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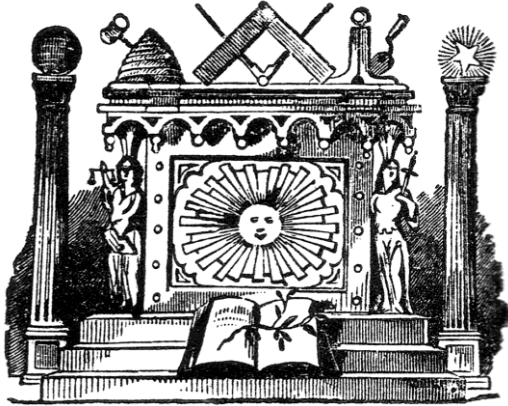
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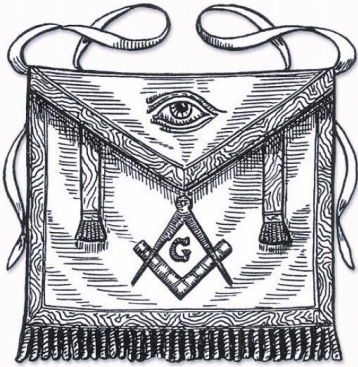
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October 4: 6:00PM – 9:00 PM

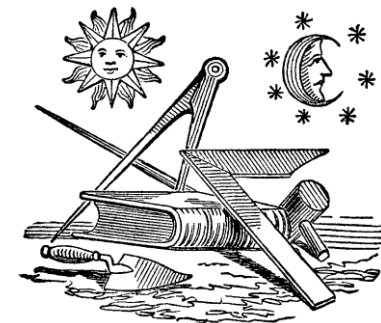
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Gateway No. 384	2nd & 4th Mondays
Beach No. 354	1st & 3rd Tuesdays
Brevard No. 113	1st & 3rd Tuesdays
Palm Bay No. 397	1st & 3rd Tuesdays
Harbor City No. 318	2nd & 4th Tuesdays
Indian River No. 90	2nd & 4th Thursdays



From the East

Open Books – Wednesday, November 1, 2023:
Harbor City Lodge – 6:00PM.

Masters and Wardens – Saturday, November 4,
2023 – Merritt Island Lodge No. 353:
Nominations for 2024 Officers forms will be
turned in.

Stated Communication - Monday, November 6
- 2023 Stated Communication: Melbourne
Lodge #143. Dinner 6:30PM; Meeting 7:30PM:
Three EA Brothers will be standing proficient.

**NOVEMBER FELLOWSHIP DINNER – THERE
WILL BE NO FELLOWSHIP DINNER IN
NOVEMBER.**

AZAN SHRINE – Saturday, November 11, 2023,
Annual BBQ Competition – WM Ron Lentz will
be one of the Judges.

Called Communication (FELLOW CRAFT
DEGREE) - Monday, November 20, 2023 -
FELLOW CRAFT DEGREE: Melbourne Lodge
#143 Dinner 6:00PM; Meeting 7:00PM;
**NOTICE: BECAUSE WE WILL HAVE 4 BROTHERS
FOR THE DEGREE, WE WILL START ONE HALF
HOUR EARLIER. PLEASE NOTICE THIS!!**

**NOVEMBER OFFICER MEETING – THERE WILL
BE NO OFFICERS MEETING IN NOVEMBER.**

We are always looking for speakers. This not
only makes our meetings interesting but gives
us things to consider and enjoy. We would like
to have a speaker for December. Please contact
me if you can help us.

Fraternally,
Ron Lentz WM

From the West

Greeting Brethren,

It is November and we have a ton to look forward
to. Thanksgiving, family, friends and cooler
weather... Oh wait, it's Florida... Anyway, I would
like to wish good luck and a sincere thank you to
all that are about to put your nomination forms in
as candidates for our elected line next year!
Remember that these forms must be in our
secretary's possession BEFORE the first stated
meeting in November starts. That is November
sixth.

I would like to congratulate the Fellow Craft
Degree team, there were a few Brothers stepping
up into some new roles and it was a pleasure to be
part of. I also want to extend a warm welcome to
our new Fellow Crafts. I know that it is a ton of
work and you certainly put your time in. There is
one more step to go before you can be raised
Master Masons and then the journey changes but
does not stop!

Lastly, we have one more degree this year. We
have an Entered Apprentice that we are going to
initiate a new candidate and I am going to
reiterate what I have all year long. We need you to
become involved. Become part of the degree team
for this EA Degree. Come talk to me and we can
find a position you would like to learn, and we can
work with you to become proficient in that
position. It is one of the most important duties we
have as Masons!

Fraternally,
Craig Boettcher SW

From the South

Greetings, Brethren!

Welcome to the month of November, where
we celebrate abundance and give thanks for all
of our blessings. In the spirit of giving thanks, I
would first like to express my gratitude to all of
the Lodge members who were there for me
when I wasn't able to live up to my
responsibilities. I am grateful for the
opportunity to learn a great deal from my
brothers, and I am grateful for the support and
understanding I have received during some of
my most trying days this year.

This month I have scheduled a Lodge
clean-up day and I put it on the calendar for
November 11, beginning at 8am. I recognize
that this date is a Saturday, and it is Veteran's
Day. I also accept the fact that some members
will be celebrating that day. I am also a veteran,
and I picked this date because I didn't want to
get in the way of Masters & Wardens, and I
didn't want to interfere with any travel plans
people may have closer to the Thanksgiving
Holiday. Your assistance and understanding are
appreciated. God bless you, your families, and
loved ones during this holiday season.

Fraternally,
Dino De Rosa JW

November 2023

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 <u>Open Books</u> <u>Harbor City Lodge</u> <u>6:00 PM</u>	2	3	4 <u>Master and Wardens</u> <u>Merritt Island No. 353</u> <u>Breakfast 8:AM</u> <u>Meeting 8:30 AM</u>
5	6 <u>Stated</u> <u>Communication</u> <u>Dinner 6:30PM</u> <u>Lodge Opens 7:30PM</u>	7	8	9	10	11 <u>Azan Shrine</u> <u>Annual BBQ</u> <u>Competition</u>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 <u>Called</u> <u>Communication</u> <u>Dinner 6:00PM</u> <u>Degree 7:00PM</u>	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

From the Secretary

Greetings Brethren,

As off the writing this communication, 15 of our Lodge Brothers have not paid their dues. Lodge Bylaws and Grand Lodge Regulations require that dues be paid on or before December 28th, the first day of the Masonic Year. Fortunately, most of our members pay their dues on time.

Final Notices and Summons were mailed last month. Six-month delinquent notices were mailed in July. During the September 18th Stated Communication, the Lodge set the deadline for payment as November 6th.

If you do not have a 2023 Dues Card, please call me immediately. If there is an error or financial difficulty, please call me immediately. My goal is not to suspend anyone for NPD.

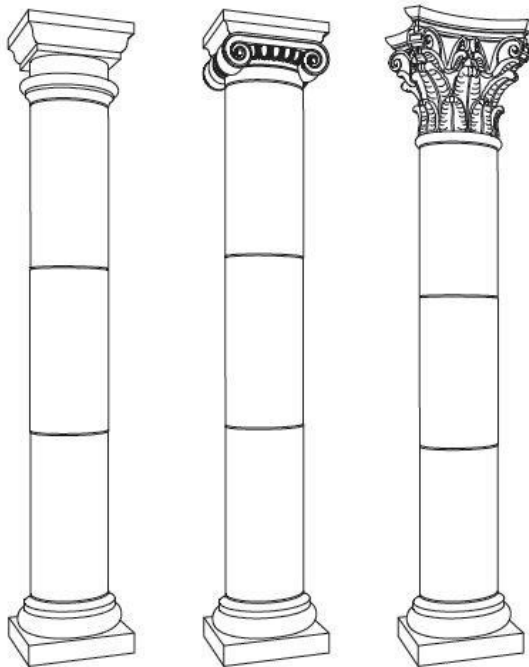
Sincerely and fraternally,
Secretary Ron Barker, P.M.

Do You Remember?

Masonic Quiz Answers:

From left to right the columns are:
Doric, Ionic, and Corinthian.

They represent also from left to right:
The Senior Warden, the Worshipful Master, The Junior Warden.



Quiz for this month:

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