



TAMPA BAY LODGE No. 252



FEB/MAR

Trestleboard

2014

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FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

Thank you, Brethren for electing me to the East. It gives me great pleasure to be able to serve you as Master for the ensuing year. I am deeply appreciative of the honor you have bestowed upon me, the faith you have displayed in me, and the responsibilities you have entrusted to me. The Master of the Lodge is not a ruler in the sense of Kings and Potentates, but the spokesman of equals, who must be ever alert paying attention to the wishes of his Brethren. It is with deep humility that I accept this trust, and with your guidance, I feel certain we will have a Great Year.

Our Installation was a beautiful event and something that I will always remember. I want to thank the following Brothers for the magnificent job they did in making this event the success it was. W.: Ron Bart, Installing Master, R.: W: Jim Rocha, Installing Marshall, Brother Tom Farkus Installing Chaplain, Brother Jon Nagy, Musician.

We have a line of extremely dedicated Officers; we will be having monthly Officers meetings where all the Officers give their input and ideas to see if we can come up with more activities to get more Brothers interested in coming to the Lodge. We are working on having more family activities as well. Check the Lodge web site calen-



dar often for upcoming events.

Our first meeting of the year was a long one as we had a lot of material to go over and vote on. Our Senior Warden presented the proposed lodge budget, which was voted for approval. A copy is published in this Trestle board for your review; this proposal will hold over another 30 days for final vote at our February 18th Stated Meeting.

We had a vote for approval on a proposed By-Law change, raising our dues to \$100.00 a year and the new member fee for the three degrees to \$300.00. A copy of the proposal is published in this Trestle board for your review; this proposal will hold over another 30 days for final ballot at our February 18th Stated Meeting.

The Lodge defibrillator will be mounted in the front room so everyone will know its location. I am in the

process of scheduling a CPR certification class for any Brothers that are interested. The course also includes training with the defibrillator and choking. There will be a small out of pocket expense to each Brother, but that is a small price to pay if you could save a Brother or one of your family member's lives.

Under unfinished business, the lodge roof problem has been placed in the competent hands of the Lodge Property Committee, whose members are working diligently to resolve this situation.

We have an Entered Apprentice Degree scheduled for Saturday February 1st at 9 am. If it's been a while since you have attended a Lodge Meeting or a Degree, please come out and enjoy the fellowship and peace and harmony with your Brethren.

Fraternally
Bill Kelm W.: M.:
bkelm26@gmail.com

FROM THE WEST

Greetings Brethren,

I would first like to say thank you for having the confidence in electing me to serve as your Sr. Warden for this year. I would also like to say as being elected on the property maintenance committee I will do the best job I can in resolving and assisting all involved in getting our roof problems fixed. I am also always open to any ideas or comments that will improve or help our great lodge to become even better. Please do not hesitate to contact me. My contact information is on our web site. I think this year is going to be a productive one. I have the utmost

confidence in our Worshipful Master and I believe I will learn a lot following in his footsteps. I also am lucky to have a great Jr. Warden to assist me in helping our worshipful in completing all the tasks that are handed us. In closing I would like to thank our Bro. R.:W.: Tony Rhoades for all the hard work he did as our Secretary. And thank you to our Bro. Cesar Blanco for taking on such a great task. Hope to see all of you at our February 1st E.A. Degree at 9AM

Fraternally,

Timothy (Duke) Pierce SW
duke350@tampabay.rr.com



STATUS OF NEW APPLICANTS, EA, FC, MM

| <u>Awaiting Candidates:</u> | <u>Youngest EA Brothers:</u> | <u>Just Passed to FC:</u> | <u>Recently Raised to MM:</u> |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| James Carl Burgess | Bro. David Blanco | | Bro. Andrew Bennett |
| Richard Joseph Cummins | Bro. William Ayers | | Bro. Julius Santiago |
| Mark Timothy Kaspar | Bro. Peter Solitro | | Bro. Scott Laubish |
| | Bro. Robert S. Hill Jr. | | |

!!ATTENTION!!

Brothers,

Please be sure to visit our new and improved website at <http://www.tntpc.com/252>

You can find useful information at our website, and when you see him, be sure to thank Bro. Christopher Watts for his hard work on our Lodge website.

Also, if you would like to save the Lodge money by getting the electronic version of the Trestleboard emailed to you, please email R.:H.: Mike Rhoades at WMY2K7@gmail.com and put "Electronic Trestleboard" in the subject line. We can save postage and printing costs.

FROM THE SOUTH

Brethren,

Greetings from the South. The past three years since I became a member of Tampa Bay Lodge has been nothing short of a life changing experience. Prior to initiation I had no idea what being a Brother really meant. Thinking back to the EA degree when we were taught about the 3 principal tenets our profession; Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth, I was just beginning to know what Brotherly Love would mean to me. In the EA degree we were taught as Masons "to regard the whole human race as one family" we are then taught "to aid, support, and protect each other." This part of the ritual then goes on to say; "On this principle, Masonry unites men of every country, sect and opinion, and conciliates true friendship among those who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual

distance." I read an article online recently that stated Brotherly Love this way;

"It means that we place on another man the highest possible valuation as a friend, a companion, an associate, a neighbor, a fellow. Merely to be with him, merely to spend hours in his company, to have the privilege of working at his side, is all we ask. We do not ask that from our relationship we make money, or further our business interests, or achieve some other form of selfish gain. Freemasonry takes brotherly love for granted, provides opportunities for us to have fellowship, and encourages us to understand and to practice it, and to make it one of the laws of our existence."

During this coming year brothers please keep those tenets close in mind when both in and out of the lodge. We have a great year

planned for refreshment and fellowship and I encourage all to attend. In addition to our annual Steak Dinner and Shrimp Boil we are bringing back Family Night Out, which will be the Saturday after each stated meeting at 6:30. The first is on Feb. 22nd. The location will be announced at each meeting and on our website. We are planning a few pot-luck dinners and also a Family Day during the summer. This is going to be a great year my Brothers! Please participate as much as your cable-tow will allow.

Fraternally,

Chris Adkins JW



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Note: The Lodge will be open every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 6:00 - 8:00pm for instruction/practice.

FEBRUARY:

Feb 1st EA Degree 9:00am

Feb 13th Officer's Meeting 7:00pm

Feb 18th Stated Meeting 7:30pm

Feb 22nd Family Night Out 6:30pm

MARCH:

March 13th Officer's Meeting 7:00pm

March 18th Stated Meeting 7:30pm

March 22nd Family Night Out 6:30pm

| 4000 · INCOME | | 6000 · EXPENSE | |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| 4010 · Background Income | 180.00 | 6005 · Background Checks | 180.00 |
| 4015 · Building Use Donation | 400.00 | 6015 · Bldg. Maint. | 1,450.00 |
| 4030 · Deginc | 1,660.00 | 6025 · Charities | |
| 4034 · Dues | | 6027 · Thanksgiving Charity | 250.00 |
| 4035 · Membership Dues | 5,340.00 | 6028 · Christmas Charity | 400.00 |
| 4036 · Perpetual Income | 1,537.00 | 6029 · Other Charities | 250.00 |
| 4040 · Food Fund | 750.00 | 6030 · Corp. Filing Fees | 61.00 |
| 4045 · Fund Raiser | | 6040 · Dist. Expenses | 190.00 |
| 4046 · Steak Dinner | 1,800.00 | 6049 · Utilities | |
| 4047 · Shrimp Dinner | 1,800.00 | 6050 · Electric | 1,400.00 |
| 4050 · Funeral Income | 200.00 | 6165 · Water, Sewer, Gas | 825.00 |
| 4060 · Interest | 140.00 | 6055 · Fund Raising | |
| 4065 · Jewelry Case Income | 20.00 | 6056 · Steak Dinner | 980.00 |
| 4070 · LYPMGC | 850.00 | 6157 · Shrimp Boil | 1,110.00 |
| 4080 · Mite Box Charities | 600.00 | 6075 · Grd Lodge Per Capita | 1,680.00 |
| 4100 · Tres Spon | 100.00 | 6085 · Installation | |
| Total 4000 · INCOME | 15,377.00 | 6086 · Outgoing Master Apron | 150.00 |
| | | 6090 · Insurance | 2,346.00 |
| | | 6100 · LYPMGC Expense | 850.00 |
| | | 6115 · Mite Box Exp. | 600.00 |
| | | 6130 · Postage | 300.00 |
| | | 6135 · Refreshments | 1,000.00 |
| | | 6140 · Sec. Supplies | 400.00 |
| | | 6142 · Security | 600.00 |
| | | 6145 · Supplies Exp. | 125.00 |
| | | 6150 · Telephone | 360.00 |
| | | 6155 · Tres. Bd. Post. | 300.00 |
| | | 6160 · Tres. BD. Prt. | 500.00 |
| | | 6170 · Equipment | 150.00 |
| | | Total 6000 · EXPENSE | 16,457.00 |
| | | Roof Replacment Fund | 3,060.00 |
| | | Net Income | -4,140.00 |

DUES, AND SUSPENSION FOR NON-PAYMENT THEREOF AND REINSTATEMENT

4.01 Dues.- Every member of this Lodge shall pay to the Secretary, for the use of the Lodge, the sum of \$100.00 per annum, which shall include the Grand Lodge Per-Capita Assessment, which sum shall be due and payable in advance on or before the first day of each Masonic Year, which Masonic Year shall begin on the 28th day of December of each year and end on the 27th day of December of the following year, except life members, honorary members and those members whose dues are remitted in accordance with Masonic Law. (1987) <2003><2014>

4.04 Other Provisions.- ~~**Building Fund Contributions:** Five dollars (\$5.00) from the annual dues paid by each and every member shall be set aside in the special account known as the "Building Fund".~~ (Optional) <1994> (2014)

FEES FOR THE DEGREES AND AFFILIATION

9.01 Fees for the Degrees.- The fee for the Background Check shall be \$15.00; for Initiation shall be \$150.00; for Passing \$75.00; and for Raising \$75.00. In every case the fee shall be paid to the Secretary in advance, without which no petition or application shall be read or announced, and in every case of rejection the fee shall be promptly returned from the treasury, upon the Master's order. <2009>(2014)

9.02 Fee for Affiliation.- The fee for the Background Check shall be \$15.00; the fee for Affiliation with this Lodge shall be \$0.00. <2004>(2014)

9.03 Other Provisions.- ~~**Building Fund Contribution:** Fifty (\$50.00) dollars from the Initiation Fee paid by each member initiated in the current year shall be set aside in the special account known as the "Building Fund".~~ (Optional) <1994> (2014)

COMMITTEES

10.12 Other Committees.- ~~**Masonic Renewal Committee:** The Worshipful Master shall appoint a Chairman of this committee who shall serve for a period of not less than two years. The Chairman of the Masonic Renewal Committee shall appoint additional members to this committee, as necessary, with the approval of the Worshipful Master.~~ (Optional) <1994> (2014)

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 1930 R.J. Knight
 1931 L.B. Booth
 1932 A.M. McMullen
 1933 George Woodell
 1934 T.P. Walton
 1935 Thomas Bates
 1936 Abraham Lasher
 1937 W.J. Strickland
 1938 Glen O. Petree
 1939 Bryan Mizell
 1940 S. G. Moore
 1941 Monroe Booth
 1942 Lee McMullen
 1943 William Neese
 1944 Harry Smith
 1945 D. Lame
 1946 D. Lame
 1947 Robert McMullen
 1948 Dwight Shower
 1949 R.H. Blanchard
 1950 Gary Linton
 1951 W.M. Zur
 1952 W.J. Strickland
 1953 Harry Kindred
 1954 James Lashbrook
 1955 Vernon Mixter
 1956 Ross Gambel
 1957 Daniel Gladstone
 1958 Austin Roberts
 1959 S.Z. Douglas, Jr. *
 1960 Elmer Phillips
 1961 Dwight Shower, Jr.
 1962 John Atkinson
 1963 Allen McMullen
 1964 Allan Dinsmore
 1965 Howard Kramer
 1966 Fred Richards
 1967 Frank Denby
 1968 F. Richardson
 1969 Fritz Kocka
 1970 Bobbie Dean Woodall
 1971 Ronald Nicodemus
 1972 C. Kramer
 1973 Howard M. Smith
 1974 Dennis Distin
 1975 Bruce Davis
 1976 Truman W. Cole
 1977 S.Z. Douglas, Jr.*
 1978 George A Magoon
 1979 George R. Sullivan
 1980 Robert F. Heil
 1981 Dennis G. Smith
 1982 Cyrus W. Cole
 1983 Richard U. Granthum
 1984 Scott Shimer

1985 Charles A. Melling *
 1986 Marvin W. Gerhard *
 1987 Ralph H. Swanker
 1988 Jacob J. Krawiec
 1989 Jay (Doc) Holliday
 1990 Richard J. Whalen Sr. *
 1991 Norman M. Sutherby
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 1998 R. James Rocha^*
 1999 Edward V. Bethel
 2000 Anthony E. Rhoades^*
 2001 Andrew Foster
 2002 Bruce Moir
 2003 David Woolley
 2004 Robert Lutterman
 2005 Kelfryn James
 2006 Matt Thaisen
 2007 Mike Rhoades ^
 2008 Darryl Ambler
 2009 Lee Edmonds
 2010 Jim Messier
 2011 Ron Bart
 2012 Jon B. Coats
 2013 Lawrence Wright

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Tampa Bay Lodge No. 252 - - Officers 2014



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 William Kelm



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 Timothy Pierce



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