



# The Trestleboard

## Message from the East

Fraternal Greetings my Brothers,

We have passed the point of no return- I mean more than half the year has come and gone, and the Lodge is running full speed. Our second meeting this month will be our 4th degree so far this year, and our first Master Mason degree since 2019. The fine group of Brothers being raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason includes Fellowcrafts who were initiated Entered Apprentices in 2018, 2020, and 2021. We are very excited to confer this degree on these Brothers, and hope to see you in attendance.

Our Charity of the Quarter is the Palm Beach County Food Bank. If you are able, please bring a non-perishable food item (canned/boxed, NO glass) whenever you come to the Lodge. This food drive has been ongoing since 2020, and will continue through 2021.

Peace and Harmony Prevailing,  
Scott Schwartzberg, Worshipful Master

## Message from the West

My Brothers,

Brethren, we continue to have much success with your participation at Masonic education, practices and our Communications. Thank you!

We had our Official Visit of the 25th Masonic District Deputy Grand Master, Bill Paxton, as well as the District Committeemen. The lodge benefits from four interested candidates ready for Investigations, as well as those mentioned by WM awaiting MM degrees in July.

As always, if there is something you think needs to be done or know of a Brother who may need assistance please let us know.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,  
Steve Otto, Sr. Warden

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### Visit Our Website

[www.boyntonlodge236.com](http://www.boyntonlodge236.com)

Regular Communication  
2nd and 4th Thursday of  
each month at 7:30pm.

**Except November and  
December when it shall  
be the 2nd and 3rd  
Thursday.**

Dinner Served at 6:30pm

RSVP to Eugenio Rosado

### Dress Code

Officers & Brothers are  
required to dress in coat  
and tie. Officers dress in  
white tuxedo for degrees  
and official visitations

### Meeting Schedule

- **July 8:** Stated  
Communication-7:30pm
- **July 22:** Called  
Communication-7:00pm  
Master Mason Degree

### District Deputy

R.:W.: Bill Paxton

Phone : (561) 452-2825

### District Instructor

R.H. Sal Musumeci

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## Committees

### FINANCE

Steve Otto

W.: Brad Partridge

W.: Robert Mandell

W.: Mark Bogert

R.: W.: Michael Gambarrotti

Marty Kaye

Eugenio Rosado

### VIGILANCE

Eugenio Rosado

Brad Partridge

W.: Ross Cooper

### PETITIONS

R.: W.: Michael Gambarrotti

Anthony Kresty

John Reeve

W.: Ross Cooper

### MASONIC EDUCATION

WM Scott Schwartzberg

W.: Brent Ferns, Sr.

W.: Brian Work

### BOARD OF RELIEF

WM Scott Schwartzberg

Stephen Otto

Eugenio Rosado

Marty Kaye

### CHARITY

W.: Brent Ferns, Sr.

Steve Otto

Marty Kaye

### LODGE PROPERTY

Stephen Otto

W.: Stamatis Stamatopoulos

Alan Cohen

## Message from the South

My Brothers,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for all your assistance during fellowship hours from preparing or serving meals to cleaning the lodge, our home. I also want to thank those Brothers, who, before each meeting work to examine visiting Brothers and welcome family and friends. This is a very important part of our functions.

See, the work that accomplished during meetings is important, but also the work performed at high twelve is also vital for the health of any lodge. Let's continue to work with the same dedication and energy in the months to come. I am so proud to be a member of our Lodge.

Sincerely and Fraternally,  
Eugenio Rosado, Jr. Warden

## Message from the Secretary

My Brothers,

It is that time of year. Dues notices for 2022 will be sent out at the end of the summer. For those of you who have not remitted your 2021 dues, now is the time to do so. If you are having any issues paying your dues, please contact me. We can only help if we know what is going on with you.

Also this masonic year, I have the privilege of serving as the District Committeeman for FA -100 for RW DDGM Bill Paxton. I have GM ties, GM bow ties, GM self tie bow ties, and DM tuxedo vests available. With a donation of \$50, you will receive a choice of a GM tie, a GM bow tie, or a GM self tie bow tie as a thank you. For a donation of \$75, you will receive a GM tuxedo vest.

I want to thank all of you who helped in cleaning out RW Philpott's apartment and storage unit. His final wishes will be carried out and I will notify everyone once the arrangements have been finalized. Thank you my brothers!!

Sincerely and Fraternally,  
RW Michael Gambarrotti, Secretary

## Chaplain's Chat

*"On this principle, Masonry unites men of every country, sect, and opinion, and conciliates true friendship among those who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance." —Masonic Lecture on Brotherly Love*

Brethren,

July 3rd, 1863, may mark one of the most powerful expressions of Brotherly Love in the history of the Craft. On this date, during a particularly bloody skirmish of the Battle of Gettysburg known as Pickett's Charge, Major General Winfield Scott Hancock led Union forces against those of Confederate Brigadier General Lewis Addison Armistead. Both men were Freemasons and had been friends before the Civil War. Both generals were severely wounded at about the same time, and as Brother Armistead fell, he presented a sign that would be familiar to Master Masons. The sign was recognized by Captain Henry H. Bingham, who was also a Brother. Despite being on opposite sides in a bloody battle during a very divisive civil war, Brother Bingham rushed to the aid of his wounded Brother, who reportedly asked to speak with his old friend and Brother, General Hancock. Bingham informed Armistead that Hancock, too, had been wounded in battle, but helped him off the field and to a hospital. To this day, there is a powerful statue at the Gettysburg National Cemetery, known as the "Friend to Friend Masonic Memorial" commemorating this event, which is also dramatized during degree ritual in at least one Masonic body. In fact, I was honored to portray General Hancock in such a degree in the Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

As we see divisiveness grow once again in our country, let us remember this example of Brotherly Love and that the sublime principles of Freemasonry, which have existed since time immemorial, supersede any transitory political movements. More especially, help us to remember that no contention should ever exist among Brothers except that of who can best work, and who can best agree.

Fraternally,

Brent M. Ferns, Sr., PM

## Lodge Officers

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W.: Steve Stamatopoulos

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## Brick Program

Our brick program is alive and well. If you would like to purchase a brick, please remember:

- The Square and Compasses (Gold Bricks) are available for the cost of \$100.00 each.
- The Letter G (Blue Bricks) are available for the cost of \$200.00 to Past Masters of Boynton Lodge ONLY. These bricks are restricted to name, WM Date & DDGM date.
- No business advertisements are allowed on any brick.

Please make a check payable to Boynton Lodge No 236 and send it to the Lodge address along with



the inscription you desire. If you have any questions you may call, W.: Ross Cooper at: (561) 702-0859

## Birthdays

Elicer Hernandez  
Peter Anderson  
Marc Fareau  
Larry Nagelbush  
Stanley Cooper  
Ross Cooper  
Jeremy Allen  
Enea Ajazi

Gordon Oreskovich  
Albert Krantzberg  
Timothy Hensley  
Thomas Wotherspoon



## Investigations

Amit Patel   Stephen Bernat   Christopher Ellis   Michael Chapnick

## Awaiting Degrees

**E.A.:**

**F.C.:** Barry Arfa, Erwin Gondesén, James St. Juste,

**M.M.:** JC Villar, Carlos Perdomo, Kelvin Tolentino, Angel Abrego, David Felker

## Upcoming Events

**July 8:** Stated Communication - 7:30pm

**July 17:** Open Books and Proficiency Cards- Harmonia Lodge No. 138—9am-12pm

**July 22:** Called Communication - 7:00p  
Master Mason Degree

## Boosters

R.:W.: Michael Gambarotti  
Raymond O'Connell  
WM Scott Schwartzberg