



## South Seminole Lodge #364 F. & A. M.

### Stated Communications

1st & 3rd TUESDAYS

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

122 Triplet Lake Drive, Casselberry, Florida

#### *From the East*

First and foremost I would like to extend my gratitude to all the Brothers who came out to vote on our dues increase. The SW gave us a great presentation and financial overview, and spirited discussion followed. It was a very constructive night with great participation from everyone. Thank you for conserving the financial integrity of our lodge for many many years to come.

It is truly a great pleasure to see so many of our brothers, especially the newer ones taking part in many district events and showing great interest in our degree work and ritual. This past month we have once again delivered 2 van loads of supplies to the Care Cabin at Casselberry Elementary, and showed great participation at M&Ws . Our SW who spear heads the UCF events had some great news to give us: This past year the UCF events have raised tens of thousands of dollars to our youth organizations and charities, if you see him around, make sure to thank him !!!

In closing I would like to invite all of you to attend our meetings, it is your participation in the Blue Lodge that allows for our charity work to continue in our communities and to one another. Brothers all if you have any questions or concerns about the dues increase, feel free to contact any of the Officers of our Lodge, we will make sure to make all necessary arrangements according to your needs. May all of you have a blessed month and let us continue to be a beacon of Light within our communities.

Thank you and God Bless

Petronio Martins W.M.

#### *From The West*

We have had a very successful beginning to our new season of fundraising for our Charity and Youth Thousands of \$\$ have already been brought into our coffers thru the hard work of a few Brothers, Youth, and parents. The bad news is that our core group of workers continues to shrink. Not only are we dangerously close to losing our slot for lack of workers....the real tragedy is that other groups have already failed and we could be making extra thousands of dollars with enough volunteers. As one of the leaders at UCF, we get first chance at any additional revenue. 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 \$35,000 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*

Greetings from the South! We continue to have a very strong year in terms of the managing the kitchen and budget. As the District Committeeman for Public Relations and Publicity, I have been traveling in the District learning of many of the good work our lodges including ours are doing in the community. There is no lack of good work, however all lodges can increase our recognition in the community by telling the world about what we do and who we are. Our lodge in particular is doing some wonderful work supporting the Casselberry Food Cabin and performing Child ID events. We have the same challenge as other lodges in that we need to remind the community that Masonry is alive and well, and this will in turn help our membership numbers. Masonry remains a very high quality organization but need to reverse the overall ongoing membership decline. South Seminole has shown year over year growth after rebuilding from the fire, and we anticipate further growth into 2015.

Chris Wall, Junior Warden

#### *From The Secretary*

1. We need to update individual Masonic records for Grand Lodge. If you are a member of any allied Bodies and/or have new contact information, please email [secretaryssl364@gmail.com](mailto:secretaryssl364@gmail.com) with that information.
2. Beginning in Jan 2015, the Trestle Board will only be sent via email and posted on our Face Book page. This will expand the content and save the Lodge almost \$1K per year. If you need a printed copy, make that need known to the Secretary or Wor. Master now.
3. Dues notices and cards will be mailed by end Oct. Please remember your annual dues and payment must be received at the Lodge by Dec 27 to keep current with your Masonic obligation.
4. The Craft passed a long overdue Dues increase. For 2015 they are \$175, plus Grand Lodge assessment. Any Brother that has financial difficulty with paying this obligation should contact the Secretary or Wor. Master for a relief arrangement. There are provisions in the Lodge bylaws to help Brothers in need.

Anthony Edwards, Secretary.

# News of the Lodge

## Child ID Committee

Child ID program needs YOU... Please contact Bros. Dever and Ghiligeri to volunteer and help

## News of our Youth Groups

**Demolay** Since August the DeMolay have been making steady progress. A petition has been received for a new member and a DeMolay from Miami is wishing to transfer to our Chapter. Bill Valentino was nominated by us for the DeMolay Legion of Honor and it was awarded to him 9/21. Our two ritual teams are practicing for competition in January.

The boys cooked an awesome meal for the Veterans dinner in October. They have set a goal to attend Old South Ritual Competition in New Orleans. A new member, Jose, joined the Chapter.

**Hope Rainbow** The young ladies and parents of Team McClure continue to be the foundation for Hope's charity fundraising efforts at UCF. With the expenses of Assembly charity programs and Grand Assembly looming, more help is needed from concerned parents, friends, and Masons.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

10/29 MLT training @ Pinecastle Lodge 7pm  
11/01 Masters and Wardens, Orlando 69 @ 8am  
11/04 SSL Stated Mtg. Dinner @ 6:15 pm  
11/12 District School @ Pinecastle 7:30pm  
11/14 UCF fundraiser, Arena @ 5pm Call  
11/18 SSL Stated Mtg. Dinner @ 6:15 pm  
11/22 UCF fundraiser, Arena @ 5pm Call  
11/22 Open Books at Winter Park Lodge @ 9am  
11/26 District School @ Pinecastle 7:30pm  
12/02 SSL Stated Mtg. OFFICER ELECTION @ 6:15 pm  
12/09 SSL FAMILY DINNER @ 6:15 pm  
12/16 SSL Stated Mtg. Dinner @ 6:15 pm  
12/20 Masters and Wardens, St. Cloud @ 8am  
1/24/15 SSL OFFICER INSTALLATION 8am

### 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, 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       |

### **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 !