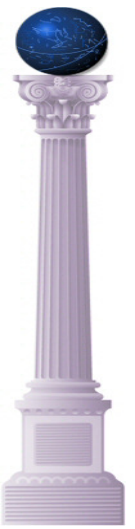


TAMPA BAY LODGE No. 252



FEB/MARCH

Trestleboard

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FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

Thank you all for electing me your Worship Master. It's is very humbling to be chosen by such a great group of men. There is much work to be done this year and I will need the help of many. Brothers, this isn't the time to be sitting idly by in the sidelines. Your officers and committees are already diligently working on tasks to improve our lodge and they will need your help. I believe Masonry is at a turning point and the days of declining membership will soon be in the past. We have to be prepared for what the future has in store for our beloved fraternity. We need to breathe some life back into Masonry and one way to do that is to find a way to plug in to the events that are happening not only in Tampa Bay Lodge but also locally within our district. We are traveling men and as such it is time to get out and visit other lodges. There is a whole world of Masonry out there that many our new Brethren and future leaders need to discover. I will be calling on you

to travel with me as a group to visit other lodges throughout Pinellas. Not only to show our support but also to be aware of what all Masonry has to offer and find ways to make our lodge even better. We are the "Friendliest Lodge on Old Tampa Bay". The word is out thanks to the just and upright conduct of many of our Brethren. As a result many of our new members are Brothers that have been coming from other lodges and jurisdictions. Most of whom are in desire of peace and harmony, the true spirit of Brotherly Love.

Charity begins at home and as such we need to be prepared to help each other and also those within our community. This year we will identify a lodge charity and will work diligently to support that organization locally. We will set aside a portion of our fundraisers to help in this effort. Also charity isn't always about writing a check. Sometimes it takes doers like a volunteer to talk to our High Schools about scholarships funds avail-

able to our graduates through Masonry. We are builders and as such it's time to stand up and do what's necessary to make this fraternity great. Let's have a great year, get involved and together we will keep this lodge strong.

Fraternally,

W. · Chris Adkins, WM



FROM THE WEST

Brethren,

Welcome my Brothers to a Happy New Year at Tampa Bay Lodge #252 the "friendliest lodge on Old Tampa Bay." We are going to work hard to make that phrase well known as our brand in the district. But with that comes the needed help from each one of us. This and many other things will be accomplished by implementing another phrase "Do One Great Little Thing." For many years I have observed the earnest and faithful efforts of the officers of lodges as they held meetings for the purpose of suggesting ways to improve attendance and maintain interest. In every instance some outstanding program has been launched, which if carried to completion, always bears fruit, which is the result of honest planning. However, it is

my conclusion that all we hope for, the molding of Masonic principles into a strong Masonry, must be the result of the "Doing Of Little Things." Everything else, it seems, is subordinate to the idea of keeping fresh Masonic teachings through the medium of doing. Again and again we refer to the "Old Time Masonry." Yet we know full well that the principles of Masonry are the same today as they were centuries ago. What do we really mean? What is that spirit that we must recapture? It is the work of brothers who asked for no titles, no recognition, but only the opportunity to render service. I'm sure we can remember the names of those Masons, those working brothers, and see if they were not the same who left such a rich heritage. It was not measured in dollars, but built by quiet character that which was evident

when no one was looking and that which we seek is within us. "Old Time Masonry" is not a thing that belongs to the past. It is a Spirit that is the result of "Doing One Great Little Thing." That effort of character will become synonymous with the "friendliest lodge on Old Tampa Bay." If you have an idea or wish to contribute in any area you may be interested in, your "One Great Little Thing" will be valued. I'm looking forward to working with you to burnish our brand...call!

Fraternally,
Stephen Beke Jr. SW

STATUS OF NEW APPLICANTS, EA, FC, MM

<u>Awaiting Candidates:</u>	<u>Youngest EA Brothers:</u>	<u>Just Passed to FC:</u>	<u>Recently Raised to MM:</u>
	Bro. Rudolfo Sanchez Bro. Luis Rovira	Bro. Alex Ellis Bro. Jay Minier, II Bro. Louis Ange	Bro. Emilio Santiago Bro. Aaron Cardenas

!!SECRETARY'S CORNER!!

Brothers,

Please be sure to visit our new and improved website at:

<http://www.TAMPABAYLODGE.org>

You can find useful information at our website, and when you see him, be sure to thank Bro. Christopher Watts for his hard work on our Lodge website.

Also, if you would like to **save the Lodge money** by getting the electronic version of the Trestleboard emailed to you, please email R:H: Mike Rhoades at **WMY2K7@gmail.com** and put "Electronic Trestleboard" in the subject line. We can save a bundle on postage and printing costs!!!

FROM THE SOUTH

Brethren,

Happy new year from the South. Even though the years have flown by since I was raised to the sublime degree of MM, I have learned and grown a great deal as a man and Mason. The Masonic adage of "Making Good Men Better" is alive and well at Tampa Bay Lodge No. 252. This is only possible through the lodge's membership. Brothers who work together for a greater purpose has resulted in peace and harmony and solidified our reputation as the friendliest lodge in old Tampa Bay. The level of mentorship and camaraderie I have received has been second to none and now I look to give back to my fellow brethren as your JW.

Tenets, by definition, are those principles and beliefs that enrich our lives. For Masons, we hold Friendship, Morality and Brotherly Love close to our hearts and use those principles and beliefs to become better men. However this is not a task for the mere individual; Masons must work together to reinforce those principles through acts of kindness and charity. As your humbled JW, I look forward to working with my fellow brethren to strengthen our tenets in the coming year.

I am excited over the wonderful events we have planned this year. Our annual steak dinner is being substituted with a pasta dinner which will offer a variety of pasta, sauces and other items to create your custom Italian dish. We will continue our monthly Family Night

Out tradition starting January 30th at 6:30pm at Sunset Grill. After January we will continue our monthly tradition Saturday after each stated meeting. Finally our annual Family Picnic and Shrimp Boil is scheduled for June 25 and Oct 15 respectively.

Please make every effort to attend as much as your cable-tow will allow. I look forward to a great and prosperous year.

Fraternally,
Julius Santiago JW

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Note: The Lodge will be open every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 6:00 - 8:00pm for instruction/practice.

FEBRUARY:

- 6th – Master Mason Degree:** Labor begins at 9:00am
- 16th – Stated Meeting:** Dinner at 6:30pm, labor begins at 7:30pm
- 19th – 3rd Friday in Safety Harbor:** In front of the Lodge, 6pm til ?
- 20th – Family Dinner Night:** Potluck at the Lodge. Serving at 6:30pm

MARCH:

- 1st – Lodge Visit:** Visiting East Gate Lodge for their stated meeting
- 15th – Stated Meeting:** Dinner at 6:30pm, labor begins at 7:30pm
- 18th – 3rd Friday in Safety Harbor:** In front of the Lodge, 6pm til ?
- 20th – Family Dinner Night:** Venue to be determined

Anclote Chapter DeMolay Update

Anclote Chapter meets at Tarpon Lodge every Monday from 7pm to 8pm. The Chapter has now grown to 11 young men, ages 12 through 16. We will have our first presence at a conclave January 16-18. On January 23, several young men and advisors from the Chapter will help at the East-West Shrine football game at Tropicana Field. The Chapter elected its first officers on January 11. Their installation date has not been set, but will be during the first two weeks in February. We are also expecting an installation in February. The young men will now begin to plan the next six months.

High Twelve Update

Sun Coast High Twelve Club No. 418 has merged with Highland Lakes High Twelve Club No. 566 which meets the first and third Tuesday of each month except July, August and September. The meeting place can vary. Call Bill Yarbrough at 727-643-5598 for further information.

4000 INCOME	2015 Actuals	2016
4010 Background Income	\$90	\$90
4020 Building Fund Income	\$590	\$300
4030 Degree Income	\$1,200	\$1,650
4034 Dues		
4035 Membership Dues	\$10,573	\$11,000
4036 Perpetual Inome	\$1,780	\$1,600
4040 Food Fund		
4040 Meals	\$1,709	\$1,000
4041 Refrigerator		\$150
4045 Fund Raiser		
4046 Steak Dinner	\$1,731	\$1,500
4047 Shrimp Dinner	\$1,743	\$1,800
4055 GM Charity		
4060 Interest Income	\$149	\$140
4065 Jewelry Case Income	\$20	\$20
4070 LYPMGC	\$933	\$850
4075 Misc Income	\$2,200	\$0
4080 Mite Box Collection	\$1,365	\$1,500
4100 Trestleboard Sponsorship	\$100	\$100
TOTAL INCOME	\$24,183	\$21,700
6000 EXPENSE		
6005 Background Checks	\$15	\$90
6005 Bank Charges	\$14	\$0
6015 Building Maintenance	\$1,675	\$2,000
6025 Charities		
6027 Thanksgiving Charity	\$0	\$250
6028 Christmas Charity	\$400	\$400
6029 Other Charities	\$246	\$250
6115 Mite Box	\$1,363	\$1,500
6030 Corporate Filing Fees	\$61	\$60
6040 District Expenses	\$272	\$300
6049 Utilitites		
6050 Electricity	\$1,393	\$1,400
6165 Water, Sewer, Gas	\$764	\$850
6055 Fund Raising		
6056 Steak Dinner	\$717	\$800
6157 Shrimp Boil	\$1,043	\$1,100
6060 Funeral Expense	\$522	\$300
6065 GM Charitable Expense	\$0	
6075 Grand Lodge Per Capita	\$1,888	\$2,600
6085 Installation		
6086 Outgoing Masters Apron	\$0	\$150
6090 Insurance	\$2,316	\$2,350
6100 LYPMGC Expense	\$668	\$700
6110 Miscellaneous	\$2,313	
6130 Postage	\$187	\$300
6135 Refreshments		
6136 Meals	\$798	\$1,000
6137 Refrigerator	\$146	\$150
6140 Secretary Supplies	\$420	\$400
6142 Security	\$311	\$370
6145 Supplies	\$702	\$500
6150 Telephone	\$0	\$100
6155 Trestle Board Postage	\$7	\$170
6160 Trestle Board Printing	\$127	\$250
6170 Equipment	\$400	\$300
Roof Fund	\$3,060	\$3,060
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$21,828	\$21,700
NET PROFIT	\$2,355	\$0

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 1926 Willis Booth
 1927 G.S. McMullen
 1928 L.A. Morgan
 1929 A.M. McMullen
 1930 R.J. Knight
 1931 L.B. Booth
 1932 A.M. McMullen
 1933 George Woodell
 1934 T.P. Walton
 1935 Thomas Bates
 1936 Abraham Lasher
 1937 W.J. Strickland
 1938 Glen O. Petree
 1939 Bryan Mizell
 1940 S. G. Moore
 1941 Monroe Booth
 1942 Lee McMullen
 1943 William Neese
 1944 Harry Smith
 1945 D. Lame
 1946 D. Lame
 1947 Robert McMullen
 1948 Dwight Shower
 1949 R.H. Blanchard
 1950 Gary Linton
 1951 W.M. Zur
 1952 W.J. Strickland
 1953 Harry Kindred
 1954 James Lashbrook
 1955 Vernon Mixter
 1956 Ross Gambel
 1957 Daniel Gladstone
 1958 Austin Roberts
 1959 S.Z. Douglas, Jr. *
 1960 Elmer Phillips
 1961 Dwight Shower, Jr.
 1962 John Atkinson
 1963 Allen McMullen
 1964 Allan Dinsmore
 1965 Howard Kramer
 1966 Fred Richards
 1967 Frank Denby
 1968 F. Richardson
 1969 Fritz Kocka
 1970 Bobbie Dean Woodall
 1971 Ronald Nicodemus
 1972 C. Kramer
 1973 Howard M. Smith
 1974 Dennis Distin
 1975 Bruce Davis
 1976 Truman W. Cole
 1977 S.Z. Douglas, Jr.*
 1978 George A Magoon
 1979 George R. Sullivan
 1980 Robert F. Heil
 1981 Dennis G. Smith
 1982 Cyrus W. Cole
 1983 Richard U. Granthum
 1984 Scott Shimer

1985 Charles A. Melling *
 1986 Marvin W. Gerhard *
 1987 Ralph H. Swanker
 1988 Jacob J. Krawiec
 1989 Jay (Doc) Holliday
 1990 Richard J. Whalen Sr. *
 1991 Norman M. Sutherby
 1992 Andrew M. Nicholson
 1993 Richard J. Whalen Jr.
 1994 Donald E. Walker
 1995 John E. Drewett *
 1996 Lynn F. Coleman
 1997 Robert A. McGoldrick
 1998 R. James Rocha^*
 1999 Edward V. Bethel
 2000 Anthony E. Rhoades^*
 2001 Andrew Foster
 2002 Bruce Moir
 2003 David Woolley
 2004 Robert Lutterman
 2005 Kelfryn James
 2006 Matt Thaisen
 2007 Mike Rhoades ^
 2008 Darryl Ambler
 2009 Lee Edmonds
 2010 Jim Messier
 2011 Ron Bart
 2012 Jon B. Coats
 2013 Lawrence Wright
 2014 William Kelm
 2015 Timothy "Duke" Pierce

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