

TRESTLEBOARD

NITRAM LODGE NO 188 F&AM
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JANUARY 2012

Installation 2012

Saturday January 14th, 2012

Dinner (Supper)

5:30 PM

Installation of Officers

6:30 PM

M.: W.: Robert P. Harry Jr.

PGM 2007, Installing Officer

The meal will be prepared and served by

The Ladies of Tahuti Court No 44

**HAPPY
NEW
YEAR**



Breakfast 1st Saturdays

January 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 OES 169	3 Tahuti Court 44	4 Officers Practice	5 MM Degree 7:30 pm	6	7
8	9	10 DeMolay	11 Officers Practice	12 Stated 7:30 pm	13	14 Installation of Officers
15	16 OES 169	17	18 Offices Practice	19 Called 7:30 pm	20	21
22	23	24 DeMolay	25 Offices meeting 6:30 practice 7:30	26 Stated 7:30 PM	27	28
29	30	31				

BREAKFAST

January 7th

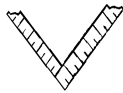
9am to 11am

Eggs, Toast, Grits, Potatoes, Pancakes, Biscuits & Gravy, OJ, Coffee. All for a modest donation of \$5.00!

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2012 Lodge Officers



Master's Message

Worshipful Master

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Junior Warden

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Brian Moffat

Junior Deacon

Cliff Batchelder

Senior Steward

Greg Williamson

Junior Steward

Michael Lucente

Tyler

Leo Smith

Organist

Bryan Shuler

Marshall

W.: Ney Delgado-Arias,
PM

Historian

W.: Arthur Wasserman,
PM

Brothers,

I would like to thank you for your vote of confidence in electing me to the East for the ensuing year 2012! It has been a distinct pleasure and honor serving the Craft.

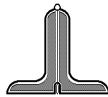
This year is shaping up to be a very busy one. Many family events are scheduled and I encourage the entire community to attend. One of our goals this year is to be more "family friendly." Some of the events scheduled are attending a Clearwater Phillies Game, hosting a sweethearts dinner and finally participating in a pool tournament. Just to name a few.

The line of Officers that have been elected / appointed are some of the finest in the District. We are so lucky to have them as members of our Lodge. They have already been working hard and are hitting the ground running.

January 5th Bro. Brown & Sauls will be raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. Please come out at 6:15pm and join us for dinner before the degree. This will be a great evening and W.: M.: Villiaume III's last degree in the East.

Lastly, our installation of Officers will be on January 14th. M.:W.: Robert P. Harry Jr. will be the Installing Officer. R.:W.: Henderson and R.:W.: Hoover will also be participating in the ceremony. Dinner will begin at 5:30pm with the installation beginning at 6:30pm. Come out and celebrate a new year with your Lodge! Your support is always welcome and appreciated.

Fraternally,
Matthew Winters, Worshipful Master Elect



Senior Warden's Writings

Foundations

My articles this year will be looking at life from an operative Masons' as well as a speculative perspective. Foundations are critical to the construction of any building or edifice. The foundation is the principal support for any structure. Without a solid foundation the building would crumble and fall in no time. The most solid of foundations are built upon bedrock. I challenge each of you to think about this aspect of our craft.

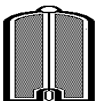
For me the foundation of our lodge is not the footing or concrete slab upon which the temple is built but it is the Brothers and Sisters who have chosen to come together to work, maintain and build a lodge for all to enjoy. It is our duty to build new Masons to steward the lodge from one generation to another. To maintain and improve the physical plant of the lodge as well as to teach and nurture the knowledge of our new Brothers. We should be showing them how to work together and make things happen.

Knowledge is a foundation of wisdom. Wisdom is the power to utilize knowledge for the benefit of all involved. Our work should be the implementation of wisdom and hopefully, good choices. While we work this year to improve the physical plant, of the lodge, I hope each of you will take the time to impart your knowledge and or strive to learn from those more experienced. Work hard, work efficiently and work with a sense of urgency and purpose.

To improve the quality and quantity of the Craft, I challenge you to get out into the community and be involved. Volunteer for charities and foundations. Volunteer for the child ID program. Get out and walk uprightly, show off that you are a Mason. Give people a reason want to become a Mason. When a Brother puts out the call, be ready to show up in force. We can make a huge impact and a show of force by working together.

P.S. The Fish Fry is in sight – let's make this one huge. Get a fish fry t-shirt and at least 10 tickets. Make your goal to sell 20 and we will have a really great year.

From the West
Brother Pankonie, SW Elect



Junior Warden's Journal

I would like to thank the Brethren of Nitram Lodge for electing me to the South. I hope that I can live up to the incredible standards set by Brother Pankonie, and his wife Maggie, who both worked very hard this past year to bring us wonderful meals for all of our events. The 2nd Annual Holiday dinner last month was a truly great event, thanks to their efforts, as well as those of all of the Brothers who participated.

We are looking forward to another busy year. We will continue to have a Monthly Breakfast on the first Saturday each month from 9-11 AM, as well as having a dinner before each degree. In addition, we plan to have a large event each quarter of the year: the Annual George Washington's Birthday Fish Fry will be the first one coming up on February 19, from 11 AM to 3 PM. We will again have the Stewards BBQ Bash on Fathers' Day in June, and the Holiday Dinner in early December. New this year, we plan to have a Shrimp Boil in the Fall, with a date to be determined.

I am looking forward to seeing you all at these events this year. If you have any suggestions of how we can make them better, please let me know.

From the South,

Bill Sundquist, Junior Warden Elect



Secretary's Scribe

Brethren,

A New Year is upon us and I can only hope that this is a better year for not only you, but your Lodge also. Times are tough, but we as Mason can over come all adversity.

I would like to send a message to all our Brothers who, like others find themselves in some financial difficulties. Your dues are important to you and your Lodge. Make two or three payments if necessary to get your Lodge due paid. Contact me and let me know, and arrangements can be made. Your Lodge has suspended 8 members in 2011 for NPD. This could have been avoided if the members may have done the same as mentioned above. We strive to make 100% of members in current dues payment. I wish we could. Your assistance is the only way this can happen. If you find your self in financial straits, contact me and let's talk.

Lastly, I would like to thank the membership for having the confidence to again elect me as YOUR Lodge secretary. I will strive to keep all aspects of my duties in the forefront with you the Brethren in mind. This is your Lodge. Support it, and be proud of it. Be proud of your membership in Masonry.

Rick



Treasurer's Thoughts

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January is here, my Brothers, and that means a new line of officers. The Installation will be on the 14th, so come out and meet your new "line". Congratulations to all the newly elected and appointed officers, and I wish a great year for all. There will be many things happening, so stay tuned to this trestle board to get all the dates and facts. If you haven't been here for awhile, please try to get here to see all the improvements. You'll be very glad that you came.

Fraternally,
David A. Henderson PM PDDGM
 Treasurer

Lodge Committees 2012

Finance

Bro. Scott Pankonie,
 R.:W.: Richard G. Hoover
 R.:W.: David Henderson

Vigilance

Bro. Bill Sundquist

Sick & Visitation

W.: CJ Morris, Bro. Brian Moffat
 Bro. Charles Bailey

Degree Instruction

R.:H.: Robert Johnson
 Bro. Bill Sundquist

Catechism

W.: Ed Villiaume
 Bro. Bill Sundquist

Special Events

Bro. Bill Sundquist
 Bro. Greg Williamson

Trestleboard

R.:W.: Richard G. Hoover
 Bro. Scott Pankonie

Temple Management

R.:H.: Robert Johnson
 Bro. Charles Bailey

Charges

R.:H.: Robert Johnson
 Bro. Brian Moffat

Masters & Wardens

R.:W.: David Henderson
 R.:W.: Richard G. Hoover

Funeral Lectures

All Officers

Youth Activities

W.: CJ Morris
 Bro. David Bench

Perpetual Membership

W.: Nay Delgado – Aries
 Bro. Greg Williamson

Scholarship

W.: Scott Drake, Bro. Doug Donnell
 Bro. Cliff Batchelder

Masonic Education

W.: L. Edward Villiaume III
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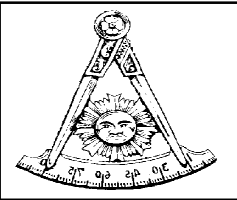
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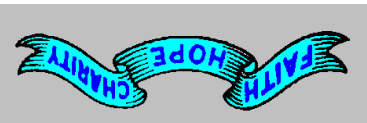
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1961 David A. Young
1962 James T. Cate*
1963 Robert C. Foskett*
1964 Paul Weber
1965 Ludwig C. Seufert*
1966 Richard J. Skiles*
1967 Robert D. Arthur*
1968 Alvin F. Baumgartner
1969 Robert J. Schram*
1970 Carl Weisenberg
1971 David J. Barr
1972 J. Fred Bobbitt*
1973 Paul G. Phillips
1974 Willard A. Olson*
1975 Jack VanBreedveld*

1976 Leland O'Quinn*
1977 Donovan B. Hansen
1978 James C. Pauch, Jr.
1979 Lester K. Gehman, Jr.
1980 William R. McKee*
1981 William D. Hoffman*
1982 J. Russell Davenport*
1983 Manton Giles*
1984 George W. McGee
1985 William McCullough*
1986 Don Coleman
1987 Gabriel Kober, Jr.
1988 Anthony J. Tudi
1989 Jack S. Hill*
1990 William D. Hoffman*
1991 John M. Cook*
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1993 William Adams, Jr.
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1995 James E. Elam*

1996 William J. Zimmerman*
1997 Kenneth A. McKenzie*
1998 Richard G. Hoover PDDGM PDI
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2000 Stanley H. Szemer
2001 Robert L. Johnson
2002 David A. Henderson PDDGM
2003 Jeffrey J. Morris
2004 Anthony L. Griffon
2004 Royal K. Eden Δ *
2005 Scott M. Geisler
2006 Ney Delgado-Arias
2007 Stanley H. Szemer
2008 Daniel Barto
2009 Scott M. Drake
2010 C. J. Morris
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