



OFFICERS MEETING STATED MEETING

JULY 11<sup>™</sup> AT 6:00

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# 2019 OFFICERS

WORSHIPFUL MASTER: JAMES 'FREEBORN' FREEBORN

SENIOR WARDEN: RAMON RAMIREZ

JUNIOR WARDEN-ELECT: W.: SOLOMON GOLDENBERG

TREASURER: R:W: MIKE BINDER P.D.D.G.M.

SECRETARY: W.: ROBERT WISEHART
CHAPLAIN: W.: CARLTON MCLEAN

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MARSHALL: R.: W.: NICHOLAS CANORA, P.D.D.G.M.

SENIOR DEACON: VASKEN 'KENNY' LAKHOYAN

JUNIOR DEACON: RANDALL LAY

MUSICIAN: R:W: COLIN SMITH, P.D.D.G.M.

TYLER: W.: VIVIAN GOLDSON

## CATECHISM STUDY

5:30 @ J. DEWEY (WEDNESDAYS)

Come to assist our newest Entered Apprentice Brothers; Daniel Jolly, Douglas Liantonio, and Kevin Oconefsky.



## 2019 J. DEWEY HAWKINS LODGE CHARITY:

### LIPPMAN YOUTH SHELTER

221 NW 43CT., OAKLAND PARK

We are coordinating a clothing drive to assist Lutheran Services Florida through their Youth and Teens Services. We are collecting clothing (clothes, shoes, etc.) for children aged 10-17 to give to this local shelter for runaways and troubled youth. You are encouraged to donate this clothing by depositing it in the box provided at the Lodge..

For more information, visit <u>Lutheran Family Services</u> website.

# FROM THE WEST



In my recent Masonic education, I discussed the meaning of the summer solstice as it pertains to our Masonic symbolism. That day, through the ages, has been the day the sun is the closest to the earth. The longest day of the year. This day is also known as St. John the Baptist Day.

St. John the Baptist was a man of character and integrity. In him, we have a singular instance of purity, zeal, simplicity of manners, and an ardent wish to benefit mankind by his example. To him, we are indebted to the introduction of that grand tenet of our institution, which it is our glory to support. In his honor, the first Grand Lodge Of England, organized in 1717, was founded on the festival day of the Baptist and is symbolic as the day of beginnings. In these hot days of summer, remember how some of our Masonic tenets were created in the image of one of our main patrons, St. John the Baptist.

Fraternally,

Ramon Ramirez, Senior Warden

#### **MASONIC EDUCATION:**

#### **MASONIC FUNERAL SERVICES:**

The ceremonies that are observed on the occasion of funerals are a token of respect and affection to the memory of a departed Brother.

- Implements: The Worshipful Master's gavel, the Wardens' columns, the Deacons' and Stewards' rods, the Tyler's sword and the Marshal's baton should be trimmed with black crepe, neatly tied with white ribbon. The Bible may be covered with black crepe.
- A Masonic funeral is held at the request of a departed Brother or his family. It may be held in a chapel, home, church, synagogue or Lodge room with committal at graveside, or the complete service can be performed at any of the aforementioned places without a separate committal.
- The Masonic service may be held in conjunction with a religious service and/or other fraternal service—such as Legion or Elks—or may be the only service performed. This is at the pleasure of the family, the only restriction being that the Masonic service, once started, must be completed without interruption for another service.
- Make your wishes known to your family. Discuss them openly and frankly with those responsible for your funeral arrangements. It is highly recommended that you: (1) put your wishes in writing, (2) give a copy to the person who will handle your affairs, and (3) place another copy with your will, insurance papers and other valuable documents so that your survivors can clearly comply with your expressed wishes.

#### **MASONIC FUNERAL FAQ:**

- 1) Do Masons automatically get a service from their Lodge? Answer) No.
  - A Freemason can only be buried with the formalities of the Fraternity if it is requested by him or his next of kin and he was a Master Mason in good standing at the time of passing.
  - Fellow Crafts or Entered Apprentices cannot receive nor participate in a Masonic Funeral.
- 2) Is there a dress code for a Masonic Funeral Service? Answer) Yes.

The proper clothing for a Masonic funeral is a black hat, black or dark clothes, black necktie, white gloves, a plain white cloth or lambskin apron, a band of black crepe around the left arm (above the elbow), and a sprig of evergreen on the breast.

❖A plain white apron should be placed on the coffin (while the body is lying in state).

- 3) Is a Funeral Service an official Masonic ceremony?
- Answer) Yes. Lodge must be open to conduct a Masonic Funeral.

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  - Lodge is opened at the beginning of the year (in Master Mason Degree) for conducting of Funeral Services during that year.
  - 'Funeral' Lodge is closed at the end of the year.
  - This closing and opening may be conducted on the day of the incoming WM's installation.
- **WM:** This Lodge has been called and opened for the purpose of conducting funeral ceremonies for our Brothers who depart this life during the ensuing year.

Brother Secretary, ensure that accurate records are kept of all funeral ceremonies conducted by the Lodge during the ensuing year and that each is reported at the next Stated Communication.

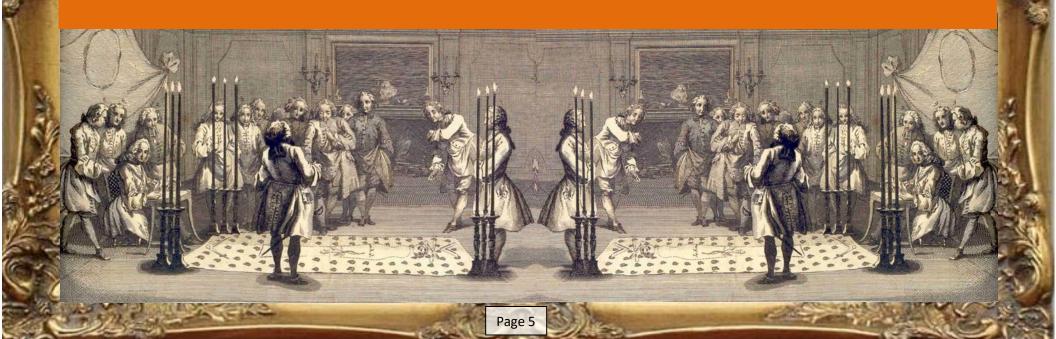
- 4) Does a Masonic Service replace or interfere with a religious service? Answer) No.
  - After the Clergy have performed the religious services of the Church, the Masonic services should begin. Once started, the service should not be interrupted.
- 5) How does a Lodge member know when his Lodge is going to have a Masonic Funeral Service?
- Answer) The Worshipful Master, upon receiving notice of the death of a Brother of his Lodge and the request for Masonic ceremony, will fix the day and time (unless previously arranged) and instruct the Secretary to notify the members.
- 6) Who conducts the service?
- Answer) The Worshipful Master may preside at a Funeral Service, or he may designate another to act as Master of Ceremonies. Members of other Lodges may participate but the home Lodge directs the entire ceremony.
- 7) How do they know which service is appropriate for the occasion?

  Answer) In conducting Masonic funerals, Worshipful Masters are authorized to use any of the funeral services in the Florida Monitor, or any
- arrangement of parts of such services.

  8) What if the deceased was a vet and military persons want to take part?
- Answer) Whenever civic societies or the military unite with Masons in the burial of a Mason, the body of the deceased must be in charge of the Lodge having jurisdiction.
- => See the Florida Monitor (Blue Book) for more information. . .

# 2019 COMMITTEES

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SW:	Ramon Ramirez, Chairman	W.:	Solon	non Goldenberg, Chair	W∴M∴	Jame	s 'Freeborn' Freebor	orn	W∴	Solomon Goldenberg	
R∴W∴	Robert Wisehart, V.C.	R∴W∴	Nick (	Canora	W∴	Solor	non Goldenberg		SW:	Ramon Ramirez	
W∴M∴	James 'Freeborn' Freeborn	W∴	Robei	rt Wisehart	R∴W∴	Nick	Canora	V	N∴M∴	James 'Freeborn' Freeborn	
R∴W∴	Stephen Gladstone	R∴W∴	Mike	Binder	W∴	Carlt	on McLean	F	R∴W∴	Stephen Gladstone	
	CHARITY BUILDING					MASONIC EDUCATION			DUCATION		
(LODGE PROPERTY)											
W∴	Solomon Goldenberg		R::W::	Mike Binder, Chairma	n		W∴ Sol	lomon (	Goldenb	erg (LMC, Chair)	
W∴	Carlton McLean		R.:W.:	Nick Canora			SW: Rai	amon Ra	amirez, (	Chairman (LMC)	
W∴M∴	James 'Freeborn' Freeborn		W∴	Robert Wisehart			R∴W∴ Mi	ike Bind	der (LMC	2)	
W∴	Robert Wisehart		SW:	Ramon Ramirez			W∴ Rol	bert W	isehart		
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COMM	UNICATIONS/WEB		CAT	ECHISM		D)	EGREES			FUNDRAISING	
R∴W∴	Mike Binder	W∴	Robert	: Wisehart	R∴W∴	Mike	Binder, Degree Mas	ster	R∴W∴	Mike Binder, Chairman	
W∴M∴	James 'Freeborn' Freeborn	W∴M∴ James 'Freeborn' Freeborn		W∴	Robe	rt Wisehart		W∴	Solomon Goldenberg		
Bro:	Robert Duran	R∴W∴	Mike E	Binder	W∴	Solor	non Goldenberg		W∴M∴	James 'Freeborn' Freeborn	
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## **INDEPENDENCE DAY**

Independence day is celebrated annually in the United States to recognize the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Independence day, in fact the American Revolution itself, holds a special place for Freemasons. We often point out that George Washington, Benjamin Franklin and various members of the Sons of Liberty were leaders in the fight for freedom. We know that nine Freemasons signed the Declaration of Independence, including its most prominent signer, John Hancock. These men impacted the Revolution by applying the principals of Freemasonry when forming the United States of America.

As we celebrate the birth of this great country, we should remember it was those Freemasons involved in the Revolution who had the courage to risk their lives for an ideal. They were fortunate enough to hear those ideals put forth in a Freemason Lodge and they were reminded of them repeatedly until they became a part of their lives. That gift is now ours to cherish and pass on in our Masonic Lodges and in our communities.



Birthdays for July 2019									
United	States	America	07/04/17						
James	Lamar	Jarrard	07/07/19						
Daniel	С	Binder	07/10/19						
Hamid		Nawaz	07/18/19						
Gerald	W	Bennett	07/19/19						
William	Weldon	McIver	07/19/19						
Sydney		King	07/20/19						
Delmas	Ray	Dickerhoof	07/20/19						
John	Т	Becton	07/25/19						

Happy Birthday, U.S.A. and Happy Birthday to the Brothers born in July.

# From the South

#### **Dear Brothers**

I have just returned from the United Kingdom where I attended two lodge meetings. I also gave them the closing charge (the American way) and they were very impressed. I am very proud to report that we do things much better in the United States.

On Wednesday June 26 we will hosted and met our District Deputy, RWDDGM Michael Tishman. I have also been appointed Child ID District Committee member (for the 10th year) and would be pleased to receive some assistance if we have an event.

I look forward to the Fellowcraft degree and would like to thank W∴ Bob Wisehart and R∴W∴ Mike Binder who have been helping our three brother EAs with their catechism.

Sol. Goldenberg, Junior Warden.



## STEAK NIGHT

My Brothers,

Big Steak Dinner Night @ J. Dewey Hawkins Lodge Thursday July 11<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm

- Boneless, marinated Steak
- Caesar Salad
- Baked Potato w/ sour cream & butter
- Baked-Split Dinner Rolls
- Janet's special fresh -snap- Green Beans
- Dessert

Bring a Big Appetite and bring friends and guests!
Please RSVP to
954-647-8422 (text)

S & F

Mike Binder, Treasurer



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Welcome to the Grand Lodge of Florida Online Membership Portall

Your portal access requires further action, please see instructions below.

#### Your Temporary Username is:

The letters "FL" + Your Grand Lodge Member Number + "@changeyouremail.info" example: FL1234567@changeyouremail.info

#### Your Temporary Password is:

The letters "FL" + Your Grand Lodge Member Number example: FL1234567

Step 1: Login to your member profile using the temporary Username and Password examples provided above.

Step 2: You will be immediately prompted to change both your username and password.

Step 3: The new Username you select should be an email address that you have access to and check regularly.

Step 4: The new Password you select should only be known to you. Do not share your password with anyone.

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## FROM THE EAST

This past Grand Communication reminded us all of the circle of life. The Grand Architect grants us life on this Earth for a limited time only and we never know when He will call our number to return that life to Him. Past Grand Master Karroum was called back abruptly, in the course of what should have been one of his greatest moments. It is not our place to question the plans of the Great Architect, we simply mourn the passing of one of our own.

As the years pass, Masons become very familiar with death as Brothers age and, ultimately, lay down their working tools. I think it may be this familiarity that inspires us to celebrate life and friends and family at every opportunity. 'Living respected' is one of our greatest aspirations and 'dying regretted' is another. Have you touched the lives of others in a positive, significant way? This may be a good time to reflect.

Let me finish with a quote from our Installation ceremony:

"...no eminence of station should make us forget that we are Brethren...[sic]...a time will come, and the wisest knows not how soon, when all distinctions but that of goodness shall cease, and Death, the grand leveler of human greatness, reduces us to the same state."

May we govern our actions by the Square of Virtue,

James Freeborn, W∴M∴

# FROM THE TREASURER

My Brothers,

Any of you Brothers that has not paid your dues for 2019, please due so as soon as possible. If you are paying with a debit or credit card, you can contact me at 954-647-8422 and I will take your payment or you can mail a check to the Lodge for \$167.30. If you are NPD on your dues- no worries. Just call me or Secretary W:. Wisehart and we will help you to get your membership reinstated. (This Involves paying 2 years past dues and submitting some paperwork, which we will be happy to assist you with.) Please call if you have questions.

Also, my Brothers, our next Stated Meeting will be on July 11. We will be having another full steak dinner with all the trimmings, same as last time.Bring friends and guests! Please RSVP to me ASAP.

S&F

Mike Binder, P.D.D.G.M. Treasurer





# PETITION FOR THREE DEGREES OF FREEMASONRY

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PETITIONER(S): CHRIS BRITTON

It is requested that all members of the Lodge consider Petitioners carefully and notify W. James Freeborn of any facts or reasons that you believe would justify denial of petition. All information received will be held in strictest confidence.



