

Sugarland No. 281 Free & Accepted Masons

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Trestle Board—October 2025

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Greetings from the East



Brothers, a few words from the east...

Summer is over and fall is just around the corner. I hope everyone had a safe and wonderful summer. We had our 13th annual golf tournament on September the 27th and had a great turnout. Thanks to everyone who participated.

We are having our DDGM visitation on October 2nd and looking forward to an evening of fellowship and Brotherhood. I would like to see you all there. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

December the 3rd is our year-end Gala at the Clewiston County Golf Course. December 13th is our annual toy give-away at John Boy; we could use some help.

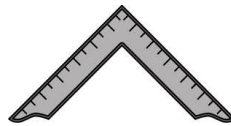
Thank You and God Bless.

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Worshipful Master

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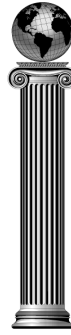
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STATED COMMUNICATION

FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY



OCTOBER 2

Dinner at 6:30 PM

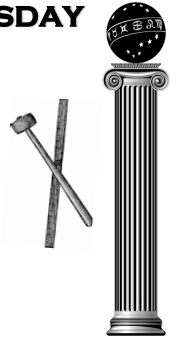
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OCTOBER 16

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From the Secretary's Desk



As you are reading this our Annual Sugarland Golf Scramble is behind us and we are rapidly closing in on the end of the year. The Dues Notices for 2026 are in and will be mailed out no later than Oct 6th. If you do not receive a dues notice by middle of October, please let me know, or if you want to pay sooner, come see at our Stated Communication on Oct 2nd!

I want to remind everyone to continue working on your qualifications: Master Mason I, II, & III and MLT. These qualifications must be recorded in your Masonic Service Record by Oct 1st and are required if you wish to move through the chairs. No Brother is exempt from these requirements. Even for Brothers who have been through the chairs before this training is **required** for you to be elected to sit in the JW, SW, and WM chairs. Please see me so we can set up the training.

As we continue on through this year, let us do our best to grow our Lodge and promote it throughout our community. Let everyone who meets us, come away with a favorable view of Freemasonry in how we conduct ourselves, care about our community, and reflect the values of our great fraternity.

Fraternally & Respectfully,

W.: Richard Clemmons, PM

Secretary

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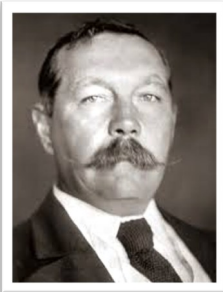
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On September 18 we donated \$500 to the Public Safety Academy.

FAMOUS FREEMASON

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle



Sir Arthur Conan Doyle is a British writer, born in Edinburgh, Scotland on May 22nd, 1859.

From 1876 to 1881, he attended Edinburgh Medical School. While in medical school he began writing short stories, some of which were published. He

eventually completed his M.D. in 1885.

For a short time Doyle worked in a resort area in Hampshire, England where he practiced medicine. His practice was slow, so he wrote fiction to kill time between patients.

Doyle struggled to get his first Sherlock Holmes stories published. In 1886 he was given £25 for the rights to *A Study in Scarlet* which later was published in a magazine. Once the public got a taste for the Sherlock Holmes stories, more were published. In 1901 he wrote *The Hound of the Baskervilles*.

Outside of Sherlock Holmes stories, Doyle's most famous work was *The Lost World*; a story about a team of explorers in the Amazon Basin who discover a plateau with dinosaurs and other prehistoric animals.

After the death of his wife in 1906, Doyle became a big supporter of Spiritualism. Doyle wrote fiction and non-fiction books on the subject of Spiritualism. In 1922, he wrote *The Coming of the Faeries*. In it he cataloged theories about the existence of faeries and spirits. His staunch defense of Spiritualism brought him into conflict with various groups and individuals, including Harry Houdini. In the early 1920's the two men were friends. After Houdini's mother passed away, Houdini began debunking popular spiritualists and mediums which angered Doyle.

Doyle passed away from a heart attack on July 7th, 1930.

Doyle was initiated into Phoenix Lodge No. 257 on January 26th, 1887. He demitted from the lodge in 1889 only to return in 1902. He demitted a final time in 1911.

** This article provided by Today in Masonic History at <http://www.masonrytoday.com>.

Halloween Word Search

Can you find the seven (7) words in this puzzle?

T	B	U	E	T	V	M	K	D	P
N	Q	T	T	L	R	M	Y	R	U
L	I	G	H	O	S	T	U	O	M
W	Y	F	L	L	U	K	S	W	P
I	C	Q	F	A	H	E	P	S	K
A	I	A	L	O	P	G	B	K	I
X	L	J	N	O	C	S	S	U	N
G	E	Z	R	D	T	V	F	K	H
E	X	B	T	S	L	N	Q	V	M
D	P	B	B	O	I	E	I	E	N

Candle Coffin Ghost Pumpkin
Rope Skull Sword



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Musings From A Chaplain

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

Years ago in a psychology class the professor illustrated our human nature by saying that despite being able to walk, we choose to ride. Long ago man learned to ride horses but even then we wanted something better and eventually invented the motorized vehicle.

Why aren't people satisfied with what we have, the professor asked? After all we have strong legs, comfortable shoes and good feet. We've built walking paths and highways and even put up signs so we know where we're going and how long it takes to get there. The lecture continued for the entire hour. We all gave up on taking notes despite expecting his comments could appear on our final exam. He concluded with "we are not satisfied with what we have because we are human."

As Masons we have learned that we entered this life with nothing and we can take no material thing out with us when we go. We affirm that it is God in whom we must put our trust and advised to practice lifting our adoration, praise and requests on a frequent basis.

So why are we often negligent in our prayer life? Like the professor said, because we are human. We need to remember that all prayers are heard and answered. And it never hurts to say, "thank you, Lord, for everything and help me get over my humanness."



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	Roy Gattone	2025
Perl Corrington Spires	1972	Alvin Akridge	1996		

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Happy
Halloween!

