

MANATEE LODGE NO. 31 F&AM

TRESTLEBOARD



OCT. 2017



Lodge, New and Improved!

Look at that picture above, its an old picture. The front of the building has been landscaped beautifully by Bro. Tom Carter, come check it out!

If you have trouble making it to Lodge or need a ride please reach out to an Officer and we will try our best to get you here.

Manatee Lodge No. 31

402 15th Street East
Bradenton, Florida 34206

Sept, we hardly knew ye!

Brothers I'll start off by apologizing for the lack of the September Trestle Board. Between being dark for labour day, some personal issues, and then Hurricane Irma; September was a mess of a month and with it the trestle board.

I am happy to report to you that the lodge made it through the storm with no major issues. The flat top roof that Brother Carter had resealed held up with no leaks. The reports back from the brothers of the lodge and the district were favourable as well with only a couple smaller issues.

I would like to thank all the brothers who were able to rush out and help W.: Vomvoris, who had some substantial flooding. I know the whole district was involved in making sure our chaplain was safe and comfortable and it really shows where Masonry Shines.

Another thank you to, Brother Ron Schrader

who donated almost 30 cases of water for brothers in need. The remaining cases we passed on and donated to the people of Puerto Rico with the help of W.: Andrew Glucov.

Finally, A special thank you to our DDGM Juan De La Rosa. Who really stepped up during the storm to insure that all the lodges and brethren of his district where safe and well taken care of!

It is so easy in a state of emergency to become center minded and selfish. But the lessons of Masonry really shone through the storm, and it really makes me proud! Keep up the amazing work my brothers!

Yours Faithfully,

W.: Kyle B. Bachman

SEPT MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

Angus Morrison	William Godfrey
Michael Olson	Howard Walls
Clinton Chapman	Richard Carter
Albert Thurman	Jeffrey Maxwell
Anthony Dupont Jr	David Clark Sr
Ronnie Edwards	William Horn
Christopher Metzger	Wilbert Anders Jr
Alessio Ruggiero	David Davis
Bruce Meade	William Dixon Sr
Samuel Dodd	Roger Hall
	William Hensley

OCT MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

Joe Rowland	Clayton Sutton
Donald Barr	Donald Hibbert Jr
Kevin Pulford	Peter Carroll III
J Rowland	James Sutherland
Ruben Medina	George Vomvoris
David Bell	Sammy Simpkins
Charles Czumak	Scott Durocher
Wallace Davis	Nicolas Ruggiero
John Tomasso	Paul Webb
Carl Walp	Ronald Morse
Patrick Wenzel	Dale Higinbotham
Mark Bennett	Kenneth Reese Sr
Willard Brasgalla	

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Tom Carter 941-993-7911

Junior Warden

Matt Steiner 941-742-8784

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Secretary

W.: Doug Dobbs - 941-545-1726

Chaplain

W.: George Vomvoris - 941-524-8333

Marshal

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Tyler

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Representing the Craft

From Brother Mike McCullough

I was sitting at the north entrance at Publix with PM George Vomvoris collecting for the Southeast Guide Dogs when a gentleman approached with a contribution. It was not his large contribution that made his approach memorable, it's what he said. "Well if the masons are supporting this, it must be good". Often we forget that the symbol for our craft is one that is well recognized as a symbol worn by good men and that we represent the craft when we wear it. Our actions in and out of lodge often reflect on how others view our ancient and noble order. In today's highly polarized world of instant communications, it is easy to forget the Entered Apprentice instruction of the "Point Within a Circle" and respond to things that upset us in an undignified manner. It's all too easy to do and all of us have done it or thought about doing it in the past. We should all remember that the lessons of Freemasonry are lost if we do not inculcate them in our lives and we are all reminded at the close of lodge of how we should live and act until we should once again meet. So mote it be.

A Call to Arms!

We need help.

Brothers, We will be painting the building over the next couple months and are in need of assistance in doing so. On Saturday, Oct. 28th, we plan on first pressure washing, and patching the side of the building that faces Manatee Ave. On November Saturday, Nov 4th, we plan on rolling that side. We will need help both days for various tasks. Please brothers consider swinging by in some old clothes and help us make Manatee No 31 as beautiful as it should be. Our building is old, and it needs this badly!

Bingo is Back!

Spooky!

With the success of the last bingo night we are having another one, and this time its bringing the Halloween spirit! Monday Oct. 30th starting at 6pm will be our Halloween bingo, its free and fun for the whole family. Plenty of pizza and drinks and don't forget candy and prizes to be won! This is great fellowship and I really hope to see you all there! Costumes are not required, but you'll get brownie points if you do!



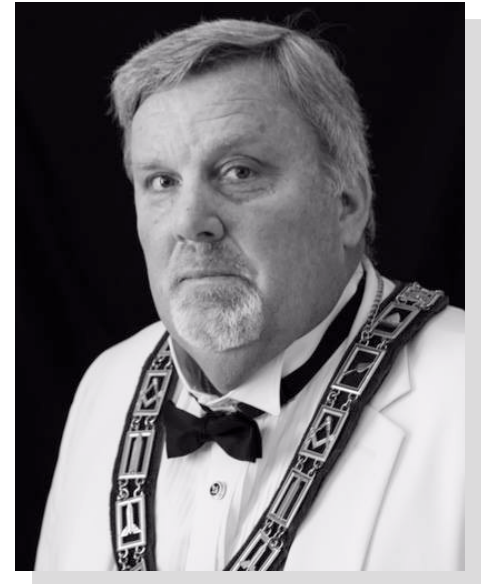
PERPETUAL MEMBERS

Kenneth E. Ammons
Wilbert L. Anders, Jr.
Mark A. Atkinson
Ronald E. Baber
George V. Benjamin
Brady W. Chapman
John G. Collins
Robert B. Coverdale
Earl W. Dennis, Jr.
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Earl M. Grimes

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Theodore R. Simpkins, II
Robert J. Springer
Billy Staffiles
Kyle B. Bachman
Andrew Gluchov

PERPETUAL PAST PAST MASTERS?

Worshipful Dobbs has kicked off a campaign to start purchasing Memorial Perpetual Memberships for the Past Masters of Manatee 31. W.: Dobbs purchased the first Memorial Perpetual for W.: Franklin Branch our first Worshipful Master and Just Purchased another for Ezikal Glazer. If you are interested in donating for the next master, the cost is \$200, please contact W.: Dobbs for any questions or inquiries.



MASON OF THE MONTH

The Mason of the Month for the Month of October is Bro. Tom Carter. Brothers I could not even begin to list all the reasons Brother Carter is deserving. First off it would take the entire trestle board to list! Seriously Brother Carter is by far one of the hardest working brothers at 31, I couldn't of asked for a better Senior Warden, and I can't wait to see what he has in store next year!

If there is a brother who you think should be Mason of the Month then please email your suggestions to Kyle@rev66.com.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

DDGM VISIT has be rescheduled to the First Meeting in November.
Please try to attend to give the RW; a huge welcome!

OCTOBER

1	SUNDAY	17	TUESDAY
2	MONDAY - STATED / STEAK NIGHT Special Olympics Visit !	18	WEDNESDAY
3	TUESDAY	19	THURSDAY
4	WEDNESDAY	20	FRIDAY
5	THURSDAY	21	SATURDAY
6	FRIDAY	22	SUNDAY
7	SATURDAY - WORK DAY	23	MONDAY'S FOR MANATEE Degree Practice / Clean up
8	SUNDAY	24	TUESDAY
9	MONDAY'S FOR MANATEE Columbus Day	25	WEDNESDAY
10	TUESDAY - PLANNING MEETING	26	THURSDAY
11	WEDNESDAY	27	FRIDAY
12	THURSDAY	28	SATURDAY PRESSURE WASHING - HELP MATT OUT BROTHERS!!
13	FRIDAY	29	SUNDAY
14	SATURDAY	30	MONDAY'S FOR MANATEE BINGO !!! HALLOWEEN EDITION ! BINGO !!
15	SUNDAY	31	TUESDAY Halloween
16	MONDAY - STATED / DINNER PRESENTATION BY BRO. MIKE MCCULLOUGH		

NOVEMBER

1	WEDNESDAY - DDGM PRACTICE PRACTICE FOR DDGM VISIT	16	THURSDAY
2	THURSDAY	17	FRIDAY
3	FRIDAY	18	SATURDAY
4	SATURDAY - PAINT DAY Starting of lodge painting	19	SUNDAY
5	SUNDAY Daylight Saving Time Ends	20	MONDAY - STATED / DINNER
6	MONDAY - STATED / STEAK NIGHT DDGM VISIT!! OFFICERS IN TUX's please!	21	TUESDAY
7	TUESDAY	22	WEDNESDAY
8	WEDNESDAY	23	THURSDAY Thanksgiving Day
9	THURSDAY	24	FRIDAY
10	FRIDAY	25	SATURDAY
11	SATURDAY Veterans Day	26	SUNDAY
12	SUNDAY	27	MONDAY'S FOR MANATEE
13	MONDAY'S FOR MANATEE	28	TUESDAY
14	TUESDAY Planning Meeting	29	WEDNESDAY
15	WEDNESDAY	30	THURSDAY

LIVING PAST MASTERS

1965 John G. Collins
1967 Wallace R. Davis
1968 Glen E. Boeschen
1973 James P. Sellers
1976 George V. Benjamin
1978 John G. Breese
1983 Riley M. Hardy
1984 Dozier K. Walker
1987 Thomas A. Simpkins
1989 Gary E. Carter
1990 George J. Vomvoris
1993 Byron P. Barton
1994 Marc B. Gilner
1996 Ronald E. Baber
1998 Earl T. Hasenflu
2000 Charles M. Reibold
2001 Elwood H. Williams
2002 Joseph S. Rowland
2003 Theodore R. Simpkins
2004 Wilbert L. Anders
2005 Richard A. Cooper
2006 John E. Hokanson
2007 Charles A. Keeler
2008 Robert Coverdale
2009 Albert Thurman
2010 Brian Johnsen
2011 Earl Dennis
2012 Mike Grimes
2013 Les Ruggiero
2014 Joe Fenton
2015 John Steiner
2016 Douglas Dobbs

DEGREE STATUS

E.A.'s:

Andrew Brady, Colin Snowball, Gordan Govalet, Bill Shuttleworth, Michael Glasgow, Curtis Mahoney, Joseph Shannon, Nicholas Pryor,, James Hudson, Brad Ranney

F.C.'s:

Joseph Fairbothem, Ryan Whidden

MM's PREPARING PROFICIENCY:

Zachary Joseph Humphries, Andy J. Richardson
Donald Ray Simmons,

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Master or Secretary

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\$75 +

KEN & KAREN AMMONS

JULIAN M. HYATT

INTERESTED IN FUN AND FROLIC IN A FAMILY SETTING?

**JOIN SAMOOR GROTTO WHERE THE
WHOLE FAMILY PARTICIPATES!**



Founded - 1890

WHEN DO WE MEET?
Third Thursday of the Month @ 7pm
Sahib Shrine 3rd Floor
600 North Beneva Road
Sarasota, Florida 34232

HELP US PUT SPECIAL SMILES ON
CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.



Pursue it thru our many units:
Clown, Motor Corp, Camping and Hospitality units.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Looking for Lane Monitors, Runners,
and Food Servers

October 21st

3 Shifts Available

**9am - 12pm / 12pm - 4pm
or All Day.**

AMF LANES

4208 Cortez Rd W, Bradenton



**Special
Olympics**

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Return Service Requested

“THERE ARE THREE THINGS I’VE LEARNED NEVER TO DISCUSS WITH PEOPLE: RELIGION, POLITICS, AND THE GREAT PUMPKIN ~ LINUS

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MEETING THE 1ST AND 3RD MONDAYS
DINNER AT 6PM, MEETING AT 7:30PM
SEE YOU THERE!!!!