Birthdays This Month

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1	Jack	Anthony	
2	Richard	Watley	
7	William	Burgess	
9	Kenneth	Bittner	
10	George	Benham	PDDG
12	John	Berg	
12	Martin	Kelly	
18	Richard	Knight	
20	Pat	Margas	
22	Jason	Amir	
23	Joseph	Duhamel	PM
28	Walter	Brittain	
31	Roy	Baker	PM
31	Jesse	Phelps	

Masonic Anniversaries This Month

Yrs	Day	First	Last Title
59	30	James	Hill
56	31	Artie	Johnsa
48	22	William	Dalton
46	5	William	Stewart
44	15	Peter	Goebel PM
35	23	Clinton	Mitchell
36	23	Richard	Mitchell
33	31	George	Benham PDDGM
32	29	Thomas	Fox
33	29	David	Griffin PM
29	20	Mark	LeMacher PM
27	2	Earnest	Tokarske
26	29	Craig	Knight
25	7	Gary	Oakley
24	5	Paul	Newman PM





Brothers and Instructors status

Status of Brothers

<u>Studying EA Catechism</u> Preston Thomas

Thomas Ritchie
Douglas Samuelson Jr
Stephen Bushnell-Fowler

Studying MM Catechism

Ryan Tindol Kirk Bailey Michael Jackson David Nagle John Morgado

Studying FC Catechism

HAVE YOU MOVED

How will your Lodge keep up if you moved? If you do not let us know, and receive only emails from the lodge, your mailing address can expire by the post office. Remember to keep your Lodge informed when you move and give us a change of mailing address, phone and or with a change of email address. Send us your changes to the Lodge via email. The Post Office does not always provide your new mailing address after a few months. Keeping your Lodge informed, is the easy and best way. Call 727-447-5161-leave a message for the Secretary.

FOOD PANTRY CHARITY

Clearwater Lodge collects canned goods & packaged dry foods for "Crossroads Christian Church" for their Community Outreach Center. Drop your donation in the barrel inside our Lobby.





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From The East

Worshipful John Weldon

Hello My Brothers:

I would like to apologize for the confusion that occurred with February Trestleboard. During transition periods errors occur, but are always a learning curve, which is not always a bad thing.

Our sincere thanks to Right Worshipful Chaz Jordan, from the Star Lodge, along with his team who presented information regarding the York Rite. It was a very in-

teresting and informative evening and now we have a better insight of what constitutes belonging to the York Rite.

On March 10th we will be joined by members of the Scottish Rite enlightening the Brothers on the details regarding the Masonic Brotherhood. I encourage everyone to try to attend as I think it will be a very interesting and beneficial meeting.

March 13th will be our annual Fish Fry which has always been a great success. Please invite family and friends to come and enjoy some good seafood and fellowship.

The Valspar Golf Tournament at Innisbrook will be March 18th thru 22nd. Again this year some of our members will be working at our concession stand to raise money for District 18 Suncoast Master Mason Association. Last year was a great success and we hope to repeat it this year.

There will be no breakfast on March 21st as this is the annual Pilgrimage Day to the Masonic Home. Worshipful Master Gregg Hanke will be doing the Car Show and is looking for volunteers to assist him from 10:00am to 2:00pm. It is a fun day so I encourage all my Brothers to come out and meet our other Brothers from all over the state. On this day we will also be presenting to the First Lady our donation to Corky's Cupboard. The basket has been on display cabinet for several weeks and is slowly being filled. To all that have donated, a sincere thank you.

Also, I would like to remind everyone that on Sunday, March 9th, Daylight Savings Time. Don't forget to move those clocks ahead!



BREAKFAST SERVED 1st & 3rd SATURDAY AT CLEARWATER LODGE

Come enjoy all you can eat breakfast. Quality food is prepared. This is a Great breakfast. Select from Fluffy Creamy Scrambled Eggs, Or Eggs Made To Order, Home Fries, Tasty Sausage Patties, Light Golden-Brown Pancakes, Lean Crisp Bacon, Regular Grits, French Toast, OJ and Hot Coffee or Tea. What a good time to bring your family, and friends sharing in fellowship. Take a tour of the Lodge, and learn how a Man can become a Mason.

Breakfast \$7.00 per person



PAST MASTERS OF CLEARWATER LODGE No. 127 CHARTERED JANUARY 20. 1892 Now in our 129 Year

1892 * W.F. WHITE 1893 * C.F. THOMPSON 1894 * JOSEPH ELDRIDGE 1895 * J.M. MATCHETT 1896 * JOHN H. WARLICK 1897 * H.L. SNYDER 1898 * W.Y. WILSON 1899 * H.L. SNYDER 1900 * W.Y. WILSON 1901 * JOSEPH J. ELDRIDGE 1902 * JOSEPH J. ELDRIDGE 1903 * W.D. KIMBALL 1904 * W.D. KIMBALL 1905 * W.D. KIMBALL 1906 * I. FROY BRANDON P. G. M.	1941 * JAMES C. ROBERTS 1942 * FORREST SCARLOTT 1943 * GRADY SULLIVAN 1944 * WATSON RICKS 1945 * KENNETH LIPPINCOTT	1990 * LUDVIG C. CHRISTENSEN
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1924 * S.T.WICKENS	1973 * N. FISHER GROVES	
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1928 * CHARLES F. MASON	1977* ROBERT L. TROGLEN	1987 * EDWARD HOLDGATE III
1929 * D.W.CULP	1978 * TRAVIS MCLEMORE	1991 ROBERT O. BOYINGTON
1930 * NILS A. ANDERSON	1979 * WILLIAM KURTZ	1994 BRIAN HEASLIP
1931 * JOHN M. GORE	1977* ROBERT L. TROGLEN 1978 * TRAVIS MCLEMORE 1979 * WILLIAM KURTZ 1980 * JERRY PATTERSON 1981 JERRY COLE 1982 WAYNE PELLEY 1983 THOMAS C. LITTLE 1984 * BRYANT S. DAVIS 1985 RONALD G LOHR 1986 MARTIN A. RYAN 1987 * ARDEN F. FLEISHER 1988 * JAMES H. DIEPHUIS. P.D.D.G.M.	1995 PHILIP M. BOHR
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FAMILY DINNER Fish, Shrimp & Oysters with

French Fries, Hush Puppies, Cole Slaw, - Onion Rings, -Desert - Beverage

Friday February, 13th Serving from 6:00 to 8:00 pm \$12 Donation





From The West

W:. Shaun Imbody, Sr. Warden



Greetings from the West!

The Officers would like to thank everyone for their recent support. The Saturday breakfast turnouts have been phenomenal and attendance continues to grow. Please, Brothers, everyone do their best to get the word out to

friends, neighbors, and family. These breakfasts are a great way to promote fellowship within the Lodge while also exposing new men to the Fraternity. February's stated meetings were well attended and we hope to see this trend continuing as we have additional speakers and programs coming in the additional months. The Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite will be here to do a presentation at the first stated meeting in March with future presentations still to come from the Shrine and Grotto as well as other groups. If you represent any other organization and would the an opportunity to address the lodge, please notify one of the officers....we would love to hear from as many Appendant Bodies as possible.

Through your support Clearwater Lodge will continue to grow!!

Fraternally,

Shaun Imbody, SW



From The South

Nathan Reach, Jr. Warden

Good Morning Brothers, we had an exciting month of Masonic Education. I covered the four steps necessary to draw the most benefit out of making a mistake, either in ritual or abroad in the world. The York Rite made a most excellent presentation.

This month our Worshipful Master has arranged for the Scottish Rite to visit our Lodge and they will be making a presentation at the first meeting for those who are interested. This will be the second installment of presentations given by our various appendant bodies. I am also looking forward to the Shrine's presentation in April and the Grotto's in May. At the second meeting I will be giving a short talk on the signs of a Mason and expanding upon that certain point within the circle.

If you have questions or themes in our adopted work or our history that you would like see explored during the coming year please email your suggestions to me at Ferirefel@yahoo.com and be sure to put "Masonic Education" in the subject line.

A brief note about last month's article: W:. Mark Birenbaum was instrumental in the Trestleboard coming together last month, and he even took the time to contribute to my own article and was not recognized as a co-author. Thank you, for all that you have contributed to the Lodge.

2020 Officers





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Nathan Reach - Jr. Warden





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Masonry's "Three-Point Lessons"

Freemasonry has for centuries created various concepts and descriptions of "good work" or the "right way of living," as lessons to its members.

Often, these concepts consist of what can be called "three-point lessons." "Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth," and "Faith, Hope, and Charity" are perhaps the most quoted of these "three-point lessons." They are thoughts that help Masons build character and pursue the tenets of our institution during a diligent, creditable and honorable life. In fact, those last three concepts are mentioned to a Worshipful Master when he is being installed: "You are to be a good man and true, and strictly to obey the moral law, to work diligently, live creditably and act honorably by all men."

In Freemasonry, the ternary (composed or arranged in threes) is the most sacred of all the mystical numbers. Everywhere among the ancients, the number three was deemed as the most sacred of all numbers. There are in all the degrees three principal officers, three supports, three greater and three lesser lights, three movable and three immovable jewels, three principal tenets, three working tools in the Fellowcraft, three principal orders of architecture, three chief human senses, three Ancient Grand Masters. The preponderance of triads, or sets of three items, strikes the newly made Mason. In Freemasonry, there seems to be three of everything.

The columns described in our work may represent Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty. Entered Apprentices are taught to serve with "Freedom, Fervency, and Zeal." Fellowcrafts are admonished to utilize the "Attentive Ear, Instructive Tongue, and Faithful Breast."

Freemasonry teaches us to "judge with candor, admonish with friendship, and reprehend with justice." My personal favorite is the three that comes from the Entered Apprentice lecture, when the candidate is told that the lambskin he has just received is "a never-ending argument for nobler deeds, for higher thoughts, for greater achievements."

Our goals should include "Making Freemasonry recognizable, desirable and honorable," Perhaps this is a new set of "three-point lessons" for the future.

Think about it. What is your favorite Masonic "three-point lesson?"

Submitted by Anonymous

<u>From the Junior Deacon</u> <u>Properly Admonishing A Brother:</u>

Clifford Wright

Observing the Ethics of Freemasonry, it is our obligatory duty to conceal the faults of a Brother and to address him privately regarding said shortcomings.

Admonishing a Brother is a difficult task. However, we cannot allow fear or favor to deter us from this fundamental necessity or duty of Brotherly love and growth.

Too often, reason is annulled in favor of emotions. I am not to rebuke my brother in anger, for I too, have my faults. To allow reason to prevail, we must come from a place of humility. Set aside your pride and reputed goodness. Refrain from imperious tones and harshness. Recognizing our own mistakes and failures, understanding that we are limited in our personal wisdom, is essential to developing a proper temperament prior to approaching a Brother. It is best to admonish a Brother in those things we have purified within ourselves first.

Approach the offending Brother quietly in some private place. Address him from a position of love and concern rather than of attack and authority. Be determined, yet patient, to help the Brother to look inside himself and to find positive resolution. A Brother that feels attacked is less likely to hear the message and more likely to resist the perceived assault. Persuasive gentleness gains the trust of the heart and mind. Let yourself come from a place in your soul that embodies the subduing influences of unrestrained mercy, fueled by the compassions of love.

Exhort means to teach or encourage. If teaching or encouragement is not based on universal truths, the exhortation is worthless. This also helps you understand how to be admonished. If somebody tries to change your path to one that is not in line with correct spiritual standards, by studying the word, (the Rule and Guide), one can ponder whether this is right or wrong.

We must learn to instruct others patiently. Causing division or animosity makes it impossible to teach or convince any Brother of his mistake. We must be careful not to instruct our Brothers around us based on our ego, but rather always remembering to do this by loving and enduring each other with gentleness.

Not all Brothers are interested in the truth and will insist upon refusing Masonic instruction and personal betterment. It is his freedom of choice to do so and that choice must be respected. That said, you are no longer obligated to associate with or participate in his limited understanding of the ancient and righteous principles of Freemasonry. It is imperative that we do not force upon others our beliefs and morals. Eventually, the failures in character will consume and remove the unwise Brother away from the Craft.

As a final consideration, a good friend exhorts and helps his Brothers so that all that becomes purified within him may align with the Great Architects will. No positive result is possible in the absence of love, humility, peace, gentleness and spiritual understanding.

It is not for me to force upon you that which think; it is but for me to encourage you to think.





During 2020 the following Brothers have passed to the Supreme Lodge in High.

<u>Brother Names</u> <u>Died</u> <u>Raised</u> Years

58 John Marscher 22 Feb 20 6/20/1961

MASONIC FUNERAL SERVICE

Brothers: Please show your wife or family member this article and if something happens to you and you desire a Masonic Funeral by the Acacia Committee of Clearwater Lodge, the request must be made by a family member in proper time to the Lodge Office. If you are a member outside of this Lodge, arrangement must be pre-approved by your home Lodge. Newspapers may not list your membership as a Mason so be sure to specify your Lodge and city. Please contact the Lodge Secretary.



From The Treasurer Louis Imbody

Greetings Brothers,

What an absolutely tremendous turnout we had for our last breakfast, which was 60 people. Also, what a great time 24 Sisters and Brothers had that same day on the Sweetheart Luncheon Cruise celebrating the marriage of Eastern Star's Treasurer, Joyce Mueller and our Brother, Bob Smoyer! I'm told we used to have that many people for every Saturday breakfast. I mention these events because we need to continue to

supply and get support to and from all of our partners. Brethren, there are many different ways of showing support, but the key word is involvement. Our support with our Partners is returned in their support to us.

I am happy to say that our Lodge is Blessed to be fiscally sound, even though we have expensed almost \$54,000 for air conditioning in the last three years. We are sound because we were able to endure these expenses and did not require borrowing any funds to do so. We need to concentrate on different fundraisers and involvement to insure we stay that way. We need our partners to help us as we also support them.

Here we are now in March, almost to the end of our first quarter and working with our budget of some \$55,000 for the year. We must stress the importance of the involvement of all of our Brothers and Sisters for our continued successes in spreading the word of Free Masonry. Your Officers are committed to strengthening our presence in our community and with our lodge Brothers. You will be seeing more activities involving our Little League, our schools, Demolay, Job's Daughters, White Shrine, and Rainbow Girls. Your Officers are committed to increasing our knowledge and support of all these Partners and Affiliations. Please join us with your support in any way that you can. How would that be, you might ask? If not with a financial investment, then possibly with attendance of events and fundraisers. If not participation at these events, then possibly working behind the scenes, i.e. serving, cooking, performing, cleaning, or simply washing dishes. What is most important is your commitment and involvement, because that creates the fellowship and fun. In short, my Brothers and Sisters, help us to help us stay our course and be fically and financially responsible by giving of yourself in any way you can to our cause.

Our many, many thanks to the estate and family of our recently departed Brother, David Soderland, for the generous gift to help our lodge.



From The Secretary

Farran Bognar

March is around the corner and we still have 42 Brothers who haven't paid their 2020 Dues. I'm hoping to get 100% participation before we go dark in July. This is why we need a Membership Committee to reach out to these Brothers and let them know it's

their dues that make this Lodge run. My goal is not to have anybody suspended for Non-Payment of Dues (NPD) for 2020. If anyone would like to join in on this committee let me know. It's also a tool to make sure addresses, email, and phone numbers are current. At this time we can try to make a determination as to whether they should be on Emeritus status. If you have the gift for gab you are just the person we're looking for.

The membership Committee can also take a look at and bring about solutions for the need to increase our membership by asking Brothers what would get them to the lodge in the form of a survey. We can ask these questions at the same as when we are asking geographical questions. If enough people are saying the same thing are we willing to evolve and change for the betterment of the lodge? Some people have a hard time with change. For the sake of argument, let's say that in order to get more people to participate in Lodge functions, we would need to change the day and time of the meetings and degrees, would you be willing to make that change? What if we needed to change meeting times to 6:30 and Degrees to Saturdays, would you be willing to make that change? These are some of the hard problem that we may be dealing with.

This Membership Committee could get the word out there through social media which is happening as I speak, but it takes more than two people to get this enormous task done., it will take an Army, or in my instance, an Air Force.

I hope this article has stirred some emotion in you to say, "How can I help?".

Building Better Builders Workshop

QUESTIONS? See Brother Cliff Wright

Sat, May 9, 2020 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.Clearwater Lodge No. 127 F& AM, 705 S. Hercules Ave., Clearwater, FL 33764

The tickets are tiered into Degree Classifications for the purpose of Entered Apprentice Masons only paying for what they are permitted, at this time in their advancement, to see. The same is true for the Fellow Craft Masons. Master Masons, of course, are permitted to stay for the entirety of the presentation.

Early Bird Tickets special ends on March 11,

SATURDAY ACTIVITY AGENDA

Time	Activity
8:00 - 9:00	Registration/Coffee/Tea/etc. in Lodge Dining Hall / setup
9:00 - 9:55	Introductions and Overview
9:55 - 10:05	Break
10:05 - 10:55	The Entered Apprentice Work, Background & Results
10:55 - 11:05	Break
11:05 - 12:00	The Fellow Craft Work, Background & Results
12:00 - 12:50	Break for Lunch in Lodge Dining Hall
1:00 - 1:55	FC (cont.) / The Master Mason Work, Background & Results
1:55 - 2:05	Break
2:05 - 2:55	MM (cont.) / Three Degree Continuity & Interconnections
2:55 - 3:05	Break
3:05 - 4:00	Continuity (cont.) / Q&A and Wrap-up Break or End
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Bro. John S. Nagy's books will be available for purchase at this event.

Ask him to sign your purchased copy.

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Proclamation:

The greatest source of assurance for the future of our American Way of Life is our youth, the citizens and leaders of tomorrow.

It is up to us, as masons, to meet the challenge of helping prepare them for the years ahead by devoting some of our time and talents in conveying to them a knowledge of the high ideals and ideas which we cherish and hold so dear.

If there were ever a time in history of our Fraternity or of our great country when Masonry should be in close contact with the youth that time is TODAY, for youth of today are going to accept and follow some type of leadership.

THEREFORE, I DO NOW PROCLAIM AND DI-RECT

That the month of March 2020 be designated as "MASONIC YOUTH MONTH" for all Masons in Florida, and do request that each Particular Lodge participate in a special project of supporting all of our youth organizations in every way possible, with special programs, visitation to their meetings and affairs, and timely assistance with expressions of encouragement; and

Such activity should include support to all the youth groups in our respective communities; and

Brethren, you hold the torch for the hope of our future, let us keep the flame burning brightly to guide our youth in the right direction.

