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From W.: Tom Carter

Brothers,

I believe 2018 has been a good year for Manatee 31. We have changed our investments and have already seen a return. We had a budget made for the year and stuck close to it yet did not finish the year even. We finished painting the outside of the building, which looks great. Our friends from Gator Stamping put a nice new sign on the south side of the building. We repaired some leaks in the flat roof over the dining area. With a lot of generosity we were able to replace the ceiling tiles in the dining area and paint the frames. The walls in the dining area have fresh paint. We were able to totally redo the women's restroom, knocking out a wall to make a wheel chair accessible stall. This was done with a lot of hard work from the brothers, a donating from FMDRA our insurance company and some money from the lodge. We received a new riding lawn mower from Q Auto & Accident attorneys, after ours finally died.

We also did some great degrees with W Bachman coming down to be King Solomon in our first Master mason degree this year. We raised six of our brothers, and three brothers from other lodges to master mason and we had a lot of new dual members and brothers transferring to this lodge. With Brother Donahue's help we have gotten Quickbooks running and we will after year end match that information with our bank information and start the year on the same page. We transferred our investments to Hart & Hart and very hopeful of future gains. Manatee remains as one of the strongest and friendliest lodges in the area.

I am so proud to have been your Worshipful Master for 2018. I found out how hot it can get

which is a great charity. We were able to adopt a teacher again this year. We gave out several scholarship to deserving students, and are finishing the year off with the Do Re Christmas party, W Johnson says this year there are 148 children that we are helping with a lunch and all children will receive a present either from us or a local church. We were able to buy and assemble 30 bikes with training wheels to give out with the extreme generosity of Manatee and a lot of the brothers. This event even makes me feel good.

I would like to thank all of our great past masters for all they help and support I was given this year. They were there when I asked and always willing to help or show up to support me.

The best news is we have a great line including Worshipful Elect McCullough, SW Donahue, and always humorous JW DiMauro along with a tremendous bunch of officers. 2019 will be a great year and I will be here to help any way I can. I love Manatee 31 and thank you again for letting me have this opportunity.

Tom Carter

Worshipful Master

Manatee Lodge No.31 F&AM

You're Invited! 2019 Installation of Officers.

Manatee Lodge No 31



2019 Installation of Officers

January 5th, 2019 @ 1:00 P M

*402 15th Street East
Bradenton, Florida 34206*

*Please RSVP w/ Worshipful Master Elect Mike McCullough
email: Dogbear91@gmail.com*

2019 Manatee No. 31 P & AM

Officers

Worshipful Master Mike McCullough
Senior Warden Allen Donahue
Junior Warden Anthony DiMauro Jr
Secretary Andrew Brady
Treasurer Bill Dunning
Senior Deacon Tracey Martin
Junior Deacon Brian Miller
Senior Steward Chuck Knapp
Junior Steward Brad Ranney
Chaplain W. George Vomvoris
Marshall W. Tom Carter
Tyler R.W. Ron Baber

Do Re Christmas Party

This year we are focusing all our holiday attention to the annual Do Re Community Christmas Party. Between lodge and brother donations we were able to raise a great amount to insure these families have a wonderful holiday. The event will be December 15th, We still need man power to help out and have fun! If you're able, we will be Carpooling from the Lodge at 12:30 - 1pm; The Do Re Christmas party itself will be from 2-4pm.

For more information please Call W: Tom Carter or W: Brian Johnson.

Brethren,

The holidays are always a busy time for shopping! Our lodge has been partnered with Amazon for some time now. By shopping on their site via the link below, you generate income to the lodge at no additional cost to you. If you plan on doing your holiday shopping online this year please try and use the link below to help support your lodge!

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Mason of the Month



At our first stated meeting in December, Worshipful George Vomvoris PM was awarded Mason of the Month for December. Worshipful Vomvoris was selected for this honor due to his exceptional work as chaplain. He is a member of our lodge that always spreads the cement of brotherly love. Always engaged in the work of the lodge..a chaplain's chaplain...a joy to be around. Congratulations Worshipful Vomvoris...

Mason of the Year!!



At our first stated meeting in November, Rite Worshipful Ron Baber was awarded Manatee Lodge No. 31's Mason of the Year Award for 2018. Rite Worshipful Baber's accomplishments were read to the craft and Worshipful Master Tom Carter rightly stated that Rite Worshipful Baber was the glue that held the lodge together. Congratulations Rite Worshipful Baber from a grateful craft.

December / January Agenda

Manatee 31 December/January Agenda

December 15th

District School of Instruction

Sarasota 147 9-12

Do Re Christmas party 2-4pm meet at lodge by 1pm to carpool

Call Tom Carter or Brian Johnson to confirm.

Junior Wardens choice 6pm

Stated Meeting 7:30

January 5th

Installation of Officers 2019 1-4 pm

Dec. Masonic Birthdays

Luis Salazar
Earl Hasenflu
John Palmer
Jerry Ireland
George Lichner
Steven Persinger
Neil Sutton
John Callahan
Gary Cox
Douglas Dobbs
David Hall
Robert Hunt
Ryan King

Roger Riggle
John Steiner
Alexander Wemyss
William Brooker
Roderick Berger
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Gary Prince
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CURRENT STUDENT STATUS

E.A.'s :

Craig Bachler, Jefferson Bachler and Brian Wingate

F.C.'s:

MM's PREPARING PROFICIENCY:

Chuck Knapp, Gordon Govalet, and Brad Ranney

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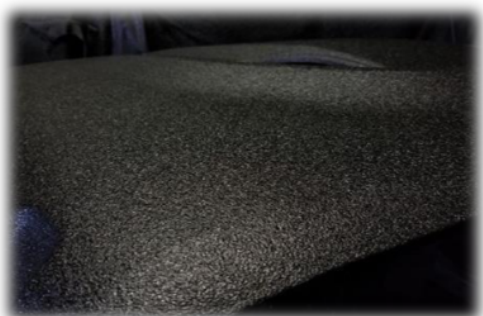
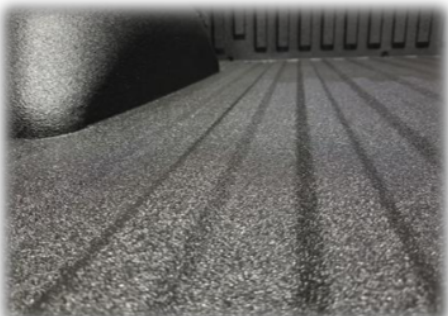
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