

THE BEACON

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

Thursday, September 5th, 2024

Supper at 6:30pm

Chairman: Joe Beaver

Spaghetti & Meat Sauce - Salad - Garlic Bread - Cookies - Ice Cream - Iced Tea

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

Meeting at 7:30pm

Master Mason's Lodge

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Allan J. Tolbert III 2; Arnold J. Holden, James A. Kruger, Stephen A. Barlow, Armand C. Ablanado 3; Billy R. Capps, Tommy R. Teykl 6; Bobby J. Doherty 7; Dale A. Rundell 12; Ricky J. Tindell 16; Michael S. Compton, Eddie E. Daffern, Peter Seguin 17; Daniel W. McCarter 19; James R. McMillan, Terry D. Phillips 20; Michael A. Lee 22; William S. Lear, Curtis A. Gilgan 23; Robert C. Williams 24; Allyn R. Anderson, Jason S. Lyde 25; Ralph D. Morren, Richard Alonso 30.

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

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS (RAISED THIS MONTH)

Gerald C. Carruth 63; Stephen C. Dowell 69; Clyde J. Medlock 78; Paul S. Hinchcliffe, George G. Watkins 86; Samuel M. Gacesa, William M. Bastas 89; Allen W. Deaver 00; Dwane R. Ideker 03; Jeffrey T. Lester 04; Bradley D. French 06; Aaron K. Robertson 07; Christopher R. Gaines, Benjamin B. Rauschke 08; Jeff J. Carroll 10; Christopher T. Bookout, Todd Lewis 13; Kenath T. Carver 14.

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
 2006- Russell M. Tidwell II

Living Past Masters:

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
 2023- Richard Alonso

Living Affiliated Past Masters:

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

From the West

My Brothers, I hope that you have been well. Below is an update on a few things that have been happening around the lodge in August.

One thing is that new outside lighting for the front and back side of the lodge is being installed: one light at the northeast corner of the property has been installed and three of four more lights are in the works. These lights are very bright and are an essential element to the safety and security of our brothers and guests.

On Sunday, August 11th, several brothers and guests participated in a fun shoot at a local gun range where we learned firearm safety, gun range etiquette, and safe shooting skills.

On Thursday, August 15th, the lodge had a major water leak downstairs in the men's bathroom that left a significant amount of water flowing into the dining hall and main entry way. I want to tell you that within hours of the leak being detected, the leak was fixed, all the standing water was removed by mop and wet vac. Then fans were put in place to dry things out in time to have dinner and fellowship. Thanks to all of the brothers that assisted with this major clean-up.

On Monday, August 19th, we had the monthly Pipe & Cigar night on the back patio. It was suggested that we include a steak dinner as well. The menu included a New York strip, baked potato with all the fixings, shrimp cocktail and steamed vegetables. For dessert, we had strawberry or chocolate nut cheesecakes. We had 17 brothers at this event and it was a blast. We are planning to continue to have a steak dinner in connection with Pipe & Cigar night. If you want to participate, make sure you sign up when the notice goes out.

My Brothers, that is all for now; and I look forward to seeing you at the lodge.

Senior Warden Bobby Clakley

SAMC Hospital Volunteers

During the month of July, 3 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): Barbara Guthridge with 10 hours, Richard Guthridge with 16 hours, and Carl Robinson with 73 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), Sharon Carroll (Jeff's wife), Billy & Evelyn Capps' family, Forest Cruse, Patricia Eschenburg (Robert's sister), Lauren Gilgan, RW Mike & Barbara

Gower, Amy Karotkin (Alan's daughter), Eva Jean Kestner, Don & Johnnie Long, Liz Mersiovsky (Curtis Gilgan's mother-in-law), Wes Mersiovsky (Curtis Gilgan's father-in-law), Will Mingua, Ernest Owney, Jr., Orlando Perez, Theresa Shugart (Troy's mother), Melissa Springer (Ben Rauschke's mother), Dennis Stewart, Sara Turner, Douglas Vaugh Sr., PM's family (Christopher Dawson, PM's grandfather-in-law), and John Waggoner's family.

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



**2024-2025
LODGE OFFICERS**



Worshipful Master: Abram Wallace
Senior Warden: Bobby D. Clakley
Junior Warden: Christopher R. Dawson, PM
Treasurer: Curtis A. Gilgan, PM
Secretary: Raul J. Scully, PM
Chaplain: William L. Lewis, PM
Senior Deacon: David "Tide" Williams, PM
Junior Deacon: Ernest Owney, PM
Senior Steward: Robert N. Crawford
Junior Steward: Luis M. Diaz
Marshall: Dennis J. Ross, PM
Master of Ceremonies: Jeff J. Carroll, PM
Tiler: Richard Alonso, PM



**2024-2025
COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Activities: Bobby Clakley
Arbitration: Abram Wallace
Audit: Christopher Dawson, PM
Beacon Editor: David Karhi
Breakfast Socials: Ernest Owney, PM
Building: David "Tide" Williams, PM
By-Laws, Policies: Bobby Clakley
Cemetery: Dale Flatt, PM
Communications: Christopher Dawson, PM
Community Builder: Dennis Ross, PM
Fantastic Teeth: Dennis Ross, PM
Finance: Curtis Gilgan, PM
Fraternal Assistance: Abram Wallace

Funeral: Abram Wallace
Golden Trowel: Richard Alonso, PM
Grand Lodge Business: Curtis Gilgan, PM
Lodge Education: David "Tide" Williams, PM
Lodge Safety: Bobby Clakley
Members In Arrears: Bobby Clakley
Past Master's Night: Abram Wallace
Pleasant Hill Elementary Assistance: Ernest Owney, PM
Raffle: Bobby Clakley
Scholarships: Dennis Ross, PM
Sick And Distressed: Abram Wallace
Vanguard: Christopher Dawson, PM