

# South Seminole Lodge #364 F. & A. M. Stated Communications 1st & 3rd TUESDAYS

Dinner @6:15 PM, Meeting @ 7:30 PM

## From the East

The year is closing quickly and some very important decisions have yet to be made. At our meetings in June and first meeting in July we have had presentations and floor discussions about our future finances and the need to increase of our yearly dues. While many Brothers were present and interactive, we were still a few seats shy of a good representation of the total membership.

The month of June marked the beginning of the Palmer Challenge !!!! We are starting a fund for future building expenses. Even though our building is relatively new, we must look ahead into the future, so our sons, grandsons and future Masons have a building they can call home! All donations received until the end of the year will be matched up to \$1000 for the building fund! We have two special Brothers leading this challenge For all you do for us, WE THANK YOU Bro. Palmer and R.W. Dickinson.

I truly hope that the next meeting in August will have many more Brothers in attendance. We have a resolution for the increase of dues to be discussed and voted on in September. This is of great importance to the future of our Lodge and our ability to provide for our community. We welcome any of the member input of concern, ideas, constructive criticism and support. Brothers WE want your involvement. For a number of years, a very small percentage of our membership has been force to make many of the key decisions for the Lodge. Brothers ALL, come to our dinners, meet our officers and take part in that which belongs to you!

Our participation in the district is at an all time high, we won the Traveling Cup in May, our degree teams are formed and extremely proficient, with Brothers even learning the lectures. Our community service continues with Child ID programs and our support of the Casselberry Care Cabin. Brothers while I know many of you are involved with other organizations, busy with you careers and family life, try to spare a few hours of your month to come have dinner with us and take part in something bigger than ourselves.

Thank you and God Bless

Petronio Martins W.M.

## From The West

I am pleased to report that we had a very successful season of fundraising for our Charity and Youth Thousands of \$\$ have been brought into our coffers thru the hard work of a few Brothers, Youth, and parents. The bad news is that UCF has lost the Predators and Shrine Circus. This will reduce our annual potential by over \$10K next year. Hopefully UCF will add new arena events this Fall. The REAL NEWS is that without more help, we cannot continue into the next season. I and the few "regulars" cannot continue to carry the burden alone. Every event has become a stressful race to get enough workers to avoid failure. IF anyone has a better way to make \$25,000 extra or more per year, please say so....otherwise VOLUNTEER to HELP. To those Brothers that have joined us this season, please let me say "Thank You". We could do so much more in all areas if more would get involved. Please become an active part of the SSL success story, not just a spectator. Skip Yonchik, Sr. Warden

## From The South

We are doing well maintaining the Lodge and grounds to protect our investment and future. We still have an advantage of a newer building, but the carpet and several surfaces are beginning to show wear as their useful life is consumed. A small group of Brothers continues to perform all the cleaning, maintenance, and groundskeeping to hold down expenses. Thanks to Bro. French and his company, the landscaping is coming back from a very bad situation. We also owe 'thanks' to Hiram's Lodge for donating a much needed replacement tree out front. Our Stated Comms dinners continue to be excellent, again thanks to help from Bros, friends, and family. Please come out, enjoy the Lodge, and help us keep it in shape.

**JW Chris Wall** 

## From The Secretary

The subject of dues increase is never one that our Brethren look forward to but nevertheless one that needs to be immediately addressed. Operating costs for our Lodge continue to increase despite our best efforts to reduce expenditures wherever we can. A dues increase for 2015 is absolutely necessary to keep our Lodge on a solid financial footing for the future. My Bro's where else can you be a member of a fraternity for less than \$12 per month?

Progress in the Three Degrees: For MM Bros Strawers, Blanton, Uribe, Cerezo Jr. are almost thru memory work for proficiency. For FC Bros. R. Dibble, J. Heirs are finishing memory work. For EA Bros Meyes, Bischoff, Tellez, and Barreto are working thru the catechism and will be ready to return in a few weeks.

Anthony Edwards, Sec.

# News of the Lodge

## Child ID Committee

July Child ID event held at Fort Melon Park, Sanford. Next Event Aug 5 @7pm. Please contact Bros. Dever and Ghiligeri to volunteer and help

## News of our Youth Groups

**Demolay** Since May the DeMolay have finished up an awesome term. Our Chapter supported the Hirmas Daylight Lodge dedication and served meals at the Grand Master official visit. The chapter went to do a go-kart event and went to the Summer Conclave. Max won the Shield Talk Ritual competition, Alex won the 220 yard dash. Donald and Nick returned proficiency to both degrees. Elections were held and Max is the new Master Councilor. Matt is the new Senior Councilor and Nick is now Junior Councilor. Alex was appointed Chapter Scribe. Installation is planned for August 15.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

08/02 Masters & Wardens @ Winter Park Lodge 8am 08/03 UCF fundraiser, Arena @ 11:30am Call Time 08/05 CHILD ID event @ 7pm contact Bro. Dever 08/13 District School @ Winter Park 7:30pm 08/19 SSL Stated Mtg. Dinner @ 6:15 pm 05/24 UCF fundraiser, Arena @ 5pm Call 08/23 Open Books at Winter Park Lodge @ 9am 08/23 UCF Mandatory Training for Vendors, Arena 9am 08/27 District School @ Winter Park 7:30pm 08/31 UCF fundraiser, Stadium @ 8:00AM Call Time 09/02 SSL Stated Mtg. Dinner @ 6:15 pm 09/16 SSL Stated Mtg. Dinner @ 6:15 pm DDGM VISIT

#### 2014 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Finance Wor. Skip Yonchik PM Masonic Vigilance Chris Wall **Petitions** Chris Wall Charity, Wills & Gifts Master & Wardens Lodge Property/Rental Wor. Tom Hoopes **Masonic Education** Wor. Ed Henderson Mentoring Wor. Ed Henderson Youth Activities Wor. Skip Yonchik **Board of Relief** Master/Wardens Sickness & Distress Richard Cerezo Remembrance Richard Cerezo **Publicity** Wor. Tom Hoopes L.Y.P.M.G.C. **Anthony Edwards** Lodge Rebuilding Wor. Ellis/Yonchik

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Marshal - John Dibble

Musician - Wor. B. Frank Ellis

Sr. Steward - Ted Hammond Jr. Steward - Andrew Dever Tyler - Darryl Spangenberg

## **IN REMEMBRANCE**

**Deceased Past Masters of SSL** 

Curtis F. Blow	U.D &1968
Verbun A. Jones	1969
Frank Bingham	1970
Louis Kirby	1971
Francis P. Oddo *	1972
Troy Tatum	1973
William P. Byles	1974
Carl E. Strom	1975
J.C. Valentine	1976
Rodger T. Peterson	n, Sr 1977
#William B. Ritter	r 1978
Phillip G. Marriott	1979
Carl E. Lloyd	1986
Edward K. Herr	1988
John A. Melanson	1994
Kenneth N. Hollad	ay 1998
Marty Nash APM	1998
Donald Maurizio	1999
John J. Walsh	2006

## Help Your Lodge, Join a Committee

There are many opportunities to help out your Lodge! Regardless of your talents, age, or physical limitations, there is a place for you to contribute. One great need is on the Events Committee, specifically as a Host for the Church which meets at our Lodge each Sunday morning. You open the Lodge and help with any minor details they might need. After the event, you lock up and turn off the A/C and lights. This is a very important duty and one easily performed by any Brother. We also have great needs for Mentors, and in Educating and coaching our newer Brothers. We always need Brothers for our UCF fundraisers if you have the physical ability to help there and also enjoy great fellowship with your Brothers and our Youth.

Please sign up with any Officer or Chairman and get involved in South Seminole success!