

TRESTLEBOARD

Clearwater Lodge No. 127 F&AM

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From the East



Brethren,

Sixty some days to go. November will have 5 Saturday breakfasts. Nov. 4th is Election Day, PLEASE VOTE. Stated Meetings on the 11th and

25th, 7:30, dinner at 6:30. We've had some really great meals. Nov 14th is a Fish Fry / Pork Tenderloin Dinner for the Roof Fund, serving from 5:00 to 7:00 pm, All you can eat \$8.00 each. Tuesday Nov. 18th, Master Mason Degree for Brother Ken Bittner. We'll use this as a practice for Nov 22nd One Day Degree Day.

Thursday Nov. 20th, Thanksgiving Dinner at the Lodge. See Insert. Nov 27th, Official Thanksgiving Day. Come on the 20th, and celebrate with your Brothers and Sisters at the lodge.

There have been many repairs to the Lodge this year and more need to be done. Theses do not include the Roof, and the Fund Raising is still continuing. The money already raised is in a separate account for only the roof. The Lodge has raised over \$29,000.00 so far this year.

Next month, my final article as Worshipful Master will include some of the repairs, changes and improvements that have happened this year. All organizations can not function without a COMPENT SECRETAREY and Brother Russell LeMar has done an outstanding job again this year.

W.: Bryant Davis, P. M., Chaplain; Brother David Griffin, Treasurer; Brother Russell LeMar, Secretary; W.: Art Barker, P. M., Junior Deacon and Brother Marlin Marsh, Kitchen Manager have all been faithful workers at our fund raisers, These Brothers have not missed any meetings or fund raisers.

2008 - We'll make it GREAT!!
Remember T.G.I.F.

With Love for the Fraternity,
W.: Jon Vonderau P. M.
Worshipful Master

From the West



Brethren,

He paused for a moment and looked up to that 40-50 more paces still to go. The ground was rough and uneven, hard to walk on. Catching his breath, continued climbing. Reaching the spot that was his favorite in the past several weeks, he felt the refreshing breeze which helped to dry his face of the dripping sweat caused by the midday sun. He looked around for a minute, absorbing the beautiful view, then sat down on the usual rock, being in partly shade and placed the clothe bag on his side he was carrying which was folded by it four corners and contained his food that was prepared by his wife early morning before sunrise. Slowly opened it, found freshly baked, unleavened bread slightly burned at the edges, just the way he liked it. Also there was a whole salted and smoked fish, caught from the nearby river along with some radishes he grew in the small but well maintained garden in front of his house and a nice cluster of grapes from a local vender. He leaned back against the still cool stone wall, took a good bite of the bread first, closed his eyes and let his mind and thoughts free. He felt satisfied with life. It took many years to reach this point. Loved his work with many friends around, found a perfect companion in his wife who gifted him with four sons and a daughter. From their early years he taught them everything he knew, about everyday life, how to harvest what the surrounding nature could provide, how to survive the bad times if comes. He loved especially of teaching sciences, architecture, mathematics and his favorite subject, the night sky, spending countless hours steering at the small lights above, most fascinated by the brightest one, the morning star which's location he used many times in his work. Suddenly he opened his eyes, lifted his leather flask, took a deep gulp of water flavored with juice squeezed from wildly grown berries. The time was right to continue work.

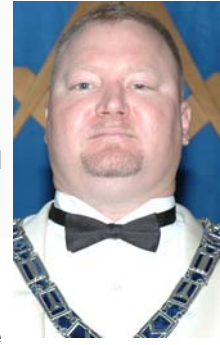
Finding himself before a gigantic peace of stone from the mountain that showed the sign of shaping, he felt pleasure to grab the tools in his strong and steady hands and applied a heavy blow, striking the stone at a perfect angle and spot.....

These are some mementoes of one of our ancient Brethren, a stonemason's life.

With Brotherly Love,
Joseph Gondos
Senior Warden

From the South

Brethren,



It's November and the Holiday's are upon us. We

have a Master Mason Degree on the 18th, a Short of Time or One day class on the 22nd, the 20th is Thanksgiving at the lodge. One the 14th there will be a Fish Fry and each Saturday morning is Fellowship breakfast, throw in a couple of stated meetings, a practice or two, a National Holiday and you have a full month!

The Lodge has raised a good amount for the roof fund but we are not there yet, to help us get by with the roof we have for the next few years, the brethren present have elected to have the current roof, cleaned and repaired. This is not the final resolution on the roof, it is just a measure to help us get by until we can raise the rest of the funds to Get R Done.

If anyone has any Masonic education they would like to share, send it on over, we have a page dedicated on our website for. As always we are looking to share.

On Veteran's Day. Nov 11th at our stated meeting we will be having chicken, Nov 25th with be taco night. December 9th will be officer elections, Meatloaf has been requested before the end of the year so I plan on making it that night.

Happy Birthday Marines!
2008 - We'll make it Great!!!

Semper Fi,
Glen Bishop
Junior Warden

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2006	W.: Arthur Barker, P.M.	446-4210
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RECYCLING CANS AND NEWSPAPER

Clearwater Lodge is pleased to support a program of collecting Aluminum cans. The Lodge turned in 65 lbs, and the owner donated extra funds to help our Lodge. Please rinse cans prior to bringing them to the Lodge and place them outside the back door of the Kitchen for collections. Remember also to bring your newspapers, phone books, magazines, office paper and leave them in the bright **RED** container in the parking lot. Funds collected from Aluminum cans and Newspapers help pay for repairs to parking lot.

From the Secretary Desk

Brethren,

We have finally received our dues cards and for the members who have met their 2009 obligation to Clearwater Lodge I thank you. We still have 18 members who have not met their obligation to our Lodge. If you are one of the members who for whatever reason is unable to pay for 2008 please call the lodge we have programs set in place to assist you in this matter.



On Saturday November 22nd we will be hosting a short of time degree. We have opened the degree for district's 20 and 21. Clearwater has 9 candidates ready for the 3 symbolic degrees in Masonry. The Officers have worked hard together as a great team to assure that the class goes off smoothly. We have borrowed Bro. Bryan Shuler from Nitram Lodge to be our musician for the day. And as usual we have called upon R.: H.: Ed Street from Daylight Lodge to be our Lecturer and he stepped up to the plate for us. This will be an all day degree we will be serving Breakfast, Lunch, and desert. Check your calendars and if you have the 22nd off consider attending we still need Brothers to help out with the Master Mason degree.

Fund raising for the roof continues. At the October 14th Stated Communication the craft voted for Sparkle Clean to remove the mold from the roof to allow us more time for raising funds. The treatment will allow us an extra 3 years to raise funds. The main air-conditioning unit for the Lodge has been losing its Freon and we have hired a Brother to fix the unit. The Lodge needs a lot of work.

Our Brothers and Ladies night out in October was at the Masonic home. We had dinner with our sponsored Residents and they gave us a tour even opening up their rooms for inspection they are proud to be Residents at our Home. The only complaint we hear is that the food is exceptional. If you are in the ST. Pete area and it is meal time consider having lunch at the home.

In Peace and Harmony
Russell LeMar , Secretary

PAST MASTERS OF CLEARWATER LODGE NO. 127

1961 RICHARD E. DUPUY	2001 SAM LAMPSON, P.D.D.G.M.
1967 LELAND BEEBE	2002 MEL HINKLEY
1971 STEINER M. HUMERICK	2003 FRANK VERDERAME
1974 JAMES H. DIEPHUIS, P.D.D.G.M.	2004 JOSEPH W. DUHAMEL
1975 JAMES T. OGLE	2005 MARK BIRENBAUM
1976 DAVID A. MARTIN	2006 SAM LAMPSON, P.D.D.G.M
1977 ROBERT L. TROGLEN	2006 ART BARKER
1981 JERRY COLE	2007 JAMES EUBANKS
1982 WAYNE PELLE	

AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS

1983 THOMAS C. LITTLE	1967 JOHN CAREY
1984 BRYANT S. DAVIS	1973 WILLIAM RITTERBUSCH
1985 RONALD LOHR	1977 EDWARD PHERO, P.D.D.G.M.
1986 MARTIN A. RYAN	1978 RONALD J. EVANS
1988 JAMES H. DIEPHUIS, P.D.D.G.M.	1980 BEN KEITEL
1989 GRANVILLE T. LEMAY	1981 JAMES EUBANKS
1990 LUDVIG C. CHRISTENSEN	1983 JON P. VONDERAU
1991 RICHARD J. CORNWELL	1995 MARK LEMACHER
1993 JACK STABLER, P.D.D.G.M.	1995 PETER GOEBEL
1994 MICHAEL LAFOLLETTE	1997 EDWARD AVANCE
1995 GEORGE D. BENHAM, P.D.D.G.M.	1998 RONALD J. EVANS JR.
1996 LEE HAMILTON	1999 JOE SIPOS
1997 RONALD G. LOHR	2001 JOHN BRIMSON
1998 ROY W. BAKER	
1999 LARRY BOWLING	
2000 PAUL NEWMAN	

All deceased Past Masters are show on the Past Masters Board in the lodge

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

BRO	JERRY	GARDNER JR	1
BRO	FREDERICK	MATTSON JR	3
BRO	DAVID	MERENS	5
BRO	JOHN	ALTON JR	6
BRO	CHRISTIAN	WILLIAMS	6
BRO	DONALD	WILLIAMS	9
BRO	HAROLD	JONES JR	10
BRO	JORGE	DESOUSA JR	11
BRO	GEORGE	KEIM	11
BRO	RONALD	HERTSHORN JR	12
BRO	WILLIAM	LOVELACE	12
BRO	CHARLES	FAVERO	13
BRO	JOHN	PETTIBONE JR	13
W.:	GRANVILLE	LAMAY	15
BRO	JAMES	LOVEJOY	15
W.:	ARTHUR	BARKER	17
BRO	EDWARD	HOLDGATE III	17
R.:W.:	SAM	LAMPSON	20
BRO	JOHN	LEHNER	21
BRO	WILLIAM	VICKERS JR	23
BRO	WILLIAM	HEYDT	25
BRO	JEREMIAH	MUIR	29



GIFT STORE:

Come see Additional new selection of new items available in our Gift Shop to buy. If you have not had the opportunity to stop by the Gift Counter recently, please do so and see the larger selection of Masonic and Eastern Star merchandise that can be purchased. Gift Shop Hours when Lodge is open. *Brother Paul Smith*


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NOVEMBER 2008 EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Help Support your Lodge - Purchase a pin for \$6.50. Purchase 10 or more for just five dollars each. All proceeds go to replacing the roof above our heads. Please contact the Worship Mason or Secretary for more information						1 Fellowship Breakfast 7a-10a
2 Daylight Savings Time Ends	3	4 Election Day Officer Practice	5	6	7	8 Fellowship Breakfast 7a-10a White Shrine 7:30 pm
9	10 Marine Corps Birthday	11 Veteran's Day Stated Meeting 7:30 pm Dinner 6:30 pm	12 OES 7:30 pm	13	14 Fish Tenderloin 5-7	15 Fellowship Breakfast 7a-10a
16 Masonic Home Board Meeting 11am	17	18 Master Mason Degree 7:30 pm Dinner 6:30 pm	19	20 Brother and Ladies Night out Thanksgiving Dinner 5-7pm	21	22 Fellowship Breakfast 7a-10a Short of Time/One Day Degree
23	24	25 Stated Meeting 7:30 pm Dinner 6:30 pm	26 OES 7:30 pm	27 Thanksgiving Day	28	29 Fellowship Breakfast 7a-10a
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