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SEPTEMBER 2009
OKEECHOBEE LODGE NO. 237, F&AM



Chartered January 18, 1917
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From the East

My Dear Brothers, Greetings,

Lodge events have slowed a bit as the full effect of summer is upon us.

The District Meeting which was held in Stuart on July 31st was a great success. We had a large turnout from Okeechobee including Miss Doris, Miss Mary Ann, Miss Lillian, and Miss Karen as well as Miss Lorna in attendance with their husbands. Paul Friend provided great roast beef along with his signature green beans. The dinner was the best ever except for ours last year. I'm sure you remember that one! All in all a terrific night out. The Grand officers were all in attendance and my experience indicated that they were pleased with the turnout as well as the meal and formality shown to them. I also wish to thank all of the Okeechobee attendees and their spouses.

Our Entered Apprentice Brothers continue their study toward the examination of their proficiency. This most likely will given back at the September Stated Communication. We passed Brother Justin Rhodes to the Fellowcraft at the August Stated Communication and Brothers Kim Richardson and Dick Bilbrey returned the Entered Apprentice Catechism that evening along with Justin. At this point, I must thank Tom Jolly and Hugh Alger for picking up the slack and providing the necessary training for the brothers progressing through the Degrees.

Senior Warden John Bubel sat in the East for the Fellowcraft Degree and Right Worshipful Leonard Harper, PDDGM made the trip from Deerfield Beach to give the lecture. Worshipful David Pittard delivered the Charge. The Degree was presented in excellent form from all stations and the Lecture and Charge were top notch. I must say, the Degree work this year has been extremely well done. I am especially pleased to have had the Senior and Junior Wardens sitting in the East for the Fellowcraft and Entered Apprentice Degrees. This provides great experience for them in the future when they will be Master of the Lodge. We will be scheduling a Fellowcraft Degree for the Entered Apprentices sometime in September at a Called Communication. We continue to hold Lodge Practice sessions on Thursday evenings starting at 7 pm. Catechism lessons are at 6 pm. Labor day weekend (5th, 6th, 7th of September) we will be selling Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and Tea in the park. Please come out and help cook or sell or come out and feed the family for a pittance while enjoying the festivities. The booth will be manned from about 9 to 5 on each day; setup Friday evening.

The September Master's and Warden's meeting will be at Sebastian Masonic Lodge on Saturday the 26th. Breakfast will start at 8:00am and meeting at 9:30. We will have carpooling available for those desiring to attend. We typically meet at the Lodge at about 6:30 am. Plan to go if you are able. It is always a good chance for some fraternal knowledge as well as great fellowship.

We are re-starting our brick project for the front sidewalk. If you have ordered already and it hasn't been completed, please contact Hugh Alger or myself and we will get your brick installed asap. We will be actively taking orders at once for new bricks and remember, they only cost \$50. Get a couple!

I regret that the fun shoot scheduled for Sept 26th has been canceled. It has become evident that the community support for these type events is waning in light of the tight economic times. It is hoped we can get some interest in the future for a fun shoot as we all enjoy the event very much.

We will be having an Officer's Meeting on the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM. We need to start having these on a routine basis to keep everyone on the same page for our future events and to allow for inputs from all. We have plenty to discuss! Please mark it on your calendars, they will be relatively short in duration. My Brothers, continue to keep Brother Jim Vensel in your prayers. He has several more months of recuperation until he will be 100%. I just talked to him and he is in great spirits and will appreciate our thoughts and prayers.

Reverently and Fraternaly,

James Arnold Green, W.M.

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Secretary's Message

The 2009 dues notices have been mailed. Please remit your dues promptly. Why not consider a Perpetual Membership - Contact me for more information.

Rick Holt, PDDGM
 Secretary
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"Remember Ritual Competition
 coming up
 Lodge Officers Training Course
 Master Masons Exam I, II, and III"

Master's Thought For The Month

Associate yourself with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation. It is better be alone than in bad company.
 -Geo. Washington

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September 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
		OES Stated Meeting Dark		6:30p.m.-8:00p.m. Lodge Practice 6:30p.m.-7:30p.m. Officers Meeting	Full Moon	9a.m.-12p.m. Lodge Workday
<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>
	Labor Day			6:30p.m.-8:00p.m. Lodge Practice		Last Quarter
<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>
	7:30p.m.-9:30p.m. Okeechobee No. 237 Stated Communication	OES Stated Meeting Dark		6:30p.m.-8:00p.m. Lodge Practice	New Moon	
<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u> First Quarter
		7:30p.m.-8:30p.m. St. Lucie No. 17 Stated Conclave		6:30p.m.-8:00p.m. Lodge Practice		8a.m.-11a.m. Master's & Warden's Sebastian Lodge 8a.m.-2p.m. Annual Fun Shoot cancelled
<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>			
	Okeechobee No. 237 Dark					

Past Masters of Okeechobee Lodge No. 237, F&AM

1916 (UD) Douglas E. Austin*
 1917 Charles L. Hatch*
 1918 Robert B. Trask*
 1919 Douglas E. Austin*
 1920 Hahs F. Evernden*
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 1922 Henry H. Hancock*
 1923 Horace C. Adams*
 1924 Hugh H. DeYarman
 1925 Kirkland B. Edlon*
 1926 Horace C. Adams*
 1927 Orlando J. Price*
 1928 Joseph E. Lovvorn*
 1929 Eweart G. Sellars*
 1930 Lester W. Jennings*
 1931 Lewis A. Turner*
 1932 Irving Goldberg*
 1933 Albert Berka*
 1934 Thomas W. Conely, Jr. *
 1935 Sollie Roy Raidsnider*
 1936 John M. Roe*
 1937 Willaim A. Moore*
 1938 Andrew L. Braggs*
 1939 Frank W. Zander*
 1940 Fredrick W. Humphries*
 1941 Walter H. Lee*

1942 William J. Hendry, PDDGM 1949*
 1943 William R. Page*
 1944 Zibe King Williams*
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 1946 John W. Swain*
 1947 Pelham P. Evans*
 1948 Hiram H. Raulerson*
 1949 Maurice G. Crum*
 1950 Robert A. Burgess*
 1951 John D. Brette*
 1952 Roger L. Jones
 1953 Dowling R. Watford
 1954 Leonard Berger*
 1955 Dowling R. Warford
 1956 Zibe King Williams*
 1957 Thomas W. Conley, Jr.*
 1958 Dowling R. Warford
 1959 Kennth E. Ford
 1960 Haynes E. Williams
 1961 William H. Williams*
 1962 John Ed Burdeshaw
 1963 Oliver D. Godwin*
 1964 Donald R. Mack
 1965 Kenneth W. Ford
 1966 Russell V. Domer*
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 1970 Charles A. Robertson, PDDGM 1982*
 1971 James Ammons*
 1972 Pelham P. Evans*
 1973 Charles A. Robertson, PDDGM 1982*
 1974 Johnny Mack Kinsaul*
 1975 Ralph L. Davis*
 1976 Charles A. Robertson, PDDGM 1982*
 1977 John W. Abney, Sr.
 1978 A.M. Richards*
 1979 A.M. Richards*
 1980 Richard Black*
 1981 Richard Black*
 1982 Robert L. Alderman
 1983 Leonard F. Harper, PDDGM 1990
 1984 Thomas A. Markham
 1985 Kyle S. VanLandingham
 1986 Ernest L. Presley*
 1987 Gary E. Scherrer, PDDGM 1988
 1988 Richard A Holt, PDDGM 1997
 1989 J.W. Owens
 1990 Woodrow Schad*
 1991 Alfred A. McNamee
 1992 Donald L. Trent
 1993 Gary P. Miles

1994 Joseph E. Mann
 1995 Kelly J. Ammons
 1996 Richard Schreier
 1997 Tom Wilson
 1998 Mike Sturgeon
 1999 James Reynolds
 2000 David Yoder
 2001 Jessie Griffen*
 2002 Maurice E. Ewing*
 2003 Donald Williams*
 2004 Clifton "Kip" Gardner, PDDGM 2008
 2005 Richard E. Sweet
 2006 Buchannon J. Yoder
 2007 Matthew P. Buxton
 2008 Jose M. Verano
 2009

Honorary Past Masters

1988 Louis P. Milke*
 1995 William H. Jackson, V*
 1995 Robert L. "Bob" Peltier*

* Deceased