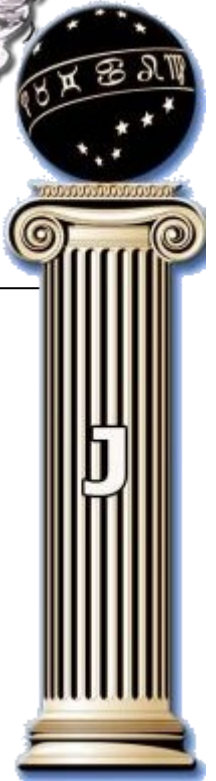
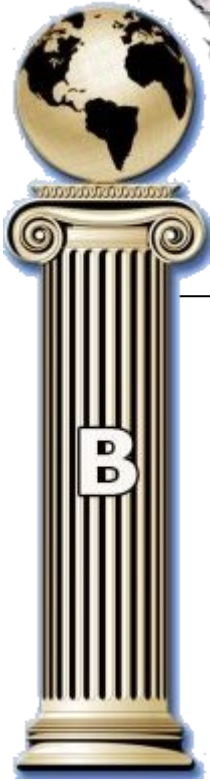




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## From the East

Brethren,

Please join me in congratulating Br. Craig Franklin, RW. Scott Mitchell, and RW. Dave Lawrence, on being presented with their Lewis Jewels! It is truly inspiring to think about the history and generations of Masons those jewels represent. Further congratulations are in order to Br. Matthew Montano for earning his Masonic apron and Bible. Well done my Brother! I would like to thank our District 14 Committeemen for coming to Pearl and reviewing their committee programs with us.

The Open Books schedule for Pearl of the West has been solidified! We will host Open Books on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday, every other month, starting July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Breakfast will be at 8am, and the books open at 9am. The 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays not at Pearl of the West, will be at Trilby Lodge. I encourage you all to attend both

locations, and take advantage of the Masonic education!

Upcoming events are as follows: July 1<sup>st</sup>, Pearl of the West and New Port Richey Chapter 117 Order of the Eastern Star are holding a joint potluck picnic at Starkey Park. We will be at shelter #2 from 11am to 2pm. Bring your family and friends for an afternoon of fun and

fellowship in the park! August 15<sup>th</sup> is our Officers Step-up meeting. This is where each officer moves up a chair to let them try out the next position in line. August 29<sup>th</sup> is our next scheduled family night. This event will be a Threshers baseball game in Clearwater. We have reserved a suite, dinner and refreshments are included, and tickets are only \$35.00! Please see the Junior Warden to reserve your tickets before they sell out! July 19<sup>th</sup> is our annual 100 Mason Night. Our Grand Master is expected to join us, so lets have a great turn out, have fun and break 100 Masons in attendance!

My Brothers, as you know Leesburg Lodge No. 58 suffered a catastrophic fire to their building. We at Pearl of the West have made a donation of \$1,000.00 from our relief fund, to support our Brothers in Leesburg. We will continue to keep our ear to the ground, and be ready to further support our Brothers. These are the times when we as Masons come together in unity and Brotherly love. I thank you all in advance for continuing to support our Brothers.

Fraternally,  
Jacob Carter  
Worshipful Master



## From the West

Happy July Brethren,

We welcome our very own District 14 RWDDGM Creg Bell. Congratulations and best of luck this coming year. Thank you for everything that you have done to our past RWDDGM John Ziegler for a great year! Congratulations are also in order to our Brother, Matthew Montano, who received his white leather apron and Bible for his MM giveback.

We here at Pearl Of The West will be getting a new roof. It has been voted on and work replacing the roof will start very soon.

At our last called meeting on June 20th, RW John Dagneff presented The Lewis Jewel to RW Dave Lawrence, RW Scott Mitchell, WM Jacob Carter, and Brother Craig Franklin. What an honor to witness such a wonderful event. MW Louie King was in attendance as well. We also had some of the committeemen for District 14 give their presentation on what they do for our district. RW Dave Lawrence was also presented an Achievement Award for his diligent work for education from the Grand Lodge.

On July 1st, there will be a potluck luncheon at Starkey Park, shelter #2, in New Port Richey, from 11:00am-2:00pm, which will be hosted by OES, and spearheaded by WM

Jacob Carter. Come on down and enjoy some fellowship. Some dates to remember, at our called meeting on August 15th, we will have a "step-up" of our officers, this will give a taste of what the officers will be looking forward to, when they advance to their chairs come January. Pearl of the West will be hosting a 100 Mason Night on September 19th, all masons and non-masons are welcomed. MW Glen Bishop, will be attending that night. Come on out and enjoy the night.

Just because it's the beginning of summer, doesn't mean we are slowing down at POW. We will have an EA, as well as a FC degree soon. Keep an eye out. We still are having Thursday night catechism that is open for any EAs, FCs, MM's, and anyone who needs to brush up on their work. It is a perfect opportunity for any of the officers to work on their verbiage and floor work. Lastly, we here at POW, wish everyone a safe and enjoyable 4th of July.

"Character is how you treat those who can do nothing for you"

Stay well, stay safe, and God Bless

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



## From the South

Greetings from the South.

I attended Grand Lodge in Orlando and what an exciting time we had. We have our newly installed DDGM. Creg Bell and our newly installed Grand Master Glenn Bishop and his Grand Line of officers. This should be an exciting year in Masonry.

In July we will have our next blood drive, On Thursday July 20th from 2-6 pm. You can go to [oneblood.org](http://oneblood.org) to sign up

to give blood and make an appointment for the time you are available to donate. Each donor will receive a free health screening, free t-shirt and a free 20.00 e-gift card. Lastly, if you have any suggestions for dinner on Lodge nights, please forward them to me and I will pass along the suggestions to LOS and Amaranth. Have a safe and Happy 4th of July.

Respectfully and Fraternaly,  
Bro. Craig Franklin, JW



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**July ANNIVERSARIES**

Years Date Brother's Name

46 Years 07/13/1977—David Lawrence  
 41 Years 07/19/1982—Joseph Sibley  
 38 Years 07/02/1985—Kenneth Smeets  
 14 Years 07/13/2009—Donald Venedam, Jr.  
 14 Years 07/13/2009—William Gentile  
 12 Years 07/14/2011—William Vance

**July BIRTHDAYS**

Date Brother's Name

07/03—Shawn Wright  
 07/04—James Mason  
 07/05—Louis Grasso, Jr.  
 07/07—Randy Berens  
 07/08—Henry Eichner  
 07/08—Glenn Valcarcel  
 07/09—Kevin O'Connor  
 07/13—Jesse Coker  
 07/16—Brian Sheehan  
 07/16—Michael Snyder  
 07/17—Glenn Schmidt  
 07/20—Richard King  
 07/21—Wayne Berryhill  
 07/22—Thomas Morrissey, II  
 07/23—Joseph Balogun  
 07/24—Steven Gainey  
 07/26—Thomas Hollowell  
 07/26—William Vance  
 07/27—Nikolas Pavlides

<b>IN MEMORIAM-2022</b>	<b>PETITIONS</b>
Bill Crane Justin Billings Ader Culanding Rhett Gorman John Glass	<u>Three Degrees of Freemasonry</u> Isreal Campbell, Jr. Nick Chefman Jordan Andrews William Watson Cameron Hall Jordan Nichols
<b>IN MEMORIAM-2023</b>	



**DISTRICT 14 MASTERS AND WARDENS ASSOCIATION**

Monthly meeting will be held at Brotherhood Lodge No. 375 on Wednesday, July 19th. 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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<b>Junior Deacon</b> Shawn Wright	(813) 778-2399		
<b>Senior Steward</b> Phillip Holly	(727) 271-2242		

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1922 / 1924 C.A. Tansill	1990 Paul Craft
1923 J.G. Snell	1991 / 1993 Baxter Holland
1925 H.C. Remling -NP	1992 Herman J. Schaefer
1926 / 1939 M.L. Bailey	1994 Keith A. Richard
1927 / 1928 C.W. Barnett	1995 Barry W. Breland
1929 Edward Y. Wilkes	1996 Gary Dobraski
1930 Fred Shaw -NP	1997 Shawn D. Borth
1931 / 1932 / 1946 M.A. Fullington	1998 Charlie T. Cox
1934 / 1941 E.P. Scofield	1999 R.: W.: William Petrey
1935 George Hollbrook -NP	2000 Lawrence H. Ruby
1936 G.S. Holbrook -NP	2001 Bryce K. Smith
1937 / 1940 R.W. Huddleston	2002 Harold Banter, Jr.
1938 G.L. McKay	2003 Luke DeRoberts
1942 / 1949 G.A. Dame	2004 David Brischler
1943 C. Jones	2005 / 2006 Judson A. Hiscutt
1944 / 1945 P.G. Mayer	2010 Milton "Ray" Trahan
1947 W. Long	2007 Jon Kueny
1948 E.J. Harrison -NP	2008 Glenn Clarke
1950 / 1953 R.: W.: H.K. Richmond	2009 / 2016 R.: W.: Ray Vance
1951 F.B. Riley -NP	2011 R.: H.: Bradley Watson
1952 / 1954 Malond Mott	2012 R.: H.: Richard Sikes
1955 Carl Hatcher	2013 R.: W.: Scott Mitchell
1956 William Morgan -NP	2014 Henry Eichner
1957 Russell Barford	2015 R.: W.: Creg Bell
1958 Francis Jones	2017 Dan Anger
1959 Albert Cliffe -NP	2018 Anthony Straquadine
1960 E. Thonneson	2019 Shawn Abel
1961 Donald Sommer -NP	2020 Seneca "Ponytail" Beal
1962 Ralph Taylor -NP	2021 Bruce Reinartsen
1963 D.C. McClearen -NP	2022 R.: W.: David Lawrence
1964 Fred Smith	
1965 W.E. Westerberg -NP	
1966 W.A. North	
1967 Joseph McMath	
1968 J.P. McAllister -NP	
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1972 Arthur Riess -NP	
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1977 Perry A. North	
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1981 George Morgan	
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1983 George Justin -NP	
1984 Michael Helsel	
1985 J.A. Thompson	
1986 Seth B. Willets	
1987 Ronald C. Newton	
1988 R.: W.: Angelo Rossello	
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**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.

**From the Quill**



Brethren,

To break up the monotony and to hopefully invoke a smile and render a giggle, I have some Masonic humor to share with everyone this month. Congratulations to our very own RWDDGM Creg Bell who was recently installed to lead our district and also to RW John Ziegler on a successful year! I hope to see you all at the picnic and our other many Masonic events coming up this month. There are TWO Called Meetings to join also.

Respectfully and Fraternally,

RW Scott Mitchell. PDDGM  
D14 Chairman—Perpetual Membership  
Secretary

**Masonic Jokes**

- What do you call a Worshipful Master who is good at telling jokes? A Master of Mirth.
- Why did the Mason start his own dance studio? He wanted to teach everyone to square dance.
- How many Senior Deacons does it take to change a light bulb? Just one, but he'll make sure the Worshipful Master knows about it.
- What did the Tyler say when asked why he joined the Fraternity? I always wanted to be on the cutting edge.
- What did the Mason say when he saw a triangle? That's not square but it's acute!
- What do you call a Masonic rap artist? The Grand Master MC.