

THE BEACON

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

Thursday, February 1st, 2024

Supper at 6:30pm

Chairman: Dale Flatt, PM

Italian Sausage Noodles - Salad - Dessert

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

Meeting at 7:30pm

Master Mason's Lodge

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Howard K. Kimball, Reagan L. Dunklin 2; Manuel A. Hernandez, Stephen M. Preece 3; Ralph L. Cearley, David H. Eickbusch 4; Samuel N. Lanham, Jr. 5; David J. Faria 7; Michael D. Aufdenkamp 8; Kenneth W. Patton, Jonathan L. Ramirez 11; L.A. Westling 12; Dennis W. Mingua 14; David A. Karhi 15; Larry G. Richter 18; Donald W. Dickerson 19; Darin W. Isaacs 20; Kirk W. Reasoner 21; Jose M. Chirinos 25; Bradley J. Hardin, Chadwyck W. Preece 26; Kenath T. Carver 27; Robert L. Roda, and Michael C. Owens 28.

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

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS (RAISED THIS MONTH)

Roland J. Brown 60; Harrell E. McCaslin, Sr. 61; Stanley A. Penner 63; Allyn R. Anderson, Marion P. Kerr 65; William E. Powell, David S. Solverson 66; David H. Eickbusch 74; Stephen A. Barlow 79; Stephen M. Preece 80; Marvin G. Gammage 82; Michael C. Owens 84; Bobby J. Tiner 85; Sidney Q. Strength 87; Andrew W. James 88; Michael A. Lee 92; Robert M. Mallett, Michael E. Sanders 95; Johnathan D. Walker, David M. Harnden 98; James E. Meeks III, Samuel E. Taylor, Sr. 01; Russell M. Tidwell II 02; Donn E. Hile 03; Richard Alonso 07; Johnny G. Camarillo 08; Curtis Alan Gilgan 09; David A. Karhi 10; Orlando Perez 12; Bobby D. Clakley, Dennis W. Mingua 18.

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

Living Past Masters:

1969- Tommie J. Conner
 1977- Roy L. Hamor
 1978- Bobby J. Doherty
 1980- Ronald B. Norwood
 1981- Howard D. Hall
 1982- Alan L. Karotkin
 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
 2003- Ricky J. Tindell
 2005- Hamilton B. Carter

Living Past Masters:

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 Owey

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 February to you all. We are well into the new year with Grand Lodge behind us, If you've not taken care of your dues please take a moment to square that away. If you are a 50 year or Endowed member you are not required to pay dues, but a donation to help keep the lights on would be greatly appreciated!

My brothers, there will be a motion to amend the By-Law at the February Stated Communication by removing the following Article: Article XI MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS - Weapons. No Weapons, either offensive or defensive, shall be carried into the Lodge room. I have directed a committee to recommend a plan of action and submit a report prior to the stated meeting which will then be presented to the Lodge prior to the motion being read. The motion will then be read, discussed and amended, if necessary, at the February Stated Communication. At the March Stated Communication it will be considered and voted on without further amendment. There is also a motion that will be considered to create a Safety Officer and optional team for the Lodge. Your presence for this discussion would be greatly appreciated.

Some of the activities this month include our stated meeting on Thursday the 1st, Breakfast Social on Saturday the 3rd, Fantastic Teeth Launch Party on Monday the 5th, Sweethearts Luncheon and Movie Night on Saturday the 10th, Pipe and Cigar Night on the Patio on Monday the 19th (bring your favorite pipe or stogie and enjoy fellowship with the Lodge brothers), and Cemetery Brush Clean-up on Saturday the 24th. For more event details follow this link to the [LODGE CALENDAR](#). For more information on events in District 50 follow this link to the [50th DISTRICT CALENDAR](#).

I look forward to seeing everyone at the stated meeting, especially brothers who have been away for a while, lets fill up all those seats in the lodge room. As we navigate through the various decisions we must make and paths we must take this month, I am reminded of the illuminating power of the Great Architect's Word. "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." ~Psalm 119:105. My Brothers, may your mind and path be as clear as the morning light.

Worshipful Master, Richard Alonso

SAMC Hospital Volunteers

During the month of December, 6 Masons, wives, and friends contributed over 99 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 5 hours, Barbara Guthridge with 15 hours, Richard Guthridge with 24 hours, David Karhi with 3 hours, Carl Robinson with 14 hours, and Bobby Tiner with 39 hours.

Thank you folks for a job well done!

February Movie Night at Onion Creek Lodge***Killers of the Flower Moon***

When oil is discovered in 1920s Oklahoma under Osage Nation land, the Osage people are murdered one by one - until the FBI steps in to unravel the mystery.

Director: Martin Scorsese

Stars: Leonardo DiCaprio, Robert De Niro, Lily Gladstone

February 10th @7PM

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), Forest & Doris Cruse, Patricia Eschenburg (Robert's sister), RW Mike & Barbara Gower, Reagan & Betty Hammett, 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, Ralph Rosenberg (Jacob Carroll's wife's grandfather), Theresa Shugart (Troy's mother), Melissa Springer (Ben Rauschke's mother), Elfie Vasquez (Robert Eschenburg's mother-in-law), and John Waggoner.

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