

September 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 September 2018 trestle-board! Greetings from South Seminole Lodge.

Upcoming Master's and Wardens & SSL District Events:

Next month is South Seminole's month for Masters and Wardens on October 6. This means that there will be other district events at our Lodge such as School of Instruction and Ritual Observance. For Ritual Observance our District Instructor, Right Honorable Eric Romano will come to our Lodge for the first Stated Communication on October 2nd and observe our ritual work in an effort to offer suggestions for continuous improvement. Please come and support your brothers and your Lodge for these events and others as they appear on our calendar.

My Brothers,



Once again, I believe South Seminole Lodge #364 is at the forefront of innovation! Through the use of Square, a credit card processing service, we can now add more payment options. You, my brothers, now have the ability to pay your yearly dues by credit card through the secretary's office. There are a couple ways to go about it. First, dues can be paid in full or now you have the option to make monthly payments. Please give me a call, email me, or send me a text letting me know that you would like to either pay your dues in full or would like to start making monthly payments. After I receive your request, I will send you an e-mail that will have a bill attached and you can pay that bill through Square. No one in the lodge will have your credit card information, including myself. Only the people in the processing center at Square will have access to the information you submit on file with them. Remember Brothers, we need 100% participation when it comes to paying our dues. If you are having any issues, you must contact me so that I can help you. The last thing we want to do is lose a brother because he has fallen on hard times. So not only can we take credit cards and receive monthly payments, but now we can also accept donations to help our brothers who need a temporary helping hand.

Faternally,

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

Officer Election Procedures

It is **REQUIRED** that all candidates, including sitting officers seeking advancement, be nominated prior to opening of the first Stated Communication in November. Any Brother can be nominated, or self-nominate, for any elected chair. Please note - Being in the line is not a guarantee of automatic advancement, nor should you feel the need to advance if you are not ready or circumstances do not allow you to commit to it. If you wish to run for any office, get in touch with our Secretary before the first Stated Communication in November.

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...



The East

Brethren,

Thanks to all of the Brothers who helped make our annual DDGM visit a success. We had over 40 in attendance with a great meal, which was prepared by the Junior Warden and Stewards. All Lodge business seems to be in good order. Big thanks to Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master Kilmartin for his visit and for keeping us squared away and on the level.

I was proud to see that South Seminole Lodge had about 12 Brothers plus some of their ladies at the Tennessee Cave Degree this year. We had a wonderful time of festivities and Masonic fellowship! For many of those brothers, including myself, it was their first time going to the cave degree. Although it was a bit of a drive, I feel it was well worth it. Portions of the agenda included an Entered Apprentice degree at Union Lodge #38, a Master Mason degree in the cave on the following day, a multitude of Yellow Dog degree occurrences, which ensured that all of our brothers in attendance could become Yellow Dogs, not to mention many wonderful meals at the Union Lodge and the traditional fellowship with many of the district 16 brethren and even some of their ladies in the local Super 8 parking lot on the two nights we stayed there. Nathan Wilson was also kind enough to have many of the brothers over to his cabin in the country for boating and target practice fun. This all seems to be a fast growing event for South Seminole and the proud 16th Masonic District.

Fraternally Yours,

W. ∴ M. ∴ John D. Dibble



The South

Hello Brothers,

With our schedules being so busy in and out of Masonry, I know it is hard to attend certain events. Some of these events like School of Instruction, ME/MLT (Masonic Education/Masonic Leadership Training), and Open Books are designed to help and sharpen our skills as Masons. I see fewer Brothers at Open Books than in years past. I would like to encourage all Master Masons to come to Open Books. Whether you are in a degree, a catechism instructor, going for your cards, learning a lecture, or just anyone seeking knowledge, it is imperative to attend Open Books in order to ensure that we are using the correct words. School of Instruction is vital for our ritual work. The rituals that Masonry has is what sets us apart from other groups and organizations. Our Masonic funeral ritual work is seen by the public and is the ultimate way of showing the highest respect for the passing of a Brother. We need to have crisp floorwork or proper motions for tasks like balloting. For me, it's a sense of pride to have my floorwork as clean as it can be, to show new Brothers coming into our craft my way of honoring them into this great fraternity. I know we are a Lodge that does a great deal of charity (which I would never ask to lessen), but we have also been a great Lodge of ritual work. The only way to keep our ritual work outstanding is by practicing and going to these kinds of events to hone our skills.

Fraternally,

Luis A. Tellez, Junior Warden



The Treasurer

Brethren,

Our fundraising season is entering its peak. UCF football home games have started, which means our Youth can now participate with the adult volunteers. Orlando Soccer also has three remaining home games. With all this potential bounty comes the fact that we have 9+ events over the next two months....which means we need a lot more volunteers to step up. Our Brothers at Orlando 69 and ladies from the Care Cabin board are also helping but we need everyone on board. After mid-November, the well goes dry for many months. This is also the season where our Charity efforts will significantly drain the coffers. The time is now, the need is great....the couch will wait til Winter.....please stand up, sign up, and join in doing what Masons do best.

Fraternally,

W. ∴ David Yonchik, P.M. Treasurer

For The Children

Child ID, OOL

Brothers,

On the 8th of August we did a Child Id with the Seminole County Sheriff's Office at the PNC Bank in Lake Mary. This event had everything, first and foremost, we did 30 Id's, but we also got to meet a couple of other brothers, it was the first time working an event with S.C.S.O., educated a some of the public on Masonry, and even talked to a couple of men that are interested in joining. The event was not without problems, two out of three of our computers were crashing and not working properly. All the computers that we have were donated and have seen better days. It is time to look into getting new computers.

Fraternally,

Luis A. Tellez, Junior Warden



Up & Coming

August Petitions Received

No petitions were received.

Masons Under Instruction:

Fellow Craft with Luis Tellez:

Robert Milstid

Fellow Craft with Chad Oehmke:

Giovanni David

Martin Cornish

Michael Wagner

Michael Ruiz

Congrats on M. M. proficiency:

Raymond Santiago

Nick Conner

James Johnson

Masonic Anniversaries for September:

William Junior St John - 40 Years

Gary Wayne Boyce - 37 Years

Ronald Eugene Ferguson - 33 Years

Robert John Havlicek - 26 Years

Joseph Cordeiro - 24 Years

Jose Gabriel Ayala - 24 Years

Valentine Sellati Jr - 18 Years

Carlos Gomez Sr - 12 Years

Gregory Kent Rushing - 12 Years

Birthdays for September:

9/3 - Joseph Raymond Valdes

9/3 - William Taylor Litton

9/5 - Robert Lee Thompson

9/8 - Paul Russell Blanton

9/8 - Anthony Edward Edwards

9/9 - Jody Ray Addington

9/9 - Charles Curtis Friel

9/12 - Samuel Marigny Lewis Jr PGM

9/17 - Kenneth Charles Jordan

9/18 - Theodore Elsworth Hammond Jr

9/22 - Donald Wayne Grable

9/25 - Billie Marvin Mew

South Seminole Masons

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Past Masters:

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

Max R. Jones 1980

Samuel M. Lewis DDGM,

Past Grand Master 1981

Thomas E. Embree DDGM 1982

Ottis R. Erickson DDGM * 1983

William R. Ellis 1984

William E. Johnson 1985

Carl E. Lloyd * 1986

John F. Schroth, Sr. 1987

Edward K. Herr * 1988

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

Deceased *

Thomas D. Roberts 1995

Edwin C. Henderson 1996

Paul W. Freeman, Sr. 1997

Kenneth N. Holladay * 1998

Marty Nash APM * 1998

Donald Maurizio * 1999

Joseph Cordeiro 2000

Randy L. Vess 2001

B. Franklin Ellis 2002

E. Neal Tish 2003

Samuel A. Tish 2004

Douglas B. Guthrie 2005

John J. Walsh * 2006

William D. Dieringer 2007

Robert T. Billoni * 2008

Herman (Skip) Yonchik 2009/10

Thomas Hoopes 2011

Greg Rushing 2012

Jose Ayala 2013

Petronio Martins 2014

Christopher Wall 2015

Gary Bouton 2016

Tim French 2017

Affiliated Past Masters

Ellis Hormats, New York * 1969

Don Grable, Spain 1969/70

Jeff Gerlitz, Wisconsin 1983

2018 Committee Chairmen:

Finance Bro. Anthony Edwards

Masonic Vigilance Bro. Luis Tellez

Petitions Bro. Dan Taylor

Masonic Education Bro. Anthony Edwards

Board of Relief W. L. M. L. John Dibble

Charity, Wills & Gifts W. L. M. L. John Dibble

Lodge Property Wor. L. Bill Ellis

Corporate Relations Wor. L. Tim French

Mentoring Wor. L. Tom Hoopes

Youth Activities Wor. L. Skip Yonchik

Public Relations and Publicity Bro. Dan Taylor

Building Rental Wor. L. Tom Hoopes

Child-ID Bro. Luis Tellez

L.Y.P.M.G.C. Wor. L. Tim French

By-Laws Wor. Tim French

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Perpetual Members:

Joseph Cordeiro

Charles Raymond Crouch

Ralph Cruz

James David Dickenson

Charles Thomas Dunty

James Harvey Dunty III

Benjamin Franklin Ellis

Thomas Earl Embree

Michael Parke Fisher

Paul Warren Freeman Jr

Paul Warren Freeman Sr

Jeffery Karl Gerlitz

Jeffrey Wayne Gerlitz

Drake Arnold Grable

Donald Wayne Grable

Douglas Brent Guthrie

Theodore Elsworth Hammond Jr

David Robert Harden

Robert John Havlicek

Edwin Calvin Henderson

John William Holian Jr

Kenneth Charles Jordan

Samuel Marigny Lewis Jr PGM

Pierre Mascia

Billie Marvin Mew

Jerry Scott Morey

Ray Earl Norman

Sprague Owings

Truman Parker

Cleveland Paul Perdue

Raymond Alfred Ralph

Roger Charles Richards

Anthony W Rossi

David Bruce Roy

Gregory Kent Rushing

John Anthony Russell

William Junior St John

Richard James Swanner

Billie James Thornton

Douglas Sherman Tomlinson

Joseph Raymond Valdes

Christopher Michael Wall

Upcoming Events

September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Masters & Wardens - 8AM Orlando #69 Lodge Orlando City Soccer - 4:30pm
2	3	4 SSL Stated Comm. - 7:30pm with a 6:30 Meal	5	6	7 SSL DeMolay Chapter Meeting - 7:30pm	8 UCF Football - 4:00pm
9	10	11 SSL FC Degree - 7:00pm	12	13	14 SSL DeMolay Parking Event/ Advisory - 4:30pm	15
16	17 Rainbow Hope Assembly Advisory - 7:00pm	18 SSL Stated Comm. - 7:30pm with a 6:30pm Meal	19	20	21 SSL DeMolay Chapter Meeting - 7:30pm UCF Football - 5:00pm	22 Orlando City Soccer - 5:00pm
23 Rainbow Hope Assembly Installation - 7:00pm	24	25 SSL EA Degree - 7:00pm with 6:30pm Snacks	26 SOI Orlando #69 - 7:00pm	27	28	29 Open Books at WP Lodge - 8:00am-12:00pm UCF Football - 12:00pm
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Upcoming Delectables From the Kitchen:

1st Tuesday Stated Communications - 9/4:

Hot Dogs, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Dessert, Iced Tea, Lemonade, Coffee



3rd Tuesday Stated Communications - 9/18:

Potato Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, Cookies, Iced Tea, Lemonade, Coffee

Poem of the Month

How Shall I Honor Masonry - By Author Unknown



IF Providence your lot hath blest,
In peace and affluence to rest,
Let not your mind contracted be,
Nor scorn the abodes of poverty,

When you behold in abject state,
A brother crush'd by fortune's fate,
Lend him your aid, his wants to free,
And you shall honor Masonry.

When o'er the list of human woes,
You find the tear of grief o'erflows,
The widow's moan, the orphan's sigh,
Your help shall honor Masonry.

Where discord reigns with direful sway,
The balm of reas'ning there display
Show to the world a conscience free,
And you shall honor Masonry.

Your time shall pass serenely on -
While conscience dictates, right is done:
Your hoary locks shall honored be,
If you've regarded Masonry.

When life's tempestuous scenes are o'er,
And nature's calls require no more,
In heaven you'll take your last degree,
If you have honor'd Masonry



Bits & Pieces

Orlando City Soccer Charity Events



Care Cabin / School Supply Drive



Child ID



Bits & Pieces



Descending Into the Deep



Tennessee Cave Degree



We found that thar' Willie B. in Tennessee!



Cave Man!!

Bits & Pieces



Man Cave!!



Nap Time



Do you have pictures you'd like to share?

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