



SUGARLAND LODGE NO.281 F&AM

TRESTLE BOARD—JULY 2023



STATED COMMUNICATION

FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY

Dinner at 6:30 PM

Communication at 7:30 PM

JULY 6
JULY 20

MASONIC LEADERSHIP TRAINING (MLT) – PART 2 OF 3

★ **SATURDAY, JULY 1**

*COFFEE & DONUTS WILL BE SERVED

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GREETINGS FROM THE EAST



Well, we are halfway through the year. We have accomplished a few things so far this year with plenty more to do.

Our EA Brothers, Mark and Andy, are back hard at work to give back their catechisms and be Passed to Fellow Crafts. W.: Tony Weems will be lining up the FC Degree. Practices will start soon.

Brother Luis Napoles seems to be doing well after his eye surgery, when you have a chance, check in on him.

Part 2 of 3 of MLT Classes will be this **Saturday, July 1st**, starting at 10 am at the Lodge. Coffee & doughnuts will be available.

I'm gonna keep it short this month.

Safe Travels, my Brothers. See you in Lodge;

W.: RL Marsh, PM

Worshipful Master



Quote of the Month

The true Mason takes full responsibility for the condition of his character and ever strives for its perfection.

— William Howard Taft

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK



Greetings, my Brothers! As I stated previously, the Worshipful Master requested from me several months ago a list of all the Brothers who have not completed Master Mason I, II, or III. I encourage all Brothers that have

not completed these to begin working on them as soon as possible. These, along with Masonic Leadership Training (MLT), are required before you can be elected as a Lodge Officer. Please see me for the materials for Master Mason I, II, & III. As you know the Worshipful Master has MLT training scheduled for July 1st. This is the second part of the MLT training, there will be coffee & doughnuts available for those attending.

I want to remind all my Brothers that we are halfway through this year & the training courses mentioned above have to be completed and recorded in your Membership File before you can be nominated as a Lodge Officer. The Lodge has a number of events/fundraisers (BBQ Dinner, Adopt-A-Teacher, Golf Tournament, etc.) coming up in the months ahead that will require your participation to make them successful. It would be extremely beneficial to have them completed before we get into these.

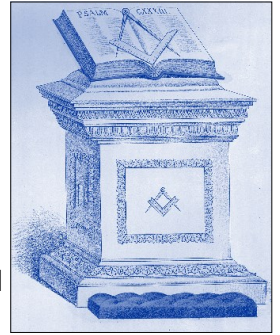
W.: Richard Clemmons, PM
Secretary



NOTES FROM A CHAPLAIN

By Brother Phil Keyes, LaBelle No. 379

Two words, "Under God", were inserted into the Pledge of Allegiance in 1954 and were added partly to distinguish the United States from the atheistic Soviet Union. This was during a time when the Cold War was raging and the Russian Government was expanding its efforts to spread communism. While adding "Under God" came long after the Pledge was first introduced, the words certainly reflect what has been a part of America's heritage since the beginning years of our republic.



Worshipful Brother General George Washington in 1776 wrote in his General Orders to his army: "the fate of unborn millions will now depend, Under God, on the courage and conduct of this army." At the dedication of a military cemetery on the battlefield at Gettysburg, President Abraham Lincoln said; "We here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this Nation, Under God, shall have a new birth of freedom."

America was founded on the Godly principles of freedom and a belief in Divine authority. Our beloved fraternity has long embraced these ideals and today stands with other patriots in defending and promoting the concept of "Under God".

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 Spire	1972	Alvin Akridge	1996		

