

Sugarland No. 281 Free & Accepted Masons

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Trestle Board—July 2024



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Greetings from the East



Half way through the Calander year and we remain busy. July 20th will be a Lodge clean up day. We will start at 8:30 AM. Please come out; if physical condition prevents labor your presence would still be enjoyed.

We will have our official visit from Right Worshipful Matt Buxton on August 1st. Again, I ask that Lodge members come out and welcome him. One of his committee men everyone should be well acquainted with.

Our Brother Castillo will be returning his Fellow Craft Proficiency at second meeting in August so we will be putting together a Master Mason Degree. Please reach out if you would like to participate. It requires many volunteers and all are greatly appreciated.

Start practicing your swing now because the annual golf scramble will be herw before you know it. We will need volunteers to sell hole sponsors as well as working the event. As always it promises to be a great event and good fund raiser for our many charities.

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Worshipful Master

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Quote of the Month

*"Love of country is the Mason's deed;
world citizenship is his thought."*

—Benjamin Franklin



STATED COMMUNICATION



**THIRD THURSDAY
JULY 18**

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



NOTICE: There will not be a communication on July 4th



From the Secretary's Desk



Greetings My Brothers!

It's hard to believe, but we are already in July! We are close to entering the busiest time of the year for this Lodge, event wise.

So, 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 MLT (Masonic Leadership Training). Please see me to begin or schedule the trainings you require, our Lodge's future depends on it!

Also, we have Sugarland Lodge No. 281 coins available for \$10. Please see me if you would like to purchase one or more.

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Secretary

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Musings From A Chaplain

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

On July Fourth, 1941, my two older sisters took me to see a parade that featured colorful flags, mostly American ones but a couple state and maybe a Christian one. The high school band was playing, and groups of people were marching. The marchers were Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Masons, and young men who had received their draft notice.

None of it made sense to me. I was too young to know about Independence Day, World War II, and certainly not why people would stand on the side of the road to watch a parade. It didn't matter to me that there were no fireworks that night or vehicles in the parade. I didn't even understand what the men were talking about from the platform that was decorated with red, white and blue bunting.

With the ending of World War II, the Fourth of July has emerged as a major midsummer holiday and the change in how we celebrate has, in many ways, been dynamic. There are probably still parades that attract a few people and some places may even have patriotic themed speeches. The fireworks have become the major event.

I would urge each of you to join me in commemorating July 4 for its true significance – the celebration of the creation of the United States of America with the passage of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776. And should you happen to be standing by the side of the road when the flag goes by, salute it.

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	Antonio Weems	2024
Carl E. Wilson	1971	Glenn R. Mickey	1995		
Perl Corrington Spires	1972	Alvin Akridge	1996		

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