



The Trestle Board

September 2023



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FROM THE EAST

My Brothers,

Hello Brothers – September is upon us. I really hope that everyone came through the storm without any damage.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Brother Christopher Schairer. He is our newly initiated Entered Apprentice. Please make sure to introduce yourself when you see him at our meetings.

Plans are still in the making for our 2nd Annual Turkey Shoot that is scheduled for Saturday, October 14th. Please see the attached flyer. We hope everyone will plan to attend this fun event and help to make it a success again this year.

Additionally, we have a Brother and family in distress. Brother Jay Jones, our Senior Warden – his 16 year old grandson, Wesley Pippin had a cardiac episode while getting ready for school and was hospitalized in ICU at St. Joseph’s hospital for a week. This has caused much stress on the family so we are planning a fundraising event to help this family which will consist of a drive through Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, September 16th from 11am - 2pm. Meals are \$10.00 and will be spaghetti, salad and a roll and all proceeds will go to the family to help offset some of the medical bills they are facing.

Brothers, please, please, tell everyone you know so we can support our Brother in need.



Thank you for your support for this event and also please remember our stated communication meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month and the Coffee Club meets every Tuesday morning at 8:00 am. Looking forward to seeing you at any or all of the events we have planned.

Fraternally,
Charles P. Chancey, Jr.
Worshipful Master

District Deputy Grand Master's Visit - Aug 17, 2023



Christopher Alan Schairer - Initiated Aug 24, 2023
Degree held at Desoto Lodge No. 105 along with 3 other candidates.



FROM THE WEST

My Brothers,

Hoping all brothers are in good health and doing well. I would to thank all the Brothers who attended the Stated Communications in the month of August. It was good to see everyone in attendance and all the visitors we had. I hope to see more of our brothers in future meetings. We had a wonderful family night meal this month as we welcomed Stephen Williams, our District Deputy Grand Master for his Official Visit to the Lodge. The food was delicious and enjoyed our time together.



On September 16, 2023, we will be working along with Plant City Chapter No. 81, OES, to hold a spaghetti meal fundraiser to help Sister Aimee and her family with medical expenses for her son that went into cardiac arrest on August 11, 2023. It will be a drive by and pick up meal at the Lodge 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. We lost two Brothers from our membership recently. Brother Ray Ben Saxton and Brother Morris Eugene Moore. Keep the family of these Brothers in your prayers.

The next Turkey Shoot Planning Meeting is Wednesday, Sept 20 at 6:30 pm. There are flyers and sponsor forms available for anyone interested. Also, meal tickets are available from Sister Aimee. Call her at 813-763-5168 if interested.

Everyone is especially invited to our 3rd Thursday Family Night Supper on Sapt 20th. A short program is planned for everyone before our Stated Meeting.

Don't forget the Officer's Meeting on Thursday, Sept 27 at 6:00 pm and the Coffee Club every Tuesday morning at 8:00 am in the dining room if you'd like to join in.

Wishing everyone a safe and blessed month ahead.

Fraternally,

James C. Jones, Jr.

Senior Warden



FROM THE SOUTH

My Brothers,

It is September and the year just keeps slipping away. Our two new Entered Apprentices are working hard on their Catechism instructed by W.: Mike Lytle. We now have an additional Entered Apprentice, Christopher Alan Schairer and he will be working on his Catechism instruction also. We expect to be having several Degrees in the near future as the Lodge is showing quite a bit of activity. We need assistance with this work and your presence will make a difference as we support these new arrivals and make them feel welcome at Olin S. Wright Lodge.

Plant City Chapter No. 81, OES has been Dark for the summer but will resume their meetings in October.

They have an event planned for Veterans Day on November 4th. They will be having a Veterans Day Dinner to honor Veterans and remember their service and their sacrifices.

At our last Stated Meeting there was approval to investigate a parcel of property in Plant City East of The Hillsborough County Court House. This is being considered as a possible location for a new Lodge Building. There is much to be considered and it is very early in the process but if all goes well we may be voting to purchase the property for our future Lodge site location. More information will be made available soon.

Come to the Lodge and get involved, we need your support!

Fraternally,

R.: W.: Royce A. Yancey, PDDGM

Junior Warden



PLEASE NOTE

It is requested that you supply the Lodge Secretary with your updated contact information including e-mail address and cell phone number.

DON'T FORGET THE COFFEE CLUB - EVERY TUESDAY AT 8:00 AM

IN MEMORIAL

It is with great sadness that we mourn the loss of two of our beloved Brothers . . .
Ray Ben Saxton - 71+ Year Member and Morris Eugene Moore - 60+ Year Member

OLIN S. WRIGHT LODGE No. 79, F&AM - BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER

03 Raymond Eugene Cullins

08 James Robert Jones

13 Alvie Lee Still, Jr.

17 Mark Robert Bocknor

17 Clifford Bryan Turner

18 Edward Davis Dees

19 Kevin Michael Overstreet

24 Todd Adam Anthony

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF BY-LAWS PROPOSAL

At our last Stated Communication a resolution was read and approved by the Craft to amend our By-Laws to allow changes to our Degree Fees. The following is your official notice of these proposed changes.

This is Resolution to amend section 9.01, FEES FOR THE DEGREES AND AFFILIATION, of the By-Laws for Olin S Wright Masonic Lodge No. 79, located at 803 W. Mahoney Street in Plant City, FL.

CURRENT WORDING

The fee for the Background Check shall be \$15.00: for Initiation shall be \$50.00: for Passing \$50.00: and for Raising \$50.00. In every case the fee shall be paid to the Secretary in advance, without which no petition or application shall be read or announced, and in every case of rejection the fee shall be promptly returned from the treasury, upon the Master's Order. (ACCEPTED AND APPROVED SEPTEMBER 28, 1981).

AMENDED TO READ

The fee for the Background Check shall be \$15.00: for Initiation shall be \$100.00: for Passing \$100.00: and for Raising \$100.00. In every case the fee shall be paid to the Secretary in advance, without which no petition or application shall be read or announced, and in every case of rejection the fee shall be promptly returned from the treasury, upon the Master's Order. (SUBMITTED TO THE CRAFT SEPTEMBER 7, 2023)

Final consideration and a vote by written secret ballot for final approval will be taken at the Stated Meeting on Thursday, October 5, 2023. Please plan to attend.



SEPTEMBER 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4 Labor Day 	5 OSW Coffee Club 8:00am	6	7 OSW STATED COMMUNICATION Supper 6:30 pm Meeting 7:30 pm	8	9
10	11	12 OSW Coffee Club 8:00am PLANT CITY CHAPTER No. 81 OES DARK Summer Recess	13	14 Ritual/Degree Practice 6:00 pm As Necessary	15	16 OES Spaghetti Dinner Drive-By and Pick-Up Only 11:00 - 2:00
17	18 Zendah Grotto Meeting 7:30 pm District School of Instruction 7:30 Brandon Lodge	19 OSW Coffee Club 8:00am	20 Turkey Shoot Planning Meeting Turkey Creek 248 6:30 pm	21 OSW STATED COMMUNICATION FAMILY NIGHT Supper 6:30 pm Meeting 7:30 pm	22 Memorial Lodge John Darling 154 7:30 pm	23
24	25 Master Masons Association Egypt Shrine 6:30 pm Supper 7:30 pm Meeting	26 OSW Coffee Club 8:00am PLANT CITY CHAPTER No. 81 OES 7:30 pm Initiation	27	28 Lodge Officers Meeting 6:00 pm	29	30

A DAY IN THE COUNTRY WITH THE MASONS



2ND ANNUAL TURKEY SHOOT

2023

October 14th
10:00AM-4:00PM



Hillsborough County Cattlemen's Pavilion
6404 S. County Road 39, Plant City, FL



\$10.00 Donation per shot

Prizes will be awarded
EVERY round

Concessions provided by
 Eastern Star

Gun Raffle sponsored by
 G5 Feed and Outdoor

Rules:

- ~No scope or laser sites permitted ~There will be a sign up sheet for each shoot ~
- We will furnish all ammunition ~There will be one judge and the decision is final
- ~The shot closest to the "X" wins ~In case there is a tie, there will be a shoot off ~

Presented by: Olin S. Wright Lodge No. 79 & Turkey Creek Lodge No. 248

Approved for distribution by M. W. Glen B. Bishop, Grand Master, on August 11, 2023

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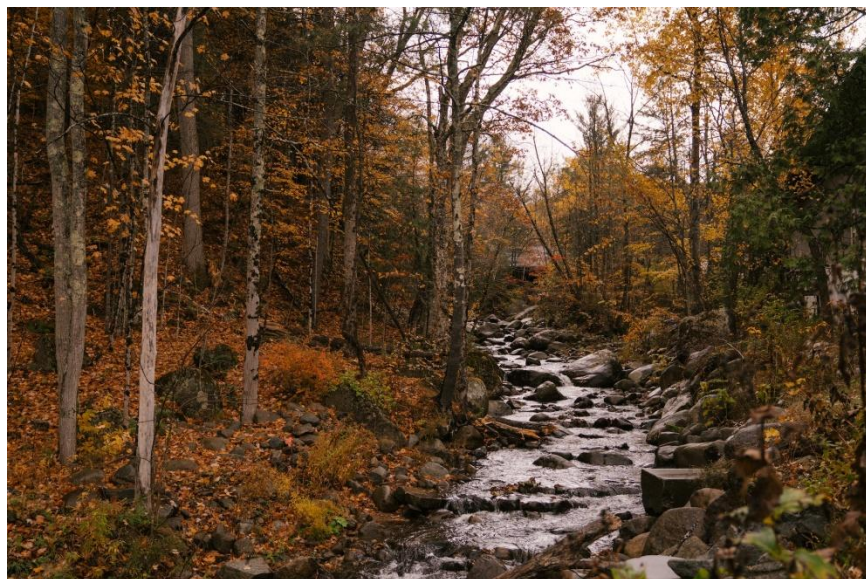
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Our Past Masters



Enoch E. Mizzel 1876	Albert Schneider 1905	M. C. Moore 1937	Paul S. Buchman 1966	David Varnum 1995
Enoch E. Mizzel 1877	John Thomas Lowe 1906	James O. Gresham 1938	Nathan L. Watkins 1967	Buddy Odom 1996
William Collins 1878	Earl W. Mays 1907	Alois W. Anders 1939	Olin R. Yancey, Sr. 1968	Richard Woods 1997
William Collins 1879	Vivian B. Collins 1908	Harry L. Keller 1940	Manuel Buchman 1969	H. T. Red Coleman 1998
William Collins 1880	Vivian B. Collins 1909	Thomas Houghton 1941	Richard C. Holt, Sr. 1970	Timothy Surrency 1999
William Collins 1881	Thomas M. Strickland ... 1910	Thomas Houghton 1942	Jerry L. Joyner 1971	Irvin E. Rupp 2000
William Collins 1882	Olin S. Wright 1911	Fred D. Alley 1943	H. Chad Smith 1972	James W. Ford 2001
William S. Knight 1883	Sheldon C. Wells 1912	Frank S. Scheible 1944	George W. Joyner 1973	Eddie D. Stephens, Sr. ... 2002
William Collins 1884	Jasper Evers 1913	Thomas D. Harvley 1945	Ray E Brobst 1974	Floyd K. Alderman 2003
William Collins 1885	Thomas Carr Calmes 1914	Earle Cobb 1946	Raymond D. Mercer 1975	R. Wesley Rounds 2004
William Collins 1886	Lovell H. Harrell 1918	Harry Harrel 1947	Robert A. May 1976	Royce A. Yancey 2005
G. W. Knight 1887	Frank E. Cummins 1919	Wilder Branford 1948	William E. Sams 1977	Philip P. Bethea 2006
William Collins 1888	Cyrus Taylor Neuner 1920	Ray H. Crum 1949	Robert M. Venning 1978	Robert "Boog" Powell 2007
Olin S. Wright 1889	Cyrus Taylor Neuner 1921	Benton L. McEwen 1950	Lloyd W. Owens 1979	Louis K. Mittong, II 2008
Olin S. Wright 1890	Unknown 1922	Arthur A. Tickel 1951	Edward W. Simmons 1980	Clarence Rudolph 2009
William Collins 1891	Walker Scott Rardin 1923	Elmer N. Dickenson 1952	Cecil C. Odom 1981	James Harden 2010
William S. Knight 1892	Marcus E. Coue 1924	Willis K. Harrington 1953	James N. Reed, Sr. 1982	Harmon Van Horn 2011
Olin S. Wright 1893	Alex McQuinn 1925	Royce M. Wills 1954	Harry McElfresh 1983	Robert W. Taylor, Sr. 2012
Olin S. Wright 1894	Alex McQuinn 1926	Charles W. Lancaster ... 1955	Tony Henry 1984	Jimmie S. Marko 2013
Andrew R. Tyson 1895	Lewis G. Carlton 1927	Lee E. Russell 1956	John Ken Kimbel, III 1985	Roger Mays 2014
Simeon E. Sparkman 1896	R. B. Hedrick 1928	Ira B. Russell 1957	Timothy Conway, III 1986	Todd Horne 2015
Thomas W. Wilder 1897	Clyde N. Simmons 1929	Harley S. Miller 1958	Wayne B. Ward 1987	Robert W. Taylor, Sr. 2016
Olin S. Wright 1898	Ray H. Kramer 1930	William H. Rollyson 1959	R. W. Yancey 1988	Jimmie S. Marko 2017
Olin S. Wright 1899	Earnest G. Kellam 1931	William A. Twiss 1960	Michael E. Lytle 1989	Louis K. Mittong, II 2018
Olin S. Wright 1900	Wesley Bell 1932	Thomas J. Powell 1961	Frank A. Gaustella 1990	Royce A. Yancey 2019
William A. Beaty 1901	R. Clyde Colson 1933	Paul A. Bailey 1962	E. Arthur Allen 1991	Anthony N. Cline 2020
James M. Forbis 1902	Richard Houghton 1934	John E. Hancock 1963	Edward W. Simmons 1992	James R. Jones 2021
Robert E. Fletcher 1903	Wiley F. Smith 1935	A. C. Sutherland 1964	James Cameron 1993	Michael E. Lytle 2022
Albert Schneider 1904	Jesse E. Tuttle 1936	Cecil L. Shackelford 1965	Cecil C. Carr 1994	