

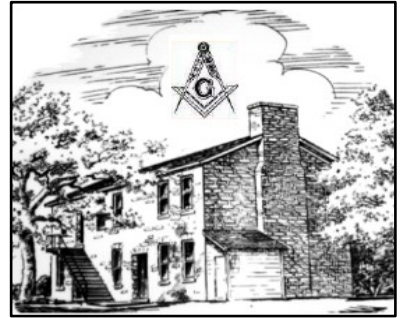
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July 2021

Lodge Officers 2020 - 2021

WM: **Troy J. Shugart, PM**
 SW: **Orlando Perez**
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 Treas: **Curtis A. Gilgan, PM**
 Sec: **Raul J. Scully, PM**
 Chap: **William L. Lewis, PM**
 SD: **Abram R. Wallace**
 JD: **Jeromy W. Odom**
 SS: **Bobby D. Clakley**
 JS: **Franklin "Ed" Merica**
 Mar: **Dennis J. Ross, PM**
 MC: **Ben B. Rauschke, PM**
 Mus: **Wilfredo "JR" Vera**
 Tiler: **Anthoney T. Farmer-Guerra**

Living Onion Creek Lodge Past Masters

1969- Tommie J. Conner
 1974- Jimmy M. Hodges
 1977- Roy L. Hamor
 1978- Bobby J. Doherty
 1980- Ronald B. Norwood
 1981- Howard D. Hall
 1982- Alan L. Karotkin
 1984- Matias H. Ruiz
 1987- Elliott R. Wilson
 1988- Jerry T. Jarmon
 1991- Ronnie H. Lee
 1993- Albert A. Mehlhaff
 1994- Walter H. Argall
 1995- Javier R. Gonzalez
 1996- Kenneth P. Wood
 1997- William S. Lear
 1998- John W. Turner
 2000- Walter E. Sanders

2001- Jonathan D. Walker
 2002- Robert L. Roda
 2003- Ricky J. Tindell
 2005- Hamilton B. Carter
 2006- Russell M. Tidwell II
 2007- Michael E. Sanders
 2008- Daniel E. Barber
 2009- Dale L. Flatt
 2010- Tony M. Ramirez
 2011- Dennis J. Ross
 2012- Adrian W. Edmundson
 2013- Raul J. Scully
 2014- Ben B. Rauschke
 2015- Curtis A. Gilgan
 2016- Jeff J. Carroll
 2017- William L. Lewis
 2018- Christopher R. Dawson
 2019- David "Tide" Williams

Living Affiliated Past Masters

J. Roland Brown
 Gerald T. Dawson
 Allen W. Deaver
 Carlton L. Edwards
 Robert Eschenburg
 Elbert I. Franks
 Reagan W. Hammett
 Bennie L. Hudson
 Howard Kimball
 James M. King
 Don R. Long
 Wes Mersiovsky
 Jorge A. Millan
 Ernest Owey
 Troy J. Shugart
 James C. Wells



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July Birthdays

Steven R. Franklin, Billy R. Seguin, Adrian W. Edmundson 01; James R. Jennings 02; Christopher T. Bookout 08; Ronald B. Fife 09; Omar Chavez-Trevino 10; David W. Hardt 11; Kenneth R. Smith 15; William E. Powell 17; Samuel M Gacesa 18; Alan L. Karotkin, William R. Harrison, Todd A. Reynolds 20; Charles A. Snoddy 22; James W. Fouts 23; Clifford C. Cody 25; Dale L. Flatt 26; Kendell Holcomb 27; John C. Wood and Bradley D. French 30.

Happy Birthday Brothers!

May the Supreme Architect bless you with many more!

Masonic Birthdays; raised in July (year)

James R. Jennings 53; Donald A. Villoni, Jack H. Broome 58; Gordon V. Powell, Jr. 61; Marvin H. Kelly 62; Glen R. Broddrick 63; Ferril C. Smith 76; Richard N. Benoit 80; Ronald B. Fife 88; Francisco Reyes, Sr., Peter Seguin 89; Michael S. Compton 93; Darin W. Isaacs 94; Hunter S. Arend, Charles P. Foreman, Jerry W. Wranischar 96; John C. Preece 98; William S. Haire 99; Juan A. Rivera, Jr., Charles E. Ruebbling 04; Terrence P. Murphy 05; Jose M. Chirinos 09; Chadwyck W. Preece 14; Patrick N. Franklin 17.

And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light!

Stated Meeting

First Thursday
July 1st, 2021

Entered Apprentice
Mason's Lodge

Family Night

Meal at 6:30 p.m.
Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Onion Creek Lodge Committee Chairmen:

Activities: Chris Dawson, PM
Arbitration: Orlando Perez
Audit: Richard Alonso
Beacon Editor: David Karhi
Breakfast Socials: Jeromy Odom
Building: Abram Wallace
Cemetery: Dale Flatt, PM
Communications: Raul Scully, PM
Community Builder: H. Max Fisher
Fantastic Teeth: Dennis Ross, PM
Finance: Curtis Gilgan, PM
Fraternal Assistance: Troy Shugart, PM
Funeral: Troy Shugart, PM
Golden Trowel: Tide Williams, PM
Grand Lodge Business: Curtis Gilgan, PM
Historian: H. Max Fisher
Hospital: David Karhi
Lodge Education: Abram Wallace
Members in Arrears: Orlando Perez
Past Masters' Night: Dennis Ross, PM
Pleasant Hill Advisory: H. Max Fisher
Raffle: David Hoke
Scholarship: H. Max Fisher
Sick and Distressed: Troy Shugart, PM
Vanguard: Richard Alonso

From the East

Greetings everyone! It appears the new Masonic Year is upon us and I for one am ready to put 2020-2021 to bed. This past year has been a burden on us all, but we are finally 100% back to normal, at the Lodge anyway. I am looking forward to resuming normal Lodge activities on a regular basis and I am sure all of you are as well.

We had our first "Family Night" in over a year on June 10th and it was a great success. It was so nice to see some familiar faces and all you wives as well.

Our next Stated Meeting and Family Night will be on July 1st; I hope to see you all there. I will be opening on an EA Lodge to allow our newest EA to join us. At our last meeting we presented Brother Charlie Foreman with the "Golden Trowel Award." As most of you know, this is the highest honor a Mason can receive from his Lodge, so if you see Charlie, please take a minute to congratulate him on this coveted award.

The bee situation is now under control and was completed with minimal changes to the façade of our historic building. The lift is out of order again but is scheduled to be repaired soon, so do not let these items deter you from coming to lodge or Lodge activities!

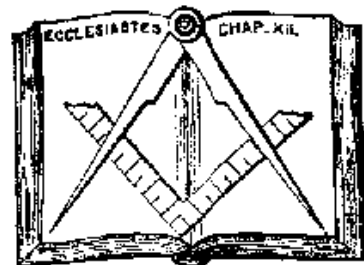
We held Officer elections on June 10th. Due to the previous year being as weird as it was, it was determined that, if possible, the officers should hold over another year. I am honored to serve in the East for another year and look forward to a fun and productive year. I want to congratulate all the officers, elected and appointed. They are as follows: Brother Ernest Owney, PM was elected to Senior Warden, Rick Alonso will remain as Junior Warden, Curtis Gilgan, PM and Raul Scully, PM will remain in their offices as Treasurer and Secretary. Abram Wallace will remain as Senior Deacon, Bobby Clakely was appointed to Junior Deacon, Mike Barefield was appointed to Senior Steward and Mike Aufdenkamp to Junior Steward. Bill Lewis, PM will remain as Chaplain and Dennis Ross, PM as Marshal. Ben Rauschke, PM will stay on as Master of Ceremonies and J.R. Vera as Musician. Bro Anthony Guerra was re-elected as Tiler. Congratulations to all! I look forward to serving with each and every one of you and enjoying a great year in Masonry.

I will close for now but want you all to know we cannot wait to see you at the upcoming Breakfast Social, at Bingo and Sweetheart's Day, for the

Christmas raffle, movie nights... I am sure you get the message! I love you all more than you know.

Troy J. Shugart, Worshipful Master

Called to the Celestial Lodge



Robert "Uncle Bob" Schmidt
May 21, 2021

Samuel Tracy Hill
June 16, 2021

Ralph Lee Cearley
June 19, 2021



SAMC Hospital Volunteers

During the month of May, 1 Mason contributed over 3 hours assisting our friends and neighbors over at St. David's South Austin Medical Center.

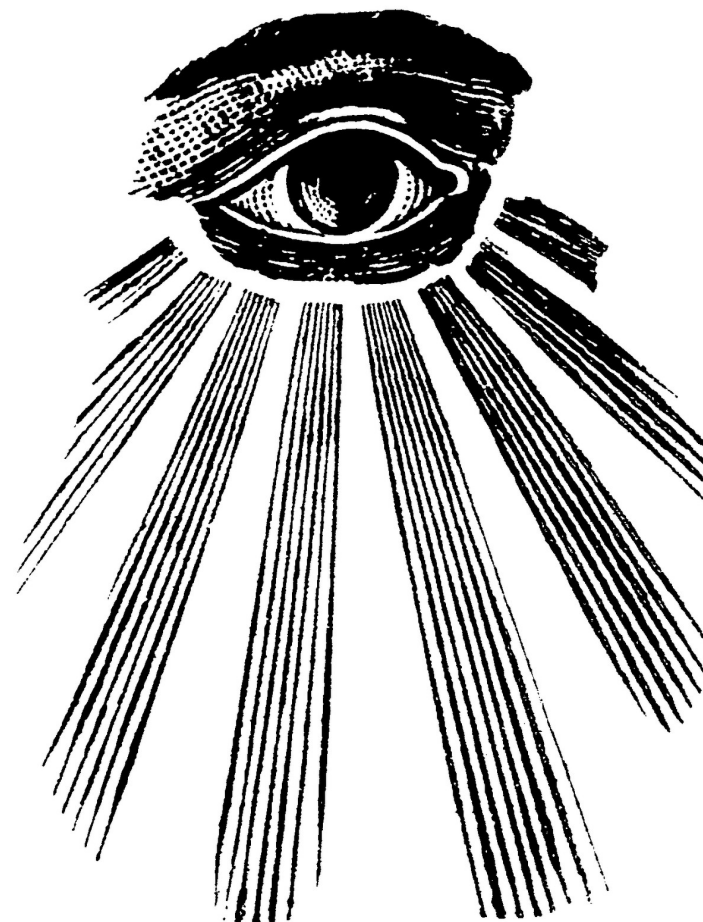
The outstanding volunteers who made this possible are (in alphabetical order): David Karhi with 3 hours.

Thank you folks for a job well done!

This Month in Masonic History

- July 1st, 1989, the Grand Lodge of Hawaii was formed
- July 4th, 1781, Robert Burns received his 1st degree
- July 6th, 1830, the Grand Lodge of Florida was formed
- July 8th, 1789, the Grand Lodge of Connecticut was formed
- July 19th, 1901, Sir Winston Churchill received his 2nd degree in Studholme Lodge #1591, London
- July 21st, 1758, the Grand Lodge of Scotland granted a charter to Fredericksburg Lodge in Virginia, the lodge that had conferred the Masonic degrees on George Washington in 1752 and 1753
- July 21st, 1875, the Grand Lodge of South Dakota was formed
- July 27th, 1818, the Grand Lodge of Mississippi was formed

David Karhi, Editor



Prayer List

Please remember the following people in your prayers as they seek comfort and healing. They are or have been ill, recovering from medical procedures or have limited mobility: Lina Avila (Doce's sister), Walter Boyd, Jack Brassil, Glenn & Wanda Brodderick, Roland Brown, Scott Brown (Roland's son), Johnny Camarillo, Johnnie G. Camarillo, Sr. (Johnny's father), Billy Capps, Madeline Carter (Richard Alonso's mother-in-law), Ralph Cearley's family, Narayana Chandler-Finch (Brett's daughter), Sandy Combs & Ray Combs' family, Doris Cruse (Forest's wife), Zoey Curry (Gerald's widow), Elouise Duckworth (Roland Brown's sister), Linda Dyess, Sidney Ellis, Boyce Freitag, Lily Forman (Troy Shugart's niece), Curtis Gilgan, Jimmy Gower (RW Mike Gower's son), RW Mike & Barbara Gower, Reagan & Betty Hammett, Dorothy Hill & Sam Hill's family, Arnold Holden, Bennie Hudson, Ethel Johnson (Roland Brown's stepdaughter), Amy Karotkin (Alan's daughter), Eva Jean Kestner, Murphy Kidder (Freddie's daughter's husband), Don & Johnnie Long, Patricia McGinnis, Ann Merica (Ed's mom), Nicole Mersiovsky (Curtis Gilgan's sister-in-law), Edna Missildine, Orlando Perez, William Phillip (Bobby Clakely's sister-in-law's father), Ellen Pietrzak (David Hoke's mother-in-law), Angela Ross (Dennis' wife), Linda Russel, Jeanine Robinson (Carl's wife), Jay Sharp, Theresa Shugart (Troy's mother), Hope Smith (John's wife), Kenneth Smith, Mike Smith (Curtis Gilgan's sister-in-law's husband), David Solverson, Melissa Springer (Ben Rauschke's mother), Henry Tindell (Ricky's father), Willis Woods (Michael's father), RW Paul Underwood, and Louis Ugarte (SW Orlando Perez's cousin).

If you know of others who should be on this list, please contact WM Troy Shugart, PM or Chaplain Bill Lewis, PM

