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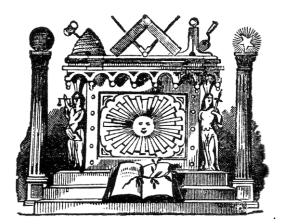
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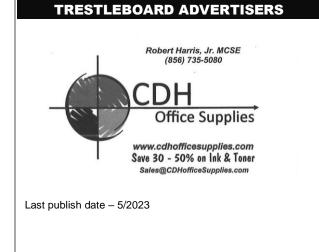


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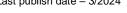
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From the East

Officer Installations: The following officers were Installed at the March 6 Stated Communications: Brother Wally Jones – Senior Deacon; Brother Ernie Quick – Junior Deacon; Brother Stephen Boutella – Senior Steward.

Fund Raising & Charities: The Winter/Spring Fund Raising will be a handgun Raffle. The funds for this raffle will be for the Brevard Association for the Advancement of the Blind and The Daily Bread Charities. This Fund raiser will run from April to June 2023.

Masonic recruitment and mason return to the

lodge: Balloting was done for two new Masonic Candidates to receive the three degrees of Masonry. The Entered Apprentice Degree was held on March 20, 2023. Brother Secretary has four additional applications that are in process.

Fellowship Dinners & Covered Dish Socials:

The Next Fellowship Dinner will be on Monday, April 10, 2023 at 6:30PM At Skewers. May 2023 Fellowship Dinner will be an Early Memorial Day Bar B Q. on or around May 15.

2nd Monthly Meetings:

I will be giving a talk on April 17, 2023, around 7:00PM. Topic <u>the History of LGM</u> <u>International, Inc. a Medical Device Company</u>. This is an open meeting and friends and families are welcome.

We are always looking for speakers to make our meetings interesting and give us things to consider and enjoy.

Fraternally, Ron Lentz

From the West

Brothers,

First, I would like to congratulate our newly Initiated Brothers and welcome you to the Lodge! Also, a congratulations and thank you to the Degree team for all your hard work. It is so important that we put in the effort to be the best that we can be when Initiating, Passing and Raising Brothers, we only get one chance for them to experience these for the first time and they deserve our best.

On that note it looks as though we have several Degrees coming up soon including another Entered Apprentice Degree and a Fellowcraft Degree. I would encourage any Brother that would like to be a part of these Degrees to reach out to me.

If you have a specific part you would like to learn or just assist, all are welcome! We can also work with you on the side. When we have a Degree practice we usually have all the parts moving through the whole Degree but if you wish to hone your skills a little bit before practice, we will work with your schedule to get some extra practice in.

Fraternally, Craig Boettcher

From the South

As April arrives, we find that Easter is a significant religious holiday celebrated by Christians all over the world. However, the holiday also holds great significance in Freemasonry.

Easter symbolizes the rebirth of Jesus Christ, and for Freemasons, it represents the renewal of life, hope, and charity. The teachings of Freemasonry emphasize the importance of helping others and spreading goodwill, and Easter is a perfect opportunity to remind members of these values. The holiday is a time to reflect on the importance of brotherhood, compassion, and the virtues of the Masonic Craft.

The symbolic nature of Easter is also reflected in the rituals and ceremonies of Freemasonry. Masonic rituals involve the use of symbols, and the Easter holiday provides an opportunity to incorporate these symbols into Masonic ceremonies. The use of symbols such as the egg, the lamb, and the cross all have special significance in Freemasonry, and their use during Easter ceremonies adds to the depth of meaning and symbolism within the Masonic tradition.

Moreover, the themes of resurrection and renewal that are central to the Easter holiday are also reflected in the Masonic teachings on the immortality of the soul. The Masonic belief in the afterlife emphasizes the idea that our actions in this life will have consequences in the next, and that we should strive to live in accordance with the principles of morality, charity, and brotherly love.

Fraternally Dino De Rosa

April 2023

Melbourne Lodge No. 143, F. & A.M.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 <u>Master and Wardens</u> <u>Gateway Lodge</u> <u>#384</u> <u>Breakfast 8:AM</u> <u>Meeting 8:30 AM</u>
2	3 <u>Stated</u> <u>Communication</u> <u>Catered Dinner</u> <u>6:30PM</u> Lodge Opens 7:30PM	4	5 <u>Open Books</u> <u>Harbor City Lodge</u> <u>6:00PM</u>	6	7	8
9	10 <u>Fellowship</u> <u>Skewers</u> <u>Mediterranean</u> <u>Restaurant</u> <u>6:30PM</u>	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 <u>Open Meeting</u> <u>Dinner 6:30PM;</u> <u>Meeting 7:30PM</u>	18	19 <u>Lodge Officers</u> <u>Meeting at 6:30PM at</u> <u>the Lodge. All</u> <u>masons are welcome</u>	20	21	22
23/30	24	25	26	27	28	29