



From the East

Greetings from the East!

February was a busy month at Pine Castle! We held our first breakfast and work call of the year. We participated in Pine Castle Pioneer Days for the first time in a long time. We hosted the Grand Secretary and secretaries and Brothers from all over the State at a Workshop held at the Lodge. And we met at our regular stated communications throughout

the month.

Our breakfast and work call was successful because we were able to do our civic duty and clean our section of Hoffner Avenue, which we do through the Adopt-a-Highway program with the county. We also fixed various parts of the ceiling that were dismantled during the installation of the new A/C systems. And we made some more upgrades to the security of the lodge by replacing and upgrading various locks around the building. Thank you to everyone who came out for breakfast and those who stayed for the work call! We will have another work call next month to help prepare for the Eastern Star Installation on March 17th.

On Saturday, the 24th, we hosted the Grand Secretary's workshop at Pine Castle. The event was very well attended by Brothers from all over the State. Our Secretary, W.: John Miles, was in attendance and said it was a very informative session for all who attended. It was a pleasure having M.:W.: Richard Lynn visit our Lodge and host his seminar there.

Participating in Pioneer Days this year was about getting ourselves out into our community and letting everyone know we're here and we want to be involved. Many of our Brothers from South Seminole Lodge, in particular Luis Tellez (and his wife Kellie), Steve Shields, Tom Erskine and Nick Conner, setup a child ID tent and ran the program on both Saturday and Sunday. We were able to provide free Child ID information to the parents/guardians of 16 children over the weekend. That's a win for everyone. One thing that was really good to hear was how many people said they had relatives who were Masons and know that we do good things for the communities where we are. Several had stories to tell and knew members of our Lodge and knew exactly where we were located. A few Masons stopped by and said hello, including one from New Zealand and a few members of our Lodge. I hope this is a reboot of a tradition that will continue to grow long into the future for our lodge and community.

After Pioneer Days on Saturday, I was able to stop by the Russell Home and speak with a couple of the administrators. To be honest, this was the first time I have visited the Home. I introduced myself and asked them if there was anything that was an immediate need and received a list of items. I also asked when we could come visit the home and have a tour and meet some of the residents. Here's a short list of what items we will be collecting at the lodge to bring over to the home:

- * paper products - paper towels, plates, cups, etc.
- * Lysol wipes
- * chicken/beef stock
- * Fries, chicken strips
- * shredded cheese, butter

Please consider making a donation at the lodge so we can gather these things and pay them a visit. I would like to visit them at least once or twice this year to tour the facilities and stop by many more times to drop off donated goods and ask them what their immediate needs are. This Home does something special for our community and they need our help.

As we move from February to March, our labors do not slow down any. We will be conferring no less than 2 degrees this month and possibly all 3. On March 8th at 7pm, we will be conferring the Entered Apprentice Degree. We will be open to courtesy work, so the exact number of Brothers to be initiated has not yet been solidified. Our degree team is set and practices will have already begun by the time you read this article. On Saturday, March 31st, we may possibly be raising many Brothers to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. The exact number has not yet been tallied, but it could be a high number with courtesy work included. We will need as many Brothers there as possible to participate in the Degree team for both sections. Please keep your eyes and ears open for updates via email, phone and during the meetings this month!

March 3rd, Masters & Wardens will be at Orange Blossom Lodge No. 80. I encourage all Lodge Officers and Brothers to attend! Anything and everything going on in the month of March, and beyond, around the District is discussed and it's a wonderful way to meet your Brothers in the 16th District. We will also have a presentation by one of the candidates for the Grand South this year.

On March 10th, we will have breakfast from 9-11am with a work call mixed in to clean and prepare the Lodge for the Eastern Star Installation the following weekend. We will also be preparing to receive our cherished widows of Pine Castle for the Widows Luncheon from Noon to 2pm on the same day.

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At our second meeting this month, our Sisters in Eastern Star will be preparing another delicious dinner for everyone. We will also be opening lodge for the reception of the public and listening to a presentation by our Brothers from the Scottish Rite. Brothers, I encourage you to bring friends and family to this open presentation as it will be a fun and informative evening!

Everyone, please remember, March has been declared Masonic Youth Month! Let's make every effort to attend one or more Youth functions or meetings. Pine Castle Rainbow will be meeting on March 18th at 2pm for their regular stated meeting. Let's get out there and support them with as many Brothers as possible. They love to see us there supporting them! If you would like to visit multiple groups, please see the District Calendar at www.centralfloridamasons.com for their meeting dates, or see me. I would be happy to provide you with that information.

Lastly, if you have not heard from any of our Brothers in a while, please reach out to them and see how they are doing. If anyone needs assistance or have found that they would like to attend Lodge but do not have a way to get here, please let us know so we can try to do something about that. We are all a family and we need to do our best to take care of each other! That said, it was very nice to see many Brothers, who have not been able to come to Lodge in a while, at our last Stated Communication!

Until next time, travel lightly.

Patrick Uppole

Worshipful Master



Greetings from the West,

Brothers, since I missed telling you last month, I would like to sincerely thank you for the opportunity to serve you in the West, and I look forward to an exciting year of friendship and brotherly love. We have an exceptional Worshipful Master in the East, and an awesome crew of officers that are all excited to make it a great year.

Not that masonic education hasn't been interesting in the past - but look forward to seeing it spiced up a bit in the coming year. Our first edition will be apropos of our recently celebrated President's Day. It'll be great to see everyone in meetings for a little bit extra. I hope everyone's year is off to an amazing start and that it only gets better from here!

Fraternally Yours,

Joshua Michaels

Senior Warden

Charity for February



Greetings from the South Brethren,

Thus far, it has been a joyful experience to serve my brothers as Junior Warden. I appreciate the kind comments about dinners and breakfast. It fills my heart with joy to hear positive feedback from satisfied brothers who have been attending lodge regularly, but what of the brothers who have not visited their blue lodge in a while? We miss you and would love to see your smiling faces again. Please come by the lodge at least for breakfast and dinners if you do not have time for the stated communications. Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts are also welcome to come by, eat and say hello! You are really missing out on some great meals this year! Dinner on the first Wednesday in March will be pulled pork sandwiches with baked beans and coleslaw. The lovely ladies of the Eastern Star will provide dinner on the third Wednesday. (I am not sure what is on the menu, but possibly Corned Beef and Cabbage for St. Patrick's Day). Please remember to support your lodge and visit often. You are what Masonry is all about!

Fraternally,

Michael McMillan

Junior Warden



Order of the Eastern Star

February was an exciting month. The 5th was Advance Night; Jolee and John Miles, our Associate Matron and Associate Patron, moved into the East as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron to lead the meeting. They did an excellent job and our Chapter will be in good hands for the ensuing year. I am very excited for them and for our Chapter. The 19th was Elections Night and our Worthy Patron, Jim Guest, did an awesome job with everything going quite well. Our next meeting will be Farewell Night and we will be initiating two new candidates into Eastern Star. Some Stars go out and new Stars come in. It is all good. It has been our pleasure to serve as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Pine Castle 321 and wish to thank everyone in the Chapter for their love and support. Best of luck to Jolee, John, and all the new officers who will be installed on Saturday, March 17th. The Luck of the Irish be always with ye.

Dawne Miles

Worthy Matron

Jim Guest

Worthy Patron

Pine Castle Trestle Board



Rainbow Assembly

The Solar Bears hockey team had a night game on February 15th. Amanda and Emi participated in the Chuck-A-Puck where they sold rubber pucks to be thrown out onto the ice and had a great time. Congratulations to R.:W.: Michael Griffin (aka R.:W.: Chuck-A-Puck) for winning the event.



On Sunday, March 4th, the girls have an Ice-Cream Social/ Prospect Party planned.

The next stated meeting for the Rainbow Connection Pledge and Pine Castle Assembly will be Sunday, March 18th at 2:00 pm. Please come out and support the girls.

Forever Rainbow,

Mom Ceal



From the Chaplain

Sickness and Distress:

W.: Don Martin—continuing health issues

Bro. Scott Shaffer—continuing health issues

Bro. Mel Oyler—blood infection and cancer

Please keep these, our Military and our First Responders in your prayers.

If you know of any sickness or distress, or if I can be of any service to you, please feel free to contact me any time. My cell phone number is 407-373-5043

W.: Trey Rapp

Chaplain



From the Secretary

Brothers,

Pine Castle was honored to host the Grand Secretary and his Secretary 101 workshop on February 24th. This event was geared towards helping new Secretaries across the state come up to speed with processes and procedures, although seasoned Secretaries also learned some things as well. It was very well attended and good information was shared. I would like to thank W.: Hemphill for helping to get this scheduled and Norma Savoley and Ceal Hemphill for providing the tasty lunch.

One thing that we will be moving towards, both as a Lodge and at the Grand Lodge level, is increased use of Circumscribe. I know many of you may have heard of issues or problems with the initial startup of the site. Most of those issues seem to be resolved and I will be updating Dues payments and other data in Circumscribe in the next few months so that your information is current and up to date. Look for more information on Circumscribe in future Trestleboards.

W.: John A. Miles

Secretary



Pioneer Days and Child ID



Honorees from 2/21 Stated Communication



Our W. Secretary receiving thank you gift for service as M&W President for 2017

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New Memorial Bricks Added



Grand Secretary's Workshop



March

- 3/3 – Masters & Wardens at OB80
- 3/4 - OES Event for Sharon Strosnider - Noon-3pm, OES practice 3:30pm
- 3/5 - Order of the Eastern Star Chapter Meeting -7:30pm
- 3/7 - Stated Communication -6:30pm Dinner,7:30pm Meeting
- 3/8 - Called Communication - EA Degree - 7pm
- 3/10 - Lodge Breakfast - 9am-11am - Work Call to clean in prep for OES Installation
- 3/10 - Widows Luncheon - Noon-2pm
- 3/13 - Belle Isle Special Election - Adopt a precinct - 7am-7pm
- 3/17 – OES Installation of Officers – 12:30 Lunch, 2:00 Installation
- 3/17 - Open Books - Winter Park - 8:30am breakfast, 9am-3pm Open Books
- 3/18 - Pine Castle Rainbow Meeting - 2pm
- 3/19 - Order of the Eastern Star Chapter Meeting - 7:30pm
- 3/21 - Stated Communication - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting - Open meeting

3/29 - ME/MLT - Orange Blossom 80 - 6:30pm-9pm

3/31 - Called Communication - FC & MM Degrees - 10am FC Degree, Noon Lunch, 1pm MM Degree Tuesday/Thursday Degree Practice throughout the month - 7pm

April

- 4/2 - Order of the Eastern Star Chapter Meeting - 7:30pm
- 4/4 - Stated Communication - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- 4/7 - Masters & Wardens - Pine Castle Lodge - 8am breakfast, 9am Meeting, Memorial Lodge to follow
- 4/15 - Pine Castle Rainbow Assembly Meeting - 2pm
- 4/16 - Order of the Eastern Star Chapter Meeting - 7:30pm
- 4/18 - Stated Communication - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- 4/21 - Pine Castle Breakfast and committee report meeting - 9am-11am
- 4/21 - District 16 Fellowship Ball at the Grotto - 6:30pm - buy tickets in advance
- 4/21 - 4/22 - Pine Castle Rainbow Assembly Prospect Party and Dance - 3pm
- 4/28 - District 16 Open Books - Winter Park Lodge - 8:30am Breakfast, 9am-3pm



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 1973 Dempsey Lott Jr.*
 1974 James G. Shenk*
 1975 Roy W. Young*
 1976 Jerome Blum, PDI*
 1977 Boyd D. Dorris*
 1978 W. George Shows, PDDGM*
 1979 Richard J. Byle
 1980 Olin A. Crabtree*
 1981 Raleigh R. Taliaferro*
 1982 Troy L. Shaffer*
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 2001 Terry P. Robinson
 2002 J.L. Perez
 2003 David A. Davis
 2004 James Allen Shaw
 2005 Steve Bynum, DI
 2006 Steve Owens Sr.*
 2007 Terry A. Slusher
 2008 Robert Monroe
 2009 David Garavano*
 2010 Gerry Rushton
 2011 Randy White
 2012 Trey Rapp
 2013 Michael L. Diaz
 2014 John Miles
 2015 Rene Torres
 2016 Jim Guest
 2017 David Souza

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 Keith Monell
 Arno Pfeffer
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Nick Wunder

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 John Miles
 Fadi Saman
 Rene Torres

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 Rene Torres
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Enrique Galindo Martens

Paulo Lomba

Ramon Ojeda

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Masonic Birthdays

Steven Bynum (18)

Edward Skarosi (21)

Nicholas Sourant (60)

Patrick Byrum (4)

Patrick Uppole (4)

Swen Ekstrom Jr (21)

Herbert English (23)

James Goff (48)

David Hunt (4)

Donald Martin (17)

William McMillan (4)

Norberto Monell (4)

Eduardo Narvaez Sr (28)

James Shaw (23)