



Greetings from the East



Hello my Brothers, I hope everyone is ready for the upcoming season.

We will be having our elections for the upcoming year in December. The nominees for the elected offices must be turned in prior to gavel dropping for the first meeting in November. Hopefully, if you have a nominee in mind, you will show up and vote for your candidate.

Hopefully everyone will have a wonderful holiday season and all will remain safe. We will be having a 50/50 drawing again after the first of the new year. This drawing will be supporting our scholarship and education programs. I will have more info in the upcoming months.

Remember, our meetings are the 1st and 3rd Thursdays each month. I hope to you all there.

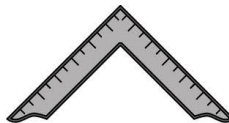
Thank You and my God Bless.

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Worshipful Master

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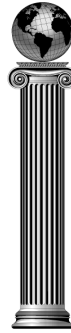
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DID YOU KNOW? In 1789, Brother George Washington wrote the *Thanksgiving Proclamation* to declare a national day of thanksgiving and prayer. He did this to recognize the role of divine providence in the nation's history and successes and foster a sense of shared identity and purpose among Americans.

STATED COMMUNICATION

FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY



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

NOVEMBER 20
Dinner at 6:30 PM
Communication at 7:30 PM



From the Secretary's Desk



As you are reading this we are rapidly closing in on the end of the year. All nominations for Lodge Officers are due in by the sound of the gavel at our first stated communication on November 6. Also, Mason I, II, & III and MLT are required and must be recorded in your Masonic

Service Record by that date before you can be nominated for Junior Warden, Senior Warden or Worshipful Master.

The Dues Notices for 2026 are in and have been mailed out. If you have not received a dues notice, please let me know. Or, if you want to pay sooner, come see me at our next stated communication.

Brothers, as we finish out this year, let us do our best to grow our Lodge and promote it throughout our community. Let everyone who meets a Brother, 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,

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Junior Warden
Khristian Moore

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Secretary
Richard Clemmons, PM

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Jim Rusty Griffin, PM

Marshal
Joel Case, PDDGM

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Juan Carlos Santana

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Mark Branaman

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Musings From A Chaplain

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

Messages revealed to us in the Old and New Testaments were sometimes intended to bring good news, bad news, present challenges, and to give needed information. As we read these passages we find many instances where God's messages were aimed directly to His people. Sometimes the message was telling them to stop doing whatever they were doing because they were headed in the wrong direction and needed to redirect themselves to repentance where there would be healing and restoration.

Today God is still sending us messages that can be crucial in how we carry out our everyday activities, our business dealings, and our interactions with loved ones, family and friends. To receive and understand God's messages, we need to read and study the Holy Scriptures, humble ourselves before Him, pray, shut up and listen.

God's message is most often one of love, hope and freedom to choose our own path and is conveyed through our conscience, our impulses and ideas. Knowing when and how to act in every situation takes patience and practice.



"The secret of Masonry, like the secret of life, can be known only by those who seek it, serve it, live it. It cannot be uttered; it can only be felt and acted. It is, in fact, an open secret, and each man knows it"

— William Howard Taft



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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