

Lehigh Acres Lodge No. 344 Free & Accepted Masons

Trestle Board — November 2018

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Greetings from the East



Traditionally, we celebrate Thanksgiving on November 25th, but what are we really celebrating? It's not just the abundant food or the big game after the dinner. It's more about gathering of family and friends to count our

many blessings among which are, "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness". Our country didn't just happen; it was built on the blood, sweat and tears of our forefathers and it must never be taken for granted. Divine Providence and upright Masonic Brethren helped build this country into the Great Nation it is and our military forces, be they what they were, fought bravely to keep it free. The true measure of a Great Country lies in the number of people coming in as opposed to those leaving. We have the right and the duty to elect our government officials and to support the U.S. Constitution as a Democracy within a Republic. Only legitimate citizens have the right to vote and that is why all citizens should cast their ballots for those best fit to lead our Great Nation, regardless of party affiliation before 7:00 p.m. on November 6th... A true American will always put America first, above self or party.

As a reminder, clocks go back one hour on Nov 4th at 2 a.m. in the morning.

Our first and only stated meeting for November will be on the 12th at which time it is anticipated that any Brother Fellow Craft wishing to give back his FC Catechism may contact the Secretary and arrange to do so. My thanks to all the Officers of this Lodge and other Lodges that participated in the FC Degree on October 15th. Thank you for a job well done.

On behalf of the Officers and Members of Lehigh Acres Lodge No. 344 F&AM, I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours.

Fraternally, James R. Bolla, Sr. Worshipful Master



Important Dates:





11/17—District 24 Outdoor Degree (in LaBelle) 5:00pm (Woods at Curt Hardin's place)

11/19—Ritual Practice 7:00pm

11/26—Dark / No Communication

Greetings from the West



Join me in congratulating Bro. Luis Tulier on being passed to Fellowcraft. There will soon be an Outdoor Master Mason Degree on November 17th. So please make every effort to be there or offer your assistance.

The charity for the month of November is the Candlelighters of Southwest Florida whom provide support, education, and assistance to families of children with cancer or blood disorders and the professionals who care for them.

As always, if you know a Brother unable to attend lodge because of transportation issues or perhaps they need assistance moving around, please reach out for help.

Fraternally yours, Bro. Fred Natoli Senior Warden





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Birthdays for November

Billy Harvey—7th

Ronald Carter—11th

Michael Stanforth—11th

David Walther—16th

John Carter—17th

November Anniversaries in Freemasonry

Terry Steele II—26th

Tom Castor—50 Years
Lewis Fish—36 Years
Kenneth Croy II—18 Years
James Grant—18 Years
Robert Beans—16 Years
Scott Braun—15 Years
Heiko Segieth—15 Years
David Walther—15 Years

Clinton Larkins—1 Year



Greetings from the South



Congratulations to our newest Fellow Craft, Brother Luis Tulier! Keep up the good work, Brother.

I am going to be posting the meals for the month so you can make plans to join us in fellowship and supper.

November 12th is the only stated communication for the month. We will be having Spaghetti and meat balls, garlic bread, and ice cream sandwiches. The donation amount is still only \$7 per person...cheaper than McDonalds and better food (hopefully).

I cant wait to see the Brethren coming back to Florida for the winter and the numbers start to climb again for the meetings.

In Brotherly Love as always, Bro. Joe Propst Junior Warden



From the Secretary's Desk



Nominations for the 2019 Elected Officer Line have been received. If any other nominations are to be considered, they must be turned in <u>before</u> the Stated Communication on <u>November 12th</u>.

So far, the current nomination list of the proposed 2019 elected officers is as follows:

- Bro. Fred Natoli as Worshipful Master
- R∴H∴ Robert Lippek as Senior Warden
- Bro. Joseph Propst as Junior Warden
- R∴W∴ Daniel Akard as Treasurer
- W∴ Kevin Gourley as Secretary

Fraternally, Kevin Gourley, PM Secretary



District 24 Grand Lodge Officers

District Deputy Grand Master
R∴W∴ Daniel Akard
District Instructor
R∴H∴ Robert "Bobby" Lippek

Celestial Lodge



1991 Past Master, Albert Samuelson, passed away and joined the Celestial Lodge above this past August of 2018.

Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Order of the Eastern Star

LEHIGH ACRES CHAPTER 291

Worthy Matron: Joan Gilmore

Worthy Patron: Jim Bolla, Sr.

Secretary: Gerald Pokorny (239-303-2374)

Regular Meeting Second Friday Each Month at 7:30 PM

Rebekah Lodge

Noble Grand: Charles Martin (239) 369-6478

Secretary: Ada Thompson

Regular Meeting Second Tuesday each month at 1:00 PM.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows

LEHIGH ACRES LODGE 2009

Noble Grand: Charles Martin (239) 369-6478

Secretary: Ada Thompson

Regular meeting Second Tuesday each month immediately after Rebekah meeting.

Tall Cedars of Lebanon

Tamiami Forest #205

Grand Tall Cedar: C Cecil Raulerson

(239) 691-4283

swampy385@centurylink.net

Scribe: William P. Bond

(941) 475-4854

billandtinabond@yahoo.com

Regular Meetings are held the second Sunday of each month at the Punta Gorda Lodge at 2:30 P.M.



Lehigh Acres Shrine Club

Meeting Every Fourth Thursday

Location: Beef "O" Brady's

Dinner: 6:00 PM

Business Meeting: 7:00 PM

All Shriners, Master Masons, and their ladies are welcome to attend for dinner.

- Noble Bill R. Jones (President) (239) 368-6474 wrj509@aol.com
- Noble Jim Bolla, Sr. (Secretary) (239) 368-8065 shrinerjim@hotmail.com

Master Mason Association of Southwest Florida

- President: R∴W∴ Dan Akard
- Vice President: Bro. Michael Gardner
- Treasurer: R∴W∴ Joe Smedlev
- Secretary: R∴W∴ Jeff Nowak
- Social Media Director: R∴H∴ Robert Lippek

Business Meeting Every Fourth Wednesday

Dinner: 6:30 PM Meeting: 7:30 PM

Scottish Rite Valley of Fort Myers

10868 Metro Pkwy Fort Myers, Florida 33966

Personal Representative: Ill. Clay Taylor, 33°

Secretary: Bro. Fred Wright, 32° KCCH

Phone: (239) 332-2311

Regular Meetings are held the third Wednesday each month. 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Dinner.

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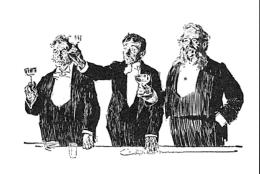


ROBERT BERNSTEIN*	1962
WALTER RIDGE*	1963
GRADY RYMER*	1964
THOMAS BOSWELL*	1965
LEON HURTADO*	1966
WILLIAM BEEMAN*	1967
FRANK LYONS*	1968
THOMAS BOSWELL*	1969
CHARLES GOEHLE JR*	1970
THOMAS BOSWELL*	1971
CHARLES GOEHLE JR*	1972
PAUL MELOY	1973-1974
JAMES FOSTER*	1975
ROY C. ROBERTS*	1976
WILBER FRENCH*	1977
PAUL WILLIAMSON*	1978
JAMES BURGETT*	1979
RONALD TEMPLIN*	1980
JOHN BEDNAR*	1981
ERNEST SAMUELSON*	1982
HOWARD SPOERKE*	1983
WALTER REESE*	1984
ROBERT CAMPBELL*	1985
PAUL GOEHLE	1986
WALLACE BATEMAN*	1987
LEWIS FISH	1988
TED BLOCK	1989
ROBERT HOEPPNER*	1990
ALBERT SAMUELSON*	1991
ANDREW STANFORTH*	1992
J. DOUGLAS WRIGHT	1993
HOWARD SPOERKE*	1994
HARRY HOPKINS*	1995
CLIFF AYERS	1996
KENNETH LAVINE*	1997
JEROME MASSEE*	1998
WILLIAM HORSELING*	1999

PAST MASTERS



CHARLES MARTIN	2000
KENNETH LAVINE*	2001
HELMUT REIMER	2002
JAMES ROSE*	2003
CARL PETERSON	2004
JONATHAN HAMMETT	2005
RALPH MCDONALD*	2006
MICHAEL CROUCHELLI	2007
GUY WALTMAN	2008
JOHN CARTER	2009
JASON HOLLINGER	2010
WILLIAM HORACIO JR.*	2011
PAUL GOEHLE	2012-2013
G. RICHARD CURETON	2014
DANIEL AKARD	2015
ROBERT LIPPEK	2016
KEVIN GOURLEY	2017



* Indicates Deceased

2018 Officers

Worshipful Master Jim Bolla, Sr. (239) 368-8065

> Senior Warden Fred Natoli (239) 895-6488

> Junior Warden
>
> Joe Propst
> (239) 821-2844

Treasurer Daniel Akard, DDGM (239) 707-4451

Secretary Kevin Gourley, PM (239) 849-1534

Senior Deacon Robert "Bobby" Lippek, DI (239) 600-9086

> Junior Deacon Clinton Larkins (239) 204-1941

Chaplain Charles "Bill" Martin, PM (239) 369-6478

Tyler Michael Crouchelli, PM (239) 368-2047

> Senior Steward Timothy Fjelsted (239) 247-0254

Junior Steward Kawelo Makaneole (239) 322-9398

