

# THE BEACON

ONION CREEK NO. 220 ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS  
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## STATED MEETING NIGHT

Thursday, October 5th, 2023

### Supper at 6:30pm

Chairman: Christopher Dawson, PM

Penne Pasta with Italian Sausage in Garlic Cream Sauce - Roasted Brussels Sprouts - Caesar Salad - Garlic Bread - Angel Food Cake with Strawberries

Lodge Members: \$10 Donation - Family, Friends & Guests: Free

### Meeting at 7:30pm

Master Mason's Lodge

## 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 THIS MONTH)

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!**

### Living 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  
 1997- William S. Lear  
 1998- John W. Turner  
 2001- Jonathan D. Walker

### Living Past Masters:

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, 2021 - Troy J. Shugart  
 2022 - Ernest Owney

### Living Affiliated Past Masters:

J. Roland Brown  
 J. Robert Darrell  
 Gerald T. Dawson  
 Allen W. Deaver  
 Robert Eschenburg  
 Larry Faulk  
 Reagan W. Hammett  
 Howard Kimball  
 James M. King  
 Don R. Long  
 Wes Mersiovsky  
 Jorge A. Millan  
 Byron Webster  
 James C. Wells

***From the East***

Greetings brethren and happy October to you all. The first full month of Autumn is finally here and with it comes the cooler weather, football, fall festivals, and of course Halloween. I hope you all will enjoy the milder weather and all the fun activities that come with this part of the year with family and friends.

I am happy to announce that we have two new Entered Apprentices and a new Fellow Craft. I am looking forward to seeing their progress in the coming months and have no doubt that they'll make us proud. We are also conducting courtesy work for four brothers from Austin Lodge 12. Two Entered Apprentices, a Fellow Craft, and a Master Mason who I'm happy to say performed an admirable Master Mason's turn-in. Kudos to Brother Michael A. Kugler for a job well done.

Some of the activities this month include our stated meeting on Thursday the 7th, Saturday the 14th is movie night, and Monday the 16th is our monthly Pipe and Cigar Night on the Patio. Bring your favorite pipe or stogie and enjoy fellowship with the lodge brothers. Saturday the 28th we will be hosting Committee on Work forum and exams in the morning and a Trunk-or-Treat Fall Festival that evening. For more event details, follow this link to the Lodge calendar: [http://onioncreeklodge220.org/?page\\_id=37](http://onioncreeklodge220.org/?page_id=37).

For more information on events in District 50, follow this link to The 50th District calendar: <https://www.masonicdistrict50.org/home>.

As always, I look forward to seeing everyone at the stated meeting, especially brothers who have been away for a while. Let's fill up all those seats in the lodge room. I will close with a few words from the Holy Bible, the place of Masonic light, "May God give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed" ~ Psalm 20:4. May your efforts be fruitful and may your plans come together my brothers.

***Worshipful Master Richard Alonso***

***From the South***

Greetings from the South my brothers. We had an exciting event at Lodge on Thursday September 21st. The 23 foot metal post that will hold our new Onion Creek sign was finally set in place. The sign will be hung on Saturday, September 23rd. Several Brothers took part in this venture, whom all made a valuable contribution. Pictures of the post installation should be posted on the Onion Creek website soon.

As promised, this is the second installment of the 2023 Law book concerning Chapter 6-TITLE V TRIAL MASTER DUTIES AND POWERS.

**Art. 532. Appointment of Trial Master to Be Made Promptly.**

When the Worshipful Master of a Lodge, or the Grand Master, appoints a Trial Master to

preside at any Masonic disciplinary procedure, such appointment shall be made as soon after the filing of the allegations as practicable, in order to facilitate the taking of testimony and making other necessary preparations for the Masonic disciplinary procedure.

***Bobby Clakley, Junior Warden***

### ***SAMC Hospital Volunteers***

During the month of August, 6 Masons, wives, and friends contributed over 140 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): Charlie Foreman with 17 hours, Barbara Guthridge with 13 hours, Richard Guthridge with 17 hours, David Karhi with 6 hours, Carl Robinson with 55 hours, and Bobby Tiner with 32 hours.

***Thank you folks for a job well done!***

### ***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: Scott Brown (Roland's son), Carol Camarillo (John's step mom), John Camarillo, Johnnie G. Camarillo, Sr. (John's father), Billy & Evelyn Capps, Madeline Carter (Richard Alonso's mother-in-law), Doris Cruse (Forest's wife), Odie Eschenburg (Robert's mom), Patricia Eschenburg (Robert's sister), RW Mike & Barbara Gower, Reagan & Betty Hammett, Dorothy Hill (Sam's wife), Amy Karotkin (Alan's daughter), Eva Jean Kestner, Don & Johnnie Long, Randy Martin, Ann Merica (Ed's mom), Liz Mersiovsky (Curtis Gilgan's mother-in-law), Wes Mersiovsky (Curtis Gilgan's father-in-law), Will Mingua, Edna Missildine, Ernest Owney, Jr., Ellen Pietrzak (David Hoke's mother-in-law), Orlando Perez, Theresa Shugart (Troy's mother), Melissa Springer (Ben Rauschke's mother), Elfie Vasquez (Robert Eschenburg's mother-in-law), John Waggoner, and Tommy Wells (Jim's brother).

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



**2023-2024  
LODGE OFFICERS**



Worshipful Master: Rick Alonso  
 Senior Warden: Abram Wallace  
 Junior Warden: Bobby D. Clakley  
 Treasurer: Curtis A. Gilgan, PM  
 Secretary: Raul J. Scully, PM  
 Chaplain: William L. Lewis, PM  
 Senior Deacon: Mike Barefield  
 Junior Deacon: Jacob A. Carroll  
 Senior Steward: Isaac E. Carroll  
 Junior Steward: Robert Eschenburg, PM  
 Marsall: Dennis J. Ross, PM  
 Master of Ceremonies: Jeff J. Carroll, PM  
 Musician: Ernest Owney, PM  
 Tiler: Ricardo Avila, Jr.



**2023-2024  
COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Activities: Bobby Clakley  
 Arbitration: Abram Wallace  
 Audit: Bobby Clakley  
 Beacon Editor: David Karhi  
 Breakfast Socials: Jacob Carroll  
 Building: Mike Barefield  
 By-Laws, Policies: J. Robert Darrell, PM  
 Cemetery: Dale Flatt, PM  
 Communications: Abram Wallace  
 Fantastic Teeth: Dennis Ross, PM  
 Finance: Curtis Gilgan, PM  
 Fraternal Assistance: Richard Alonso  
 Funeral: Richard Alonso

Golden Trowel: Ernest Owney, PM  
 Grand Lodge Business: Curtis Gilgan, PM  
 Hospital: Carl H. Robinson Sr.  
 Library: Christopher Dawson, PM  
 Lodge Education: Mike Barefield  
 Members In Arrears: Abram Wallace  
 Photography: Ricardo Avila Jr.  
 Past Master'S Night: Ernest Owney, PM  
 Raffle: David Hoke  
 Scholarships: Charles Foreman  
 Sick And Distressed: Richard Alonso  
 Vanguard: Bobby Clakley

# TRUNK OR TREAT

## Trunk or Treat & HARVEST FESTIVAL

### Free Family Fun!

Candy, Games, Face Painting,  
Outdoor Movie, Popcorn, Cake Walk



Saturday, 28  
October 2023



The Event starts  
at 6:00 PM

Admission is free, and there's something for everyone  
to enjoy. So, gather your friends and family!

JOIN WITH US!

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