

Fort Myers Beach Lodge #362
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Chartered April 27, 1967

Meets First & Third Thursdays

6:30 Refreshment - 7:30 Meeting

Visitors Welcome - Members Expected

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"Make no little plans. They have no magic to stir men's blood and probably themselves will not be realized. Make big plans, aim high in hope and work, remembering that a noble, logical diagram once recorded will never die, but long after we are gone will be a living thing, asserting itself with every-growing insistency. Remember that our sons and grandsons are going to do things that would stagger us. Let your watchword be order and your beacon beauty. Think Big!"

*A quote by Daniel Burnham, Chicago architect (1894-1912);
Director of Works for Chicago Columbian Exposition of 1893;
Architect of the Chicago Masonic Temple, which was, in
1891, at 22 stories, the tallest skyscraper in the world.*



2022 Officers



Worshipful Master:	Kit Weber	561-312-0805
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Junior Warden:	Gerald Brosseau	239-215-8924
Treasurer:	W John Herman	239-410-3337
Secretary:	W George Baliotis	239-560-4873
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Junior Deacon:	Mikas Mailakakis	239-281-7268
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Junior Steward:		
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Past Masters



*W.: Marshall E. Wilkins.....1966-67UD	W.: Beaufort R. Bierce.....1995
*W.: Hugh Holligan1968	*W.: E. James Toby.....1996
*RW.: Louis A. Myers.....1969	W.: Matthew L. Hall.....1997
*W.: Raymond A. Howerton.....1970	RW.: Dick Tafel.....1998
*W.: Paul O. Hoffman.....1971	W.: Charles Pack.....1999
*W.: Earnest C. Brown1972	W.: Donald Smith.....2000
*W.: Thomas S. Reahard1973	*W.: Clyde Curry2001
*W.: William J. Nelson.....1974	W.: Beaufort R. Bierce2002
*W.: Douglass M. Midgley.....1975	W.: Robert DeVeny2003
*W.: Ronald E. Bare1976	RW.: Dick Tafel2004
*W.: Ralph E. Shaffer1977	W.: Dan Lumley2005
*W.: Elbert E. Smith.....1978	W.: Jerry Ralston2006
*W.: Jacob F. Woods1979	R.W.: Bobby Mimmo.....2007-2008
*W.: David A. Wedig1980	R.W.: Ed Lanham2009-2010
*W.: Chester A. Townsend.....1981	W.: Bart Howard.....2011
*W.: Reginald C. Stark1982	W.: Jim Phillips2012
W.: Peter H. Hopwood Jr.....1983	W.: John MacDonald2013
*W.: William F. Mazur.....1984	W.: Isidro Lopez2014
RW.: James W. Hogg.....1985	W.: Ken Compton2015
*W.: Richard D. Upham.....1986	W.: Joshua Calero2016
*W.: James Toby1987	W.: Mark Kenny2017
W.: Robert J. Berczik.....1988	W.: Derek Vaneske2018
*W.: Robert j. Gibbons.....1989	W.: Mark Stewart2019
*W.: Frank C. Modafari.....1990	W.: John Herman2020
*W.: William F. Mazur Jr.....1991	W.: Scott Wilder2021
*W.: Daniel H. Nichols Sr.....1992	
*W.: James L. Michael.....1993	
W.: Kurt M. Reichenbecher.....1994	

Preparation For Initiation

Ideally, the candidate should find his way to the door of Freemasonry on his own. If a man senses the stirrings in his heart for a deeper understanding of life than that he has heretofore found, he will seek until he finds the Fraternity. This turning of the heart is really the beginning of his initiation. Therefore, each candidate who comes seeking light is said to be first prepared in his heart.

While Freemasonry is not a religion, its ceremonies are of a serious nature, dignified in their presentation and impart teachings that, if properly understood, obligate a man to lead a better life. To get the greatest good from the ceremonies, a candidate should first prepare his mind to understand and absorb these teachings. The candidate should pay strict attention to every part of the ceremony, in order that he may gain some understanding of the teachings of Freemasonry. The methods we use in teaching may be new and unusual to the candidate, but these methods have been used for many centuries and have not changed significantly since they originated. Finally, he should remember that every Mason in the Lodge room is his friend and brother. ~ calodges.org

Master Mason Degree



From the South Continued



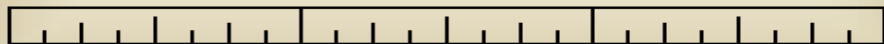
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Important Notice: Since social media groups cannot be tiled, on or about June 1st, the Fort Myers Beach Masonic Lodge Private Group will be changed to PUBLIC, (membership will remain required to post within the group) to improve overall communication and transparency.

Fraternally yours,

Bro. Gerald R. Brosseau, II



70 Year Masonic Service Award



From the East



Brothers,

At our first meeting of April our lodge bestowed a 70 year masonic presentation on Worshipful Charles Logan with the help of R.W. Bobby Lippek. This was a monumental presentation and one that the majority of us may never see again! Worshipful Logan has been an asset to our fraternity and a dedicated mason for over 70 years. Also, in that same evening we balloted and accepted two petitions for candidates to receive the three degrees of freemasonry. Our second meeting of the month we hosted a Widows Evening where we invited widows, and family members to come out and enjoy a light evening with delicious food and a presentation of beautiful orchids. We had 13 ladies in attendance who received not only an orchid but also an escort to the alter by our own 50-year mason Fred Wright.

Coming up in May, we will be balloting on an application to make Carmine Marceno (The Sheriff of Lee County) a perpetual friend of the lodge, to show our support for Lee County Sheriff's Department and all the masonic deputies in our area. On May 19th we will have a called communication where we will be conferring an E.A degree on 2 candidates. This month we will also be discussing Amity. Amity is a masonic application approved by our Grand Lodge for your smart phone that works like a virtual dues card and much more. Use your phone camera to scan one of these codes below to set up your free Amity account.

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I will part with this quote from Albert Pike:

"We Masons are among the fortunate ones who are taught to meet together with others opposing convictions or competitive ideas and yet respect each other as Brothers."

God bless my brothers,
Kit Weber

From the West



The widow's dinner last month on APR. 21st was a great success due to the officers and members of FMB Lodge! J.W. Gerald Brosseau & his crew cooked an outstanding meal. Lets keep up the great work.

A substantial check & some clothes were delivered to the Ukrainian refugees, by Ken Jordan & myself, they were well received. Special thanks to Bro. Kenny Vince for supplying the clothes & child car seat.

Peace & Love John Troia S.W.

Widows Night - April 21st



From the South



Hello My Brothers,

If you were unable to attend either of our meetings in April, you missed out on some great fellowship! Our April 7th Stated Communication started off with the kitchen team preparing a mouthwatering BBQ grilled chicken and steak kabob dinner followed by an award presentation to honor Worshipful Logan's 70th Masonic Anniversary. The April 21st Called Communication was our Annual Widows Night in which the kitchen team prepared a delicious chicken cordon bleu dinner with homemade cheesecake for dessert. We sincerely thank Sundance Orchids & Bromeliads of Fort Myers, who graciously donated half of the beautiful orchids that were presented to the ladies that evening and our amazing kitchen team for their continued pride and dedication in preparing these delicious dinners!

Save the Dates!

- May 5th: Stated Communication and a fun and flavorful evening! The kitchen team is making a savory and flavorful Mexican themed comida (meal) in honor of Cinco de Mayo.
- May 19th: Called Communication to confer an Entered Apprentice Degree.
- May 29th - June 1st: 193rd Grand Communication at the Rosen Plaza Hotel in Orlando.
On June 1st, our very own W. Mark Stewart, P.M. will be installed as the District Deputy Grand Master of the 24th Masonic District. Congratulations to Worshipful Mark!

As announced at the April 21st meeting, we will be adding a donation box for "Corky's Cupboard," for sundry items, health, and beauty aids for both the male and female residents of the Masonic Home of Florida in St. Petersburg. A detailed list of requested items will be posted at lodge and on our social media page. A joint effort from us all will surely make a tremendous difference!

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