



## South Seminole Lodge #364 F. & A. M.

### Stated Communications

1st & 3rd TUESDAYS

Dinner @6:15 PM , Meeting @ 7:00 PM

122 Triplet Lake Drive, Casselberry, Florida

### *From the East*

#### **Greetings South Seminole Brothers !**

Thank you all very much for electing me as the WM for 2014. I appreciate your support and attention. I would also like to thank our D.D.G.M. Larry Williamson and our R.H. Jonny Brock, the Installing officers, the York Rite and Rainbow girls for a wonderful job at this years installation. We have a great line of officers and I am certain that this will be a very prosperous year for South Seminole.

This year, our goal will be to focus on strengthening our Masonic ties within the district, and with one another! The strength and influence of Masonry is only as strong as the bond that we share with one another daily.

I would like to turn our attention this year to our new incoming Masons, giving them a good and lasting impression of who we are, and what we do. Our support for one another and for our communities should not be overlooked!

Let us also remember those older members who have been distant for a while. Do not forget that they are the inspiration, the driving force, and the living examples of what it means to be a Mason...and the foundation of South Seminole Lodge.

My Brothers! Let us come together this year, strengthening our Blue Lodge, so we can better server our community, help each other, our Grand Lodge and continue what those before us have started. A place where we can always count on for Morality, Charity, Relief and Brotherly Love.

Thank you and God Bless

Petronio Martins W.M.

### *From The West*

#### **Greetings My Brothers !**

I am very proud and happy to be part of this new, dynamic, South Seminole Lodge. Our Worshipful Master, with strong support from our newest Brothers, is already push the Lodge to rise to the next levels of Masonic excellence. I believe our biggest challenge is in getting more of our Brothers to join in this noble quest. We are much stronger in greater numbers and the individual work load becomes much lighter. King Solomon's Temple was built by the strong hands of many, not on the tired backs of a few. Thus, it must be for our Lodge. It was very disappointing to see such thin attendance at our Officer Installation, last DDGM official visit, and at Stated Communications in general. I challenge each of my Brothers to reach out to two other Brothers and get them to our next meeting. That would triple our ranks next time. To my fellow Past Masters....leaving the East shouldn't mean retiring from Lodge Service. Your help and wisdom on the committees, in Mentoring younger Brothers, and your Fellowship at the fine dinners our new JW is preparing...IS VITAL to the Future of South Seminole Lodge and Masonry as a whole.

Hope to see ALL of you on Feb 18th !

Skip Yonchik, S.W.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

02/11 FC Degree SSL 7pm  
 02/12 District School @ Orange 36 @ 7:30p  
 02/13 Hiram's Daylight 10:30am at SSL  
 02/15 Zone MLT school@ New Smyrna 8am  
 02/18 SSL Stated Mtg, dinner @ 6pm  
 02/20 UCF Youth Fundraiser @ Arena 6pm  
 02/22 Open Books @ Winter Park 9am  
 02/22 MM Degree Hiram's @ SSL 10am  
 02/25 Youth/Lodge Bowling Night 7pm Casselberry  
 Lanes on Wilshire off 436  
 02/26 District School @ Orange 36 @ 7:30p  
 03/01 Masters & Wardens Mokanna 8am  
 03/04 SSL Stated Mtg, dinner @ 6pm  
 03/16 UCF fundraiser, Arena 2pm Call  
 03/21 UCF fundraiser, Arena 5pm Call  
 04/05 Masters & Wardens SSL 364 8a

#### **2014 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

Finance	Wor. Skip Yonchik PM
Masonic Vigilance	Chris Wall
Petitions	Chris Wall
Charity, Wills & Gifts	Master & Wardens
Lodge Property/Rental	Wor. Tom Hoopes
Masonic Education	Wor. Ed Henderson
Mentoring	Wor. Ed Henderson
Youth Activities	Wor. Skip Yonchik
Board of Relief	Master/Wardens
Sickness & Distress	Richard Cerezo
Remembrance	Richard Cerezo
Publicity	Wor. Tom Hoopes
L.Y.P.M.G.C.	Anthony Edwards
Lodge Rebuilding	Wor. Ellis/Yonchik
Event Scheduling	Juan Lopez-Palmer

# News of the Lodge

## *Do you have a 2014 DUES CARD in your Wallet ?*

IF NOT, you are past do on your annual obligation. Please check your records and become current today if you have forgotten this important task. We no have the option to pay by credit or debit card ! You can do this in person, at the Lodge, by phone to our Secretary. There is a small service charge , and you are still welcome to pay by check if you prefer. Please help us keep the Lodge on firm financial footing . IF you are current, Thanks for your continued support of OUR Lodge.

## *Masonic Education and Advancement*

Bros Joshua Franko and Jeff Gerlitz successfully returned their FC proficiency . Master Mason Degree for them will be on Sat 2/22 at a shared event with Hiram's Day Lodge. There is a strong possibility of some "GRAND" participation so please plan to attend. Brothers Paul Blanton and James Strawser successfully returned their EA proficiencies and will receive the FC degree on 2/11

## *E-Mail Trestle Board Program Needs YOUR Support*

From now on, this printed version will be a "digest" of the most important news. Once we get the email and web site version fully operational, content will be greatly expanded there. PLEASE get us your current email address . Call any officer with your info.

## *News or our Youth Groups*

**Demolay** Installation was held this month, with Alex Ghiglieri remaining as Master Councilor for a second term. Alex also earned the Grand Master's Youth Award. Max Ortiz is DeMolay of the Term. All our young men earned Merit Bar awards for their service. Wor. Ed Henderson was recognized as Advisor of the Term. Wor. Tom Hoopes was given the Hats Off Award. The Chapter charity will be the Casselberry Care Cabin for this term. Important dates 2/25 Bowling night with Lodge, 2/28 Cooking Class, and March 21 is District Wide Initiation and lock-in at South Seminole Lodge.

**Hope Rainbow** has regular meetings every second and fourth Sunday, 4pm at the Lodge. Masons are welcome to attend.

## *Lodge Charity*

The Lodge continued our monthly support for the Casselberry Care Cabin food bank...providing food staples to at-risk families and kids. The Cabin is also now supporting needy families at the adjoining Middle School . Help us to help more in our Community. Your efforts at Lodge fundraisers and your kind donations make a real difference !

## *Fundraising*

The main fundraising activity for the Lodge and our Youth continues to be the concessions at UCF concerts and football. For this very important activity to continue, we need the support of more Brothers, Youth, families and friends. This activity generates important revenue that would be impossible to replace with dinners, bake sales, and car washes...as in everything else it has to expand beyond the small group of "regulars". Help us keep this vital source of charity funds going.

### **2014 OFFICERS**

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Jr. Deacon - Tim French

Chaplain - Richard Cerezo, Sr.

Marshal - John Dibble

Musician - Wor. B. Frank Ellis

Sr. Steward - Ted Hammond

Jr. Steward - Andrew Dever

### **IN REMEMBRANCE**

#### **Deceased Past Masters of SSL**

Curtis F. Blow	U.D & 1968
Verbun A. Jones	1969
Frank Bingham	1970
Louis Kirby	1971
Francis P. Oddo *	1972
Troy Tatum	1973
William P. Byles	1974
Carl E. Strom	1975
J.C. Valentine	1976
Rodger T. Peterson, Sr	1977
#William B. Ritter	1978
Phillip G. Marriott	1979
Carl E. Lloyd	1986
Edward K. Herr	1988
John A. Melanson	1994
Kenneth N. Holladay	1998
Marty Nash APM	1998
Donald Maurizio	1999
John J. Walsh	2006

### ***Help Your Lodge, Join a Committee***

There are many opportunities to help out your Lodge ! Regardless of your talents, age, or physical limitations, there is a place for you to contribute. One great need is on the Events Committee, specifically as a Host for the Church which meets at our Lodge each Sunday morning. You open the Lodge and help with any minor details they might need. After the event, you lock up and turn off the A/C and lights. This is a very important duty and one easily performed by any Brother. We also have great needs for Mentors, and in Educating and coaching our newer Brothers. We always need Brothers for our UCF fundraisers if you have the physical ability to help there and also enjoy great fellowship with your Brothers and our Youth.

Please sign up with any Officer or Chairman and get involved in South Seminole success !