

Leesburg Masonic Lodge No. 58

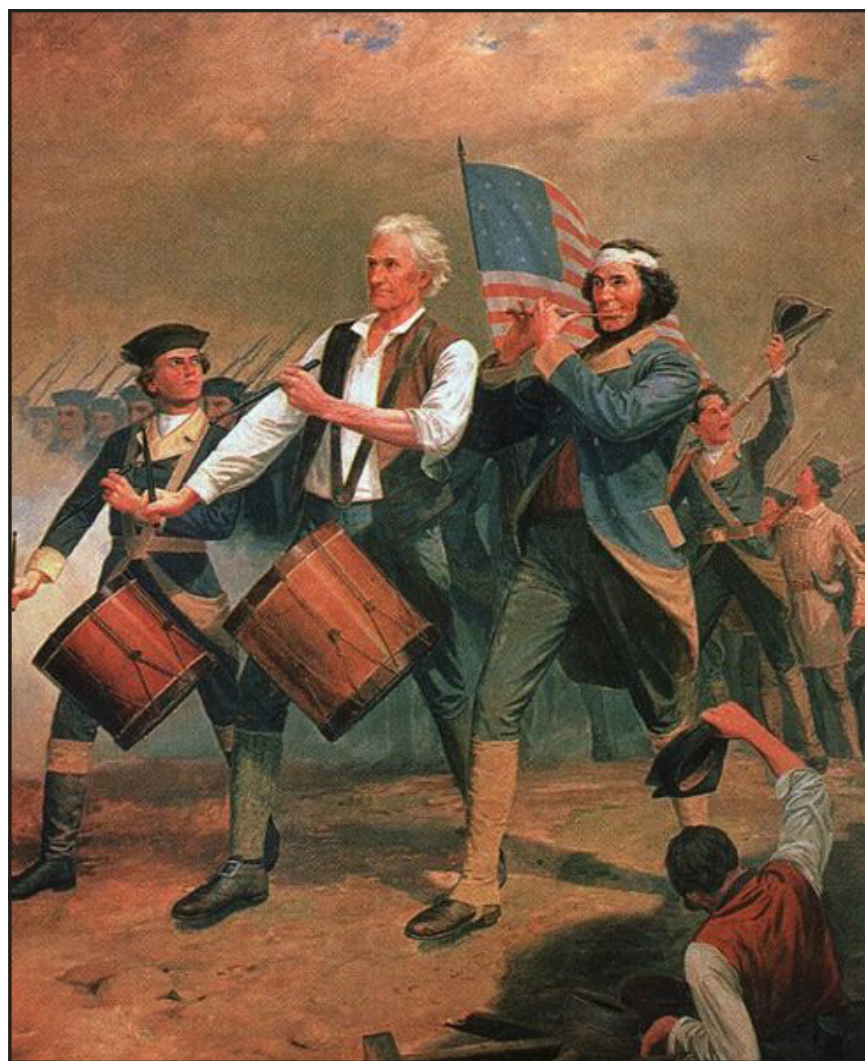
Free & Accepted Masons

Chartered January 15, 1868

Trestle Board

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"Spirit of 76" (aka Yankee Doodle) by Archibald Willard, circa 1875

Leesburg Masonic Temple
200 Richey Road, Leesburg, Florida 34748 352-787-5696

Stated Communications 1st & 3rd Tuesday of Each Month at 7:30pm

Officers for 2009

Worshipful Master	W·: Richard Ecott 323-3569
Senior Warden	Donald McIntyre, Sr. (Nina) 728-6954
Junior Warden	Randall Jesmok (Joye) 321-669-2830
Treasurer	R·: W·: Ken Graves (Jean) 787-9538
Secretary	Ill. Garth Phillips (Molly) 753-4143
	Lodge 787-5696
Senior Deacon	Terry E. Carter (Debbie) 751-2874
Junior Deacon	Larry Duff (Brenda) 728-5270
Senior Steward	Richard Cartier (Frances) 315-1886
Junior Steward	Jim Angelos 728-6188
Tyler	Saul Goodkin (Joanne) 483-7406
Chaplain	W·: Wayne Parks (Donna) 787-6501
Marshal	Dean Sever (Linda) 787-6667
Organist	W·: Ronald J. Cottman (Cele) 365-1944
Lodge Instructor	R·: H·: Dennis Ricker (Ginny) 314-0828
Trestle Board	Larry Duff (Brenda) 874-2164
Trestle Board Printing	Leesburg Printing (Mike Mason) ... 787-3348



Active Past Masters

Charles Porter	1959
Theodore E. Weihe	1963
G. Kiser Hardaway	1964
J. C. Holloway	1968
R·:W·: Ray Richardson	1969*
R·:W·: Joseph H. Sellers	1970*
William "Ed" Davison	1974
Robert H. Smith	1977
R·:W·: Colin Crews	1980^*
H. C. Connell	1985
R·:W·: Theodore Jansen	1986*
R·:W·: Joseph T. Price	1987*
Michael Dozier	1988
John H. Meier V	1989
Jay A. Frizzell, Jr.	1992
Raleigh Sorenson	1993/1994
Don Barfield	1996
Tom Russell	1997/1998/2002
Mervyn Harris	1999
R·:W·: Kenneth Graves	2000*
Robert H. Browning	2003/2004
Dennis C. Ricker	2005/2007
Roland P. Gibson	2006
Bill Green	2008

Affiliated Past Masters

Carl Anzelmo
Henry DeBerry
Ronald J. Cottman
Jack Delauter
Robert C. Gleckler
Robert Kennedy
Garry Lee
Clifford Moore
Norman L. Payne
Frank Peregrin
Glenn A. Reynolds*
Edwin Robbins
Robert L. Welch
Forest Case*
John Ray Dean
Barry Rosenthal
Wayne Parks
Fred Lint
Raymond D Trudeau
M·:W·: Joseph Brearley

^ Past District Instructor

* Past DDGM

18th Masonic District

DDGM	R·: W·: Gary Smith 483-1556
District Instructor	R·: H·: Bill Siegenthaler..... 394-6941

Committees for 2009 and Members

Board of Relief

Chairman W·: Richard Ecott, Don McIntyre, Sr., Randy Jesmok

Property

Chairman Don McIntyre, Sr., W·: Tom Russell, Larry Duff,
W·: Ed Davison, Randy Jesmok

Finance

Chairman R·: W·: Ken Graves, W·: Tom Russell,
W·: Ed Davison, Larry Duff, Don McIntyre, Sr.,

Vigilance

Chairman Randy Jesmok, Don McIntyre, Sr., W·: Richard Ecott

Funeral

Chairman R·: W·: Ken Graves, All Officers & Members

Petitions

Chairman Don McIntyre, Larry Duff, Glen Bryan, W.: Bob Browning

Charity

Chairman Larry Duff, R·: W·: Joe Price, Dean Sever, Saul Goodkin

Catechism

Chairman Don McIntyre, Sr. (EA), Randy Jesmok (FC),
W·: Bob Browning (MM), Larry Duff

Greeters

All Officers

Scholarship

Chairman Larry Duff, R·: W·: Joe Price, W·: Ed Davison,
Fred Neilson

Investments

Chairman R·: W·: Ken Graves, W·: Tom Russell,
R·: W·: Theodore Jansen

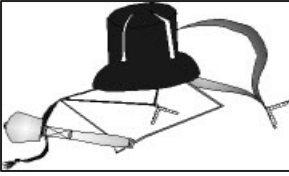
Education

Chairman Larry Duff, W·: Richard Ecott, W·: Bob Browning,
Don McIntyre, Sr. Randy Jesmok,

Activities & Awards

Chairman John Patterson, Dick Frazier, Cliff Frazier

**Officers and Committee Chairmen will meet at 6:30 pm
before the first stated meeting of each month for
business and planning.**



From the Worshipful Master

W.: Richard Ecott

There are a few dates in July to take note of. On July 7th, DDGM Gary Smith, with his District Committeemen, will make a official visitation to our Lodge, I would like to see all our Brothers in attendance.

On July 19th, District 18 has planned a visitation to the Masonic Home. See "Page Six" for a detailed announcement. We would like to see a good turnout from our Lodge members as this should be a fun day.

Well Done to Brothers Ed Walsh and John Paterson who performed their Fellow Craft Catechism shortly after the June issue went to press.

Welcome Home, to Brother Jose Albino who has returned to our Lodge after a short absence.

Congratulations and Welcome to Brothers Marc Nash, Spencer Glover and Richard Jones who became our newest Master Masons.

Here's a short talk (in part) from the 2008 Grand Master of New York which I feel speaks volumes on our upcoming Independence Day Holiday.

"It seems like so very long ago that the church bells in Philadelphia rang out to proclaim our nation's independence but it was on July 4th, 1776 that our Declaration of Independence was announced to the colonies.

As Masons, we must always remember that our

precious Declaration, crafted for the most part by our Brother Masons on Masonic principles, was written with the blood of patriots, and not professional soldiers.

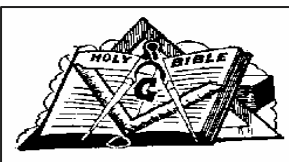
Our young men and women today, are still paying the price for the hard won liberties we all still enjoy.

This July 4th, when we gather with family and friends, we should pause for a moment in honor of our nation and all of those who fought to earn and then to protect our freedoms. We should fly our flag with pride and reverence. Surely we must not forget that this is part of our heritage as Masons. This celebration of our Independence is still looked upon with envy by so many who are still oppressed worldwide. And it is such a small token of our respect for our nation and the way of life we all surely enjoy.

We must never forget the sacrifices and the price our rag tag militia paid at Valley Forge and elsewhere during the American Revolution and each of the many, many engagements, hostilities and actions up to and including our present war.

Pause with your families to say a silent prayer of thanks this July 4th.

Happy Birthday America. And may God continue to Bless us and our nation and our men and women in our military, past and present."



From the Chaplain

W.: Wayne Parks

At Press time no reports of illnesses, sickness or distress was reported. Glad to hear everyone who was ill is getting better.

If you know of someone that is ill or in distress, please, call a lodge officer. Keep these brothers and sisters in your prayers, extend a comforting hand, call someone in need of friendship today.

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS — We extend to all who have birthdays this month our best wishes for a happy, safe and healthy celebration of your birthday. If

you can't party it up this year makes plans for next year.

Words to live by: "Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere." Chinese Proverb

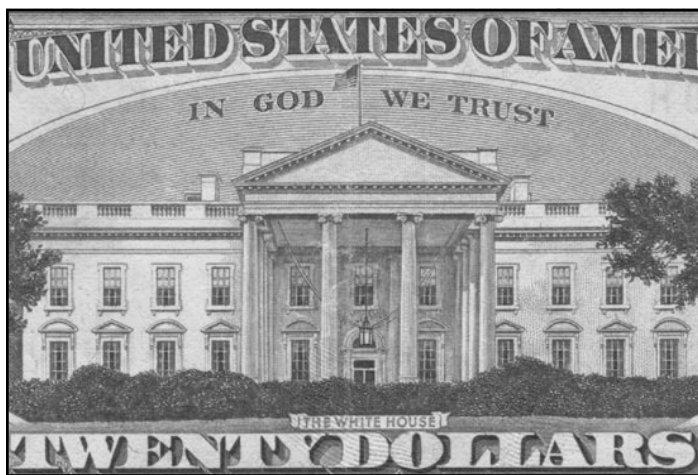
From the Great Light in Masonry; "Learn to do right! Seek justice, encourage the oppressed. Defend the cause of the fatherless, plead the case of the widow." Isaiah 1:17 (NIV)



"The heart is the hub of all sacred places; go there and roam." Bhagavan Nityananda

History of 'In God We Trust'

From; United States Department of The Treasury
Fact Sheet: Coins and Currency



The motto IN GOD WE TRUST was placed on United States coins largely because of the increased religious sentiment existing during the Civil War. Secretary of the Treasury Salmon P. Chase received many appeals from devout persons throughout the country, urging that the United States recognize the Deity on United States coins. From Treasury Department records, it appears that the first such appeal came in a letter dated November 13, 1861. It was written to Secretary Chase by Rev. M. R. Watkinson, Minister of the Gospel from Ridleyville, Pennsylvania, and read:

Dear Sir: You are about to submit your annual report to the Congress respecting the affairs of the national finances.

One fact touching our currency has hitherto been seriously overlooked. I mean the recognition of the Almighty God in some form on our coins.

You are probably a Christian. What if our Republic were not shattered beyond reconstruction? Would not the antiquaries of succeeding centuries rightly reason from our past that we were a heathen nation? What I propose is that instead of the goddess of liberty we shall have next inside the 13 stars a ring inscribed with the words PERPETUAL UNION; within the ring the all seeing eye, crowned with a halo; beneath this eye the American flag, bearing in its field stars equal to the number of the States united; in the folds of the bars the words GOD, LIBERTY, LAW.

This would make a beautiful coin, to which no possible citizen could object. This would relieve us from the

ignominy of heathenism. This would place us openly under the Divine protection we have personally claimed. From my heart I have felt our national shame in disowning God as not the least of our present national disasters.

To you first I address a subject that must be agitated.

As a result, Secretary Chase instructed James Pollock, Director of the Mint at Philadelphia, to prepare a motto, in a letter dated November 20, 1861:

Dear Sir: No nation can be strong except in the strength of God, or safe except in His defense. The trust of our people in God should be declared on our national coins.

You will cause a device to be prepared without unnecessary delay with a motto expressing in the fewest and tersest words possible this national recognition.

It was found that the Act of Congress dated January 18, 1837, prescribed the mottoes and devices that should be placed upon the coins of the United States. This meant that the mint could make no changes without the enactment of additional legislation by the Congress. In December 1863, the Director of the Mint submitted designs for new one-cent coin, two-cent coin, and three-cent coin to Secretary Chase for approval. He proposed that upon the designs either OUR COUNTRY; OUR GOD or GOD, OUR TRUST should appear as a motto on the coins. In a letter to the Mint Director on December 9, 1863, Secretary Chase stated:

I approve your mottoes, only suggesting that on that with the Washington obverse the motto should begin with the word OUR, so as to read OUR GOD AND OUR COUNTRY. And on that with the shield, it should be changed so as to read: IN GOD WE TRUST.

The Congress passed the Act of April 22, 1864. This legislation changed the composition of the one-cent coin and authorized the minting of the two-cent coin. The Mint Director was directed to develop the designs for these coins for final approval of the Secretary. IN GOD WE TRUST first appeared on the 1864 two-cent coin.

Another Act of Congress passed on March 3, 1865. It allowed the Mint Director, with the Secretary's approval, to place the motto on all gold and silver coins that "shall admit the inscription thereon." Under the Act, the motto was placed on the gold double-eagle coin, the gold eagle coin, and the gold half-eagle coin. It was

also placed on the silver dollar coin, the half-dollar coin and the quarter-dollar coin, and on the nickel three-cent coin beginning in 1866. Later, Congress passed the Coinage Act of February 12, 1873. It also said that the Secretary "may cause the motto IN GOD WE TRUST to be inscribed on such coins as shall admit of such motto."

The use of IN GOD WE TRUST has not been uninterrupted. The motto disappeared from the five-cent coin in 1883, and did not reappear until production of the Jefferson nickel began in 1938. Since 1938, all United States coins bear the inscription. Later, the motto was found missing from the new design of the double-eagle gold coin and the eagle gold coin shortly after they appeared in 1907. In response to a general demand, Congress ordered it restored, and the Act of May 18, 1908, made it mandatory on all coins upon which it had previously appeared. IN GOD WE TRUST was not mandatory on the one-cent coin and five-cent coin. It could be placed on them by the Secretary or the Mint Director with the Secretary's approval.

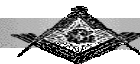
The motto has been in continuous use on the one-cent coin since 1909 and on the ten-cent coin since 1916. It also has appeared on all gold coins and silver dollar coins, half-dollar coins, and quarter-dollar coins struck since July 1, 1908.

A law passed by the 84th Congress (P.L. 84-140) and approved by the President on July 30, 1956, the President approved a Joint Resolution of the 84th Congress, declaring IN GOD WE TRUST the national motto of the United States. IN GOD WE TRUST was first used on paper money in 1957, when it appeared on the one-dollar silver certificate. The first paper currency bearing the motto entered circulation on October 1, 1957. The Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) was converting to the dry intaglio printing process. During this conversion, it gradually included IN GOD WE TRUST in the back design of all classes and denominations of currency.

As a part of a comprehensive modernization program the BEP successfully developed and installed new high-speed rotary intaglio printing presses in 1957. These allowed BEP to print currency by the dry intaglio process, 32 notes to the sheet. One-dollar silver certificates were the first denomination printed on the new high-speed presses. They included IN GOD WE TRUST as part of the reverse design as BEP adopted new dies according to the law. The motto also appeared

on one-dollar silver certificates of the 1957-A and 1957-B series.

BEP prints United States paper currency by an intaglio process from engraved plates. It was necessary, therefore, to engrave the motto into the printing plates as a part of the basic engraved design to give it the prominence it deserved.



In God We Trust License Tag

By: Bro. Larry Duff, Junior Deacon & Editor

In October 2008 the State of Florida authorized the production of a "In God We Trust" license plate. The cost for this plate is \$25.00 plus a \$2.00 processing fee. The license plates are available at our local tag offices.

Proceeds from the sale of this plate go to the "In God We Trust Foundation" which supports Florida's "First Responders" and the funds received from the sale of the plate are dedicated to meeting the needs of Florida residents that are actively enlisted in the United States Armed Forces, or in active duty as a Police Officer, Deputy Sheriff, Fireman or EMT who have an injury or need that is unmet by current programs.

The Foundation will also provide educational scholarships to the children of "First Responders" who have lost their lives during their job protecting Florida Citizens.

I also believe there are other reasons to purchase this license plate; Show your pride in our country by displaying the Motto of our country, during your advancement through the Degrees, do you remember your answer to the Worshipful Masters question, "In Whom Do You Place Your Trust".

Florida does not have a specialty tag for Masonry, here is a tag that we as Masons can adopt and show our pride in our country and our beliefs, while providing charitable funds to those who serve and protect us and are in need.

It's an individual choice and the choice is yours.



ESSAY CONTEST WINNER

Congratulations to Ms. Kerry-Ann Gayle of Leesburg High School who won our essay contest. Kerry-Ann is a student of Mr. John J. Arnold, a Language Arts Teacher, at Leesburg High School.



Kerry-Ann was awarded \$100.00 by W.:M.: Richard Ecott at a stated communications meeting with her father in attendance, and Mr. Arnold was notified of his award of \$25.00.

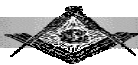
Mr. Bill Miller, Principal of Leesburg High School was notified of the outstanding efforts of both Kerry-Ann and teacher John Arnold.

Mr. Arnold thanked the Lodge for our efforts and gave his \$25.00 to Kerry-Ann.

When Kerry-Ann Gayle moved from her native Jamaica to Leesburg in 1999, the local public-school system was a mystery to her. Navigating through middle school was hard enough, so high school and college almost seemed daunting.

Kerry-Ann, who is now in high school, started with the college's program at age 13. At the time, she had little direction about where to start her journey to higher education. Now, six years later she's excited to graduate from Leesburg High School to begin at a college pre-medical program.

Thanks also to Brother Fred Neilson who headed this effort on behalf of the Lodge.



ORDER of AMARANTH, No. 34

By: Lady Virginia Duncan

In May at the Grand Court Meeting in Tampa several members of Unity Court #34 were installed as Grand Officers.

Installed were Deputy Grand Royal Matron Mildred Kronberg, Deputy Grand Royal Patron Richard Keifer, Assistant Grand Lecturer Shirley Keifer and Grand Representative to Connecticut Virginia Duncan. Congratulations to all.

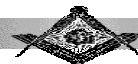


PROUD DAD

Brother Dean Sever (Marshal) is keeping us up to date with his son Michael who presented to his Brethren at Elmer O. Smith Lodge #307 F & AM, in Pinellas Park his Fellow Craft catechism as he seeks further light in Masonry.

You may remember that it was just a few issues ago that the happy pappy reported to us his son was initiated an Entered Apprentice. In this short time Mike returned to his Lodge his Entered Apprentice catechism, was passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft and has returned his Fellow Craft catechism.

The proud papa tells us his son is scheduled to be raised to the Degree of Master Mason on Saturday, June 27th. Congratulations Mike and Dean.



MASONIC HOME VISITATION

On Sunday, July 19th, 2009 the District Deputy Grand Master has planned a visitation to the Masonic Home. Bus transportation will be provided by the District. While at the Masonic Home lunch will be provided. A Bluegrass Band will be traveling to the Home with us. The band will provide entertainment during lunch with the residents of our Masonic Home.

The cost is \$20.00 per person, couples welcome, this covers the transportation and lunch.

See Secretary Garth Phillips to make a reservation. Depending on the number attending, bus pick-up will be at our Lodge.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Brother Jim Angelos who received a certificate and lapel pin from the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Florida for 55 years as a member of the Masonic Fraternity.

Congratulations also to Brother William Gibson who received a certificate and lapel pin from the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Florida for 25 years as a member of the Masonic Fraternity.

Congratulations on a job well done to Brother Russell Jones who stood before the Lodge and return his Entered Apprentice catechism, now it's on to his Fellow Craft catechism.





Rationalization
is sometimes the best
medicine.



We all get heavier as we get older because there's a lot more information in our heads. So I'm not fat, I'm just really intelligent and my head couldn't hold any more so it started filling up the rest of me!

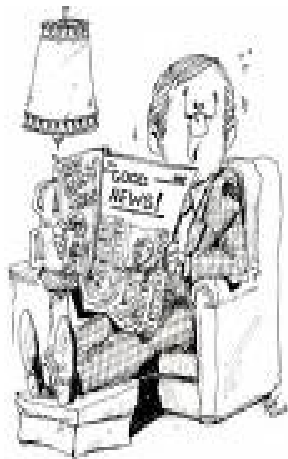
That's my story and I'm sticking to it!



TRESTLE BOARD SPONSORS

YOUR NAME HERE - INDIVIDUAL OR COUPLE FOR ONLY \$20.00

Current year or any part thereof - HELP US KEEP YOU INFORMED!



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 R.:W.: Ken & Jean Graves
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 W.: Charles & Marlene White
 William and Sharen Aston
 W.: Tom & Lynn Russell
 R.:W.: Ray & Betty Richardson
 Saul & JoAnne Goodkin
 W.: Bob & Carolyn Browning
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 R.:W.: Joseph Price
 George Wikane
 William Kerakos
 Terry & Judy Schook
 Ed & Kathy Sowden
 W.: Edwin Robbins
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 Alma & Bob Grenier
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Betsy Jordan
 Delores Duff
 Bob & Judi Rowden
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 W.: Richard Ecott
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 W.: Bill & Nancy Green
 M.: W.: Joseph & Anna Brearley
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 W.: Forest & Anneliese Case

W.: Roland & Anna Gibson
 Irvin & Dorothy Creed
 W.: Wayne & Donna Parks
 Paul Shires, Jr.
 Thomas & Beverly Wright
 Pat & W.: Merv Harris
 Spencer & Tammie Glover
 Joseph Schlegal

Our goal for 2009 is 60 sponsors, the sponsorship money will cover the cost of postage for 2009. That's 6 more than in 2007 and 23 more than in 2008, were at 58 WE just need 2 more sponsors.

Editors Note: All articles and information for publication must be received by the editor prior to the 15th of the publishing month for inclusion in the next issue. Articles can be e-mailed to Larry Duff at Ldduff@comcast.net



Ocala Scottish Rite

www.OcalaSR.com

Ocala Scottish Rite next meeting is on Monday, July 6th at 7:30 p.m. Dinner of Cornish Game Hens & Rice Pilaf to be served. October 10th and 11th have been selected as dates for the Ocala Scottish Rite's Fall Reunion.



York Rite Bodies

"A Continuation of the Blue Lodge"

www.flgyr.org

Ocala York Rite Bodies – Meetings at Belleview Lodge No. 95, Belleview.

Ocala Chapter No. 13 - Meets on the Second Wednesday of January, March, May, September and November beginning at 7:30 PM.

Ocala Council No. 22 - Royal & Select Masters - Meets on the Second Wednesday of February, April, June, October and December beginning at 7:30 PM.

Ocala Commandery No. 19 - Knights Templar - Meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM.

Eustis York Rite Bodies - Meetings at Eustis Lodge No. 85, Eustis.

Eustis Chapter No. 33, Meets on the third Friday of each month at 7:30 PM.

Golden Triangle Council No. 28—Royal & Select Masters - Meets on the third Friday of each month at 7:30 PM.

Triangle Commandery No. 38 –Knights Templar—Meets on the on the second Friday of each month at 7:30 PM



Order of the Eastern Star, Leesburg Chapter No. 84

Lady Elizabeth Eldridge – Worthy Matron

W.: Roland Gibson —Worthy Patron

Meetings – 1st Thursday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.

If you are a member of the OES and wish to contribute a article or information for inclusion in the Trestle Board, just send it to the editor. Articles are requested to be no more than one or two pages.



Order of Amaranth, No. 34

Jane Claus—Royal Matron

Peter Plate—Royal Patron

Meetings – 3rd Friday of the Month at 1:30 p.m. If you wish to contribute a article or information for inclusion in the Trestle Board, just send it to the editor. Articles are requested to be no more than one or two pages.



Tall Cedars, Lake Forest, No. 200

GT— Tommy Huber

Meetings – 2nd Saturday of the Month at 10:30 a.m. If you wish to contribute a article or information for inclusion in the Trestle Board, just send it to the editor. Articles are requested to be no more than one or two pages.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR JULY 2009



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Order of the Eastern Star No. 84—Meeting at 7:30 pm	2 Order of the Eastern Star No. 84—Meeting at 7:30 pm	3	4
5	6 Ocala Scottish Rite 7:30 pm DeMolay Chapter 7:30 pm at Eustis	7 Coffee Klatch 8 am Stated Meeting 7:30pm DDGM Official Visit	8 Ocala York Rite Chapter 7:30 pm	9	10 Triangle Commandery No. 28 7:30 pm @ Eustis Lodge	11 Tall Cedars Meeting at 10:30 am
12 Sunday Dinner 11:30 — 1:15 pm BBQ Pulled Pork & Chicken, Baked Beans, Salad, Rolls, Drinks and Deserts	13 Plantation Hi-Twelve Club #719 Meeting 11:00am At Plantation Oaks	14 Coffee Klatch & Breakfast 8 am	15 District Association Leesburg 7:30 pm	16	17 Amaranth 1:30 pm Golden Triangle Council & Chapter 7:30 pm @ Eustis	18
19 District visitation to Masonic Home	20 Lake / Sumter DeMolay Chapter Meeting 7:30 pm at Eustis Lodge	21 Coffee Klatch 8 am Leesburg Stated Meeting 7:30 pm	22 Ocala York Rite Commandery - 7:30p District Instruction Wildwood 7:30 pm	23 Leesburg Hi-Twelve Club, Meeting at Taste Temprers	24	25 Open Book Winter Park Lodge 239 9:00am — 2:00pm
26	27 Coffee Klatch & Breakfast 8:00 am	28	29	30	31	

THE MASONIC HOME OF FLORIDA

The Masonic Home is in need of various items. A "Wish List" from the Masonic Home is below and on the Lodge foyer bulletin board. Check it out and see if you can donate a needed item. (*) *Indicates items greatly needed.*

CORKY'S CUPBOARD NEEDS

Mouth Wash (Scope or Listerine) *
Baby Powder
After Shave
Efferdent, Polident, etc. *
Men's Cologne *
Kleenex & Puffs (Lg & Square
Boxes & purse size) **
Vaseline Intensive Care
Nail Polish (Reds, Pinks, Neutral)
Socks-Men & Women, White
Cotton Balls / Cotton Pads
Powder (compact) *
Lectric Shave / Pre-shave *
Blush (Neutral/Pinks) *
Tooth Paste-Colgate & Crest
Toothbrushes
Women's Cologne, Perfumes *
Body Lotion
Knee-Hi, Thigh-hi Hose (tan) *
Nail Polish Remover
Emory Boards / Nail Clippers
Hair Spray *
Cold Cream
Jewelry (Earrings & Necklaces)*
Soaps / Liquid Soap
Depends /Poise/Sanitary Pads *
Hair Tonics
Liquid Shoe Polish/Laces
Baby Wipes / Wipes Refills *
Denture Adhesive
Rolls Of Stamps *
Underarm Deodorant
Room Freshener *
Body Wash *
Fragrant Body Spray *
Small Liquid Laundry
Detergent
Foundation (Beige/Neutral) *
Facial Cream / Oil of Olay *
Lipstick (Reds/Pinks/Neutral) *
Corky's Cupboard Cash Donations

ACTIVITIES DEPARTMENT

DVD Movies
Wall & Alarm Clocks *
Woodworking Supplies & Wood
Color TV's */ Radios *
Gardening Supplies / Seeds / Pots
Resident Clothing – New / Used *
Dolls / Stuffed Animals / Toys
New Shoes, Slippers-All sizes
Magnifying Glasses / Flashlights
Board Games / Playing Cards
Microwave Ovens * / Toaster Ovens Face
Record Players / Walkmans
Paintings / Posters for Rooms
New Socks / Belts / Suspenders
F-503 Treat Fund Donations **
Sewing Supplies & Material
Batteries – all sizes
Nic-Nacs for Resident Rooms
Large Print & Talking Books *
Wallets / Purses / Coin Purses *
Sunglasses
Men's & Women's Hats
Electric Razors
Table / Standing Lamps for Rooms
New Universal TV Remote Controls
Assorted Jewelry / Watches *
Side Tables, Coffee Tables, Stands *
Fishing Rods, Reels, Equipment
VCR / DVD Players *
CD Players ** / Music CD's
Assorted Christmas Presents
Bookcases, Book shelves
Cushions for Wheelchairs
Computers for Residents' Use, & Games *
Office Supplies & Furniture & Software
Arts / Crafts / Painting Supplies
Word Search Books */ Crosswords
Small (Table-size) Refrigerators *
Sports Memorabilia, Model Cars *
Holiday Decorations
Sweet or Sugar Free Candies
Song Sheets & Piano Music Books

GRAND MASTERS CHARITY FOR 2009—2010

Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr. Alzheimer's Center & Research Institute

The Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr. Alzheimer's Center & Research Institute was built on the vision of former Speaker of the House, Johnnie Byrd, Jr. whose father suffered from the disease. Mr. Byrd and his family knew the pain and struggles of a family caring for a person with Alzheimer's disease.



Preparing for his two years as Speaker, Mr. Byrd met with leading scientists and asked "what can we do to cure Alzheimer's?" The answer was clear: "research." Armed with this direction, Speaker Byrd led the effort to create a state of the art research institute that would support excellent basic and applied research into Alzheimer's disease.

The Legislature endorsed Mr. Byrd's vision of unified, collaborative, ground-breaking research until One Day, a Cure®; and provided funding to build a research facility and in 2004 created a dedicated funding source for the on-going work of the Institute.

In 2002, the legislature established the Florida Alzheimer's Center & Research Institute as part of a comprehensive strategy to serve the needs of Florida's citizens. Re-named the Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr. Alzheimer's Center & Research Institute during the 2004 legislative session, the Institute is dedicated to the critical scientific research that will prevent and cure Alzheimer's disease.

During the 2006 legislative session, the legislature approved HB 1027/SB 1826, which outlines the board appointments.

The National Institutes of Health has designated the Byrd Institute and the University of South Florida as the only Alzheimer's Disease Research Center in Florida, generating more than \$7 million in research money. There are only 32 of these centers in the country, and Florida is one of only 21 states with centers that have earned the designation.

The Institute, housed on the campus of the University of South Florida, is as much an intellectual consortium as it is a bricks-and-mortar facility. The Institute is dedicated to supporting and coordinating the tremendous research, expertise, experience, and creative vision of medical professionals throughout Florida. We are building cooperative relationships with national and international scientists that will move research results faster into clinical applications to delay onset, slow and, ideally, halt the progression of Alzheimer's disease.

Collaborators include scientists, medical doctors and caregivers, health care providers, educators, advocates, volunteers, and civic leaders. Every individual who teaches, speaks out, provides care of dollars on the subject is a partner in the effort. Floridians are the first beneficiaries of the world-class Institute due to the early access to promising new treatments.

You can get more information about The Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr. Alzheimer's Center & Research Institute by going to <http://www.byrdinstitute.org> on your home computer.



MARK YOUR CALENDERS

On the preceding page you saw a "Wish List" of needed and requested items from the Masonic Home of Florida.

On Saturday, November 14th, our Lodge is planning a trip to the Masonic Home. There's a rumor going around that this day coincides with Most Worshipful Grand Master Dale Goehrig birthday celebration.

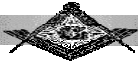
Worshipful Master Richard Ecott is requesting that between now and November 14th, Brethren of the Lodge check the list on page 10 and bring to the Lodge any items you are able to for delivery to the Masonic Home in November.

Cash or check donations are acceptable.

MASONIC EDUCATION & DISCUSSION

Seek to mentor a Brother Mason: It's good for him, it's good for you, and it's good for Freemasonry!

"AN EDUCATED MASON IS A DEDICATED MASON" and a dedicated Mason will ensure THE PERPETUATION OF OUR FRATERNITY



A EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY

From; Ill. Garth Phillips, 33°

The National College of the Consistory, Ocala Valley Campus, is the Florida S.G.I.G. approved Scottish Rite Masonic Education entity for the Ocala Valley Scottish Rite Bodies. It is free and consists of educational programs on each of the 29 Degrees taught in the Scottish Rite Reunions. The Ocala Valley Campus offers voluntary perpetual membership by contacting Milledge Murphey, 32° KCCH, mmurphey@ufl.edu, who is an Adept in the College, and thus the contact person for the Valley.



THE FOUR BONES of F&AM

By: Brother Dean Sever, Leesburg Lodge 58

The structure of any organization is made up of four kinds of bones. There are the Wishbones, who spend all their time wishing somebody else would do something about this, or something about that. There are the jawbones, who do all the talking, but very little of anything else. Next comes the Knucklebones, who knock everything that others are trying to do. Finally, there are the Backbones, who get under the load and do the work.

The question is what part of the organization's structure are you and I?

If we are a Wishbone, Jawbone, or Knucklebone, what kind of F & A M are we? Are we happy and enjoying our great fraternity?

Take a good look at the Backbones in our fraternity. These brothers are not always the chair members, but they certainly are the "doers" in the fraternity. I can well imagine that the Backbones also have happy family lives, because it seems that hard work and self-confidence ex-

tend into family and working partnerships as well.

What constantly amazes me is the number of Backbones who spend long hours representing or working for our brotherhood as well as other church, community and civic organizations in multiple capacities. They seem to never tire making the Fraternity of F&AM successful. Sadly, the Backbones make up less than 10% of any organization.

We hear a lot from our WM about getting involved. Truly getting involved is the best therapy there is for adjusting to the life exemplified in F&AM and receiving more light. You'll not only see a change for the better in yourself, but for the total benefit of our wonderful fraternity.

You'll suddenly find people are friendlier and there is no spare time to wonder how to fill as there is more than enough work to do for each and every one of us. But, most important of all, you will suddenly realize what you are doing for others and the beautiful example you set for your family and those around you as a Mason.

So I think we all need to do a personal inventory. If we are honest with ourselves and find we are a Wishbone, Jawbone or Knucklebone, there is no time like the present to make the change so we can be Backbones, and, it can be done without the aid of an orthopedic surgeon by using the gifts and talents given each of us by our Lord.



MASONIC ETIQUETTE

The Short Talk Bulletin December 1998

By: Nelson (PGM, Arizona)

Each profession has its code of ethics governing the actions of its members. Ethics and Rules of conduct are quite different from etiquette however, and may vary from time to time. Etiquette, the consideration we show for others, remains constant. This STB does not address customs or rules of conduct -- only etiquette. All of the opinions expressed have evolved from the generous actions and consideration shown to this author by many illustrious Masons of our Craft.

While our relationship with other Masons is clearly explained by the ritual there are unwritten actions that will improve our relationships with others and knowing them will give us self-confidence. These actions are termed etiquette. With minimal effort and thoughtfulness we can treat our Brethren with respect and improve friendships. We might remember that Masonic etiquette is nothing more than plain manners and politeness, emphasized by quickness of sympathy and fineness of observation. Masonic customs have been made a part of each jurisdiction's ritual and regulations but they differ from the unwritten code of etiquette.

LODGE ETIQUETTE

The meeting place of a lodge is considered a Masonic home by its members. When a visitor appears at a meeting it is only proper for each member to welcome him as he would a visitor in his own home. Visitors should always be welcomed into each conversational group and never left by themselves. To prevent a visitor from being slighted some Masters wisely [assigns] a member to accompany him throughout the evening. If the visitor is from another jurisdiction he will appreciate knowing in advance what is expected of him during the course of the meeting. For example, if he will be expected to know certain signs and words or if he will be asked to speak. After the meeting visitors should again be welcomed by all members and encouraged to share in refreshments or other activities. If the visitor does not have a car he will appreciate some help with transportation. It is customary and only common courtesy to rise when addressing the Master of a lodge. It is especially important that a Mason stands when greeting another member or when being introduced to him. There may be exceptions to this rule that age, custom, or ritual may preclude but it is good practice unless otherwise specified. The first impressions of Freemasonry are received by the candidate in the preparation room. He is usually nervous and ill at ease, often not knowing anyone present. He will respect the lodge if he is shown respect at this time, particularly when he is garbed in the ritualistic clothing. The candidate will be impressed with the seriousness of the occasion by the thoughtfulness of others. Grand Honors, a form of Masonic applause, is the method of showing respect to certain Grand Lodge officers but the form of recognition may vary from one jurisdiction to another. Visitors from another jurisdiction should be informed about local customs before entering the lodge room. It is quite embarrassing to extend the public grand honors of

three times three when the private grand honors or another silent form of the grand honors are being extended by others. Additional applause, after the grand honors, is entirely at the discretion of the presiding officer.

FOR THE MASON

Masons learn that customs affecting etiquette may differ in each Masonic jurisdiction. It is understandable that visitor's signs and even words may be different. The manner in which the apron is worn and even ritual language or pronunciation may also differ. However, it would be discourteous to object to such differences. Masonry has, for ages, taught lessons of tolerance but from time to time we still hear the voice of prejudice -usually in ethnic jokes, sometimes in name-calling or in sweeping generalizations. If alone with a Brother there is no need to laugh at such attempts at humor and one can quietly say that jokes are not appreciated that belittle people. Perhaps, 'I don't agree with that remark' is sufficient. If one is in an embarrassing situation perhaps silence and a change of subject is possible. In like manner, common courtesy and laws of the Craft forbid the use of discourteous remarks, offensive personal comments, and expressions of bitterness or ill will toward a Brother. Such comments should never be made during discussions in a Masonic gathering.

FOR THE MASTER

The Master of a Masonic lodge has been endowed with the title of Worshipful Master. It is a term of respect for the office he holds or has held in the past. However, he does not call himself Worshipful any more than a judge would call himself My Honor. He refers to himself simply as the Master.

Masonic ritual dictates the Master's actions but usually only during open lodge. At other times he is expected to use good judgment and practice good etiquette. He will never be criticized for expressing sympathy or for observing and alleviating the discomfort of others.

When a visitor is introduced to the Master it is appropriate for the Master to rise and welcome him with a handshake. This action elevates the status of the visitor and can only improve the image of the Master. To extend additional respect the Master may invite visitors who are Past Masters to a seat in the East and may even offer them the opportunity to speak to the lodge.

As a mark of respect to the Great Architect of the Universe the Master should always remove his hat whenever the name of Deity is spoken and during all

prayers. And as a mark of respect to his country he does the same during the Pledge of Allegiance or during the playing of the National Anthem. It is also good manners for a Master to rise and remove his hat when being introduced to a lady visitor in a public meeting where he is presiding and to offer her the hand of friendship. It is particularly important that the Master remove his hat when offering condolences at funerals.

Respect for the office of Master is a universally accepted custom in Masonic circles. For anyone to correct him or criticize him during his 'labors' is considered rude. If the Master asks for assistance with the ritual then one knowledgeable member, usually designated beforehand, will help him. In like manner, it is also discourteous to prompt or correct any of the other lodge officers in the discharge of their duties. If they require assistance, the Master will provide it. Criticism is best offered in private when it will not offend or embarrass anyone.

The Rules of Order in Masonic meetings may be determined by the Constitution of the Grand Lodge or by the Lodge by-laws. If none are specified, then the Grand Master and/or the Master will determine the Rules of Order. A Mason would be ill-advised to request that the presiding officer follow Robert's Rules of Order or any other course of action. Harmony and dignity among the Craft must prevail and the Master will enforce it.

The careful selection of prayers used at Masonic gatherings, other than those included in the ritual, is the responsibility of the Master. Sectarian prayers can easily offend those in attendance and it is important that the Master explain this to anyone who may be called upon to offer a prayer. In like fashion a careless choice of refreshments can embarrass members or guests of certain religions or denominations and for that reason the menu selection at refreshment should be carefully considered.

When attending a Masonic funeral or memorial service it is well to determine, in advance whether the lodge conducting the service will be wearing only white aprons or whether officer regalia is appropriate. White gloves may be required in some localities.

FOR THE VISITOR

The expression, 'when in Rome, do as the Romans do' is generally appropriate for Masonic visitors. Many Brethren believe that there is a universal Masonic custom called the 'right of visitation.' Such is not the case in all jurisdictions although unexpected visitors usually will

be welcomed at most Masonic meetings. However, there are circumstances when visitation is not guaranteed or even appropriate.

One such circumstance is when a Masonic Trial is in progress. There are other situations when a visitor might not gain admittance: Perhaps a lodge has no remaining space or has a 'reservations only' policy for the evening or the master might believe that the visitor's presence would disturb the peace and harmony of the lodge. Some American jurisdictions that recognize the right of visitation are: Kentucky, Maine, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, South Dakota, Vermont, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

In some jurisdictions banquets are held occasionally as part of the lodge activities and therefore such meetings are not considered open for visitation because of the advance planning that is required. In some foreign lodges a response to a toast may be expected of the visitor. Therefore, arrangements to visit these lodges should be made well in advance. Such arrangements often can be made by the Grand Secretary of the visitor's jurisdiction.

In the United States a visitor's dues card will be examined for current status but it alone will not guarantee his admittance. A visitor must expect to be examined when visiting another lodge unless someone will vouch for him. In some countries other credentials may be requested. A visitor should appear for examination early enough so that it will not delay any part of the planned activities. If he requests to see the lodge charter it should be made available. It goes without saying that the visitor should always be treated with kindness and consideration.

There are few places that require greater self-restraint and consideration for other people than a Masonic gathering. Let us remember that the cardinal principle of etiquette is thoughtfulness and it implies a concern for the effect of our actions on others around us. Certainly Freemasons are concerned with all members of the Craft and, we need to treat each other with Brotherly respect.

So mote it be!



Service Year Awards

W.:M.: Richard Ecott presented certificates and pins from the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Florida to (left to right) Bro. Pete Taylor, 40 Years, W.: John Meir V, 25 years and Bro. Clifford Moore, 40 Years.



Congratulations and Welcome

To our newest Master Masons. Pictured (L to R) are Brother John Ross of Villages Lodge No. 394, Brother Richard Jones of Leesburg Lodge No. 58 and Bro. Spencer Glover also of Leesburg Lodge No. 58.

A special Thank You goes out to The Villages Lodge No. 394 who put on all three degree ceremonies and did an outstanding job.

Thanks also to the Wildwood Lodge for use of their Lodge.



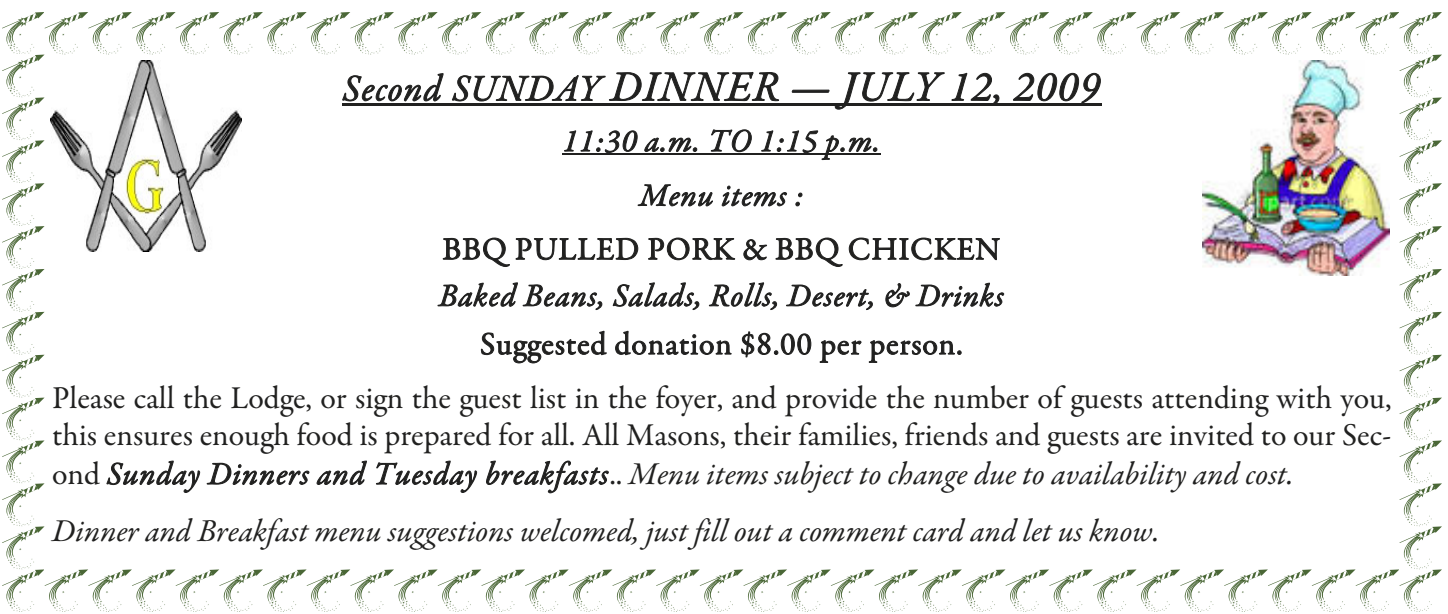



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Second SUNDAY DINNER — JULY 12, 2009

11:30 a.m. TO 1:15 p.m.

Menu items :

BBQ PULLED PORK & BBQ CHICKEN
Baked Beans, Salads, Rolls, Desert, & Drinks

Suggested donation \$8.00 per person.



Please call the Lodge, or sign the guest list in the foyer, and provide the number of guests attending with you, this ensures enough food is prepared for all. All Masons, their families, friends and guests are invited to our Second *Sunday Dinners and Tuesday breakfasts.. Menu items subject to change due to availability and cost.*

Dinner and Breakfast menu suggestions welcomed, just fill out a comment card and let us know.



**HELP THE CHARITY FUND
 LEESBURG 58 COFFEE CUPS**

W.:M.:Richard Ecott has purchased 150 coffee cups. These cups are black with a gold square and compass with Leesburg 58 embossed on them. These cups are available for a donation of \$7.00 each. W.:M.: Ecott has directed that Your donations will be deposited into the Charity Fund to fund charitable projects in 2009. Get one while they last and help someone in need.