Noah Lodge No. 357 Trestle Board

JUNE, 2023

ATTEND THE JUNE 12th MEETING! MORE LODGE DETAILS!

Labelle Lodge #379 180 Jaycee Lions Dr. Labelle, FL 33935.

We can carpool if you'd like to save some gas. Call an Officer to arrange travel from Noah – or from your home.

Noah Lodge Officers:

Worshipful Master WB Ed Ciofani

Senior Warden Br Jerry Krieger

Junior Warden WB Dana McGrath - 239-995-5000

Treasurer Bob Pantazes

Secretary WB Michael O. Gardner

Senior Deacon WB Derek Vaneske

Junior Deacon Br "Manny" Aviles

Senior Steward Vac

Junior Steward Vac

FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

I hope this letter finds all who are reading it in good health both for themselves and family.

Well, I have great news to share with those who have attended recently; Grand Lodge of Florida and his Most Worshipful Robert Lambert have come through with support for the rebuilding of Noah Lodge. I've met with the structural engineer, and he's submitted an estimate for his services to help design the new roof system. I'll be submitting a work plan shortly laying out a plan on how I



feel the rebuild process should go. It's open for discussion and I encourage all to do so. I have a crew starting next week with the demo of the contaminated substrate. Once the remediation has been completed, I feel all can enter without the risk of serious health issues. Exciting times, we all talk about the origination of the lodge, now it's that time in the life of Noah Lodge and its Brethren to be a part of that future conversation of what we all did to make Noah Great Again!!!

Warmest Regards Fraternally yours!!

WM Edward D. Ciofani

FROM THE WEST

I am sure you have all heard the good news about our lodge receiving funds from Grand Lodge to begin the repairs needed to Noah Lodge 357 Building. WM Ed and our Secretary Michael along with other active Brothers have made all this happen and are working with Engineers to begin the process of getting the new roof built so that inside clean-up and preparation can begin. We will, as soon as we have the building to the level that we can once again be inside, need everyone's ideas as to how to re-build the inside of the building and hopefully begin to hold our meetings once again at Our

Lodge. Though Grand Lodge was generous in their funding it will not cover all the costs and with the beginning suggestions that were brought up at our last meeting I am sure we can have a great Building once again that does not leak. Generous donations are already being pledged from our Brothers and I hope all that can will help to donate to the relief of our worthy and distressed Building of Noah lodge, so that we may once again be a part of assisting all those in need near Noah Lodge #357.

Please try to make any meetings now held in Labelle till we can once again be in our Lodge as your input to this major endeavor is not only desired but needed as it is Your Lodge.

Be well and please report any need you know of that a Brother may have be in Health or Prayer.

Fraternally,

Gerard (Jerry) Krieger, Senior Warden

FROM THE SOUTH

Brethren All,

I simply cannot top the message from the Worshipful Master this month – he REALLY came through for your Lodge, Brothers – as did Grand Lodge and all the Masonic Brethren who donated to the Relief Fund for Hurricane Ian.

I hope you'll come to Lodge to join in on the discussion about REBUILDING YOUR LODGE. Many of you have deep knowledge about "Recovery" from these storms, and your voice should be heard so we can not only recover, but improve what we all have discussed over the years. If you need a ride, I'll happily enjoy your company both to and from the meeting(s).

Fraternally,

Dana P. McGrath, Junior Warden

239-995-5000 ANY TIME OF DAY OR NIGHT, Brother. Just dial it, I'll be glad you did.

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

Brothers,

Please be aware circumscribe is no longer being used and everything is secretary portal and amity app for CC payments and digital dues card. Amity is a Brother owned company and is not just FL deal. Soon Scottish rite, grotto, and all appendant bodies will be on it so you'll have one point for all memberships.

In other news GL is coming and should be good as legislation is relatively short. GL sent us money and we are working on building. Hopefully soon I will get by and get pictures so we can document the progress. Exciting news that we should be in our building hopefully for new year. I will be getting NPD notices out please let me know if there is an issue with payment or a strain and I will discuss with worshipful directly namelessly and handle it.

We appreciate anything you can contribute but understand things are tough and the dues increase is sometimes a strain. I will do everything in my power to help if finances are a problem.

Lastly start thinking about a Secretary as this is my first and last year, I will be DDGM shortly and need to step back and finish my job there and then work on business and family. I will be around next year but will not be in a seat of responsibility. I should have everything set up for an easy transition and so far the portal changes and such are making the job easier than previously.

Fraternally

Michael O. Gardner, Secretary

Chaplain Notes - Br Phillip Keyes Chaplain LaBelle #379

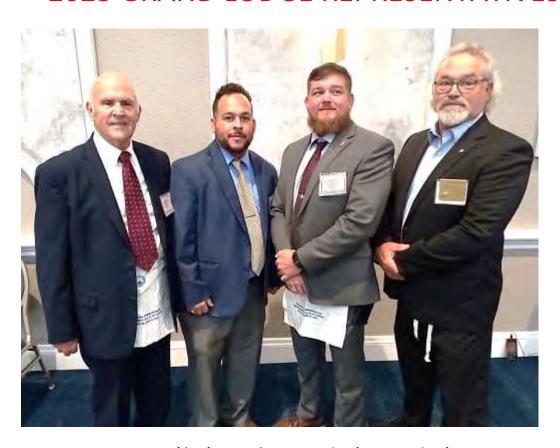
At one time or another, we have all experienced the discomfort of being an outsider. Perhaps it was at a party, at church, at Lodge, or at some other

gathering. Then, a caring person approached and began making us feel welcome and a part of the gathering.

The Book of Deuteronomy (10:19) reminds us: "...you are to love those who are foreigners, for you yourselves were foreigners in Egypt. Fear the Lord your God and serve Him."

Deuteronomy was mostly written by Moses about 1407 B.C. for the new generation of people about to enter the Promised Land. It's a worthwhile read.

2023 GRAND LODGE REPRESENTATIVES



L to R: WB Lukitsch, WB Rivera, WB Gardner, RW Gardner

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Standard Schedule:

2d Monday Stated Communication/Dinner Meeting

6:15 pm Dinner / 7:30 pm

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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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