

December 2018



## South Seminole Lodge # 364

**STATED COMMUNICATIONS:** 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of  
Every Month at 7:30pm with Dinner at 6:30pm



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**TRESTLE BOARD**

# Masonic Highlights

**Welcome to the December 2018 trestle-board!** Greetings from South Seminole Lodge. As we are bringing 2018 to a close, let's reflect back on all we have accomplished this year.



## Upcoming Foster Kids Christmas Party:

The South Seminole Christmas party is coming up on the 12th of December to support our Foster Child Initiative. We want to make this year very special for them. It will take many hands to make this successful. Thanks for your support. Please check out the calendar below for all other SSL events in December.

## *Officer Elections*

Officer Elections were held during the first stated communications of December on the 4th and appointed positions were announced by the Worshipful Master Elect. Installation of Officers will be held at South Seminole Lodge on December 29, 2018 from 9:00am - 11:00am with Breakfast to be served from 8:00am - 9:00am. The 2019 Officer lineup is as follows:

- Worshipful Master Elect - W.: Tim French
- Senior Warden Elect - Luis Tellez
- Junior Warden Elect - Robert (Ed) Dibble
- Treasurer - W.: Gary Bouton
- Secretary Elect - W.: Skip Yonchik
- Chaplain - Tom Erskine
- Senior Deacon - Nathan Wilson
- Junior Deacon - Murray Martin
- Senior Steward - Stephen Shields
- Junior Steward - To Be Announced
- Marshal - W.: John Dibble
- Tyler - Nick Conner



"You know, the new line of officers isn't half bad."  
"Nope, they're ALL bad!"

**South Seminole is electronic.** Brothers, in this day and age it is becoming more important than ever to maintain the lines of communication. As such it is becoming increasingly important that we can communicate electronically and at the very least have your latest telephone numbers and addresses. Please make sure the secretary has your most up-to-date email address and phone number so that he can send you email correspondence on things such as membership updates, newsletters, events, our new trestle-board, and other Lodge communications. We will not be doing any more physical mailings any more except for special cases.

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# A few Words from...

Brethren,



*The East*

Wow... Where did the year go?! It almost seems as though it has just begun. I guess there is some truth to the old adage, *"Time flies when you're having fun!"* It makes it easy to understand that this has been going on in South Seminole for fifty years already. With that all being said, it is December and we must now bring the year to a close.

First, I would like to say thank you to everyone, and more especially to the 2018 line of officers, with whose leadership and teamwork was needed to get together with the craft of South Seminole in order to accomplish so many things this year. This year definitely had many all-hands-on-deck moments and many brothers, including their families, stepped up to the plate to help out where they were needed. All of our goals this year were not only met, but exceeded. Our record breaking charity collections and contributions were taken to the next level and allowed us to do more charity work than ever before. Our youth initiative membership and interactions for both Rainbow and DeMolay have more than doubled in some instances. Lodge membership has rivaled previous years in growth due to technology mechanisms and due to footwork of brothers making them work for us. I, for one, am proud to be part of this Masonic brotherhood and very proud of all of the brothers who stepped up this year to assist in achieving all of our goals this year. I am also honored to have served as your Worshipful Master and plan to continue to assist wherever I can in an effort to achieve future goals.

Finally, it is now time to look forward to the upcoming year. We must continue doing the good work and continue to support our new officer lineup as it takes its place of leadership in 2019. As new goals will be set to continue our multi-year initiatives we will do what Masons do best, which is to band together in all future endeavors and ensure the future of South Seminole Lodge for another fifty years. Thank you brothers for all that you do to keep this Lodge alive!

Fraternally Yours and Happy Holidays to All,

**W. ∴ M. ∴ John D. Dibble**



Hello Brothers,



*The South*

It's been an honor to serve as your Junior Warden and I would like to thank everyone for supporting me throughout this year. As a lodge, we are getting stronger, not only from our brothers that have given tirelessly, but from our families that have been there every step of the way. This year has been packed with so much. We had seven degrees with one more this year and one brother raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason at the 2nd annual Island Degree where I was honored to sit in the East for that degree. One brother and I were on the District 16th Degree Team that won the state competition. We have helped a couple of our Brothers, improved our Lodge, helped other Lodges with school supplies when they were in dire need. We have donated thousands of dollars in charity from our UCF and Orlando City fundraisers spearheaded by Worshipful Skip Yonchik. But most of all, I can't thank Brother Murray Martin enough for being my rock in the kitchen. Together we were able to almost triple our money while having great meals. As we look forward to next year, I am excited to see what the future brings for South Seminole. Thanks again and God bless.

Fraternally,

**Luis Tellez, Junior Warden**

My Brothers,



*The Secretary*

Brothers, we had a great year again. Our charity has never been better. We grew in numbers as a lodge! Have a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

Fraternally,

**W. ∴ Timothy D. French, P.M. Secretary**

# A few Words from... Cont'd

Brethren,



We are at the end of a massive 2018 fundraising season. When all the accounting is done, we will be very close to raising \$30,000. These funds have supported nine teacher projects through DonorsChoose.org, filled five local school food pantries where disadvantaged families obtain food, supplies, clothing and other life necessities. We funded multiple programs and Christmas for the Foster Parents Association and specific needy families in our community, and helped several Brothers recover from life changing blows. In short, thanks to the effort of South Seminole Lodge, WE MADE A REAL DIFFERENCE in our community. With more Brother volunteers in 2019 we can do even more for those on the darkened square. Please join your Brothers in the coming year and help us change lives and fortunes.

Fraternally,

**W. Bro. David Yonchik, Treasurer**

## for The Children

*Child ID, OOL*



Brothers,

On the 7th of December we will be doing another Child Id with the Seminole County Sheriff's Office at the PNC Bank in Lake Mary from 4pm to 8pm. This will be our second id event with S.C.S.O. and look forward to working with them again. Also, January the 19th from 8am to 12pm, we will be doing a id event at Mid Florida Tech off Oak Ridge for a Lego competition. Let's get some great participation for these events and show how much South Seminole cares for our youth.

Fraternally,

**Luis Tellez, Junior Warden**

## Up & Coming

*Masons Under Instruction:*

**Entered Apprentice with Bruce Carter:**

Dwayne Hayes

Josh Singer

Frank Hutto

**Congrats on a successful Fellow Craft proficiency!**

Mikey Wagner

Martin Cornish

Giovanni David

Michael Ruiz

**Master Mason with Luis Tellez:**

Robert Milsted

 *Masonic Anniversaries for December:*

Samuel Edward Culver - 54 Years

Robert Lee Thompson - 37 Years

Bobby Ray Jarrell - 35 Years

Larry Ross Hickman - 34 Years

James Harvey Dunty III - 34 Years

John Richard O'Brien - 33 Years

Perry Lee Thomas - 21 Years

Jacob Livingston Pou Jr - 21 Years

Scott Douglas Bishop - 20 Years

Raymond Alfred Ralph - 18 Years

 *Birthdays for December:*

12/4 - Petronio Texixeira Martins

12/4 - James Harvey Dunty III

12/6 - Roy Nigel Campbell

12/11 - Valentine Sellati Jr

12/12 - Bobby Ray Jarrell

12/19 - Terry William Mau

12/26 - Thomas Sidney Kaffenberger



# South Seminole Masons

## 2018 Officers:

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**Tyler** – Tom Erskine  
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## Past Masters:

Curtis F. Blow *	U.D & 1968	Edwin C. Henderson	1996
Verbun A. Jones *	1969	Paul W. Freeman, Sr.	1997
Frank Bingham *	1970	Kenneth N. Holladay *	1998
Louis Kirby *	1971	Marty Nash APM *	1998
Francis P. Oddo *	1972	Donald Maurizio *	1999
Troy Tatum *	1973	Joseph Cordeiro	2000
William P. Byles *	1974	Randy L. Vess	2001
Carl E. Strom *	1975	B. Franklin Ellis	2002
J.C. Valentine *	1976	E. Neal Tish	2003
Rodger T. Peterson, Sr *	1977	Samuel A. Tish	2004
William B. Ritter *	1978	Douglas B. Guthrie	2005
Phillip G. Marriott *	1979	John J. Walsh *	2006
Max R. Jones	1980	William D. Dieringer	2007
Samuel M. Lewis DDGM,		Robert T. Billoni *	2008
Past Grand Master	1981	Herman (Skip) Yonchik	2009/10
Thomas E. Embree DDGM	1982	Thomas Hoopes	2011
Ottis R. Erickson DDGM *	1983	Greg Rushing	2012
William R. Ellis	1984	Jose Ayala	2013
William E. Johnson	1985	Petronio Martins	2014
Carl E. Lloyd *	1986	Christopher Wall	2015
John F. Schroth, Sr.	1987	Gary Bouton	2016
Edward K. Herr *	1988	Tim French	2017
James D. Dickenson DDGM	1989		
John W. Bornman	1990		
Jay W. Leffert *	1991		
Billy M. Mew	1992		
Roger C. Reynell	1993		
John A. Melanson *	1994		
Thomas D. Roberts	1995		

**Deceased \***

**Affiliated Past Masters**

Ellis Hormats, New York *	1969
Don Grable, Spain	1969/70
Jeff Gerlitz, Wisconsin	1983
Jeff Battaglia, Orlando	2017

## 2018 Committee Chairmen:

Finance	Bro. Anthony Edwards	Mentoring	Wor. Tom Hoopes
Masonic Vigilance	Bro. Luis Tellez	Youth Activities	Wor. Skip Yonchik
Petitions	Bro. Dan Taylor	Public Relations and Publicity	Bro. Dan Taylor
Masonic Education	Bro. Anthony Edwards	Building Rental	Wor. Tom Hoopes
Board of Relief	W. M. John Dibble	Child-ID	Bro. Luis Tellez
Charity, Wills & Gifts	W. M. John Dibble	L.Y.P.M.G.C.	Wor. Tim French
Lodge Property	Wor. Bill Ellis	By-Laws	Wor. Tim French
Corporate Relations	Wor. Tim French	Security	Bro. Nathan Wilson

## Perpetual Members:

Joseph Cordeiro	Jeffery Karl Gerlitz	Samuel Marigny Lewis Jr	David Bruce Roy
Charles Raymond Crouch	Jeffrey Wayne Gerlitz	PGM Pierre Mascia	Gregory Kent Rushing
Ralph Cruz	Drake Arnold Grable	Billie Marvin Mew	John Anthony Russell
James David Dickenson	Donald Wayne Grable	Jerry Scott Morey	William Junior St John
Charles Thomas Dunty	Douglas Brent Guthrie	Ray Earl Norman	Richard James Swanner
James Harvey Dunty III	Theodore Elsworth Hammond Jr	Sprague Owings	Billie James Thornton
Benjamin Franklin Ellis	David Robert Harden	Truman Parker	Douglas Sherman Tomlinson
Thomas Earl Embree	Robert John Havlicek	Cleveland Paul Perdue	Joseph Raymond Valdes
Michael Parke Fisher	Edwin Calvin Henderson	Raymond Alfred Ralph	Christopher Michael Wall
Paul Warren Freeman Jr	John William Holian Jr	Roger Charles Richards	Chad Jason Oehmke
Paul Warren Freeman Sr	Kenneth Charles Jordan	Anthony W Rossi	

# Upcoming Events

## December 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 UCF Football - 4:30pm
2	3	4 SSL Stated Comm. - 7:30pm with a 6:30 Meal	5 UCF Concert Charity Event - 4:30pm	6	7 SSL DeMolay Chapter Meeting - 7:30pm Child-ID - PNC Bank 4pm-8pm OB-80 Christmas Party - 6:30pm	8
9 Rainbow Hope Assembly Meeting - 7:00pm	10	11	12 SSL Foster Care Christmas Party - 5:30pm	13	14 SSL DeMolay Parking Event/ Advisory - 4:30pm	15 Masters & Wardens - 8AM Oviedo #243
16	17 EA Degree - 7pm	18 SSL Stated Comm. - DARK - No Meeting	19	20	21 SSL DeMolay Chapter Meeting - 7:30pm	23
23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day 	26	27 Installations: Orange 36 - 6:00pm	28	29 Installations: SSL - 8:00am WG 165 - 12:30p Mokanna 329 - 5p
30	31 New Year's Eve					

### Upcoming Delectables From the Kitchen:

#### 1st Tuesday Stated Communications - 12/04:

Pulled Pork, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Cookies, Iced Tea, Lemonade, Coffee



#### 3rd Tuesday Stated Communications - 12/18:

**DARK**—No Meeting



# Poem of the Month

## Lodge Number One, the North Pole - By: Unknown

'Twas the Night before Christmas, and down at the Lodge

Not a gavel was stirring, and in the hodge-podge  
Of aprons and jewels and chairs East and West  
You could savor the silence, most gladly divest  
All metal and mineral, it mattered not,  
Since Christmas was nigh and the coals were still hot.  
In the hearth of your homeplace, all Masons abed,  
As visions of trestleboards danced in their head;  
When up on the roof there arose such a clatter  
Our Tyler jumped up to see what was the matter!  
He picked up his sword and ran fast to the door,  
Three knocks shook the panels — he wondered "What for?"

He answered the knocking with raps of his own,  
And once the door opened he saw, with a moan  
Of delight it was Santa, all jolly and red  
Except for one notable feature instead!

Upon his large finger he wore what we knew  
Was compasses and square on a background of blue!  
"Why Santa!" he shouted and lowered his blade,  
"I see you're a Mason!" the Tyler relayed.

He looked tow'rd the Master's most dignified chair  
And said, voice near trembling, "Most Worshipful Sir  
There's a Gentleman properly clothed at the gate! "

The Master replied, "Let's allow him — but wait!  
You tell me a Gentleman, but I don't see  
His Apron beneath that red suit, can it be  
Our visitor hasn't been properly raised?  
Must we offer a test that is suitably phrased?"

"I do beg your pardon," ol' Santa said quick  
As he pulled up his coat and displayed not a stick  
But a cane with engraving, two balls did appear  
And oh, what an apron, he wore and held dear!  
Adorned like the Master's, complete with a sign  
Of "Lodge Number One, the North Pole" on one line!

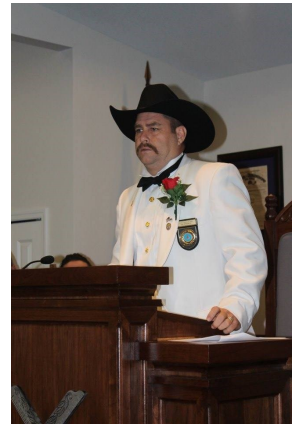
"Now let this man enter," the Master declared,  
And once in the Lodge room, the Brethren all stared,  
For Santa was wearing a jewel not seen

For many a century — there in between  
The fur of his coat and the splendid red collar  
Gleamed two golden reindeer that shone like a dollar!  
"It's Donner and Blitzen, who I must confess  
Are actually images brought from the West  
By my Warden, a craftsman like none in the world!"  
And with a great laugh from his bag he unfurled  
An ear of fine corn, and some oil from the East,  
"My friends I have plenty, tonight we will feast  
On all that is good! We are Masons, kind sir!"  
A murmur went throughout the Lodge, quite a stir,  
As presents and promises flew from his sack!  
This Santa, a Mason, showed he had a knack  
For making this Christmas the best you could glean,  
And soon even Deacons were laughing, they'd seen  
On this very night only happiness reigned!  
This jolly Saint Nicholas quickly explained  
That only a Mason could be so inclined  
To make all kids happy, make all people find  
A Christmas so special, yes, Santa was right!  
Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"



# Bits & Pieces—Year in Review

## 2018 Installation of Officers



Don't Anger RH Kilmartin





# Bits & Pieces—Year in Review

## 2018 Installation of Officers, Cont'd



## Child ID at it's Best!





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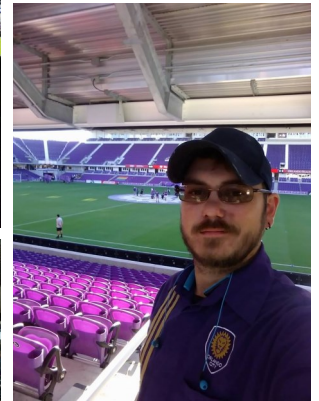
MLT Award Recipients



Our Newest Fellow Crafts



Orlando City Soccer



Adopt-A-Teacher  
Award Presentation



2018 South Seminole DeMolay





# Bits & Pieces—Year in Review

Peanuts and Sunflower Seeds For Soldiers



Welcome Our Newest Entered Apprentice



Orlando City Soccer

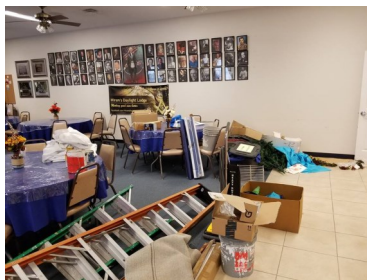


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Food Bank Giveaway



Welcome Our Newest Entered Apprentices



Lodge Cleanup





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Master Mason Degree at Mokanna



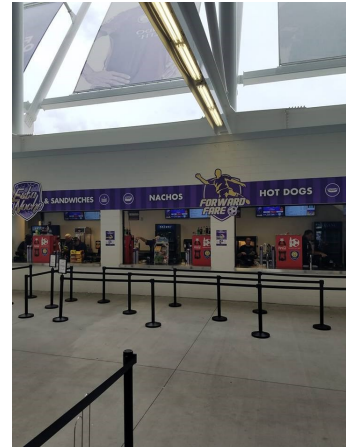
Fellow Craft Degree



Shrine Circus Child ID



May Master's & Wardens



Orlando City Soccer Charity Events



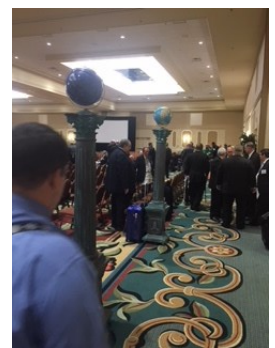
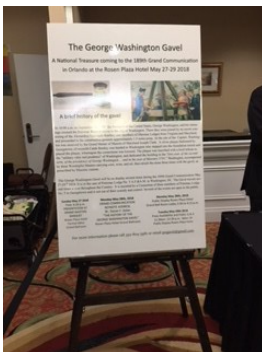


# Bits & Pieces—Year in Review

## Grand Lodge Communications



## George Washington's Gavel



## Lodge Furniture Move





# Bits & Pieces—Year in Review

District Deputy Grand Master Homecoming



Rainbow Etiquette



Wor. Ed Henderson



We miss you Brother Ed!!  
Hope you can come see us soon!





# Bits & Pieces—Year in Review

## Orlando City Soccer Charity Events



## Grand Master's Visit



## Care Cabin



## School Supply Drive



# Bits & Pieces—Year in Review

## Rainbow Grand Assembly



## Memorial Tree Setup



Be the tree!!!





# Bits & Pieces—Year in Review

## Orlando City Soccer Charity Events



## Care Cabin / School Supply Drive



Child ID





# *Bits & Pieces—Fear in Review*



Descending Into the Deep



We found that thar' Willie B. in Tennessee!



Cave Man!!



# Bits & Pieces—Year in Review



Man Cave!!



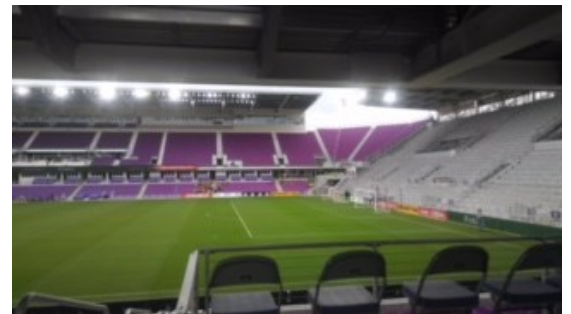
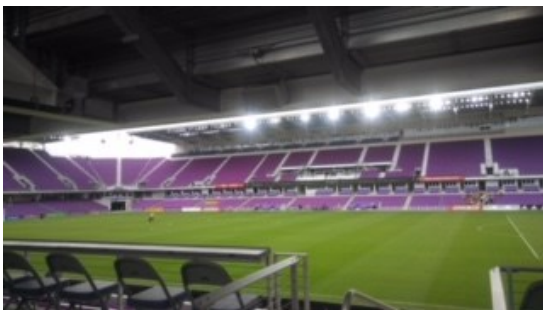
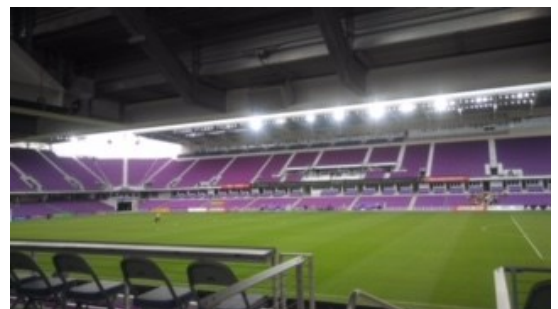
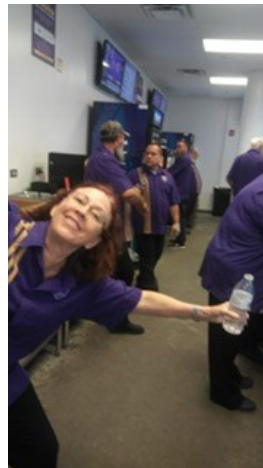
Nap Time





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## Orlando City Soccer / UCF Football Charity



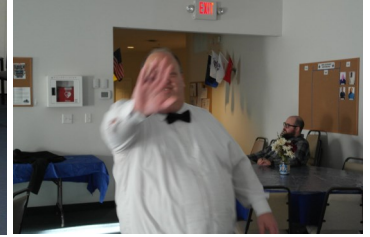
## Care Cabin / School Supply Drive





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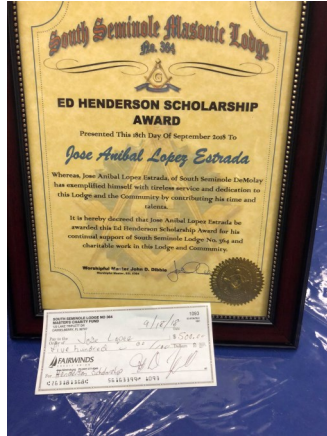
## Entered Apprentice Degree



## Fellow Craft Degree



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**Congratulations to Jose Lopez—  
Ed Henderson Scholarship  
Award Recipient**



**Rainbow Installation—Big Congrats Emi!!**

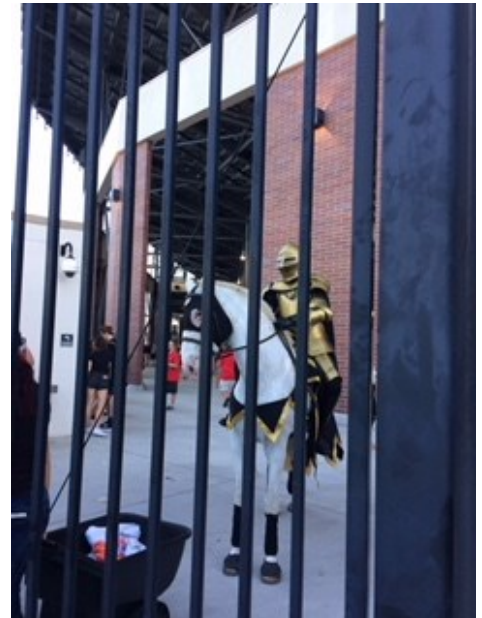




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UCF Football





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## Hurricane Disaster Relief Donations





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## More Donations for Panama City



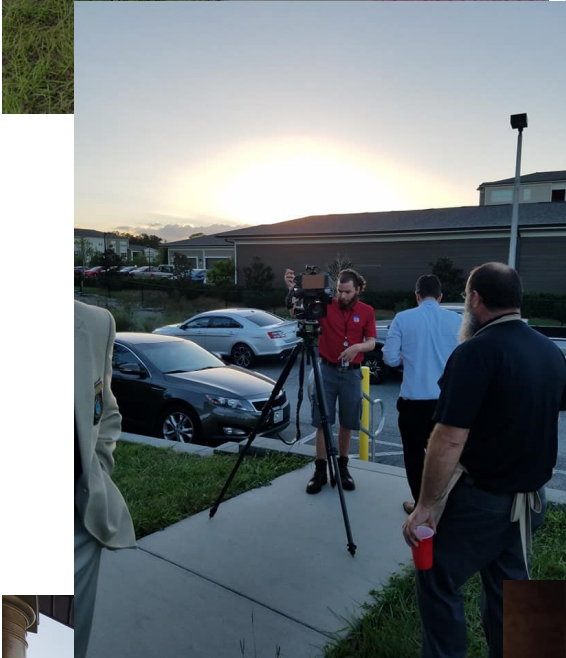
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# Bits & Pieces

SSL on  
the  
News!!



Do you have pictures you'd like to share?

Please send them to us and they will be posted in the next Trestle-board!!