

Sugarland No. 281 Free & Accepted Masons

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Trestle Board—May 2024



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Greetings from the East



First, I would like to say how much a success our 75th anniversary meeting was. Every member of Sugarland No. 281 should be proud of the event on March 18th. I extend gratitude to those who came to the meeting and those who helped prepare for it. The meal was excellent.

Worshipful Tom Boardman did an excellent Bible Presentation to Brother Mark Branaman. I was fortunate to bestow a 50-year pin to good friend and Brother Brian "Gunny" Bennet.

Opening and closing was made even more special with the added help from Fort Myers Beach Brothers and a Brother from far away Pennsylvania. Again, thank you for all those who attended.

The month of May will bring Grand Lodge, but we will also have a Fellow Craft Degree on the 16th. We will be having practice on the 9th and 15th to prepare. Please reach out if you would like to participate in this degree. It is truly exciting and a blessing to watch our brother as he continues his travels.

If you have not been to Lodge, we ask that you reach out if there is something we can do to help you return. If you need a ride we can make arrangements.

God Bless,

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Worshipful Master
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STATED COMMUNICATION

FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY

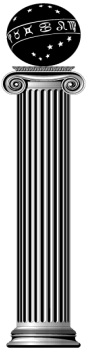
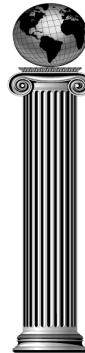
Dinner at 6:30 PM

Communication at 7:30 PM

MAY 2

MAY 16

(Fellow Craft Degree)



From the Secretary's Desk



I would first like to say what an amazing 75th Anniversary celebration we had on April 18th! I would like to offer a "Well Done" to Brothers Roy Gattone, Khristian Moore, and all the other Brothers that had a hand in preparing a most excellent meal! Kudos to Worshipful Master Tony Weems for a well put together agenda for the meeting! It was a most enjoyable and memorable evening!

A reminder to all the Brothers that the Annual Grand Communication is at the end of this month. If your schedule allows, I encourage those that can to attend. I have sent in the list for credentials for the Brothers who advised that they were attending this year. Looking forward to a productive May 2024!

Respectfully & Fraternally,

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Secretary
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Brothers in attendance at our
75th Anniversary Stated Communication on April 18

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

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Junior Steward

Mark Branaman

Tyler

Mike Moore, PM

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Notes From A Chaplain

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

There are things we don't discuss at Lodge, namely politics, religion and smut. There are also things we don't do in Lodge, or even on Lodge property, such as consume alcoholic beverages or controlled substances or use tobacco products. This may lead the uninformed to ask, "what else is there to talk about?"

Actually, we Masons have plenty to discuss, and we do. We talk about those who find themselves in unfortunate circumstances and what we, as a group, can do to make their troubles easier. We discuss donating to an array of charities and civic activities, we discuss providing scholarship assistance to deserving students, we lift up in our prayers those suffering illnesses, we visit brothers who are confined at home or receiving treatment in the hospital.

We discuss the application of men seeking the benefits of the three degrees and their worthiness to receive them. We study and refresh our memory on the degrees and rituals of Masonry and work on the memorization of what we present at each Lodge meeting and to each new candidate. And, when one of our brothers departs this earthly realm to advance to the Great Lodge in the beyond, we discuss how to best honor his memory and ease his passing for the widow and children.



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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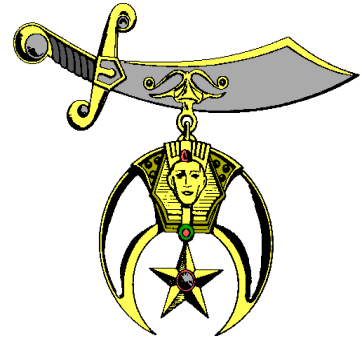
Local Appendant Bodies



Scottish Rite



York Rite



Shriners



Eastern Star



Grotto



Sojourners

You've completed the 3rd degree and you are a Master Mason. Or, you've been through all the chairs in Blue Lodge. Now What? Apart from continuing to be an active member of your Blue Lodge, there are also appendant organizations within Freemasonry that might be of interest to you. The six listed above have chapters in the Southwest Florida area. Information about each of them can be found online. You won't have to look far to find a Brother that is a member of one or more of these appendant bodies; they will be happy to provide additional information and tell you how to get involved.

NOTE: The Sojourners is made up of current and former members of the United States Armed Forces (any branch) and Honorary Members, who are Master Masons.

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