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OCTOBER 2009
OKEECHOBEE LODGE NO. 237, F&AM



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From the East

My Dear Brothers, Greetings,

September was a very busy month. As you are probably aware Dee Dee Cates the wife of Brother Steve Cates has spent the entire month in Tampa General Hospital suffering from cancer of the liver and complications resulting from its removal. Please keep her and Brother Steve in your prayers as I am convinced that our prayers are helping her although she has a long way to go.

Coming up in October are some Degree conferrals as well as a return to our normal fall schedule. We will be dressing up for the remainder of the year and holding our normal two stated Communications each month. We have scheduled a called Communication for Saturday, October 10th for the Raising to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason Brother Justin Rhodes. I hope you will all set that day aside for this important milestone in this young man's life. We will be starting at 8am sharp. We have scheduled an Entered Apprentice Degree at our stated Communication on October 12th. We currently have two initiates.

This year we will be holding our Past Master's dinner and awards night on Friday, October 23rd starting at 6:30pm. Please come out and help us honor our Past Masters. We will be having a great dinner and a wonderful chance for memories and recollections to be shared.

Master's and Warden's will be on Saturday, October 24th here at our Lodge. I encourage all of you to come out, learn about some of the district issues and enjoy a morning of Masonic education and friendship. Breakfast will start at 8am, sharp and meeting to follow at 9am. We have two events scheduled for October 31st.

The District 30 Master's and Warden's Association is holding a fundraiser at Fellsmere. There will be a rodeo, food and entertainment all day long, from morning 'til night. Okeechobee Lodge will provide one shift of workers to man the front gate, guide parking and serve food in the concession stand. This will involve 12 people who can get up to Fellsmere at 8am and work at the above jobs until noon. After noon they will be on their own to stay and enjoy the rodeo and music or just go home. This is being used to provide funding for the homecoming celebration of Jimmy Harris, the Grand Senior Warden. After he has served as the Grand Master, it is tradition that the M&W of his home District provide a celebration of his homecoming. We are honored to have our Brother Jimmy Harris in line to be the Grand master in 2011 and will provide him a celebration in line with the high status of his office. Please sign up to help out on October 31st.

Also we will be providing a booth at the Halloween celebration at the Ag Center the evening of the 31st. This is a great event to allow the children of Okeechobee to get out on Halloween and have fun while staying safe. We will provide candy and games for the kids in a Masonic booth. This is also another good way to get our Brothers and organization out in the public eye. Please join us.

Coming up early in November is our Annual Turkey Dinner. This is scheduled for November 7th, a Saturday. We will also be cooking and selling whole turkeys on Thanksgiving day. Get your orders in early!

We are going to re engrave all of the current sidewalk bricks onto tiles which will be placed on the wall on the left side as you walk into the Lodge. All new "bricks" will also be made on tiles. Get your orders in soon and see them on the wall. Remember \$50 for 4 lines of text. Order sheets are available at the Lodge or from Hugh Alger or Matt Buxton.

Reverently and Fraternally,

James Arnold Green, W.M.

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Secretary's Message

The 2009 dues notices have been mailed. Please remit your dues promptly. Why not consider a Perpetual Membership - Contact me for more information.

Rick Holt, PDDGM
 Secretary
 863-634-8085

"Remember Ritual Competition
coming up
Lodge Officers Training Course
Master Masons Exam I, II, and III"

Master's Thought For The Month

Work as if you were to live a hundred years. Pray as if you were to die tomorrow.
 -Benjamin Franklin

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October 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
				6:30p.m.-8:00p.m. Lodge Practice 6:30p.m.-7:30p.m. Officers Meeting		9a.m.-12p.m. Lodge Workday
<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>
Full Moon		7:30p.m.-10:30p.m. OES Stated Meeting	6p.m.-8p.m. Master Mason Degree Practice	6:30p.m.-8:00p.m. Lodge Practice		8:00a.m.- 11:00 a.m. Called Communication Master Mason
<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>
Last Quarter 8:00a.m.-11a.m. OES Breakfast	7:30p.m.-9:30p.m. Okeechobee No. 237 Stated Communication Columbus Day	7:30p.m.-9:30p.m. Tyrian No. 36 Stated Assembly		6:30p.m.-8:00p.m. Lodge Practice		
<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>
New Moon		7:30p.m.-10:30p.m. OES Stated Meeting		6:30p.m.-8:00p.m. Lodge Practice		8a.m.-11a.m. Master's & Warden's Okeechobee Lodge
<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>
8:00a.m.-11a.m. Masonic Breakfast	First Quarter 7:30p.m.-9:30p.m. Okeechobee No. 237 Stated Communication	7:30p.m.-8:30p.m. St. Lucie No. 17 Stated Conclave		6:30p.m.-8:00p.m. Lodge Practice		Halloween 8:00a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Fellsmere Rodeo 6:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. Halloween Party AG Center

Past Masters of Okeechobee Lodge No. 237, F&AM

1916 (UD) Douglas E. Austin*
 1917 Charles L. Hatch*
 1918 Robert B. Trask*
 1919 Douglas E. Austin*
 1920 Hahs F. Evernden*
 1921 Hahs F. Evernden*
 1922 Henry H. Hancock*
 1923 Horace C. Adams*
 1924 Hugh H. DeYarman
 1925 Kirkland B. Edlon*
 1926 Horace C. Adams*
 1927 Orlando J. Price*
 1928 Joseph E. Lovvorn*
 1929 Eweart G. Sellars*
 1930 Lester W. Jennings*
 1931 Lewis A. Turner*
 1932 Irving Goldberg*
 1933 Albert Berka*
 1934 Thomas W. Conely, Jr. *
 1935 Sollie Roy Raidsnider*
 1936 John M. Roe*
 1937 Willaim A. Moore*
 1938 Andrew L. Braggs*
 1939 Frank W. Zander*
 1940 Fredrick W. Humphries*
 1941 Walter H. Lee*

1942 William J. Hendry, PDDGM 1949*
 1943 William R. Page*
 1944 Zibe King Williams*
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 1946 John W. Swain*
 1947 Pelham P. Evans*
 1948 Hiram H. Raulerson*
 1949 Maurice G. Crum*
 1950 Robert A. Burgess*
 1951 John D. Brette*
 1952 Roger L. Jones
 1953 Dowling R. Watford
 1954 Leonard Berger*
 1955 Dowling R. Warford
 1956 Zibe King Williams*
 1957 Thomas W. Conley, Jr.*
 1958 Dowling R. Warford
 1959 Kennth E. Ford
 1960 Haynes E. Williams
 1961 William H. Williams*
 1962 John Ed Burdeshaw
 1963 Oliver D. Godwin*
 1964 Donald R. Mack
 1965 Kenneth W. Ford
 1966 Russell V. Domer*
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 1970 Charles A. Robertson, PDDGM 1982*
 1971 James Ammons*
 1972 Pelham P. Evans*
 1973 Charles A. Robertson, PDDGM 1982*
 1974 Johnny Mack Kinsaul*
 1975 Ralph L. Davis*
 1976 Charles A. Robertson, PDDGM 1982*
 1977 John W. Abney, Sr.
 1978 A.M. Richards*
 1979 A.M. Richards*
 1980 Richard Black*
 1981 Richard Black*
 1982 Robert L. Alderman
 1983 Leonard F. Harper, PDDGM 1990
 1984 Thomas A. Markham
 1985 Kyle S. VanLandingham
 1986 Ernest L. Presley*
 1987 Gary E. Scherrer, PDDGM 1988
 1988 Richard A Holt, PDDGM 1997
 1989 J.W. Owens
 1990 Woodrow Schad*
 1991 Alfred A. McNamee
 1992 Donald L. Trent
 1993 Gary P. Miles

1994 Joseph E. Mann
 1995 Kelly J. Ammons
 1996 Richard Schreier
 1997 Tom Wilson
 1998 Mike Sturgeon
 1999 James Reynolds
 2000 David Yoder
 2001 Jessie Griffen*
 2002 Maurice E. Ewing*
 2003 Donald Williams*
 2004 Clifton "Kip" Gardner, PDDGM 2008
 2005 Richard E. Sweet
 2006 Buchannon J. Yoder
 2007 Matthew P. Buxton
 2008 Jose M. Verano
 2009

Honorary Past Masters

1988 Louis P. Milke*
 1995 William H. Jackson, V*
 1995 Robert L. "Bob" Peltier*

* Deceased