



Manatee No. 31 F&A.M. May - June 2019 Trestle Board

Tempus Fugit—Time Flies

Brothers due to a very busy month and a half and a balky hard drive, this Trestle Board will be for both May and mid June. While May was full of activities it was also a time of much sadness. In early May we lost Worshipful Wilbur Anders, Past Master and Secretary of Manatee No 31. I knew Worshipful Anders and he was a fine man and mason. During the 190th Annual Grand Lodge Communication, Most Worshipful Grand Master John E. Karroum fell ill on the second day and passed away only days later. On Sunday June 2nd long time member and friend to many Brother John Rodger Rule passed away. May God bless all these worthy brothers.

In addition to all our stated meetings, our June/July calendar is a full calendar with events and activities for everyone. On the 12th we will be visiting SE Guide Dogs to present them with a check for \$1000 that we raised for them at the Walmart on Cortez. On June 15th we will be holding an EA degree at 8 AM for nine candidates from both Liberty No. 412 and Manatee No. 31. On the 21st OES Chapter 87 will be holding their Inspection and dinner. On the 29th Manatee No. 31 and OES 87 will be holding our first "Summer Social". This is an event for us to all come together and have a good time. Please see the poster in this addition of the Trestle Board for additional information. Finally on July 1st our new DDGM Dan Van Alstine will make his official visit. Please come out and welcome him to our lodge. Looking forward to a great summer.....

Mike McCullough
Worshipful Master



Steak Night Upgrade

Brothers, our upgraded steak night continues to be great success with a wonderful turn out. A special thanks to JW Anthony DiMauro Jr, SS Chuck Knapp, and JS Brad Ranney for changing our meals into a great dining experience. The reports from the craft state that the preparation of the steaks and meal was exceptional. Watch for future meals and specials at our stated meetings in the very near future. A special thanks to the DeMolay and OES Chapter No. 87 for their continued support.

Project Update

The front room painting is complete and the conversion to a game room is 80% complete. The men's bathroom painting is underway. Continued thanks to all the brothers that work and make these projects possible.

Master Mason Association

The Master Mason Association will meet at 6:45 PM on June 25th at Englewood Lodge No. 360. Come on out and support the organization that supports us. The MMA Raffle was a awesome success. Proceeds will offset the Grand Master's Dinner. Any brother who would like to hitch a ride, please contact Worshipful Tom Carter or Worshipful Mike McCullough and we will get you a ride.

Teacher of the Year Nominations

Brothers, applications for nominating our 2019 lodge "School Teacher(s) of the Year" are now available. If you desire to nominate a teacher for this award you can obtain an application by emailing the Worshipful Master at Dogbear91@gmail.com or by coming into the lodge on our stated meeting nights and picking a hard copy up from the secretary. These nominations must be turned in either by email to the master or by hand to the secretary by the start of business on July 15th.



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Schedule for Marauders Games

Brothers the Marauders schedule is on the next page. If you are trained and wish to work a game to make money for the lodge please let JW Anthony DiMauro Jr know the date so he can inform the Marauders. This is a fun way to make money for our lodge and allow us to do more for you.





Marauders Game Dates

Saturday April 6 – 4:30pm check in

Wednesday April 10 – 9:30am check in

Saturday April 13 – 4:30pm check in

Saturday April 20 – 4:30pm check in

Saturday May 8 – 4:30pm check in

Saturday May 11 – 4:30pm check in

Saturday May 25 – 4:30pm check in

Friday June 7 – 5:00pm check in

Saturday June 8 – 4:30pm check in

Wednesday June 12 – 9:30am check in

Wednesday July 3 – 4:30pm check in

Friday July 12 – 5:00pm check in

Saturday July 13 – 4:30pm check in

Wednesday July 17 – 9:30am check in

Saturday July 27 – 4:30pm check in

Friday August 9 – 5:00pm check in

Saturday August 10 – 4:30pm check in

Saturday August 24 – 4:30pm check in

The dates in bold are the dates we will need the most help.

Manatee County DeMolay Chapter Visits Manatee No.31



Before our second stated meeting in May, the Manatee County Chapter Order of DeMolay presented the "History of DeMolay" to the craft. After the presentation, they were presented with a certificate of appreciation for their support of Masonic ideals and a check for \$200 to assist them in attending their upcoming conclave. Brothers, DeMolay brings good men into the world... Support them.

May Mason of the Month



At our first stated meeting in May, DDGM RW Doug Dobbs was awarded Mason of the Month. RW Dobbs was selected for this honor due to his tireless work in the lodge both in the light and behind the scenes while still performing his duties as DDGM for District 23. He has been a mentor, advisor, and friend to this master and his wardens. Always fun to be around... Congratulations RW Dobbs....



Brother Benjamin Harrison Sleight Passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft

On 5/21/19 our Brother Benjamin Harrison Sleight was passed the Degree of Fellowcraft at Sarasota Masonic Lodge No. 147 F&AM. Those present from Manatee Lodge No. 31 F&AM included RW DDGM Douglas Dobbs, RW Ron Baber, Worshipful Mike McCullough, Worshipful Tom Carter PM, and Brother Brad Ranney. Manatee Lodge No. 31 would like to thank Sarasota Lodge No. 147 for their hospitality, for conducting a fine degree and for performing courtesy work on behalf of our brother. Congratulations Brother Sleight.

Masonic Chair Plate Presented



At our first stated meeting in May, RW Victor Cruz presented Worshipful Tom Carter PM a chair plate that he had dedicated to him. Congratulations Worshipful Carter. The plate was inscribed: "W.:Tom Carter 2018 To A Faithful Mason"

June Mason of the Month



At our first stated meeting in June, Brother James "Jim" Myers was awarded Mason of the Month for June. Brother Myers was selected for this honor due to his outstanding support of the Junior Warden and his work within the Degree Team. The meeting was attended by the Past Masters Unit from the Shrine who observed the ceremony. Congratulations Brother Myers.



**Manatee Lodge No. 31 F&AM
&
Bradenton Chapter OES No. 87**



Summer Social

Fun-Food-Games Music and Open Microphone

**Back Yard BBQ, Fun Games and Competition,
Music and an Open Microphone for
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**This is not a fundraiser
It is an event to foster brotherhood
and to just have a little fun**



**6/29/2019
5PM to 9PM**



**402 15th St E,
Bradenton, FL 34208**

RSVP Requested: Dogbear91@gmail.com

Manatee Masonic Lodge No. 31 June Agenda

June 1

Lodge Clean Up

June 3

Steak Night 6:00 PM

Stated Meeting 7:30 PM

June 5

EA Practice 6:00 PM

June 6

FC Practice Liberty Lodge 9 AM

June 12

SE Guide Dogs Presentation @ SE Guide Dogs 10 AM

June 13

OES 87 Meeting 7:00 PM

June 15

EA Degree 8 AM

June 17

Chef's Choice 6:00 PM

Stated Meeting 7:30 PM

June 20

DDGM Inspection 6 PM

June 21

OES 87 Inspection 7 PM

June 22

EA Degree (Tentative) 8 AM

June 27

OES 87 Meeting 7:00 PM

June 29

Manatee No 31 Summer Festival (See Poster)

July 1

Steak Night 6:00 PM

Stated Meeting 7:30 PM

DDGM Official Visit

July 6

Lodge Clean Up

May Masonic Birthdays

Philip Kajtaniak	Richard Matinez
David Yurek	Daryl Leeworthy
Roy Winterbottom	Dennis Keslar
Richard Wells	Charles Keeler
Dozier Walker	Edwin Holman
Michael Starcher	John Hockanson
Stephen Smith	Adam Haun
Murray Silver	Ronald Grubbs
Dennis Roberts Jr.	Anthony Dimauro
Richard Rietz	Lazaro Diaz – Gonzalaz
Andrew Pursell	Earl Dennis
Michael Orsini	Douglas Cobb
Robert Millard	Timothy Clifford
Kevin McLeod	

Perpetual Members

Kenneth E. Ammons	John E. Hokanson
Wilbert L. Anders, Jr.	Edwin T. Holman
Mark A. Atkinson	Ryan P. Johnson
Ronald E. Baber	Hutton G. Lewis
Kyle B. Bachman	Stanley Preston
George V. Benjamin	Kenneth Reese, Sr.
Brady W. Chapman	Joseph S. Rowland
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Robert B. Coverdale	Nicolas A. Ruggiero
Jeff Curry	Thomas A. Simpkins
Earl W. Dennis, Jr.	Theodore R. Simpkins, II
Douglas W. Dobbs	Robert J. Springer
Michael R. Dobbs	Billy Staffiles
Allen P. Donahue	Andrew Gluchov
Joseph K. Fenton	Butch Thurman
Earl M. Grimes	

June Masonic Birthdays

Robert Bengtsson	Andrew Gluchov
John Breese	John Horne
James Butler III	Douglas Jones
Alfred Corning Jr	Mike McCullough
Paul Cronen	James Miles
Joseph Cuervo	Bob Ransford
William Evanko	Paul Sharrf Jr
Marc Gilner	James Cramer

Manatee Masonic Lodge 2019 Scholarship Program

Applications for our 2019 lodge "Scholarship Program" are now available. All members in good standings, their spouses, children, grandchildren (natural or adopted), and the children or grandchildren of any deceased member who was in good standing are eligible for application. The applicant must be enrolled in an accredited secondary education institution for the fall semester. A Scholarship Committee appointed by the Worshipful Master will determine eligibility and amount awarded. Scholarships will be dispersed at the first stated meeting in August. The grant amount will be determined by the amount of money available and the number of students applying for the grant. The maximum grant that can be awarded is \$500. All grants will be mailed directly to the student. If you desire to nominate a student for this grant you can obtain an application by emailing the Worshipful Master at Dogbear91@gmail.com or by coming into the lodge on our stated meeting nights and picking a hard copy up from the secretary. These nominations must be turned in either by email to the master or by hand to the secretary by the start of business on July 15th.

LIVING PAST MASTERS

- 1965 John G. Collins**
- 1967 Wallace R. Davis**
- 1968 Glen E. Boesch**
- 1973 James P. Sellers**
- 1976 George V. Benjamin**
- 1978 John G. Breese**
- 1983 Riley M. Hardy**
- 1984 Dozer K. Walker**
- 1989 Gary E. Carter**
- 1990 George J. Vomvoris**
- 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**
- 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**
- 2017 Kyle Bachman**
- 2018 Tom Carter**

OFFICERS

Florida Grand Lodge Officers

M:.W:. John W.. Westerman, Grand Master

R:.W:. Dan Van Alstine, DDGM

R:.W:. Barry Hart, District Instructor

Manatee Lodge No.31 Officers

Worshipful Master - Michael McCullough 941-812-5540

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Secretary - Andrew Brady - 941-928-3010

Chaplain - W:. George Vomvoris - 941-524-8333

Marshal - W:. Tom Carter - 941-993-7911

Senior Deacon - Tracey Martin - 941-561-4845

Junior Deacon - Brian Miller - 941-304-7650

Senior Steward - Chuck Knapp - 815-693-8364

Junior Steward - Brad Ranney - 941-737-7851

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Manatee Lodge No.31 Committees

Finance - Allen Donahue - 727-599-6895

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CURRENT PETITIONS/STUDENT STATUS

PETITIONS

Affiliation: Mike Harrill, Westcoast Lodge No. 409, Jeffery Davis,
Bethlehem Lodge No. 283

Membership: Mr. Craig Richter

E.A.'s :

Brian Wingate

F.C.'s:

Benjamin Sleight

MM's PREPARING PROFICIENCY:

None

We are always in need of instructors and mentors, please if you have an interest contact W:. Mike McCullough. Don't be afraid we can help you to help others!

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the lodge and see the Worshipful Master or Secretary

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