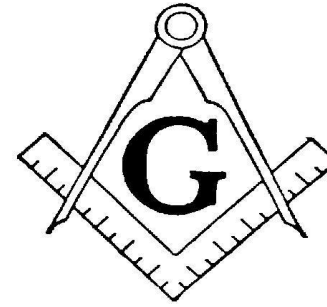


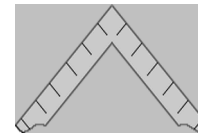
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### Master's Message



Brothers,  
I hope this finds each of you

healthy, wealthy and wise! We have had some interesting moments at lodge and I hope each of you can make some time in the near future and come down and sit in Nitram with your brothers. As we head into the month of Thanksgiving, we leave a month that saw us put on an Entered Apprentice and Fellowcraft degrees and we are poised now in the coming weeks, to conduct several Fellowcraft degrees and at least one Entered Apprentice. As you all know, Nitram's Degree work is known to

be stellar and I hope all of Nitram's members can come out, participate and support your lodge.

On a different note I had the pleasure of presenting a check to the principle of the 74<sup>th</sup> St Elementary School to sponsor all four kindergarten classes! Brother Leo Smith assisted me in the presentations. We should have some neat pictures on the new website so please visit and have a look. I have also had the honor of presenting a check for \$300 to the Hospice of Tampa Bay as a portion of the proceeds from the recent Labor Day cook out and fish fry. I believe that these types of

donations most represent what masonry is all about: charity. Without it, we are just another club.

We will be offering a dinner before all degree work till the year's end. Please feel free to bring your family and friends for some good food and fellowship. I hope you all had a great Halloween and have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

From the East,  
W.M. Dan Barto:.

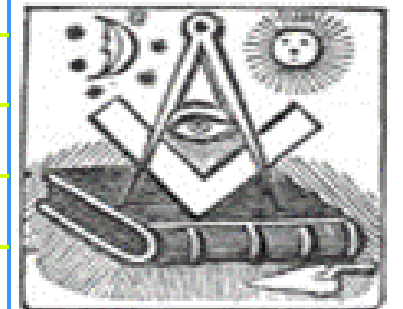
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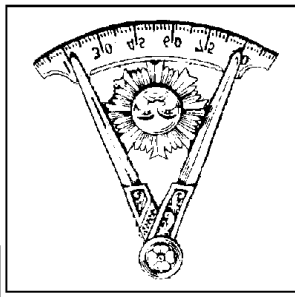
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1970 Carl Weisenberg  
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1968 Alvin F. Baumgartner  
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2005 Scott M. Geisler  
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## Upcoming Events

### November 2008

| Sun | Mon        | Tue          | Wed        | Thu          | Fri | Sat |
|-----|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-----|-----|
|     |            |              |            |              |     | 1   |
| 2   | 3OES 169   | 4 Tahuti Ct. | 5 Practice | 6 FC Degree  | 7   | 8   |
| 9   | 10OES 241  | 11           | 12Practice | 13 Stated    | 14  | 15  |
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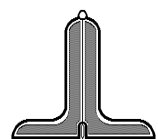
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**Senior Wardens Writings**



Brethren- Nitram Lodge doesn't sit idle for long. Last month we had some less than ideal news on the medical front from a number of brothers. This month I can report that, while we should never allow our prayers to stop healing and supporting them, W.: Ed got some positive news from his doctors and W.: Villiaume has weathered his medical tribulations of the last month in a style that only Ed can. W.: Villiaume barely slows down but never stops. His dedication to the

Craft is truly admirable. Ed, I thank you for your support and in turn you know that you have an entire Fraternity of brothers always at the ready to support you.

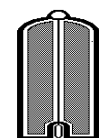
That also makes me think of a question that I have been kicking around a bit lately in the back of my mind. That question is: what qualities truly defines a dedicated brother? I went a couple of directions. Proficiency cards and regular attendance are great attributes. But I think the truer answer really comes to us between both points of the compasses.

Brothers, I think that if there is only one answer, it cannot be outwardly defined. The sum of a brother's actions reveal to us where his heart guides him and by what high standards he conducts himself. It's a suitable proficiency of our conduct that we all should daily endeavor to make.

With that I will close by saying two days before sitting in the East for a F.:C.: degree that it was a pleasure to preside.

From the West,  
Scott M. Drake S.W.

**Junior Wardens Journal**



Our Worshipful Master has authorized the offices to wear their Nitram Lodge Polo shirts at sated communications. I think it looks impressive that all the Officers are dressed alike and it adds to the unity of our Lodge.

This summer, while the Lodge was dark, Nitram Lodge exemplified the En-

tered Apprentice Degree at District School of Instruction. I left the house late and forgot my Lodge polo shirt. Of course I was the only one with out the Lodge shirt. Brother Nick Dovellos, literally, gave me the shirt off his back so that I might match the rest. I want everyone to know of his helping a distressed brother, and my appreciation for that.

Congratulations go to Brother Scott Pankonie for his giving back his Master Mason proficiency. This proficiency will give the Brother a better understanding of how the degree completes the other two degrees, and gives the Mason a sense of pride, and the craft appreciates his extra efforts.

CJ

**Chaplain's Corner**



The following Brothers and their families are in need of your thoughts and prayers: All Nitram Lodge residents at the Masonic Home appear to be doing well at this time...Bro. John Bailey keeps up the good fight with his mother's assistance... W. B. Ed Villiaume

has returned home from another surgery, but again is making a quick recovery...Bro. Roy Grimes' wife Judy is recuperating at home after surgery at Moffitt Cancer Center...W. B. Gabe Kober has returned to Florida for the winter season and says that he would welcome visitors at any time...I am still recuperating from my leg fracture, but had

some good news at Moffitt Cancer Center. The tumor is benign, but will have to be watched carefully. Thank you all for your thoughts and prayers....Please call me if you know of any Brothers and their families who are ill or in distress and need our help.

Fraternally,  
Roy Eden, Chaplain P. M.

**Secretary's Scribe**



Brothers,  
Your 2009 dues notices have been mailed. Please check all the information and correct all that needs to be corrected. If you do not receive your notice by the time you receive this trestleboard, please let me know. I am in the process of updating our Lodge data and would appreciate all the help on your part I can get. Some of the information would be date of birth, date of marriage, wife's name, ect. If you change addresses during the year, please inform me so I can notify Grand Lodge of this information. If you have access to a computer, you can email this information to me at the following email address:  
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I will input all the needed information and notify Grand Lodge of any changes. Also, we would like to update our Lodge email addresses. Please do this at your earliest possible convenience.

In paying your dues for 2009, please make an effort to make your voluntary contribution to the LYPMGC. Also, if you can, try to make an effort to contribute to the Lodges Scholarship fund, it would be greatly appreciated. We are still in the infancy stage of this program and would appreciate all the efforts our members who can contribute to this.

Fraternally,  
Richard G. Hoover, PM  
PDDGM PDI  
Secretary

**Lodge Committees 2008**

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