

“THE CHALK”

HARMONIA LODGE NO. 138

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS

CHARTERED 1894

DISTRICT 25 - ZONE 7

M.:W.: GRAND LODGE OF FLORIDA

128 Years of Masonry in West Palm Beach

October 2022

October 10th, 2022

Stated Communication

Meal 6:15 / Meeting 7:15

October 24th, 2022

Stated Communication

Meal 6:15 / Meeting 7:15

November 10th, 2022

(Thursday Night)

Called Communication

Entered Apprentice Degree

Meal 6:15 / Degree 7:15

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From the East

Greetings Brethren!

Hope this message finds you all safe and well. Happy Birthday to all the October celebrants.

I would like to thank the Degree Team at last month's Fellow Craft degree where we passed three Brothers. I would also like to thank Brother Clay Gordon for a flawless lecture. This month, we will vote upon future Brothers, so another Entered Apprentice degree is in the works. We will make a motion to make November 10th a called communication to do this, so please plan to attend.

Mark your calendar as October 29th will be our annual picnic to be held at Jupiter Beach Park. A flyer will be posted and distributed to the craft. Remember, every Saturday is Lodge of Instruction and the third Saturday of the month is Open Books at Harmonia Lodge.

If there are brothers who need assistance, especially after this Hurricane Ian, please do not hesitate to call a Brother or contact the Lodge. Let's all be Safe!!!

May the Great Architect of the Universe bless us always!

Sotelo Cruz

Worshipful Master



From the West

Brethren,

Let's officially welcome the Fall! I hope you are all enjoying the change in temperature as much as I am. Hopefully, some of our Brothers from the North will come down and visit our Lodge now that it isn't as hot.

We just had a fantastic Fellow Craft Degree and I congratulate the Degree team and all the newly passed Fellow Crafts for an outstanding night! It was definitely enjoyed by all in attendance.

The Lodge is active and if any Brother needs anything please don't hesitate to reach out. We are all here for each other at the end of the day.

May the GAOTU guide and protect us all,

Fraternally,

Justin Shiver

Senior Warden

From the South



Greetings Brethren,

September was an interesting month. First let me start with I hope that you and your family are safe and secure with Hurricane Ian's passing. That was an incredible storm and I pray for those affected by it. If you need assistance, please don't hesitate to ask.

On September 26th, we had our Fellow Craft degree and I have to say the degree team did a very good job. We were able to pass to the degree of Fellow Craft 3 brothers. It was a good night for all involved. We had in our presence our past master Charlie Hogwood in attendance and it was great to see him. There is something to be said seeing our past master who lives in Georgia in attendance for this degree. He was definitely missed and I personally let him know of his missed presence. Other than that, all was well in the month of September.

I would like to make a special announcement; please save the date and make all attempts to make it. On October 29th between 11am-4:30pm, Harmonia Lodge will be having its annual BBQ, which will take place at Jupiter Beach Park, located at 1375 Jupiter Beach Road, Jupiter, Florida. 33477. This will be a fun and enjoyable event. I hope to see you all there. Flyers will be mailed out for further details.

Yours in the Faith,
Lou Schwartz
Junior Warden



Secretary Sez

Office Hours

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

Brethren,

I hope all of you are doing well and did not suffer any serious damage due to Hurricane Ian! I reported last month that the Final Notices for remittance of Dues will be mailed out on October 1, 2022. We currently have 24 members who have not remitted their Dues for 2022. I am happy to report that Circumscribe is back up and running as of the writing of this article. If your Dues Card does not have a 2022 date on it, then YOU ARE DELINQUENT on your Dues. You have several options to help you make payment:

1. Pay through Circumscribe
2. Send a check to the Lodge
3. Call me and I can pay through Circumscribe using your Credit Card
4. Make a cash payment to me at the Lodge.

I would prefer not to bring anyone before the Lodge for NPD and see them suspended. If you need assistance, please contact the Lodge.

Harmonia Lodge just conferred a Fellow Craft Degree for Bro. Michael Koppy, Bro. Robert Gawel, and Bro. Gensley Pierre. Congratulations to these Brothers for their advancement.

Nominations forms for Lodge Elected Office are available this month and need to be submitted by the first meeting in November. I would like to wish a Happy Birthday to all Brother's celebrating a birthday this month.

May the Grand Architect of the Universe watch over each and everyone of you and your Families.

Fraternally,

W.: Robert C. Gibbons, Secretary

“In a moment of decision, the best thing you can do is the right thing to do. The worst thing you can do is nothing!” ~Bro. Theodore Roosevelt



Harmonia Lodge

Annual BBQ

October 29th

11:00 - 4:30 pm

Event is open to all Brothers,
family and friends!

OCTOBER 29TH, 2022

HARMONIA LODGE
138

Halloween
Beach Bash

**JUPITER BEACH
PARK**

**EVENT STARTS AT - 11 A.M.
ENDS AT - 4:30 P.M.**

**1375 JUPITER BEACH RD.
JUPITER, FL, 33477**

R.S.V.P BY: 10/15/2022

SECRETARY@HARMONIA138.COM



Calling ALL Military personnel

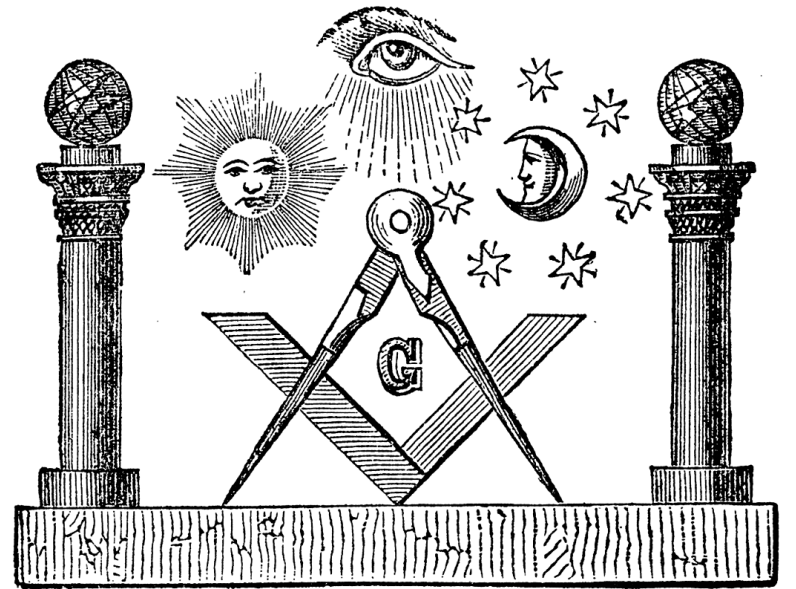


Harmonia Lodge wants to recognize and honor our Military Members. If you are a Brother who has served in any branch of the United States Military, whether active, retired, or reserves, we want to hear from you!

Harmonia Lodge is compiling a list of all members who served in the armed forces. Please contact our Secretary in the Lodge office to let him know what Branch you served in and your dates of service for our Lodge database, and Thank You for your Service!

Harmonia Degree Teams

Do You Love Masonic Ritual?
Do You Enjoy Working with a Team?
Have You Always Wanted to Participate in Degrees?



Harmonia has EA, FC, and MM Degree Teams and we are looking for additional members! No experience is necessary! Simply a desire to learn is all that is required! Each degree team has a Director that leads the team. The intent is to have degree teams that are proficient in exemplifying excellent ritual work while simultaneously training newer Brothers to become proficient so that Harmonia can put on any degree at a moments notice. If interested, please contact Worshipful Secretary Rob Gibbons in the Lodge office. Come join the team!

Instructive Tongue

For years the origin of Freemasonry has been a burning question among members and researchers alike. The current and accepted history dates back to the stoneworkers of Europe and the Halliwell Manuscript of 1390. But through the years many have labored with the burning question of “Who wrote our rituals?” Was it a committee appointed by some high authority? Or was it the inner thoughts of one man, which was later accepted through the years? The following commentary may set the question to rest.

Thomas Smith Webb, considered to be the Father of American Masonic Ritual, was born October 13, 1771, and died July 6, 1819. Thomas S. Webb was an active Royal Arch Mason and member of the Commandery. In 1795, three years after he had been made a Master Mason and also a Royal Arch Mason, he had already served as Master of his lodge and High Priest of the Holy Royal Arch. Webb realized that this was not Masonry as it was originally intended. After a few years of research using Dr. Anderson and William Preston as his guide, Webb published his first Freemason Monitor in 1797, in which he established the standardization of the line officers and a ritual for each of the four degrees: Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, Master Mason and Royal Arch, with lectures explaining each degree. By 1804, Webb’s ritual was partially accepted by all jurisdictions in the United States, and ever since, the ritual has been learned word for word and lecture by lecture with very little change in the standardization set forth by Webb. Thomas Webb was a member of the Masonic fraternity for only 27 years.

(source: Facts, Fables and Fantasies of Freemasonry,
by Rt. Ex. William Adrian Brown)

FREE CPAP Machine

There is a CPAP Machine that has been donated to our Lodge for any Brother in need. It is free of charge to any Brother who needs it.

If interested, please contact the Lodge Secretary in the office to arrange for pick up of your new device!



Lodge Officers for 2022

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Robert Lambert

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

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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	Bykota Lodge: 421 Jennings Ave., Greenacres 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



Usual Course

Daly Andre Joachim



Plural Membership

Kenny Lasseter, Mark Denzau

Awaiting EA

Angel Pabon, Guiller "JoJo" DeGuzman Esquerra

Awaiting FC

Roger Dean Byrd

Awaiting MM

Michael Kopyy, Gensly Pierre, Robert Gawel



Charity for the Month

Disabled American Vets/DAV Chap#42

The Box of Fraternal Relief is located in Lodgeroom. Please donate what you can.



2022 Lodge Committees

Finance

SW Justin Shiver (Chairman), Treas. W.: Joshua Johnson,
W.: Tony Petrides, Secretary W.: Robert Gibbons Sr.,
Ed Griffin HPM, Bro. Mark Garfinkel

Vigilance

JW Louis Schwartz (Chairman), W.: Ray Rios, Bro. Dave Porter

Petitions

Secretary W.: Robert Gibbons Sr. (Chairman),
David Reilly HPM, W.: Tony Petrides, SW Justin Shiver,
JW Louis Schwartz, SD Chad Rawlinson

Masonic Education

W.: Edmund Rodas (Chairman), David Reilly HPM,
Secretary W.: Robert Gibbons Sr.

Board of Relief

W.:M.: Sotelo Cruz (Chair), SW Justin Shiver, JW Louis Schwartz

Charity

SW Justin Shiver (Chairman), Treas. W.: Joshua Johnson,
David Reilly HPM

Lodge Property

JW Louis Schwartz (Chairman), Sec. W.: Robert Gibbons Sr.,
W.: Ray Rios, Bro. Scott McGary, Bro. Bobby Mason

Lodge Mentoring

W.: Edmund Rodas (Chair), Chap. J.C. Rogers, JS Rudy Romero

Community, Civic Improvement & Social Activities

JW Louis Schwartz (Chairman), SD Chad Rawlinson,
JD Erasmo Gonzalez, SS Antonio Cruz Jr., JS Rudy Romero

Investigations

Secretary W.: Robert Gibbons Sr. (Chairman), Brothers of the
Lodge as Appointed (Master Masons ONLY)

Communications, Trestleboard and Website

Bro. Greg Tammany (Chair), Secretary W.: Robert Gibbons Sr.,
W.: Tony Petrides

Visitors

David Reilly HPM (Chair), James Kirby HPM,
Bro. Greg Tammany, Bro. Thomas Taylor, Bro. Steven Sucher,
W.: Tony Petrides, W.: Frank Rocanello

Awards

W.: Tony Petrides, Secretary W.: Robert Gibbons Sr.,
SW Justin Shiver, David Reilly HPM



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!

Past and Honorary Masters from Harmonia Lodge



* indicates deceased

Wor. Nelson E. Cowles – 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896 *
Wor. John H Hill- 1898 *
Wor. Louis P. Lane- 1900, 1901 *
Wor. George W. Brown – 1905, 1906 *
Wor. George R. Lyman- 1911*
R.W. Max Sirkin- 1913, 1914, DDGM 1921*
Wor. J.A. Bowrey- 1916*
R.W. R.J. Kishpaugh- 1918, DDGM 1920 *
Wor. Fred M. Brannan- 1921, 1922*
Wor. Albert Johnstad- 1924*
Wor. Marion E. Gruber- 1926*
Wor. Thomas A. Whitaker- 1928*
R.W. Joseph Borman- 1930, DDGM 1936*
R.W. Leroy J. Shellburg- 1932, DDGM 1953*
Wor. George H. Rines Jr.- 1934*
Wor. J. Fred Wood- 1936*
Wor. John B Cook- 1938*
Wor. Wilfred E. Froehlich- 1940*
Wor. George M. Warren- 1942*
R.W. R. Keith McEwen- 1944, DDGM 1962*
Wor. Dennis F. Bell- 1946*
Wor. Walter Oldford- 1948*
Wor. Roland J. Martin- 1950*
Wor. Walter E. Sansbury- Elected for 1952, passed away before he could assume office.*
R.W. Carrol E. Watkins- 1952, DDGM 1960*
Wor. Curtis C. Knight- 1954*
Wor. M.V. Thomason- 1956*
Wor. Alfred R. Peebles- 1958*
Wor. Herman A. Neal- 1960*
Wor. Winston H. Taylor- 1962*
Wor. James W. Short- 1964*
Wor. A.D. McIntosh- 1966*
Wor. Edmond A Tower- 1968*
Wor. Robert L. Ford- 1970*
R.W. Jack C. Miller- 1972, 1973, DDGM 1987
Wor. Louis Baronovich- 1975*
Wor. William N. McKinney- 1977*
R.W. Jonathan C. Munro- 1979, DDGM 1997*
Wor. Raymond E. Welsch- 1981
Wor. Freeman M. Taylor- 1983
Wor. Robert H. Packwood- 1985
Wor. Clyde Dickens J.R.- 1987
Wor. Colin M Cameron- 1989, 1994
Wor. Dean T. McClure- 1991
Wor. Stanley W. Meeds- 1993*
Wor. Herbert R. Briggs- 1996
Wor. Christopher J. Spring- 1998, 2000
Wor. Stephen E. Henwood- 2001*
R.W. Malcolm A. Rhinehart- 2004, DDGM 2006
Wor. Frank A. Rocanello- 2006
Wor. Joseph G. Walsh- 2008
Wor. William O'Sullivan- 2010
Wor. Val De Vuyst- 2013
Wor. Anthony "Tony" Petrides- 2015
Wor. Ricky Espiritu- 2017
Wor. Edmund Rodas- 2019
Wor. Sotelo Cruz- 2022

Wor. J.F. Lamond- 1897 *
Wor. Reynold Cothran- 1899 *
Wor. Andrew Nilson- 1902, 1903, 1904, 1909, 1910 *
R.W. Thomas Watson- 1907, 1908, DDGM 1911*
Wor. Henry W. Lewis- 1912 *
R.W. L. Trevette Lockwood-1915,DDGM 1933,1935*
R.W. Elwin W. Bunker- 1917, DDGM 1918*
Wor. Robert S. Clark- 1919*
Wor. A.S. Andersen- 1923*
Wor. George S. Whitting- 1925*
Wor. Charles M. Gruber- 1927*
Wor. Robert W. Greer- 1929*
Wor. Herbert B. Wentzell- 1931*
Wor. Henry F. Lilienthal- 1933*
Wor. Hal G. Young- 1935*
R.W. J. D. Lenderman- 1937, DDGM 1939*
Wor. Paul C. Brown- 1939*
Wor. Wm. E. Tanner- 1941*
R.W. Claude L. Fendley- 1943, DDGM 1954*
Wor. Raymond G Jewell- 1945*
Wor. John R. Wells- 1947*
Wor. Richard H. Mathews- 1949*
Wor. J. Louie Carter- 1951*
Wor. Theodore F. Kohl- 1953*
Wor. Kent Taylor- 1955*
Wor. Aubrey A. Burse- 1957*
Wor. James L Waugh- 1959*
Wor. R. Frank Rogers- 1961*
R.W. Robert E. Cox- 1963, DDGM 1965*
Wor. William C. Spencer- 1965*
Wor. Ernest R. Bass J.R.- 1967
Wor. F. Paul Taylor- 1969*
R.W. Lowery L. Jackson- 1971, DDGM 1973*
Wor. James L. Snelgrove- 1974
Wor. Ralph O. Cabaniss- 1976*
R.W. Franklin R. Coursey- 1978, DDGM 1984
Wor. Roy R Laws- 1980
Wor. Lyle E. Mason- 1982*
Wor. Richard J.L. Packwood- 1984
Wor. James F Irvin- 1986
Wor. Thomas W. Kyle- 1988*
Wor. Michael F McCarthy J.R.- 1990
Wor. Clarence P. Graham- 1992*
Wor. Van W. High- 1995*
Wor. Arthur M. Bennett- 1997
R.W. John G. Allen- 1999, 2011, DDGM 2003*
Wor. Scott J. Wheeler- 2002
Wor. Mark D. Eitel- 2005
Wor. John B. DaGrosa S.R.- 2007
Wor. Paul L. Moss- 2009
Wor. Joshua G. Johnson- 2012
Wor. Lawrence Doiron- 2014
Wor. James "Charley" Hogwood- 2016
Wor. Marco Sevilleja- 2018
Wor. Ray Rios- 2020-2021

HONORARY Past Masters

Edward L. Hosford- 1960*
Philip P. Rosenshein- 1994*
Edgar D. Mitchell- 2007 (6th Man on the moon.)
David Reilly- 2015
Lou Babbit- 2016*
William "Bill" Sheff- 2022

Daniel B. Laub- 1965*
James H. Kirby JR.- 1999
Michael Hart- 2014
Edward Griffin- 2015
Robert C. Gibbons- 2021