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"If a man empties his purse into his head, no man can take it away from him. An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest." — Benjamin Franklin



THE TRESTLE BOARD



*17671 Pine Ridge Road
 Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931*



*Free and Accepted Masons
 Chartered April 27, 1967*



September 2007

*Meetings 1st and 3rd Thursdays
 6:30 Dinner - 7:30 Meeting
 Visitors Welcome - Attendance of our Members is appreciated*

OFFICERS



<u>Worshipful Master:</u>	W:.	Bobby Mimmo	239-565-0282
<u>Senior Warden:</u>	RW:.	Paul Goehle	239-633-8249
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<u>Treasurer:</u>	W:.	Dan Lumley	239-472-1834
<u>Secretary:</u>	W:.	Clyde Curry	239-690-1700
<u>Secretary Pro Tem:</u>		Tony Clark	239-634-5011
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<u>Junior Steward:</u>		Bart Howard	239-671-5245
<u>Tyler:</u>		Kyle Lambert	239-349-0816

PAST MASTERS



*W:..Marshall E. Wilkins.....1966-67UD	W:.. James Toby1987
*W:.. Hugh Holligan1968	W:.. Robert J. Berczik.....1988
*RW:.. Louis A. Myers.....1969	*W:.. Robert j. Gibbons.....1989
W:.. Raymond A. Howerton.....1970	W:.. Frank C. Modafari.....1990
*W:.. Paul O. Hoffman.....1971	W:.. William F. Mazur Jr.....1991
*W:.. Earnest C. Brown1972	W:.. Daniel H. Nichols Sr.....1992
W:.. Thomas S. Reahard1973	*W:.. James L. Michael.....1993
*W:.. William J. Nelson.....1974	W:.. Kurt M. Reichenbecher.....1994
W:.. Douglass M. Midgley.....1975	W:.. Beaufort R. Bierce.....1995
W:.. Ronald E. Bare1976	W:.. E. James Toby.....1996
W:.. Ralph E. Shaffer.....1977	W:.. Matthew L. Hall.....1997
*W:.. Elbert E. Smith.....1978	RW:.. Dick Tafel.....1998
*W:.. Jacob F. Woods1979	W:.. Charles Pack.....1999
*W:.. David A. Wedig1980	W:.. Donald Smith.....2000
*W:.. Chester A. Townsend.....1981	W:.. Clyde Curry2001
W:.. Reginald C. Stark1982	W:.. Beaufort R. Bierce2002
W:.. Peter H. Hopwood Jr.....1983	W:.. Robert DeVeney2003
W:.. William F. Mazur.....1984	W:.. Dick Tafel2004
RW:.. James W. Hogg.....1985	W:.. Dan Lumley2005
W:.. Richard D. Upham.....1986	W:.. Jerry Ralston2006

*Deceased



SEPTEMBER 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Labor Day	4	5 Masonic Instruction 7pm	6 Stated Meeting 7pm	7	8
9	10	11	12 Masonic Instruction 7pm	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 Masonic Instruction 7pm	20 Stated Meeting 7pm	21	22
23	24	25	26 Masonic Instruction 7p	27	28	29
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LESSONS OF THE ENTERED APPRENTICE

In the Entered Apprentice's Degree the initiate is taught the necessity of a belief in God; of charity toward all mankind. "more especially a brother Mason"; of secrecy; the meaning of brotherly love; the reasons for relief; the greatness of truth; the advantages of temperance; the value of fortitude; the part played in Masonic life by prudence, and the equality of strict justice.

He is charged to be reverent before God, to pray to Him for help, to venerate Him as the source of all that is good. He is exhorted to practice the Golden Rule and to avoid excesses of all kinds. He is admonished to be quiet and peaceable, not to countenance disloyalty or rebellion, to be true and just to government and country, to be cheerful under its laws. He is charged to come often to lodge but not to neglect his business, not to argue about Freemasonry with the ignorant but to learn Masonry from Masons, and once again to be secret. Finally he is urged to present only such candidates as he is sure will agree to all that he has agreed to.

(from Introduction to Freemasonry by Carl H. Claudy; first published is 1931)

Are You Proficient?

Help maintain the infrastructure of your lodge by coming to instruction on Wednesday nights at 7pm. Brother Ed Lanham and others will be at the lodge to help you achieve yours and every Masons goal of becoming proficient. Whether you are a newly Raised Brother or need a refresher course, your Brothers are there to help! Brothers who are proficient consider coming to help teach.

NEWS FROM THE EAST



Brethren, I would like to congratulate our new Brothers Mark Perejda, John Herman, Joe Blackburn and James Phillips and welcome them to our family and to remind all of you to come join the Lodge on Wednesday evenings at 7pm for Masonic work and instruction.

I would like to take this opportunity to discuss Masonic knowledge and future education of our brother Masons. In continuation of Masonic tradition from time immemorial.. We have always shared our knowledge in person, one on one so to speak. The Masonic learning center at our lodge already meets on Wednesday at 7pm and will do so for the remainder of the summer, I think other Lodges could be informed of such a place and their Brothers join us or perhaps have classes there as well.

I would like to thank our Senior Deacon Ed Lanham, Worshipful Beau Bierce, Brother Bob Foster and all the other members that constantly give of themselves freely to those newly raised or initiated Brothers that are taking the time to learn and increase their knowledge of our fraternity thus improving themselves in Masonry. I congratulate all of you, you all inspire me to do better.

In the fall I would like to expand the times of instruction to include other nights or perhaps weekend afternoons. We need more Brothers from any Lodge to come and assist. Just pick a time slot and check the calendar for availability and you can run your own class.

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Reminder: Check the display case for new Masonic memorabilia ... hats, rings, pins, afghan blankets etc. etc

"Even if you are on the right track, you will get run over if you just sit there." Will Rodgers

"Give me a stock clerk with a goal and I'll give you a man who will make history. Give me a man with no goals and I'll give you a stock clerk." J.C. Penny

"We don't stop playing because we grow old; we grow old because we stop playing." George Bernard Shaw

"He that walketh with wise men shall be wise...." Proverb 13:20

"So mote it be"

Bobby Mimmo W.M.

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK



Dearest Brothers,

While many Lodges go dark with inactivity during the hottest part of summer, Fort Myers Beach Lodge is bristling with activity. Thanks to many of you who were part of a well-attended meeting on July 19th. Instead of skipping a meeting completely, we enjoyed an EA degree given to four excited, new brothers.

Many thanks to all of you that called last month to update your contact information.

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If you have moved, have a new email address or phone number, please let me know how to reach you.

I could use a little help with a few items. Please give me a call if you'd like to help.

1.) Our District Instructor will visit our Lodge on August 8th. **Please attend** if possible. The enjoyment had by all at our degree last week was a testament to how we are improving our ceremonial skills and how much easier the work is becoming. Your attendance would show just how appreciative we are of the great commitment former District Instructor Paul Goehle made to our Lodge.

2.) The Grand Master has asked all the District Deputies to obtain a **5"x7" picture** of each Lodge in his district. Since I don't even own a camera, could someone please take a new and appealing picture of our Lodge and give it to me? I will need it in the next ten days for DDGM Hubbart.

3.) The Grand Master is visiting our district at the Cape Coral Lodge on Saturday, August 11th. (Registration at 5:30, dinner at 6:30 and tyled meeting at 7:30) The District Deputy has asked me to give him an approximate headcount of how many will attend from our Lodge. We would like a really good showing to display our great and growing Lodge. **Please let me know if you will attend**

4.) Two months ago, our Lodge voted to move the photographs of our Past Masters in our Lodge's front lobby to the adjoining hallway. Moreover, we voted to create copies before they are faded beyond recognition. Nobody has volunteered to help with this task yet. Please call me if you'd like to help.

Tony Clark