2003
C.M. Giddens	1956	David Veale	1980	Teodoro "Ted" Reyes	2004
Lawrence E. Lee	1957	E. Edwards	1981	Richard Clemmons	2005
John Doty	1958	William Griffin Perry	1982	Melvin Keen	2006 & 2007
Robert E. Goedhart	1959	William "Bill" Thomas	1983	Teodoro "Ted" Reyes	2008 & 2009
John W. Wynn	1960	Wayne Wilkins	1984	John Cote	2010
Lewis W. Wethington	1961	John David Thomas	1985	Kevin M. Moore	2011
Thadis W. Wynn	1962	John Stanberry	1986	Kevin Nelson	2012 & 2013
John M. Drake	1963	James Armstrong	1987	Cecil O. Akin	2014 & 2015
Donald M. Galassini	1964	Wayne Wilkins	1988	Teodoro "Ted" Reyes	2016
Melvin C. Keen	1965	T.W. Jack Wynn	1989	William T. Maddox	2017
Abner H. Vann	1966	Price Wileman	1990	R.L. Marsh	2018 & 2019
Bobby Giddens	1967	John Drake	1991	John Cote	2020
Robert I. Pearce	1968	David J. Veale	1992	Kevin M. Moore	2021
W. Perry	1969	Wayne Wilkins	1993	R.L. Marsh	2022-2023
Robert Stacey	1970	Jim Griffin	1994		
Carl E. Wilson	1971	Glenn R. Mickey	1995		
Perl Corrington Spires	1972	Alvin Akridge	1996		

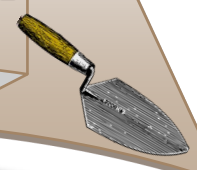
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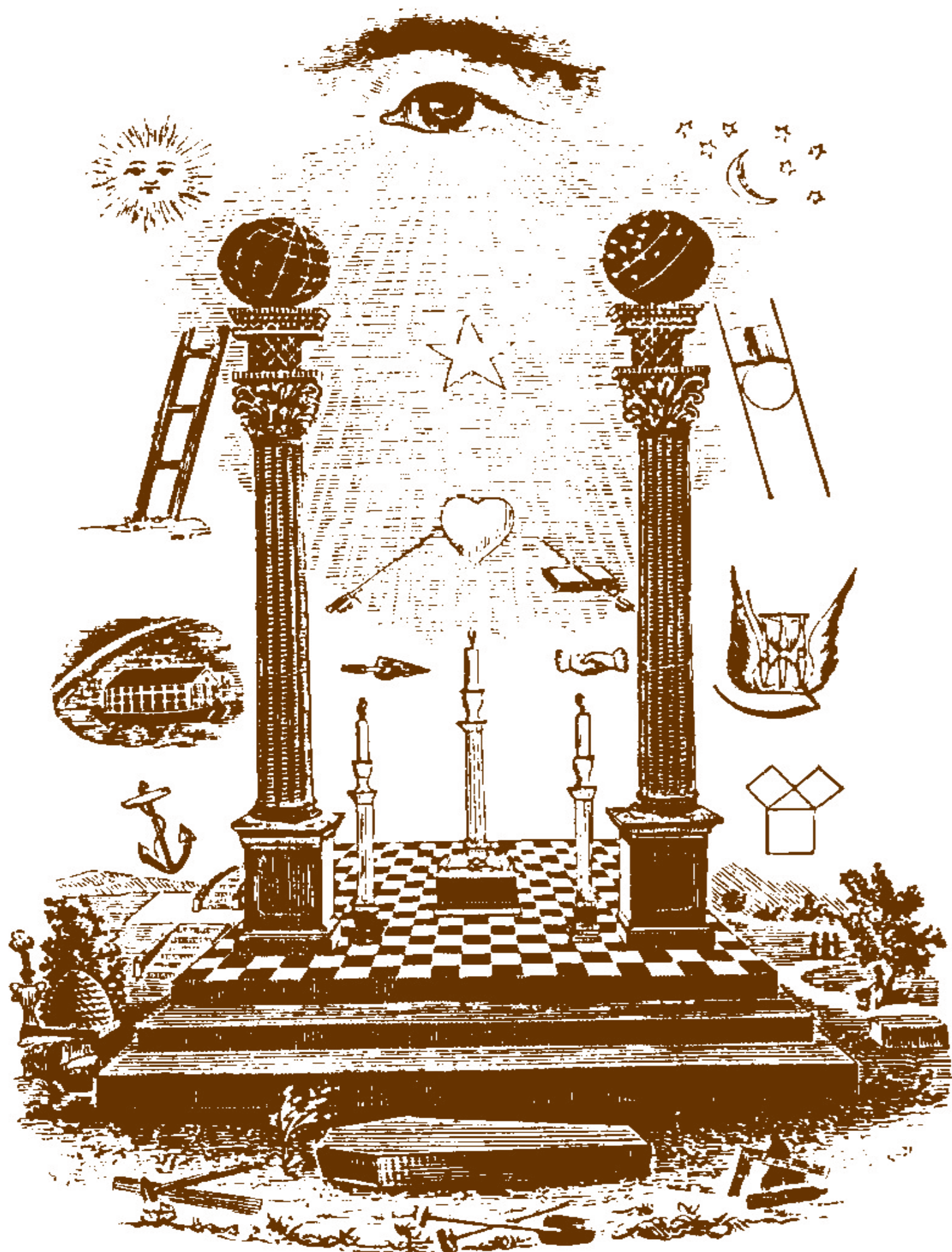


February 29th, 2024

Third Annual Joint Called Communication

Sugarland No. 281
Fort Myers Beach No. 362
LaBelle No. 379





MASTERS CARPET