

# Sugarland No. 281 Free & Accepted Masons

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**Trestle Board—February 2024**



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## STATED COMMUNICATION FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY

Dinner at 6:30 PM  
Communication at 7:30 PM

**FEBRUARY 1  
FEBRUARY 15**

## JOINT CALLED COMMUNICATION

WITH FORT MYERS BEACH No. 362 AND LABELLE No. 379



**FEBRUARY 29**

Dinner at 6:30PM  
Communication at 7:30PM  
**(HOSTED AT LABELLE LODGE)**



## Greetings from the East



February is upon us and 2024 is starting at a run. Right Worshipful Stephen Nelson will be making his second official visit to Sugarland No. 281 on February 1st. This will conclude his official visits to our Lodge for this Masonic year. I would like to congratulate him and his committee on a successful year. It has been a pleasure to get to know an honored Brother a little better and watch the grand picture in motion.

At our second stated meeting we will be ironing out dates for some upcoming fundraising. The Lodge is open to any and all suggestions, as well as volunteers. The success of all endeavors is decided by the work put into it.

I am looking for input on getting out the word to create a successful 75th anniversary celebration. My email is [kardsmart@yahoo.com](mailto:kardsmart@yahoo.com). I expect to have some ideas and messages out by the middle of the month.

If you know someone you have not seen in lodge for a while, give them a call and see if you can help get them back through the inner door.

**W.: Tony Weems, PM**

Worshipful Master

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## From the Secretary's Desk



As we begin February 2024, I would like to remind my Brothers to continue working on your requirements to become eligible to be elected as a Lodge Officer. The required courses are Master Mason I, II, & III, along with Masonic Leadership Training (MLT). While R.:W.: Michael Hazeliff is still conducting MLT Trainings at Masters & Wardens meetings, I suggest it would be very beneficial that you attend one to complete the training. He may not be the Committeeman for Masonic Education after the Annual Communication and the new schedule for 2024 is out. I have the booklets and blank answer sheets for Master Mason I, II, & III. Please see me to begin this training, our Lodge's future depends on it!

Once again, as we move further into this new year it will take all of us working together, to keep our Lodge strong & moving forward. I know that this will be a great year for us as we head into 2024, the 75th Anniversary of Sugarland Lodge No.281!

**W.: Richard Clemmons, PM**

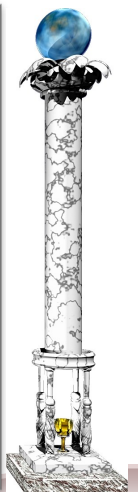
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**2024 Lodge Officers for Sugarland No. 281 F&AM**

Joel Case, Khristian Moore, Roy Gattone, Richard Clemmons, Tony Weems, Tommy Rudd, Jim Rusty Griffin, Mike Moore, Juan Carlos Santana, Mark Branaman



## 2024 Officers

### Worshipful Master

*Tony Weems, PM*

### Senior Warden

*Roy Gattone*

### Junior Warden

*Tommy Rudd*

### Treasurer

*Jon Basquin*

### Secretary

*Richard Clemmons, PM*

### Chaplain

*Jim Rusty Griffin, PM*

### Marshal

*Joel Case, PDDGM*

### Senior Deacon

*Khristian Moore*

### Junior Deacon

*Jessie Gutierrez*

### Senior Steward

*Juan Carlos Santana*

### Junior Steward

*Mark Branaman*

### Tyler

*Mike Moore, PM*

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### District Deputy Grand Master

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## Notes From A Chaplain

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

Where do the things that create a sense of wonder come from? I've wondered about this and probably so have you. Wonder occurs when something unexpected occurs. Like a rainbow, or an especially impressive sunset, or a bright planet in the nighttime sky. In addition to causing wonder, things that make an impression on us also fuel a sense of joy.

There have been innumerable times through the years when I've had an experience that caused me to stop and think, even say, "WOW! That's wonderful." Joy is different. Joy is the result of a wonderful event, but most often joy comes from inside us and ideally radiates toward another person. A particularly compelling book, a painting or a song brings joy. Our grandkids are often a reason for joy.

Love is another wonder reserved for another person. We may really like apple pie and ice cream but we love our wife and kids, parents and others. Love is a human emotion for humans and "like" is for materialistic objects and events. Except, sometimes we like the movie but love the book.

## Quote of the Month

Men grow when inspired by a high purpose, when contemplating vast horizons. The sacrifice of oneself is not very difficult for one burning with the passion for a great adventure. -Alexis Carrel

## 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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