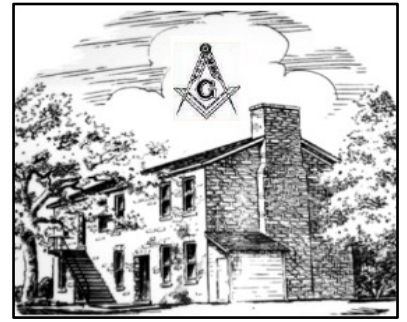


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Onion Creek No. 220
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons
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Lodge Officers 2022- 2023

WM: **Ernest Owney, PM**
SW: **Richard Alonso**
JW: **Abram R. Wallace**
Treas: **Curtis A. Gilgan, PM**
Sec: **RW Raul J. Scully, PM**
Chap: **William L. Lewis, PM**
SD: **Bobby D. Clakley**
JD: **Mike G. Barefield**
SS: **Jacob A. Carroll**
JS: **Isaac E. Carroll**
Mar: **Dennis J. Ross, PM**
MC: **Jeff J. Carroll, PM**
Mus: **Troy J. Shugart, PM**
Tiler: **Dennis W. Mingua, Jr.**

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
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

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
2020- Troy J. Shugart
2021- Troy J. Shugart

Living Affiliated Past Masters

J. Roland Brown
J. Robert Darrell
Gerald T. Dawson
Allen W. Deaver
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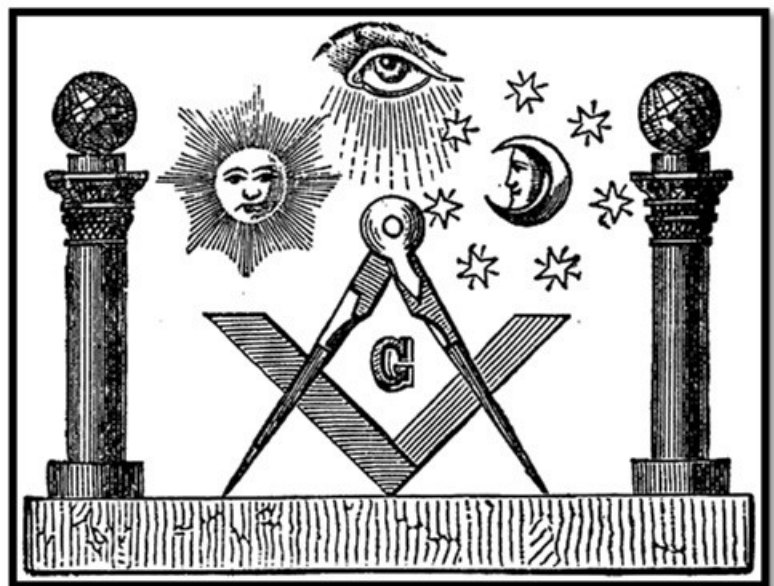
Stated Meeting

First Thursday
August 4th, 2022

Master Mason's Lodge

Family Night

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



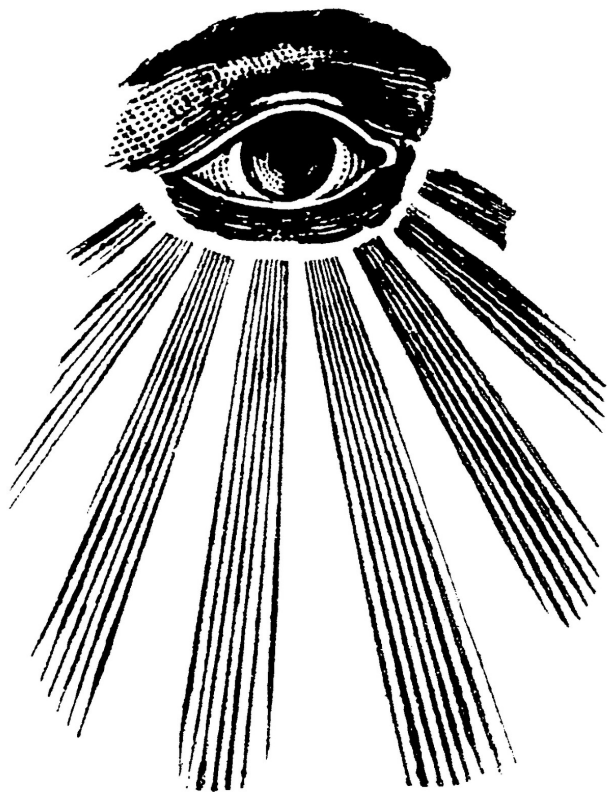
From the East

Welcome to the start of a new Masonic year at Onion Creek. The 2022-2023 officers elected and appointed have now been installed. It is an honor to be given the privilege to serve as worshipful master of Onion Creek Lodge #220. And congratulations to the brothers and sisters in the Eastern Star on their recent installation. I would like to introduce to you the 2022-2023 installed officers of Onion Creek #220. Our officers are as follows: Sr. Warden Richard Alonso; Jr. Warden Abram R. Wallace; Treasurer Curtis A. Gilgan, PM; Secretary Raul J. Scully, PM; Chaplain William L. Lewis, PM; Sr. Deacon Bobby D. Clakley; Jr. Deacon Michael G. Barefield; Sr. Steward Jacob Carroll; Jr. Steward Isaac Carroll; Master of Ceremonies Jeff Carroll, PM; Marshal Dennis J. Ross, PM; and Tiler Dennis W. Mingua.

I would like to thank: Brother George Moxley, PM for being my installing officer; Brother Steven Cook for being my installing marshal. Thanks to Colorado Commandery #4 for the flag presentation. Thanks to Rainbow Girls for the ribbon presentation.

If you haven't been to Lodge in some time, come join us for one of the stated meetings or social events.

Ernest Owney, PM, Worshipful Master



The Real Successes

You think that the failures are many,
You think the successes are few,
But you judge by the rule of the penny,
And not by the good that men do.
You judge men by standards of treasure
That merely obtain upon earth,
When the brother you're snubbing may measure
Full-length to God's standard of worth.

The failures are not in the ditches,
The failures are not in the ranks,
They have missed the acquirement of riches,
Their fortunes are not in the banks.
Their virtues are never paraded,
Their worth is not always in view,
But they're fighting their battles unaided,
And fighting them honestly, too.

There are failures to-day in high places
The failures aren't all in the low;
There are rich men with scorn in their faces
Whose homes are but castles of woe.
The homes that are happy are many,
And numberless fathers are true;
And this is the standard, if any,
By which we must judge what men do.

Wherever loved ones are awaiting
The toiler to kiss and caress,
Though in Bradstreet's he hasn't a rating,
He still is a splendid success.
If the dear ones who gather about him
And know what he's striving to do
Have never a reason to doubt him,
Is he less successful than you?

You think that the failures are many,
You judge by men's profits in gold;
You judge by the rule of the penny—
In this true success isn't told.
This falsely man's story is telling,
For wealth often brings on distress,
But wherever love brightens a dwelling,
There lives, rich or poor, a success.

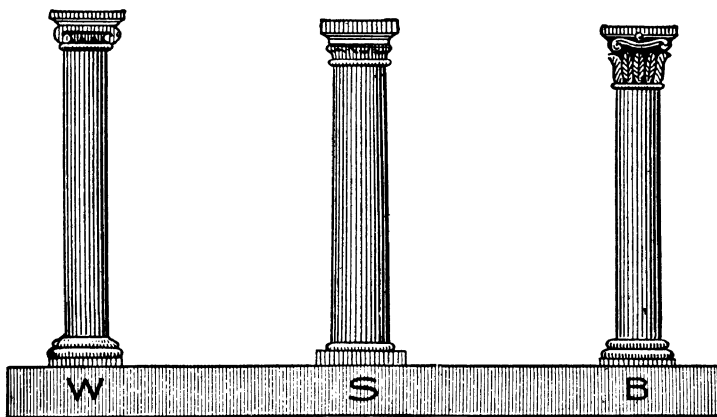
Brother Edgar A. Guest



This Month in Masonic History

- August 2nd, 1861, the Grand Lodge of Colorado was formed.
- August 4th, 1753, George Washington received his Master Mason degree in Fredericksburg Lodge in Virginia.
- August 7th, 1877, the Grand Lodge of New Mexico was formed.
- August 14th, 1826, William Morgan obtained a copyright for *Illustrations of Masonry, By One of the Fraternity Who Has Devoted Thirty Years to the Subject*, a book that publicly exposed the secrets of Masonic ritual. Although many similar books had been published before, this caused great excitement, and led to the "Morgan affair" and the Antimasonic Party of the 1820s and 1830s.
- August 16th, 1851, the Grand Lodge of Oregon was founded.
- August 21st, 1993, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and thousands of Freemasons dedicated the Friend to Friend Masonic Monument in the cemetery in Gettysburg, commemorating acts of kindness between Freemasons who fought on opposite sides in the American Civil War.
- August 27th, 1920, Warren G. Harding (U.S. President 1921-1923) received his 3rd degree in Marion Lodge #70 in Ohio.

David Karhi, Editor



August Menu

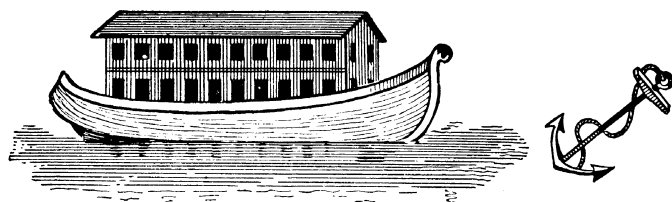
August Food Committee Chairman Dale Flatt, PM reports they will be serving meatloaf, mashed potatoes with cream gravy, corn, green beans, bread & butter, salad, chilled fruit, and ice cream.

Thank you for a fine meal!

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: Judy Alonso (Richard's wife), Teo Arredondo (Abe's nephew), Jack Brassil, Scott Brown (Roland's son), Johnny Camarillo, Johnnie G. Camarillo, Sr. (Johnny's father), Billy & Evelyn Capps, Madeline Carter (Richard Alonso's mother-in-law), Tammy Clakley (Bobby's sister), Doris Cruse (Forest's wife), Zoey Curry (Gerald's widow), Bill Farr, Lily Forman (Troy Shugart's niece), Curtis & Lauren Gilgan, RW Mike & Barbara Gower, Reagan & Betty Hammett, Dorothy Hill (Sam's wife), Arnold Holden, Amy Karotkin (Alan's daughter), Elaine Kenna (Chris Dawson, PM's mother-in-law), Eva Jean Kestner, Don & Johnnie Long, Patricia McGinnis, Ann Merica (Ed's mom), Mike Owens, Orlando Perez, Ellen Pietrzak (David Hoke's mother-in-law), Ricky Rayburn, Carl Robinson, Jay Sharp, Theresa Shugart (Troy's mother), Mike Smith (Curtis Gilgan's sister-in-law's husband), David Solverson, Melissa Springer (Ben Rauschke's mother), Henry Tindell (Ricky's father), Douglas Vaughn, Sr. (Chris Dawson, PM's grandfather-in-law), and Willis Woods (Michael's father).

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



SAMC Hospital Volunteers

During the month of June, 4 Masons contributed over 55 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 6 hours, Carl Robinson with 28 hours, and Bobby Tiner with 14 hours, and RW Tide Williams with 6 hours.

Thank you folks for a job well done!

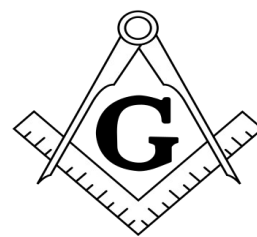
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August Birthdays

Michael L. Poe 01; Marvin H. Kelly, Henry Trevino 02; Robert A. Carnes 03; Raymond M. Williams 05; David M. Harnden 07; Darrell W. Boyd, Gordon V. Powell, Jr. 08; John O. Adams 09; Julius M. Abella 10; Wayne V. Frye, David C. Allen 12; William S. Haire 13; Leon D. Ross 14; Albert A. Mehlhaff 17; George G. Watkins 18; Larry L. Haney, Terry L. Sharp, Jerry W. Wranischar 20; Dennie J. Jackson 21; Bobby O. Brown, Bobby D. Clakley 22; Charles E. Gray, Jr. 24; William B. Farr 25; Stephen C. Dowell, Raul J. Scully 27; Samuel E. Taylor, Sr. 29; David H. Lewis 31.

Masonic Birthdays; raised in August (year)

Robert C. Williams 66; Joseph E. Simpson 67; Louis C. Martin 69; Rodney W. Angell, Willis C. Woods 70; John W. Turner 73; Jerry T. Jarmon 79; Walter H. Argall 81; Eddie E. Daffern, Ronnie H. Lee 82; David H. Lewis 86; Kenneth R. Smith 87; Kenneth P. Wood 90; Bradley J. Hardin 92; Reagan L. Dunklin, Henry Trevino, Johnny S. Turner 99; Albert J. Stowell 01; Daniel E. Barber 02; Raul J. Scully 08; Kevin D. Barber, David "Tide" Williams 13; Julius M. Abella 17.

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

***Happy Birthday, Brothers!
May the Supreme Architect bless you with many more!***