

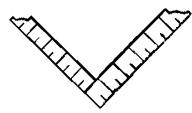
# TRESTLEBOARD

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## Master's Message



Brethren-  
 It is my distinct honor

to write this first Trestleboard article as your Worshipful Master. My sincere thanks to all of you, as well as my personal pledge to do all in my power and ability to preserve and improve our exceptional Lodge.

Let's get a great start on our new year. We have several Fellow Craft degrees on the calendar and more degrees to follow. February brings our annual Washington's Birthday Fish Fry fundraiser. There are many things that the Craft of

Nitram does well and fish fries are certainly at the top of the list.

Brethren 2009 will be one of our best years yet with all of your support. The installation of officers was well attended and a great evening. R.:W.: Mark Fowler honored us all by serving as the installing officer and the ladies of Gulf Beach Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, prepared and served an outstanding meal.

Also brethren, this is your Lodge, therefore we want you to know that you can communicate any suggestions or con-

cerns directly with us. Bring us your ideas.

A call to arms! Masters & Wardens Trap shoot is April 11<sup>th</sup>. Nitram is going to try to get to practice a few times to make our triumph over Star Lodge certain.

Here's to a great 2009, and I look forward to seeing all of you Brothers at Lodge.

From the East,  
 Scott M. Drake, W.:M.:

George Washington. Remember that guy? Cherry tree chopper, honest, had a heck of a throwing arm, didn't like the color red. Somewhat combative. Anyway, we love that guy! So much in fact we are having a Fish Fry celebrating his birthday. The annual Nitram Fish Fry will be held on Sunday, February 22nd. Come out and support Nitram's fund raising effort, enjoy some great food and brotherhood. Leave the red coat at home!

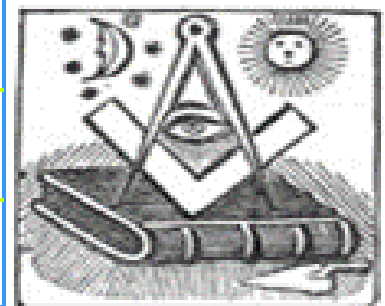
## Upcoming Events

February 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 OES 169	3 Tahuti Ct	4 Officers Practice	5 Fellowcraft Degree	6	7
8	9 OES 241	10	11 Officers Practice	12 Stated Meeting	13	14
15	16 OES 169	17 Cub Scouts	18 Officers Practice	19 Called Communica-	20	21 Lodge Work Day
22 Fish Fry	23 OES 241	24	25 Officers Practice	26 Stated Meeting	27	28

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## 2009 Lodge Officers

### Worshipful Master

W.: Scott Drake

727-488-4449

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C.J. Morris

727-343-6749

### Junior Warden

Ed Villiaume

727-415-3476

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PM

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Royal K. Eden, PM

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### Junior Deacon

Matthew Winters

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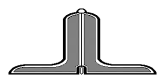
### Organist

Bryan Shuler

### Marshall

Ney Delgado-Arias PM

## Senior Wardens Writings



My Brothers, I want to thank the Craft for their support in electing me into the West. Also to wish each and everyone a prosperous and healthy new year. I would like to wish our Worshipful Master a good and successful year. I am looking forward to having Ed

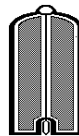
provide some new and delicious meals and hope he enjoys providing for the Craft as much as I did. If anyone has a suggestion as to an activity just for fun or the whole family, let me know your thoughts and I will pass them along to Scott. If you have an unused 12 ga. shotgun, let me know as we need

it for the upcoming Masters and Wardens Trapshoot.

Lastly my thanks go to Past Worshipful Barto for the remodeled entranceway to the Lodge. It is a lasting memorial to his term at Nitram Lodge.

From the West, C.J. Morris

## Junior Wardens Journal



ANNUAL FISH FRY, Sunday Feb. 22, 2009. By now you should have received your tickets to our yearly fish fry. Please try to attend as this is our only revenue generating event for the year. If you need more tickets, please contact the Secretary or me. Come on out and renew friendships and relive the good times we all had.

I also want to thank all the brothers who having confidence in my abilities, elected me to the office of Junior Warden for the lodge. I

need all the help I can get and that means advice too. If you have any ideas concerning the refreshments, please contact me. My e-mail address is

[EdVillia@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:EdVillia@tampabay.rr.com).

I also want to thank the officers and members of Gulf Beach OES for providing a truly wonderful meal at the installation. They served a Chicken Marcella that was done to perfection. Their participation in the kitchen helped make it a more meaningful installation since none of the incoming officers

had to do the kitchen duty. It was a job well done. Thank you again.

Finally, I intend to have light refreshments on Wednesday night rehearsals and a light supper for degree nights with the exception of Master Mason Degree nights where a dinner will be provided. All members are welcome to attend the Wednesday night rehearsals and encouraged to attend lodge meetings especially degree nights. The more in attendance, the better the degree.

Ed. Villiaum e, Junior Warden

## Chaplain's Corner



Chaplain's Corner: The following Brothers and their families are in need of your thoughts and prayers: Our Bro. Jack Pew, who was seriously ill recently, passed away last month. The Lodge and I performed a chapel service and graveside service for him. Bro. Jack was a long-time member of our Lodge for 62 years and will be missed by the

Craft...Bro. John Bailey keeps up the good fight with his mother's assistance...All Nitram Lodge Masonic Home residents appear to be doing well and enjoyed the Holiday festivities... Please call me if you know of any Brothers and their families who are ill or in distress and need our help.

I wish to congratulate the newly elected officers, and as usual, I look forward to working with

them...This is my tenth year as Chaplain, and as such, it gives me great pleasure to work with the new officers...Please come to Lodge and show your support in the New Year. I hope you all had a wonderful Holiday Season.

Fraternally,  
Roy Eden, Chaplain P. M

## Secretary's Scribe



My Brothers,

Thank you for your support this past year and I look forward

to continuing as Lodge Secretary this year.

As you have read, our installation was well attended and a great meal was prepared and served by the Ladies of OES 241, led by Dorothy Foltz. It was very enjoyable time.

All Brothers who wish to come to Lodge must now have their 2009 dues card. If you do not have yours yet, please mail your dues and I can have your card to your either via mail or at the Lodge waiting for you. I would like to thank all the Brothers who have at this time sent in their dues and especially those that have included the voluntary LYPMGC. This contribution goes directly to our Masonic Home, and

as you may recall, this is our obligation.

I would like to thank Brother Scott Pankonie for his recent donation to our Masonic Home. He recently upgraded his home electronics, and donated his used to our Home.

Our Masonic Home is always looking for various donations, not just monetary. If any Brother thinks they may have an item they are no longer using and that the Home could use, please let us know or contact the Masonic Home directly. Their number is 727-822-3499. If you live in the area, and can not get the item to the home, they will pick it up, or contact the Lodge for assistance.

Faternally,

Rick

## Lodge Committees 2009

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Ney Delgado-Aries PM  
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Richard Hightower

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All Officers

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Scott Drake, WM

### Robert Johnson PM

### Chris Egan

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C J Morris SW  
Marc Bradley  
Dan Barto PM

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Stanley H. Szemer, PM

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Stanley H. Szemer, PM  
Robert Johnson, PM

### Master-Wardens

David Henderson, PM DDGM

### Funeral Lectures

Roy K. Eden, Jr. PM

### Youth Activities

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Robert Johnson PM

### Petitions

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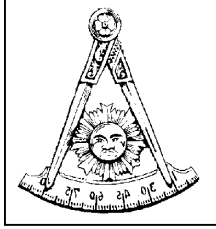
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 1964 Paul Weber  
 1965 Ludwig C. Seufert\*  
 1966 Richard J. Skiles\*  
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 1968 Alvin F. Baumgartner  
 1969 Robert J. Schram\*  
 1970 Carl Weisenberg  
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 1975 Jack VanBreedveld\*

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 2004 Anthony L. Griffon  
 2004 Royal K. Edens  
 2005 Scott M. Geisler  
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