

“THE CHALK”

HARMONIA LODGE NO. 138

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS

CHARTERED 1894

DISTRICT 25 - ZONE 7

M.:W.: GRAND LODGE OF FLORIDA

126 Years of Masonry in West Palm Beach

December 2020

December 14th, 2020

Stated Communication

Election of 2021 Officers

Meal 6:15 / Meeting 7:15

No Meeting on Dec. 28th

**There is ONLY ONE
MEETING this month.**

Lodge will be DARK for

**2nd meeting of the
month due to the
Holiday Season**



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From the East

Greetings Brethren,

We are now in the month of December and the temperature is getting colder. Having said that I hope everyone is planning to get their FLU shot soon as we approach the FLU season. Hopefully we will also soon have a COVID-19 Vaccine available for the world so we can finally beat back this pandemic and keep everyone safe and out of harm's way in the future. With the COVID-19 virus now spiking, more than ever remain vigilant and do not become complacent. Please continue to take care of yourselves, family, and loved ones during this life threatening pandemic. Continue to wash your hands and use hand sanitizer.

Congratulations to our Brother W:. Edmundo Rodas JPM for being Mason of the Month for December 2020; for putting together an outstanding Fellow Craft degree team with our JW Sotelo Cruz doing an outstanding job in the East! Congratulations to the entire degree team for a job well done. Happy Birthday to all the Brothers and family members for the Month of December.

In closing, remember Masonry is not just a Fraternity of good men; it's a way of life. May the Grand Architect of the Universe grant all the Brothers, Families, and Friends all the blessings now and forever.

Make It Happen!
Ray Rios,
Worshipful Master



From the West

Greetings Brethren,

It is with a heavy heart that I inform the Craft that I will not be seeking or running for an officer position in Harmonia Lodge for next year. I will of course continue to be your Senior Warden for the remainder of the current Masonic Year, and look forward to serving the Lodge in the West until my tenure is completed. I want to thank the Brothers for your confidence and support, and for the privilege and honor of allowing me to serve Harmonia as an officer. Worshipful Master Ray Rios and his officer line have my full support as he once again will serve as Master of the Lodge next year due to the COVID Pandemic forcing Lodge to shut down the majority of the year. I will continue to be a member of Harmonia Lodge and sit with my Brothers in Lodge, but starting next year it will be as a sideliner.

Thank you again Brothers for your love and support. Stay safe, continue to follow all protocols, and see you in Lodge!

Fraternally,
Brian Price
Senior Warden

From the South



Greetings Brethren!

Hope this message finds you and your family safe and in good health and spirits. 2020 is almost over and I'm sure all of us are anxious for it to be over after what this pandemic did to our lives. We can only hope for a better 2021 since a vaccine seems to be in sight. The Thanksgiving dinner held last November 23rd was well attended and my sincerest thanks to PM Ricky Espiritu for preparing us that wonderful Turkey dinner complete with all the fixings and dessert. Thank you!

December 14 will be our last meeting for the year and in that meeting, we will solidify the upcoming set of officers of the lodge for the ensuring year. Since no one is challenging the position for the three lights, I wish to Congratulate Worshipful Ray Rios to head our Lodge once again. I'm sure WM Ray Rios has lots of good things in store for us. The planned installation of officers is scheduled for January 16, 2021 so please mark your calendar and plan to attend.

Let us all continue to practice the necessary precautions such as wearing face masks, safe distancing, constant washing of our hands and most importantly take those vitamins in order to combat this dreadful virus. Again, please continue to reach out to the brothers if you need help with anything and with regards to the business of the Lodge, don't hesitate to call WM Ray Rios, Secretary Lou Babbit or myself for any questions.

May the Great Architect of the Universe bless us always!

Fraternally,

Sotelo Cruz, Junior Warden



Secretary Sez

Office Hours

Mondays & Wednesdays 10:00am - 4:00pm
Fridays 10:00am - 12:30pm

Brethren,

The dues notices for 2021 have been sent out to the Craft. Thank you to those Brothers who have already remitted their dues payments. If you have not yet paid your dues, please remit your payment to the Lodge Secretary no later than December 14th at the next upcoming meeting as any Brother who hasn't paid by then will have their membership suspended by the Craft for NPD. In accordance with Grand Lodge requirements, non-payment of dues letters were previously sent out for all brothers in arrears. If there are circumstances or challenges preventing you from paying your dues, please contact myself or the Worshipful Master ASAP. We are here to help my Brothers, you need only to reach out and ask.

Stay Safe and be well.

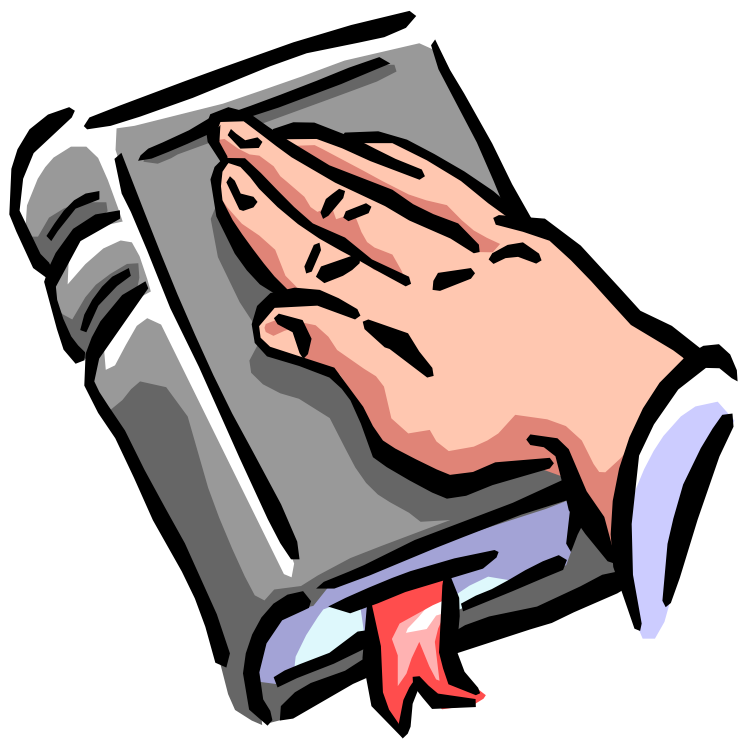
Lou Babbit, Secretary

“Believe... and you're halfway there”

~M.:W.: Harry S. Truman, PGM

**REMINDER,
Please get your
Lodge Dues into
the Secretary
on Time!**

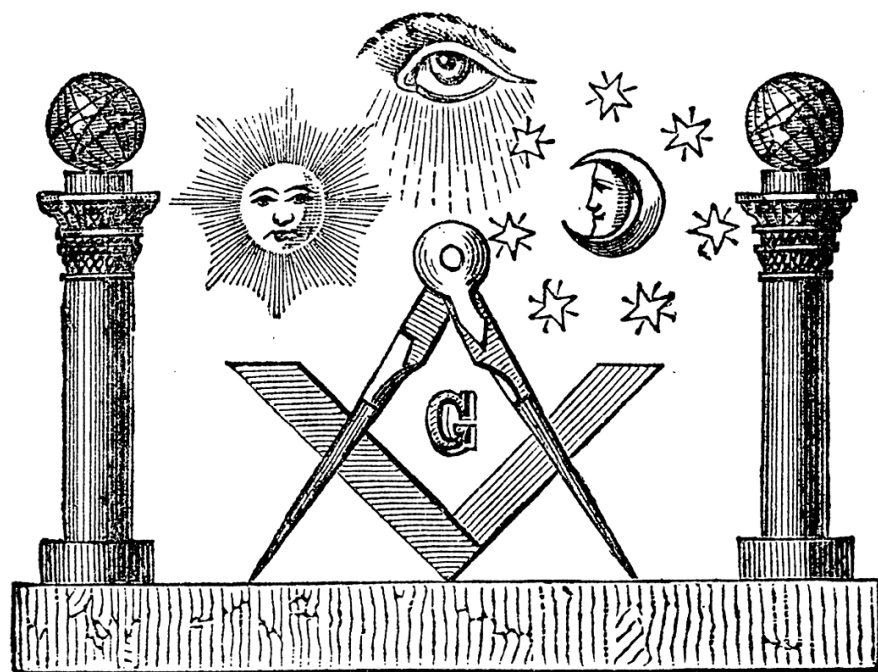
Thanks!



Installation of 2021 Harmonia Officers

On Saturday, January 16th 2021, Harmonia Lodge will conduct the ceremony for the installation of the 2021 officers. Please come out and share in this memorable event and show your support for the new line. We look forward to a wonderful event!

**Dinner will begin at 6:15 pm with the Installation to follow promptly at 7:15 pm.*



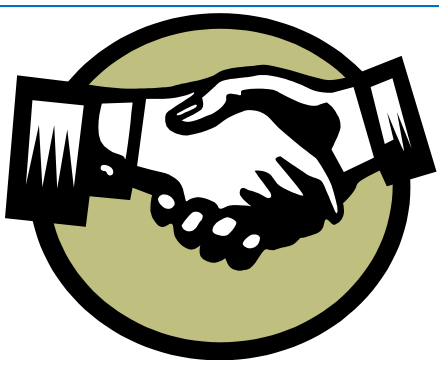
Election of 2021 Officers for Harmonia Lodge

Harmonia Lodge will be holding Elections for the 2021 Officers on Monday, 12/14/2020. Please come out and join us for the last meeting of 2020!



***REMINDER ***

There will be ONLY one meeting in December due to Winter Holidays. (12/14/2020)



Lodge Officers for 2020

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M.:W.: GRAND SECRETARY
Richard E. Lynn, PGM

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GRAND MASTER
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Palm Beach York Rite Bodies

Meets at Harmonia Lodge No. 138 F&AM

Chapter No. 24 Royal Arch Masons

Zabud Council No. 17 Royal and Select Masters

Palm Beach Commandry No. 18 Knights Templar



Area Lodges District #25

Boca-Delray #171

4093 NW 4th Avenue, Boca Raton
1st and 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 pm

Boynton #236

2701 Quantum Blvd, Boynton Beach
2nd and 4th Thursdays, 7:30 pm

Gulfstream #245

Palmwood Lodge: 845 Bradley St., WPB
1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30 pm

Palmwood #303

845 Bradley St., West Palm Beach
1st and 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 pm

Bykota #333

421 Jennings Ave., Greenacres
2nd and 4th Mondays, 7:30 pm

Jupiter Light #340

600 S. Loxahatchee Dr., Jupiter
2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 pm

Garden #366

9463 Roan Lane, Palm Beach Gardens
1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 pm

Lantana #372

Palmwood Lodge: 845 Bradley St., WPB
2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 pm

Harmonia Lodge Degree Status



Awaiting EA

Joseph Puleo



Awaiting FC

Mitchel Garcia Afon,
Emilio Olan

Awaiting MM

Hikmet Sir, James Rogers



Charity for the Month

Grassy Waters Elementary

<https://gwes.palmbeachschools.org>

The Box of Fraternal Relief is located in the Lodgeroom. Please donate what you can to this worthy cause.



2020 Lodge Committees

Finance

SW Brian Price (Chairman), Treas. W.: Joshua Johnson,
W.: Tony Petrides, Lou Babbit HPM, Sec. David Reilly HPM,
Bro. Peter Petrosky, Ed Griffin HPM

Vigilance

JW Sotelo Cruz (Chairman), Bro. Dave Porter,
JD Mark Higgs, W.: Marco Sevilleja

Petitions

Sec. David Reilly HPM(Chairman), Lou Babbit HPM,
Treas. W.: Joshua Johnson, Bro. Dave Porter, W.: Tony Petrides,
SW Brian Price, JD Justin Shiver

Masonic Education

Treas. W.: Joshua Johnson (Chairman), Sec. David Reilly HPM,
Lou Babbit HPM, Mike Hart HPM, W.: Tony Petrides

Board of Relief

W.:M.: Ray Rios (Chairman), SW Brian Price, JW Sotelo Cruz

Charity

SW Brian Brice (Chairman), Treas. W.: Joshua Johnson,
Lou Babbit HPM, Sec. David Reilly HPM

Lodge Property

JW Sotelo Cruz (Chairman), Bro. Scott McGary,
Lou Babbit HPM, Sec. David Reilly HPM, Bro. Dave Porter

Lodge Mentoring

W.: Edmund Rodas (Chair), SD Justin Shiver, W.: Marco Sevilleja

Community, Civic Improvement & Social Activities

JW Sotelo Cruz (Chairman), SD Justin Shiver, JD Mark Higgs

Investigations

Sec. David Reilly HPM (Chairman), Lou Babbit HPM,
Treas. W.: Joshua Johnson, Bro. Dave Porter, W.: Tony Petrides,
SW Brian Price, JD Justin Shiver

Communications, Trestleboard and Website

Greg Tammany(Chair), Sec. David Reilly HPM, W.: Tony Petrides

Visitors

Jim Kirby HPM (Chair), Bro. Greg Tammany, Mike Hart HPM,
Chap. Tanju Comert, Bro. Don Gonzalez, W.: Tony Petrides



Letters to the Editor (An open forum by Brothers, for Brothers)

We welcome any feedback to improve our Trestle Board! If you have any suggestions or input, a pressing issue, flustering problem, or you are just plain curious about any topic whatsoever, submit your comments in an e-mail to the editor at Meat11ball@aol.com. Thanks in advance for your valued input!