

VALLEY OF LAKE WORTH SCOTTISH RITE  
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### **Secretary's Corner** :

We have had some important issues at the Rite this past couple months. First we completed the 199<sup>th</sup> Reunion and received twelve new Brothers. The Degree Teams did an excellent job, the Degree Directors were exceptional, and the class room Directors did fantastic. They all did so good there are plans to add two additional Degrees to the next Reunion. Next, after dealing with a lawsuit over the Valley building sale, it is settled and we can move forward. I am not putting the settlement details in the Bulletin but will discuss any questions you have, just call me at the Office. Next, we will still have some color in our Bulletins we send out by e-mail but those mailed will have none. This is due to the increased cost of the printing of color pages. Office Depot is now at 76 cents a page for color.

### **200<sup>th</sup> Reunion:**

Our 200<sup>th</sup> Reunion is set for March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022, again at Bykota Lodge No. 133 in Greenacres, FL. We have two petitions at this time and are looking for a lot more. To make this milestone of the 200<sup>th</sup> Reunion even better, we will be dedicating the class to Ill. James Kirby, 33°, Grand Cross recipient. Talk to your Brothers and see if we can surpass the twelve we had in the last class.

There was again a request made to move the Reunion to a different location. As discussed at two E-Board Meetings and Consistory Meetings, no other Lodge in the District has the available room we need for the Reunions and it would not be feasible to go to Broward County.

### **Degree Parts:**

In the Reunion Degrees , several Brothers have been taking several parts. I have sent the Degree Director the names of our new Brothers from the last two Reunions that would like to get involved in our Degrees. Anyone, new or older members, who would like to take parts in the Degrees, please call the Office and speak to Sue or me and we will send your name to the Degree Director.

### **Lodge Ambassadors:**

We now have a working list of Lodge Ambassadors to talk about Scottish Rite and promote new membership in our area Masonic Lodges. This is how we got twelve new Brothers in the last Reunion. I am still trying to get a date for an Ambassador class but it's hard to get a day or night we are all free to attend. Bear with me Brothers.

### **Knights of Saint Andrew :**

According to the information the Valley has obtained the elected Officers for 2022 will be as follows:

Venerable Master: Bro. Evan Sobel, 32°  
Senior Deacon: Bro. Harry Bonet, 32°  
Junior Deacon: Bro. TK Krumenacker, 32°

The Brother handling the Honor Guard (Arch of Steel), will be Bro. Harry Bonet, 32°, who will also be handling the ordering of kilts and other paraphernalia for the KSA with the Office Administration.

The Knights have three Arch Honor assignments, one for the Shrine in November and two for upcoming Lodge installations.

### **2022 Officers of the Valley of Lake Worth:**

No request for elected positions have been sent in so our elections in November will be by acclamation. The following Brothers will hold offices in 2022:

Consistory:                    Master of Kadosh – Hon. Isidro Pentzke, 32°, KCCH  
                                      Prior of Consistory – Hon. Robert Gibbons, 32°, KCCH  
                                      Preceptor of Consistory – Hon. Frank Kiefer, 32°, KCCH  
                                      Chancellor of Consistory – Hon. Scott Schwartzberg, 32°, KCCH

Lodge of Perfection:        Venerable Master – Bro. Stephen Nelson, 32°  
                                      Senior Warden – Bro. T.K. Krumenacker, 32°  
                                      Junior Warden – Hon. Bill Paxton, 32°, KCCH

Chapter of Rose Croix:     Wise Master – Hon. Ray Rios, 32°, KCCH  
                                      Senior Warden – Bro. Clifford Kraft, 32°  
                                      Junior Warden – Bro. Abner Pedraza, 32°

Council of Kadosh:         Commander – Bro. Michael Weinberg, 32°  
                                      1<sup>st</sup> Lt. – Bro. Harry Bonet, 32°  
                                      2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. – Hon. William Staats, 32°, KCCH

Appointed positions have been filled and can be obtained from the Administrative Office.

## **Meals:**

Brothers we need to discuss income. The dues we collect do not cover the operation of the Valley for the year. I know we discussed meals a couple months back and the vote by the Valley was not to have any. With no source of income, we are taking money out of our investments to cover our overhead. With that being said, we need to have either dinners with families or start up dinners before our meetings. We will need to discuss this at our January 2022 meeting. If you don't want meals, then we will need some type of fundraisers to compensate for this. We have had some great ideas but we now need to implement them.

## **New Brothers:**

The following Brothers went through the 199<sup>th</sup> Reunion and were consecrated on October 27, 2021. They are ready to jump in and assist the Valley any way they can:

Kenneth Baker	Desoto Lodge No. 105, Riverview, FL
Tanju Comert	Harmonia Lodge No. 138, West Palm Beach, FL
Richard Gearhart	Acacia Lodge No. 163, Stuart, FL
Richard Gregory	Garden Lodge No. 366, PB Gardens, FL
Paul Jacob	Boca/Delray Lodge No. 171, Boca Raton, FL
Gregory Johnson	Garden Lodge No. 366, PB Gardens, FL
Angel Lopez	Lantana Lodge No. 372, Lantana, FL
Ramon Ramirez	J. Dewey Hawkins No. 331, Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Carlos Ribeiro	Garden Lodge No. 366, PB Gardens, FL
Julio Sanchez	Acacia Lodge No. 163, Stuart, FL

## **Celestial Lodge:**

The following Brothers have passed to the Celestial Lodge above in 2021 (or the Valley received notice of their passing in 2021): + indicates added from last Bulletin.

Stanley Stein - 06/10/21	Herman Grantham – 07/07/21	Charles Damsel – 09/30/21 +
William Redditt - 06/21/21	Charles Pedersen – 07/24/21	Peter Van Leeuwen – 11/14/20 +
Ronald Applestein - 06/27/21	Leslie Combs – 07/13/21	Louis Babbit – 10/23/21 +

May God grant Grand Honors to these worthy Brothers.....

## **Santa is Coming to Town:**

Fourteen years ago Ill. Roy Strohacker (Santa Roy) and his wife Caroline (Mrs. Claus) started a Christmas Toy Drive with assistance from Gulf Stream Masonic Lodge No. 245. The second year the entire Masonic District got involved, with all Lodges, appendant bodies and Ladies Masonic organizations helping in this worthwhile event. To date they have donated over 6,000 toys to needy children all over. The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Toy Drive is in full swing and we are asking for help from the Brothers and Masonic Groups again. If you can help, we need new, unwrapped toys for infants to teens. Santa Roy can arrange for pickup of the toys, just call 561-588-1802 or 561-329-2261. If you would like to make a monetary donation and let Santa and Mrs. Claus shop, make checks payable to Gulf Stream Lodge No. 245 and mail to 1111

Crestwood Blvd., Suite A, Lake Worth, FL 33460. Again, as in the past years, thank you for putting smiles on the children's faces Christmas morning. By the way, we have received both radio and newspaper coverage for our Masonic Charity. Deadline for toys and/or money donations is December 3, 2021.

### **Dues:**

Anyone who has not paid their 2021 dues, please do so as soon as possible. For those who will be holding Office for 2022, please note that your dues for 2022 must be paid prior to your installation in January.

### **50 and 25 year Brothers:**

25 Years: Ill. John A. Clarke, 33°, Ill. Ewell Menge, 33°, Hon. Lawrence Choman, 32°, KCCH, Bro. Awney Alfarauki, Bro. Thomas C. Clark, Bro. Randy Freital, Bro. Roy Hudson, Jr., Bro. Arthur Usina, Bro. John Q. Weber.

50 Years: Hon. William P. Blackwell, 32°, KCCH, Bro. Sheldon Berkman, Bro. Gilbert Swiger.

Congratulations Brothers...

### **Scottish Rite Education:**

The triple interlaced triangle, in the 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree, represents the Divine Light, the Divine Wisdom, and the Divine Word. The Divine Light manifests itself in the human mind as the intellect: the human spirit is itself a ray of Divine Light, indestructible and immortal.

### **Masonic Words for Thought:**

Keep skid chains on your tongue; always say less than you think; cultivate a low persuasive voice. Make promises sparingly and keep them faithful, no matter what it costs you. Praise good work, regardless of who did it. If criticism is merited, criticize helpfully, never spitefully. Preserve an open mind on all debatable questions. Discuss but don't argue. It is a mark of superior minds to disagree and yet be friendly.

### **Humor to Brighten Our Days:**

These come from Redneck humor,

The centerpiece for the table should never be anything prepared by a taxidermist.

Livestock is a poor choice for a wedding gift.

Dim your headlights for approaching vehicles even if the gun is loaded, and the deer is in sight.

**PLEASE BE ADVISED - NO MEETING IN DECEMBER**

**Famous Mason:**

**Irving Berlin (Real name: Israel Isidore Baline) (1888-1989)** – Composer, lyricist and a long-time member of Munn Lodge No.190 in New York, Brother Berlin is widely considered the greatest song writer in history. This American-Jewish genius wrote more than 1,500 songs, including ‘Alexander’s Ragtime Band’ (1911), the Oscar® winning ‘White Christmas’ (1940), and several musical comedies such as ‘Annie Get Your Gun’ (1946) and ‘There’s No Business Like Show Business’ (1954).

WITH THE HOLIDAYS APPROACHING YOUR VALLEY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL OUR BROTHERS AND THEIR FAMILIES A VERY HAPPY THANKSGIVING, MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY HOLIDAYS, HAPPY HANUKKAH, AND A SAFE NEW YEARS EVE.

