# Noah Lodge No. 357

# **Trestle Board**

**AUGUST, 2022** 



### **Noah Lodge Officers:**

Worshipful Master WB Michael O. Gardner

Senior Warden WB Ed Ciofani
Junior Warden Jerry Krieger

Treasurer Bob Pantazes

Secretary WB Joe Krieger

Senior Deacon Vac

Junior Deacon WB Dana McGrath (PT)

Senior Steward Vac

Junior Steward Vac

Marshall Vac

Tyler Vac

Chaplain Stephen Pfaff

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### Message from the East

#### Brethren,

It has been a pleasure serving you as WM for half the year again. Hard to believe we are 6 months into our Masonic year. Quite a bit is changing we are pursuing plans and quotes to remedy our roof leaks again but trying to get a more permanent approach with an actual roofer and current EA brother. We have done some "back of building cleaning" and have plans to spruce up the front pending roof fix. So far, we have made a new brother this year and within the coming month or so should have a new MM also. The growth although not exponential is great, attendance to meetings is still on the low side and we would love to see some of you and get help doing degrees or just with your wisdom for ideas and endeavors we are looking into. We have been challenged to a chili cook-off and are looking into doing a corn hole tourney for Lodges and public. If you know someone who is interested in masonry bring them by to enjoy a meal or send them our way and let them enjoy some food and fellowship. Next year will be a good year but like most years we could use some help in the seats as we regrow. Currently there isn't anyone going to the JW chair, but I have no fear that we can fill it. Another year like this half and we can be back to normal strength. Although most at this point are on cruise control looking forward to the end of their term, I am not, I grow more excited each meeting and practice about what is to come for NOAH and the great things we can do.

Nothing in life that's cheap or free is worth it, if it's free you'll have to fix it or it will cost to use it, if it's cheap it won't last long enough to enjoy it. The same can be said for everything in life and lodge is included, your time is just as valuable to

your lodge as your money though. So, whether your pockets can help, your back, your brain, or your personality it is all welcome and

appreciated.

The only way Masonry survives and thrives is YOU!!

Fraternally,

WM Michael O. Gardner



### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

#### Standard Schedule:

1 <sup>st</sup> Monday	Officer/Degree Practice	7:00 pm
<b>AUG 11</b>	VISITING CYPRESS LODGE	5:30 Launch from Noah Lodge
3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday	Officer/Degree Practice	7:00 pm
4 <sup>th</sup> Monday	Stated Communication/Dinner	6:30 pm Dinner / 7:30 pm Meeting

## **Master Mason Knowledge**

Answers are in this Trestle Board!
1. Balloting for Initiation, Passing, Raising and membership must obtain at
least 3/4ths vote approval. (Art X, Sec 16)
[_] A. True
[_] B. False
2. The Worshipful Master appoints all subordinate Officers of the Lodge, but the Senior Warden has the nomination of
the Junior Deacon. (Chap 19, Gen. Prov.)
[_] A. True
[_] B. False
3. It is the duty of the Worshipful Master to impress upon all the Lodge members to familiarize themselves with the
Constitution and Old Charges of the Free and Accepted Masons. (Art X, Sec 28)
[_] A. True
[_] B. False
4. When was the Grand Lodge of Florida incorporated? (Art I, Sec.3)
[_] A. 1776
[_] B. 1876
[_] C. 1896
[_] D. 1893
5. If the Senior Warden succeeds to the powers and duties of the Master when the office of Master is vacated he is
entitled to receive the Past Master's Degree.
(Chap 19)
[_] A. True
[_] B. False
8. The petition for the three Degrees must lie over at least one month, but not more than two months, for the Brethren
to make a due inquiry into the character and standing of the candidate and review a criminal background investigation
report of the candidate. (Chap 33)
[_] A. True
[ ] B. False

### **GRAND LODGE LEGISLATION - 2022**

Summary of Legislation – 193rd Annual Grand Communication

#### Dear Brethren:

In compliance with Regulation 13.04 of the Digest of the Masonic Law of Florida, listed below are the Resolutions enacted at the 193rd Annual Grand Communication held in Orlando, Florida, on May 30, 31, and June 1, 2022. This summary should be reviewed by the Elected Lodge Officers and reported to the Brothers in open Lodge at the next Stated Communication after its receipt. At the 193rd Annual Grand Communication of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida the following Grand Lodge Officers were Elected and Installed:

M∴W: Robert J. Lambert, Grand Master

R∴W∴ Glen B. Bishop, Deputy Grand Master

R∴W: Donald W. Cowart, Senior Grand Warden

R∴W: Taleb Tali Atala, Junior Grand Warden

R∴W∴ Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer

M∴W∴ Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary

This report contains three Resolutions adopted that will amend various Constitutional Provisions and/or Regulations.

#### CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS ADOPTED BY 2/3 ELECTRONIC VOTE AND REGULATION CHANGES:

#### RESOLUTION FOR TWO DISTRICTS

### Article II, Section 1, of the Constitution on page 45 as well as the excerpts from the Constitution on pages 104 and 128 be amended to read:

**Section 1.** The Officers of the Grand Lodge are: the Grand Master, whose title is Most Worshipful; the Deputy Grand Master, the Senior Grand Warden, the Junior Grand Warden, the Grand Treasurer, and the Grand Secretary, the title of each being Right Worshipful; and the Right Reverend Grand Chaplain - who shall be appointed by the Grand Master; and a District Deputy Grand Master from each Masonic District, which Districts shall not exceed twenty-eight (28) twenty-nine (29) in number, who shall be appointed by the Grand Master, the title of each being Right Worshipful. (2016) (2022).

#### Regulation 10.12 on page 130a be amended to read:

10.12 There shall be seven (7) Masonic Zones with twenty-eight (28) twenty-nine (29) Districts as follows (2022):

Zone 1 - Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5 (2016)

Zone 2 - Districts 6, 7, 10, & 12 (2016)

Zone 3 - Districts 8, 9, 11, & 13 (2016)

Zone 4 - Districts 14, 18, 19, 20, & 21 (2016)

Zone 5 - Districts 15, 16, 17, & 22 (2016)

Zone 6 - Districts 23 & 24 (2016)

Zone 7 - Districts 25, 26, 27, & 28, & 29 (2016) (2022)

#### **REGULATION CHANGES ADOPTED:**

### RESOLUTION AS TO ELIGIBILITY OF WORSHIPFUL MASTERS AND SENIOR WARDENS OF PARTICULAR LODGES

#### Regulations 19.03.2 and 19.03.3 on page 183 amended to read:

**19.03.2** Every Brother who is nominated and elected to the office of Junior Warden, Senior Warden, and Worshipful Master of any Particular Lodge shall have completed and passed and Master Mason Exam I, Master Mason Exam II, and Master Mason Exam III before his installation nomination to that office. (2022)

**19.03.3** Every Brother who is nominated and elected to the office of Worshipful Master, Senior Warden, or Junior Warden of any Particular Lodge shall have completed the Masonic Leadership Training and his completion be recorded on his profile at Grand Lodge before his installation <u>nomination</u> to that office. This shall be done by the Senior Warden by January 2022 and the Worshipful Master by January 2023 in order to provide time to accomplish compliance with this Regulation. (2022).

#### RESOLUTION TO AMEND BY-LAW SECTION 1.01 CHARTER

Adding The Name and Number of The Lodge to the Uniform By-Laws

#### Regulation 24.05, By-Law Section 1.01 Charter on page 175 amended to read:

<b>1.01</b> CharterThis Lodge exists by virtue of a Charter, dated and named	Lodge No.	_ from The Most
Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Florida, and is loc	ated * in the county of	in this state.
(NOTE: *Fill in the most accurate description of the location as follows:		

(a) Street address (if any) in the (City or Town) of (Name) , or if in a rural area in the (Fractional) of Section Towns	ship
, Range on road (Name or number) (Distance) miles (Direction) of (Nearest Town).	

### Answers to Master Mason Knowledge

- 1. Answer B False Section 16. Balloting for Initiation, Passing, Raising, and membership must be unanimous.
- 2. Answer A True The Master-elect of a Lodge, and not the retiring Master, has the sole right to appoint all the Officers who are to serve under him, the Senior Warden nominating the Junior Deacon.
- 3. Answer True Section 28. It is the duty of each Worshipful Master of the Particular Lodges in this jurisdiction to make a report of the Proceedings of the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge to his Lodge, as soon as practicable after said Communication has been closed, and to impress upon all the members of his Lodge the duty of familiarizing themselves with this Constitution and the Old Charges of Free and Accepted Masons.
- 4. Answer D 1893 **Section 3.** Corporate Entity It is recognized that the Grand Lodge is a regularly constituted Masonic Grand Lodge and as such is subject to and governed by the Landmarks of Freemasonry and those laws and customs that govern all Masonic Grand Lodges. It is further recognized that the Grand Lodge is a body politic and corporate created and existing under and by virtue of Chapter 4281, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1893, and it, and all Particular Lodges Masonically Chartered by it, are corporate bodies subject to laws governing corporations so created and existing in Florida
- 5. Answer B False Senior Warden who succeeds to powers and duties of Master when office of Master is vacated, does not succeed to office of Worshipful Master and is not entitled to receive Past Master's Degree nor receive honors and privileges of Past Master. (1961 Proc. 162, 168, 320)
- 6. Answer B False Every candidate for Initiation should read and approve the By-Laws of the Lodge, and must present his petition in writing vouched for by two members of the Lodge at a Stated Communication, which must lie over at least one month for the Brethren to make due inquiry into the character and standing of the candidate and review a criminal background investigative report of the candidate.



RW DDGM Mark Stewart Visit - July 11, 2022







**DDGM Stewart, Family and WM Gardner** 

WB (Sec'y) Joe Krieger's Birthday was celebrated In July! If you know Br. Krieger well, you know how much he "appreciated" the attention.



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### **Noah Lodge Past Masters**

1966 Earl C. Lewis \*

1967 Robert Thompson \*

1968 Gordon Mason \*

1969 Louis Foss \*

1970 David Grant \*

1971 Charles Nelson \*

1972 Walter Stillwell \*

1973 John R Lee

1974 James T Linton

1975 Bruce Cowart \*

1976 Horace Welch

1977 Gerald Keeton \*

1978 Alex Sibbald

1979 Robert Morrow \*

1980 Fred Henninger \*

1981 Upton S Higginbotham

1982 Charles J Christman

1983 Milton A Bayliss Jr. \*

1984 Howard L Ekiss \*

1985 O. Jay Hilderbrandt \*

1986 Charles R Lawson \*

1987 John A Dean

1988 John R Grabowski \*

1989 O. Jay Hilderbrandt \*

1990 Richard Bashaw \*

1991 Norris W. Clark Jr.

1992 Stephen G Sibbald

1993 Alex Sibbald

1994 Dr. Mark C Means

1995 Floyd D Waddell \*

1996 Dr. Rick A Means

1997 Larry G Hayes

1998 John A Dean

1999 Dana P McGrath

2000 Thomas Reedy \*

2001 Lawrence Tomlinson

2002 Brian Harkins

2003 Mike Morrow \*

2004 Jerry Timberlake \*

2005 Robert Gilliland \*

2006 David Dellinger

2007 Christopher Kelly

2008 Lawrence Tomlinson

2009 Thomas Reedy \*

2010 Dr Rick A Means

2011 Larry Newton \*

2012 Lawrence Tomlinson

2013 James Hamilton

2014 Rhett Tillman

2015 Michael W Gardner

2016 Robert Sabo

2017 Edward Ciofani

2018 Jeffery Tumbarello

2019 Michael O. Gardner

2020 Joseph Krieger

2021 Chris Pare'

2022 Michael O. Gardner

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