



From the East

Greetings from the East!

We're transitioning into the warmer months of the year and I hope these articles continue to find you and yours well. As has been the case for the rest of the year, the month of July has kept us busy at the lodge. W.: Miles, Brother Michael McMillan and myself converged on Crestview to meet with Brother Robert Bigford to present him with his 50 year ping and certificate

from the Grand Lodge of Florida. I have to say that this was a very enjoyable visit and we are thankful for the time we were able to spend with our Brother. His own Masonic history and his memories of many of our Brothers at Pine Castle were very interesting to listen to and gave us some more insight and deeper appreciation of our lodge and Brothers therein. This is something that we need to cherish and appreciate in our more "seasoned" Brothers. There is a lot of history in all of our lodges, if we make sure that we communicate with one another and really grow and strengthen that deep appreciation of one another. I implore every member to get to know one another because not only is there history of the Brother contained in the memories and stories, but there is history of the Lodge itself woven in. While we have a lot of our history written in minutes, there's a lot of that history that is still an oral history and should be passed down among the Brothers, lest we forget many of the minute details of our Lodge.

Our very own Rainbow girls had their Installation of Officers on Sunday the 15th. Congratulations to Worthy Advisor Jaleesha and her Officers on a wonderful installation. Brothers, let's make sure we support our Rainbow Assembly in every way possible. If any Brothers would like to make a presentation or give a short talk at any of their meetings, I think the young ladies would love to see us there! Please contact Sister Ceal Hemphill to discuss times and dates.

The annual Conclave for DeMolay in Florida was held near the end of the month and our newest Entered Apprentice, Alex Siew, concluded his term as State Master Councilor for Florida DeMolay. I was fortunate enough to attend a large portion of Conclave this year and I was very impressed with the ritual work, with the support these young men receive from around the state and around the country. They also receive a lot of support from many of the appendant Masonic bodies. Sister Norma Savoley, who is the Grand Royal Matron for Amaranth in Florida, gave one of the best speeches of the evening during the opening session and recalled how she was one of many in attendance who remember Alex when he was just a baby. Not all young men in DeMolay have Masonic ties and thus, not all of them have a firm grasp on who the Masons are and what

we do. Many of these young men are looking at us as their sponsoring body, but it is incumbent upon us to make sure they know what we are all about. What is it they always say? A good Mason is an educated Mason? Many of these young men in DeMolay can be good Masons, if we were to educate them about ourselves. Support our youth, help educate them, for they will be our leaders in the future.

Congratulations are in order for our four newest Fellow Crafts: Brothers Sammy Baker Sr, Mauricio Damus, Paulo Lomba and Enrique Galindo Martens! Welcome to the next step in your Masonic journey and I know you are very excited to start learning for the next step. I'm very proud of each of you and the time and effort each one of you has been putting in to learning your catechism. We are fortunate to have each of you here and look forward to your continued progress and seeing you around the lodge! Thank you for stepping up and helping out wherever and whenever you can, it is appreciated more than I can convey here.

Our Annual Pine Castle Lodge BBQ was a success! The food and fellowship was great and the weather held out long enough so that ALMOST everyone made it out unscathed. Thank you to W.'s Michael Diaz and Rene Torres for arriving WELL before dawn to stoke the fire and smoke the pork (and mixing up the Pine Castle BBQ sauce). Thank you, as well, to Brother Loren Barnett for not only providing the wood we needed, but fixing the hinges on one of the doors that was badly in need of repair and for smoking the chicken! Thank you to W.: Bob Monroe for putting together the delicious baked beans and helping with the smoker! Thank you to Sisters Nina Ingram and Pat Monroe for preparing all the cole slaw again! Thank you to Worthy Matron Jolee Miles and all of our OES members who contributed to the dessert table! It was delicious as usual. Thank you to all our Brothers who came out to help and stayed late to help clean up: Brothers Lomba and McMillan, W.: Jim Guest, and W.: RJ Byle. Last, but not least, thank you to everyone who came out or donated to support the Lodge. I hope everyone who was able to partake had an enjoyable time. To those who were able to make donations, we cannot thank you enough for your continued support of the lodge.

August is coming and so is our RWDDGM Ryan Kilmartin! We have been preparing all year for this visit through our continued practice of ritual work and diligence in our duties around the lodge. We are looking forward to welcoming him at our first meeting on August 1st. Dinner will start at 6:30pm and the meeting will follow at 7:30pm. The visit I have been able to attend so far was very good. The meeting will be kept short so the DDGM and his Committeemen can take the floor and deliver the Grand Master's message. Come out and greet our DDGM, DI and the District Committeemen of the Proud 16th Masonic District!

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Masters and Wardens will be held at Winter Park Masonic Lodge on August 4th at 8am. Please note, this is a change from the original calendar, due to a conflict at Eola Lodge. Brothers, our attendance at Masters and Wardens for the year has been somewhat lax and it would be very nice to see more of you there, especially our line officers. The meeting itself is usually only about an hour to 90 minutes, so please attend, if you are able. Lots of good information is usually handed out at these meetings such as ME/MLT dates, upcoming social events and functions and any changes or updates to schedules such as Open Books.

Generally speaking, I have had a program ready for the second meeting of every month so far this year. I'm still working on a presenter for August, but hopefully by the first meeting, I will have an announcement on who will be visiting us this month. Also, keep your eyes on your email as I will be increasing the amount of communication being sent out to keep everyone more informed of upcoming events or any news of importance.

We will be taking a break from Degrees this month, but look for an Entered Apprentice Degree in the early to mid-September timeframe. Any Brothers interested in joining the Degree team for that Degree, please see me or Brother Joshua Michaels and let us know. We will start to schedule some practices and would like to see some Brothers step out of their comfort zone and into parts they have not tried before. Keep growing, keep learning and keep progressing.

The Annual Cave Degree in Tennessee is this month on August 17th-18th, hosted by Union Lodge in Kingston, Tennessee. If you are a Master Mason and you have never been before, this is definitely one to keep on your radar every year. This year there will be an EA Degree conferred by a degree team from New Jersey on Friday night, the 17th. The Master Mason Degree will be conferred by the Mississippi Mountain Man degree team, in the cave on August 18th. It's great to see so many Brothers from around the country show up, but it's even better to see Brothers from Florida in attendance. I hope to see many of you there!

I think I've gone over my word limit for the month, so everyone please be safe and healthy! I hope to see you soon, whether inside the lodge or out and about.

Fraternally,

Patrick Uppole

Worshipful Master



From the South

Has it been hot outside, or is it just me? Remember, stay hydrated while conducting any outdoor labors brothers. We don't need any heat casualties during the summer months.

Please come out and enjoy dinner at the lodge this month. The following menus for the month are as follows:

Wednesday August 1st- Southern Bacon Fried Cabbage with Egg Noodles, Smoked Sausage and Cornbread.

Wednesday August 15 - Stated Communication TBA - Eastern Star

Fraternally

Michael McMillan

Junior Warden



Order of the Eastern Star

Even though we have been dark summer is in full swing.

In early July, a Mystery Dinner Theater was held at Pioneer Chapter to raise funds for the General Grand Chapter Committee on Regenerative Medicine. It was a lot of fun and Pine Castle was well represented at the event.

This month, we have two events planned. On August 4th at Orlando 131 will be the Proficiency class from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm - bring a bagged lunch with you. And, on Sunday, August 26th, we will be hosting the Rob Morris picnic and meeting.

Hope to see you at these events!

In Star Love,

Jolee Miles

Worthy Matron

John Miles

Worthy Patron



Rainbow Assembly

I would like to give you just a little information about Rainbow. The International Order of the Rainbow for Girls is a Masonic youth service organization which teaches leadership training through community service. Girls (ages 11-20/21) learn about the value of charity and service through their work and involvement with their annual local and Grand (state) service projects.

The order came into existence in 1922, when the Reverend W. Mark Sexson, a Freemason, was asked to make an address before South McAlester Chapter #149, Order of the Eastern Star, in McAlester, Oklahoma.

Girls can hold many different offices (also called Stations) in the local Assembly. Each requires some memory work. Some offices are elected by the other girls in the assembly and the other offices are appointed by the Worthy Advisor (President) and Mother Advisor. The Mother Advisor is the primary adult working with the girls. An Advisory Board of seven to fifteen

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adults aid in the supervision of the Assembly. Almost all of the Assembly work is done by the girls, with the advisors in support roles only.

Members are expected to serve their community, be law-abiding, acknowledge the authority of the Supreme Assembly, and show loyalty to the other members, among other things. For girls between ages 8 and 10, we have a "Pledge" program for prospective members, so that they can become familiar with Rainbow ceremonies and activities.

If you have daughter(s), step-daughter(s), granddaughter(s) or niece(s) that would like to join us, we would be happy to have them as our sisters. Being related to a Master Mason is not a requirement for Rainbow membership. For more information you can go to the Supreme Assembly website at www.gorainbow.org.

We would like to again thank Bro. James Witherspoon for the generous gift that we received at our initiation in June.



We had an Installation of Officers on July 15th. We would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to Mom Sue, Ameya and Kiki from Space Coast #99 and Mom Athena for participating in the installation. Also, we had the pleasure of the presence of the now Past State Master Councilor and Pine Castle Lodge's newest EA, Alex Siew.

Support your Masonic Youth by attending the meetings. Pine Castle Rainbow Assembly has a Casual Meeting on Sunday, August 5th at 2pm and a Stated Meeting on Sunday, August 19th also at 2pm.

Until next month,

Mom Ceal

Mother Advisor



From the Chaplain

Sickness and Distress:

W.: Don Martin—continuing health issues

Bro. Scott Shaffer—continuing health issues

W.: Rene Torres - prayers for his mother

Brother Mel Oyler's family has been in contact with our Secretary and we will likely be having a Masonic Service for Brother Mel on Saturday, August 25th. Details and times are still being worked out but be on the lookout for an official announcement later this month.

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,

If you were not here for our Stated Communication on July 18th, you missed an excellent presentation by the National Sojourners, a Masonic body traditionally for veterans, though they do accept non-veterans now. They, along with their Camp Followers (Ladies) shared with us the

"Building the Flag" presentation. It was quite moving and patriotic.

W.: John A. Miles

Secretary

Charity for the July 18th Stated Communication —Russell Home for Atypical Children



**50 Year Masonic Service Award
Presented to Bro. Robert Bigford**



August

- Aug. 1st - Stated Communication - DDGM Official Visit - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- Aug. 2nd - Gavel Travel to Winter Garden Lodge?? - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- Aug. 3rd - Pine Castle Social Event - TBD - Destination I-Drive - 6:30pm All Invited
- Aug. 4th - Masters & Wardens - Winter Park Lodge - 8am Breakfast, 9am Meeting, Memorial Lodge to follow
- Aug. 5th - Pine Castle Rainbow Assembly Fun Meeting - 2pm
- Aug. 6th - DDGM Official Visit to OB80 - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- Aug. 8th - Bahia Chapter DeMolay Installation - regular meeting - 7:30pm
- Aug. 9th - DDGM Official Visit to Hiram's Daylight - 10:30am Fellowship
- Aug. 10-11th - WGM/WGP, AGM/AGP retreats - Pine Castle is hosting the WGM/WGP retreat
- Aug. 14th - DDGM Official Visit to Winter Park - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- Aug. 15th - Stated Communication - Program TBD - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- Aug. 17th-18th - Annual Cave Degree - Kingston, TN
- Aug. 19th - Pine Castle Rainbow Assembly Meeting - 2pm
- Aug. 21st - DDGM Official Visit - South Seminole - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- Aug. 22nd - District School of Instruction - Winter Park - 6:30pm
- Aug. 25th - Open Books - Winter Park - 8am-Noon - small breakfast
- Aug. 30th - Deacons and Wardens Planning Meeting - TBD

September

- Sept. 1st - Masters & Wardens - Orlando 69 - 8am Breakfast, 9am Meeting, Memorial Lodge to follow (DDGM Visit to Memorial Lodge)
- Sept. 2nd - Pine Castle Rainbow Assembly Meeting - 2pm
- Sept. 4th - DDGM Official Visit - Orange 36 - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- Sept. 5th - Stated Communication - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- Sept. 8th - Pine Castle OES Pancake Breakfast - 8-11am
- Sept. 13th - DDGM Official Visit - St. Cloud 221 - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- Sept. 16th - Pine Castle Rainbow Assembly Meeting - 2pm
- Sept. 17th - Pine Castle OES Meeting - 7:30pm
- Sept. 19th - Stated Communication - Program TBD - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- Sept. 20th - DDGM Official Visit - Winter Garden - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- Sept. 24th - DDGM Official Visit - Mokanna - 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting
- Sept. 26th - District School of Instruction - Orlando 69 - 6:30pm
- Sept. 29th - Open Books - Winter Park - 8am-Noon - small breakfast



National Sojourners and
Camp Followers
at July 18th Meeting

Fellowcraft Degree for Brothers
Enrique Galindo Martens, Sammy Baker Sr.,
Paulo Lomba and Mauricio Damus



Pine Castle BBQ





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1980 Olin A. Crabtree*
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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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1977 FL Kenneth White
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2005 FL Michael Hemphill
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Brian Little
Alex Siew
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Carl Mason (37)

Carlos Parra (6)

Robert Perkins Jr (55)

Elden Powell Jr (38)

Marcelino Santiago (6)

Alvin Segee (54)

Rene Torres (6)

Angel Vale Jr (6)

George Walters (31)