

Back Home in Casselberry !!



South Seminole

Lodge #364 F. & A. M.

Stated Communications

1st & 3rd TUESDAYS

Dinner @6:15 PM , Meeting @ 7:00 PM

Meetings held at South Seminole Lodge

122 Triplet Lake Drive

Casselberry, Florida

From the East

Greetings South Seminole Brothers !

Fall season is here and the weather is perfect! We soon will be celebrating the traditional Thanksgiving holiday with our families and friends...and the start the Christmas season. As Masons and men of faith, let us give THANKS TO OUR SUPREME BEING for all the wonderful blessings and gifts of life. We should take a day from our busy schedules and reflect on all the things we did through out this year, good or bad, learn from them, and hope that we have done what is asked of us as Masons. Live and be an example of our obligations and promises. While surrounded by an abundance of material things which are the accouterments of an affluent society, we must not forget that back of these things there is the providential care of our Almighty Supreme Being, and like those who came before us, we are recipients of that care. To see our Masonic life from this perspective is to see Our Supreme Being's mercies, new every morning and fresh every evening, are more than we can number. So, gratitude rises in the heart of a true Mason, and as such we are THANKFUL. Congratulations to our most recent EA brothers and the degree-team for an outstanding degree work! Let us not forget, November 5th. is the Family/Widows Night dinner. Let us keep supporting our Lodge.

Jose Ayala, Wor. Master

UPCOMING EVENTS

10/30 Dist MLT Training @ Mokana 7pm

11/02 M&W @ St. Cloud ALL OFFICERS and Brothers PLEASE ATTEND 8am

11/05 Family and Widows Dinner @ SSL

11/05 SSL Stated Mtg, dinner at 6:15pm

11/08 UCF Basketball fundraiser

11/09 Zone MLT Training @ Winter Pk 8am

11/13 District School @ St. Cloud 7pm

11/19 SSL Stated Mtg, dinner at 6:15pm

11/21 UCF Fundraiser Football 4pm Call

11/27 District School @ St. Cloud 7pm

12/03 SSL Stated & OFFICER ELECTIONS

12/11 District School @ South Seminole 7pm

12/21 M&W at SOUTH SEMINOLE

LODGE , breakfast at 8am

From The South

Greeting Brothers !

This year, we have been busy with many new EAs, FCs and MMs...spending a lot of our time teaching catechisms or learning degree work. We have to thank many of our mentors and PMs who have spent their time instructing us on performing the Degrees and helping our new brothers grow in Masonry. Your presence and knowledge of Masonry is what inspires the all of us to move forward .

I would like express my endless gratitude to all the Brothers who have taken part in our Degree work this year. You have done an outstanding job! Let us keep working towards excellences in the performing all three Degrees. This is a very enjoyable and rewarding part of our rituals.

The key to our success is the support from the Craft. Thank you all for attending our meetings and degrees. Each Brother is an important piece of this fraternity and community. Our attendance, input, support and criticism is what brings us closer to one another, building a stronger Lodge, better able to lead and help our community.

Have a Blessed month !

Petronio Martins, JW

From The Secretary's Desk

Please take advantage of the new service to pay your annual dues by card. Swipe your card at Lodge, or call our Secretary, Marshal Hinson. We lose too many Brothers each year to NPD.

We are still in need of your current email and postal addresses. Many of our monthly Trestle Boards come back due to incorrect addresses. **Join us in the initiative to take our Trestle Board into the digital age by getting your current email into the rolls.**

Mason in the News

Wor. Doug Guthrie, Past Master of South Seminole Lodge realized a life goal this month. After training hard for several years Doug earned the right to race at the Iron Man Championships in Kona, Hawaii, To do so, he had to place very high in a similar race in Kentucky last September. Doug was supported by his loving wife at the race, and many friends watching his excellent performance over the internet. For those unfamiliar with Iron Man ...it is a race of elite athletes from all over the world. Starting with a 2.4 mile ocean swim, you then enjoy 112 miles of wind and heat on a bicycle ride thru the lava fields... and you finally round it out with a marathon footrace of 26.2 miles We should all be very proud of our Brother ! Just another example of Masonic dedication and achievement. Congratulations Worshipful Doug !

News of the Lodge

A New Way to Pay Your Dues and an updated Web Site to Stay Connected with YOUR Lodge

South Seminole is moving into the electronic age. Starting with this round of Annual Dues, you will have the option to pay by credit or debit card ! You can do this in person, at the Lodge, by phone to our Secretary, or, in the near future, over the internet at our new SSL web site. There is a slight service charge for this service , and you are still welcome to pay by check if you prefer. We will also be able to use this new facility for donations and collections at other Lodge events and activities.

Our Brother, John Dibble, is also hard at work on a new Web Site. This will soon become a hub for Masonic and Lodge information and activities. There will also be space reserved for our Trestle Board, and some Lodge history and event pictures...stay tuned

Family and Widows Dinner November 5, 2013

We will be trying something different this time. Everyone in our Lodge extended family is invited to enjoy an exceptional dinner at the Lodge. We will then all gather in the Lodge Room for a special Masonic presentation. Non-Masons will then enjoy desert and fellowship in the dining room, while the Brothers conduct a short Stated meeting. Keep the coffee hot, we will be joining you as quickly as possible. This is a chance for all to gather, and for some, to meet each other for the first time. Don't miss this fun evening.

E-Mail Trestle Board Program Needs YOUR Support

Production and mailing cost for our Trestle Board continue to increase dramatically. It can easily reach \$700 per year...money that the Lodge needs for more important purposes. This is a very simple way to help your Lodge and stay informed. PLEASE get us your current email address . Call any officer with your info. **We have a goal of JANUARY 2014 to go full electronic delivery.**

Masonic Education and Advancement

Bros Anthony Edwards, Logan Cody, Andrew Dever, and Ed Ghiglieri will return their proficiencies in the Master Mason Degree with MM Gary Bouton in early December. Bros Jim Strawser, David Goldmacher, Glenn Rasberry, and Richard Cerezo Jr. are preparing their EA proficiencies. Bros Paul Blanton and Jesse Uribe Jr. completed their EA degree and are studying the catechism. Bros Joshua Franko and Jeff Gerlitz are studying the FC catechism

Lodge Charity

The SSL Demolay raised over \$350 and plans to use to money to buy clothing for needy children in our community.

SSL, via the Master's fund, supported special programs for two area elementary school teachers...providing financial aid, and securing matching funds to purchase needed equipment for their classrooms.

The Lodge continued our monthly support for the Casselberry Care Cabin food bank...providing staples to at-risk families and kids.

Living Past Masters *pDDGM

Max R. Jones	1980
Samuel M. Lewis * Past Grand Master	1981
Thomas E. Embree *	1982
Ottis R. Erickson *	1983
William R. Ellis	1984
#William E. Johnson 1985	
#John F. Schroth, Sr.	1987
James D. Dickenson *	1989
John W. Bornman	1990
Jay W. Leffert	1991
Billy M. Mew	1992
Roger C. Reynell	1993
Thomas D. Roberts	1995
Edwin C. Henderson	1996
Paul W. Freeman, Sr.	1997
Joseph Cordeiro	2000
Randy L. Vess	2001
B. Franklin Ellis	2002
#E. Neal Tish	2003
#Samuel A. Tish	2004
Douglas B. Guthrie	2005
#William D. Dieringer	2007
Robert T. Billoni	2008
Herman (Skip) Yonchik	2009
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Thomas Hoopes	2011
Greg Rushing	2012
<u>Affiliated Past Masters</u>	
Ellis Hormats, New York	1969
Don Grable, Spain	1969/70
Victor Rivera	1982
Jeff Gerlitz, Wisconsin	1983

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Chaplain - Richard Cerezo, Sr.

Marshal - Wor. Greg Rushing

Musician - Wor. B. Frank Ellis

Sr. Steward - Chris Wall

Jr. Steward - David Carrero

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, Sr	1977
#William B. Ritter	1978
Phillip G. Marriott	1979
Carl E. Lloyd	1986
Edward K. Herr	1988
John A. Melanson	1994
Kenneth N. Holladay	1998
Marty Nash APM	1998
Donald Maurizio	1999
John J. Walsh	2006