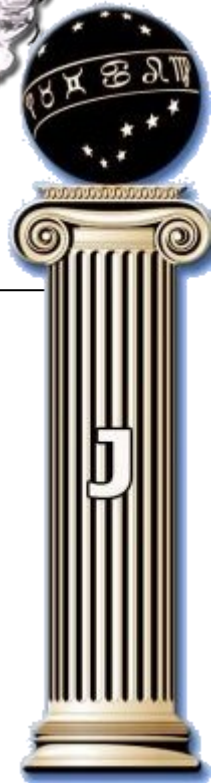
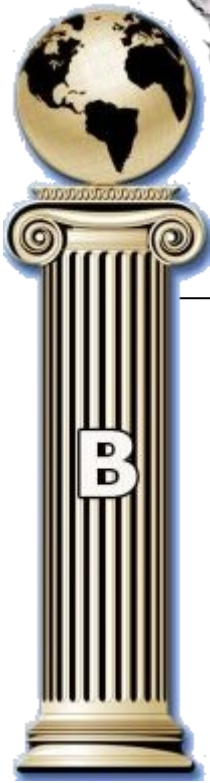




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From the East

Brethren,

Please join me in recognizing Brother Charles Keay, Right Worshipful Angelo Rossello, and Worshipful Gary Joiner, for their years of service to our Fraternity. Their milestones of 40, 40, and 55 years, demonstrate the hard work and dedication they have given to Pearl of the West, and Masonry as a whole. We thank you Brothers!

Notable upcoming events: We are holding a kilt night on our December Stated meeting. We hope to see you all dressed to impress! We have our District Deputy Grand Master's Official Visit scheduled for the December Called meeting. A practice for the officers has been scheduled for Thursday the 14th. Lets have a great turnout and showing of support for

Right Worshipful Bell, as he visits his home Lodge!

We continue to accept donations of nonperishable foods for Metropolitan Ministries. Donations will be delivered before Christmas. Our support for this wonderful organization is needed and appreciated by those in the local community!

As I write this final Trestleboard submission, I reflect upon this past year. From our family outings, to degrees, 100 Mason Night, and even Lodge cleaning days, it has been an absolute joy and pleasure. The trust, support, and encouragement that each of you have shown, is both humbling and appreciated. I thank you all for the opportunity to serve our Lodge as Worshipful Master in 2023, and I am ever grateful to our officers who worked tirelessly to make this year a success.

It is with supreme confidence that I say 2024 will be even better. We have a highly talented incoming Master, Br. Glenn Valcárcel, and a strong line of officers serving with him. I can't wait to see the heights we reach through their leadership!

In closing, I would like to wish you and your families all a happy and safe holiday season!

Fraternally,
Jacob Carter
Worshipful Master



From the West

Happy December Brethren,

We hope that everyone had a blessed Thanksgiving and have recovered from all the turkey that was consumed. We are more busy than ever here at Pearl. We will be voting on the 2024 budget at the Decembers stated meeting which will be on the 5th. This is your lodge Brothers, so please come out and vote. There will be no voting of officers at the December Stated meeting, because all of the officers ran unopposed. Your 2024 Lodge your officers will be: WM-Glenn Valcárcel, SW-Craig Franklin, JW-Ken Leonard, Treasurer-RW Creg Bell, Secretary-RW Scott Mitchell, SD-Shawn Wright, JD-Phil Holley, SS-Matthew Montano, JS-W Larry Spector, Chaplin-Robert Adams, Marshall-RW Dave Lawrence, Tyler-W Dan Anger, Musician- John Nagy

We congratulate and wish the best of luck to you all. Congratulations are also in order to RW Angelo Rosello who served our Fraternity for 40 years, Br Charles Keay who also served for 40 years, and W Gary Joiner who served for 55 years!! What an honor it was to be present to see all these Brothers receiving their pins and

accolades presented by RW Dave Lawrence. Some important dates to remember- December 19,2023 our RWDDGM and his committee men will have their official visit here at POW. January 6,2024 at 10:00am, we will have the installation of our new officers, with lunch to follow. This will be opened to all Masons and non-Masons alike.

May you and your families have a wonderful Christmas. Don't forget to leave something a little extra for Santa and his reindeer. Please remember the reason that we celebrate Christmas. Happy Birthday Jesus!!!!

"Fear goes running, when praising God starts"

Stay well,stay safe and God Bless

Respectfully and Fraternaly,
SK Glenn Valcárcel
Senior Warden
District 14 Membership Development



From the South

Greeting from the South:

The month of November has been a busy month with official DDGM visits, scheduling background investigations, Thanksgiving and open books held at Pearl of the West. The arrival of Thanksgiving is the start of the Holiday Season for most.

W. Tom Curlew and I took all of the food donations over to Metropolitan Ministries the day before Thanksgiving, only to find them closed for the holiday. Thanks to the security officer and one lone staff member who accepted our donation. Thanks to Bro. Randy Berens who made a huge

contribution of non perishable food which more than doubled our collection of food. The big blue barrel is now empty and we are again collecting for a Christmas donation to Met. Min.

Thanks goes out to Bro. Barry Depre and the rest of the Phunzi Team who collected more than a dozen new bicycles for Metropolitan Ministries.

As December approaches, please take the time to cherish your friends and family. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy Chanukah Season.

Respectfully and Fraternaly,
Bro. Craig Franklin



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December ANNIVERSARIES
 Years Date Brother's Name

64 Years 12/29/1959—Barry Dupre
 51 Years 12/11/1972—William Hart
 47 Years 12/13/1976—Cary Shontz
 44 Years 12/20/1979—Lawrence Spector
 40 Years 12/08/1983—David Gilmore
 28 Years 12/09/1995—"Goody" Thorsteinsson
 27 Years 12/09/1996—Scott Bober
 14 Years 12/14/2009—Matthew Quinn
 01 Years 12/17/2022—Matthew Passmore

December BIRTHDAYS
 Date Brother's Name

11/02—John Tyrkala, Jr.
 11/06—Roy Campbell
 11/08—Bruce Boyce
 11/10—John Leonard
 11/11—Jerome Grace
 11/12—Charles Keay
 11/14—Keith Richard
 11/15—John McCarty
 11/21—William Petrey
 11/26—Timothy Watson
 11/27—Seneca Beal
 11/31—Ronald Evans, Jr.
 11/31—Mark Kutznitz

IN MEMORIAM-2022	PETITIONS
Bruce Reinartsen Ron Bart Bill Crane Justin Billings Ader Culanding Rhett Gorman John Glass	<u>Three Degrees of Freemasonry</u> Jordan Andrews
IN MEMORIAM-2023	
Guy Dinkins Paul Thatcher Milton "Ray" Trahan Kenneth Roark	



DISTRICT 14 MASTERS AND WARDENS ASSOCIATION

Monthly meeting will be held at the new Paul Revere Lodge on Wednesday, December 20th. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm and the meeting will start at 7:00 pm. Come out and see what is happening throughout our District and what events are coming up in other lodges.

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Senior Steward Phillip Holly	(727) 271-2242		

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1922 / 1924 C.A. Tansill	1989 Paul Schatzel
1923 J.G. Snell	1990 Paul Craft
1925 H.C. Remling -NP	1991 / 1993 Baxter Holland
1926 / 1939 M.L. Bailey	1992 Herman J. Schaefer
1927 / 1928 C.W. Barnett	1994 Keith A. Richard
1929 Edward Y. Wilkes	1995 Barry W. Breland
1930 Fred Shaw -NP	1996 Gary Dobraski
1931 / 1932 / 1946 M.A. Fullington	1997 Shawn D. Borth
1934 / 1941 E.P. Scofield	1998 Charlie T. Cox
1935 George Hollbrook -NP	1999 R.: W.: William Petrey
1936 G.S. Holbrook -NP	2000 Lawrence H. Ruby
1937 / 1940 R.W. Huddleston	2001 Bryce K. Smith
1938 G.L. McKay	2002 Harold Banter, Jr.
1942 / 1949 G.A. Dame	2003 Luke DeRoberts
1943 C. Jones	2004 David Brischler
1944 / 1945 P.G. Mayer	2005 / 2006 Judson A. Hiscutt
1947 W. Long	2010 Milton "Ray" Trahan
1948 E.J. Harrison -NP	2007 Jon Kueny
1950 / 1953 R.: W.: H.K. Richmond	2008 Glenn Clarke
1951 F.B. Riley -NP	2009 / 2016 R.: W.: Ray Vance
1952 / 1954 Malond Mott	2011 R.: H.: Bradley Watson
1955 Carl Hatcher	2012 R.: H.: Richard Sikes
1956 William Morgan -NP	2013 R.: W.: Scott Mitchell
1957 Russell Barford	2014 Henry Eichner
1958 Francis Jones	2015 R.: W.: Creg Bell
1959 Albert Cliffe -NP	2017 Dan Anger
1960 E. Thonneson	2018 Anthony Straquadine
1961 Donald Sommer -NP	2019 Shawn Abel
1962 Ralph Taylor -NP	2020 Seneca "Ponytail" Beal
1963 D.C. McClearen -NP	2021 Bruce Reinartsen
1964 Fred Smith	2022 R.: W.: David Lawrence
1965 W.E. Westerberg -NP	
1966 W.A. North	
1967 Joseph McMath	
1968 J.P. McAllister -NP	
1969 W.C. Calkins -NP	
1970 / 1971 Roger E. Michels	
1972 Arthur Riess -NP	
1973 Norman R. Wakefield -NP	
1974 Gary Joiner	
1975 K.M. Olson	
1976 Lynn McLarty	
1977 Perry A. North	
1978 D.W. Prescott	
1979 Jed Pittman -NP	
1980 Gene Ore	
1981 George Morgan	
1982 Joseph W. Blum	
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1986 Seth B. Willets	
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My Brethren,

From the Quill

It has been quite a fulfilling year at Pearl of the West and reflecting on it makes me proud to be a Mason. Our Worshipful Master has done a fantastic job leading our Lodge to success along with his Officers and the entire Lodge. We have so much to show for it. It has been an extremely cohesive Team. Just review the many charities we've helped along the way and you can see the impact we've made for our community together. Compliments are due to all of the Officers and the many Brethren who have all stepped in to make it such a wonderful year. What a Team!

Praise should also be extended to RWDDGM Creg Bell, who is also our Treasurer, on a successful first six months of his year leading

Charities Our Lodge Contributes To In 2023

Masonic Home General Fund, Masonic Home Resident's Tree of Life, Endowment Procurement (MH-100 and FA-100), Two Gulf High School Scholarships, Gulf Middle School, Richey Elementary School, Phunzi Distribution, Masonic Relief, Masonic Charities of Florida, Masonic Youth, Lodge Roof Fund, Leesburg Lodge, Metropolitan Ministries

Suggestion Box

A suggestion box is provided in the lobby of the Lodge for our Brothers. The Worshipful Master will review any comments, and will seek to improve on the suggestions.

our District; especially through the many personal challenges he's faced and conquered. Volunteering for these jobs are not easy tasks and take many unseen personal hours of labor and care while both in Lodge as well as not in the Lodge.

Finally, congratulations to our incoming Officers for 2024. It is so nice to see such support for our new Officers as we will not even need to vote. This was an election by acclamation as all Officers ran unopposed. We have much to look forward to and accomplish together. Thank you to all our Lodge Brothers on a stellar year behind us and an exciting year to come!

Respectfully and Fraternally,

Scott Mitchell, PDDGM
Secretary
Chairman for Perpetual Membership—District 14