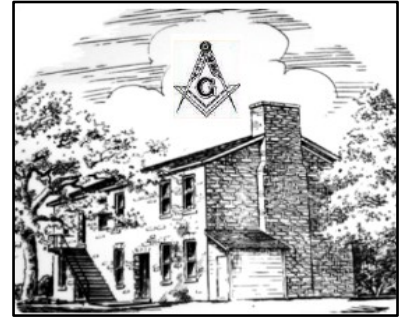


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Onion Creek No. 220
 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons
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Lodge Officers 2022- 2023

WM: **Ernest Owney, PM**
 SW: **Richard Alonso**
 JW: **Abram R. Wallace**
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 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
 Robert Eschenburg
 Larry Faulk
 Reagan W. Hammett
 Bennie L. Hudson
 Howard Kimball
 James M. King
 Don R. Long
 Wes Mersiovsky
 Jorge A. Millan
 Ernest Owney
 James C. Wells

Onion Creek Lodge Committee Chairmen:

Activities: **Bobby Clakley**
Arbitration: **Richard Alonso**
Audit: **Abram Wallace**
Beacon Editor: **David Karhi**
Breakfast Socials: **Michael Barefield**
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Communications: **RW Raul Scully, PM**
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Funeral: **Ernest Owney, PM**
Golden Trowel: **Troy Shugart, PM**
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Hospital: **David Karhi**
Library: **Christopher Dawson, PM**
Lodge Education: **Bobby Clakley**
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Past Masters' Night: **Robert Eschenburg, PM**
Raffle: **David Hoke**
Scholarship: **Charles Foreman**
Sick and Distressed: **Ernest Owney, PM**
Vanguard: **Abram Wallace**

Stated Meeting

First Thursday
October 6th, 2022

Master Mason's Lodge

Family Night

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

From the East

I would like to thank SW Richard Alonso, JW Abram Wallace and Brother Ricardo Avila for traveling with me last month to visit Buda Lodge No 800 and Live Oak Lodge No 309. Had a chance to meet some brothers that are members of Onion Creek Lodge that have not been to the lodge in some time. I invited them to come and visit the lodge for fellowship with their brothers new and old. Several stated that they will come out for a visit.

I encourage each brother that has not been out to lodge in some time to come out for fellowship with your brothers. Here are some events that will take place in the month of October. I hope to see you brothers there if you can make it.

October 17, 2022: Pipe and Cigar Night (we will recognize our Veterans on this night as well) start time is 6:30 pm.

October 22, 2022: Onion Creek Breakfast Social, start time 8:00 am.

October 29, 2022: Committee on Work Forum and Exams, start time 8:00 pm

October 29, 2022: Onion Creek's first Trunk or Treat.

In closing, if you have not been to the lodge in a while, you may want to come out and see the repair work that was done on our lodge.

Ernest Owney, PM, Worshipful Master



To enlarge the sphere of social happiness is worthy of the benevolent design of a Masonic institution; and it is most fervently to be wished, that the conduct of every member of the fraternity, as well as those publications, that discover the principles which actuate them, may tend to convince mankind that the grand object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race.

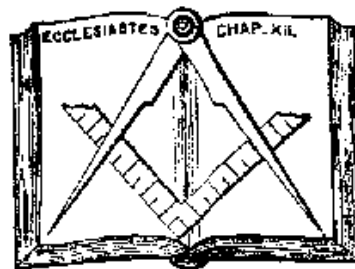
Bro. George Washington

The Covering of the Symbolic Lodge

The covering of the Symbolic Lodge is no less than a clouded canopy, or starry-decked heavens, where all good Masons hope at last to arrive, by the aid of the theological ladder which Jacob, in his vision, saw ascending from earth to heaven; the three *principal* rungs of which are denominated *Faith*, *Hope*, and *Charity*; and which admonish us to have faith in God, hope of immortality, and charity to all mankind.

Of these, *Charity* is the greatest; for Faith may be lost in sight; Hope end in fruition; but *Charity* extends beyond the grave, through the boundless realms of eternity.

Monitor of the Lodge



*Called to the
Celestial Lodge*

Sam M. Piper
September 12, 2022

John J. "Jack" Brassil
September 22, 2022

Texas Masonic Family Day

Texas Masonic Family Day is scheduled for Saturday, October 8th from 10 am til 4 pm at the Texas Masonic Retirement Community in Arlington, Texas. Admission is free and the event includes a classic car & motorcycle show, a Texas Masonic BBQ cookoff, great food, live music, children's games, pony rides, jump houses, video games, a petting zoo, Masonic fundraising opportunities, a mobile blood drive, and a Masonic museum. No dogs or other animals allowed — except service animals — due to insurance restrictions.

Texas Masonic Retirement Community
1501 W. Division St., Arlington, Texas
817-275-2893 or Info@YourTMRC.org

David Karhi, Editor

This Month in Masonic History

- October 1st, 1928, the Philaethes Society was organized.
- October 5th, 1874, the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma (Indian Territory) was formed.
- October 11th, 1911, Franklin D. Roosevelt (U.S. President 1933-1945) received his 1st degree in Holland Lodge #8, New York City.
- October 13th, 1778, the Grand Lodge of Virginia was organized.
- October 14th, 1989, the Grand Lodge of Connecticut recognized the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Connecticut, the first U.S. recognition of Prince Hall Masonry that remained in force.
- October 15th, 1794, the Grand Lodge of Vermont was organized.
- October 16th, 1800, the Grand Lodge of Kentucky was established.
- October 30th, 1937, Lyndon B. Johnson (U.S. President 1963-1969) received his 1st degree in Texas.

David Karhi, Editor



October Menu

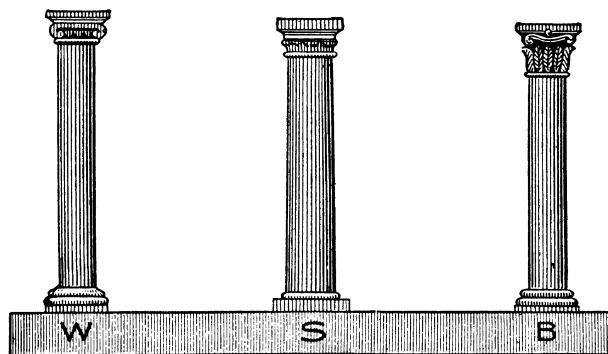
October Food Committee Chairman Tom Estes reports they will be serving pulled pork sandwiches with chips, coleslaw, and dessert.

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: Jack Brassil's family, 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), Doris Cruse (Forest's wife), Zoey Curry (Gerald's widow), Bill Farr, Lily Forman (Troy Shugart's niece), Sharon Garza (Tide's mom), Curtis & Lauren Gilgan, RW Mike & Barbara Gower, Reagan & Betty Hammett, Dorothy Hill (Sam's wife), Arnold Holden, Amy Karotkin (Alan's daughter), Eva Jean Kestner, Michelle Lewis (Todd's wife), Shelly Lewis, Don & Johnnie Long, Patricia McGinnis, Ann Merica (Ed's mom), Orlando Perez, Ellen Pietrzak (David Hoke's mother-in-law), Sam M. Piper's family, Ricky Rayburn, Carl Robinson, Theresa Shugart (Troy's mother), David Solverson, Melissa Springer (Ben Rauschke's mother), Henry Tindell (Ricky's father), and Willis Woods (Michael's father).

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



SAMC Hospital Volunteers

During the month of August, 4 Masons contributed over 104 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 59 hours, Bobby Tiner with 35 hours, and RW Tide Williams with 3 hours.

Thank you folks for a job well done!

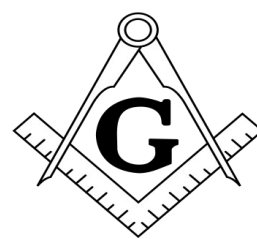
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October Birthdays

Albert J. Stowell 1; Christopher R. Dawson 2; Ricardo Avila, Jr. 3; Forest M. Cruse, Sr. 4; Wayne E. Moore 5; Gerald T. Dawson 6; Bobby J. Tiner, John H. Schlueter II 7; Charles W. Pickering, Kenneth J. Polk 8; Richard K. Bledsoe 9; Harrell E. McCaslin, Jr. 10; Don R. Long, Matias S. Ruiz 11; Robert M. Mallett 12; Ronnie H. Lee, David M. Prescott, Robert F. Simo, Randy A. Martin 13; Maxie E. Brune 16; Ben E. Gray 18; Ladare V. Benoit 19; Donn E. Hile 22; Paul D. Pennybacker 23; Tyler G. Lane 26; Juan A. Rivera, Jr. 29; Donn C. Winner 30.

Happy Birthday, Brothers!

May the Supreme Architect bless you with many more!

Masonic Birthdays; raised in October (year)

Tommie J. Conner 59; Glenn M. Groth, John W. Jackson II 61; Roy L. Hamor, Jr., Ralph D. Morren 63; William B. Farr, Don R. Long 68; Gary A. Crain 72; Kendell Holcomb 73; Jerry F. Trammell 82; Robert C. Cowan, James L. Younger 83; Michael L. Poe 85; James B. Harris, John N. McFarling 88; Scott A. Freng 91; James K. Miller 93; Todd A. Reynolds 94; Jason P. Harrell 95; Jesus P. Velazquez 05; T. David Hoke 07.

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