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FROM THE EAST

April 2023

My Brothers,

I want to start off by saying Thank you to everyone involved in parking cars for the Festival Parade. It was a HUGE success in more ways than one. We have a lot of upcoming events & activities. To start with we have our 1st Turkey Shoot committee meeting scheduled for April 5th @ 6:30 pm at the Lodge If you would like to be a part of the planning this year please come join us. We are looking for as many people as possible. Additionally we are still working to adopt a school in Plant City. Once we have more information we will share. Our

next big event is the April 22nd Planes, Trains, and Automobiles from 10:00am - 3:00pm @ Plant City Airport. We will have an informational booth set up. We would love to have you join us for this. Our next big event is scheduled for May 20th. Olin S Wright Lodge is working on holding an Open House together with Turkey Creek Lodge, Zendah Grotto, and Plant City OES 81. More details are coming soon. Our family night meals are growing each and every month. They are held the 3rd Thursday of each month. Dinner is at 6:30 pm followed by our Stated Communication at 7:30 pm.

Brothers - Please come join us. The Lodge is moving in a positive direction and I would love to have you be an active part of this wonderful organization.

Fraternally, Charles P. Chancey, Jr. Worshipful Master



FROM THE WEST

My Brothers,

Hoping all brothers are in good health and doing well. I would to thanks all the Brothers who attended the Stated Communication meetings in March 2023. It was good to see everyone in attendance and all the visitors we had from out of town. I hope to see more of our brothers in future meetings. We had a wonderful family night meal on March 16th with several guests. The food was delicious and we all enjoyed our time together. I would like to remind everyone that the 3rd Thursday is our Family Night and we would like to have all our brothers bring their families join us for supper and also join us in the Lodge Room at the start of our meeting. It is always good seeing all our brothers and



sisters and supporting each other. During April 2023, we have a few items going on. On April 5th, out first Turkey Shoot meeting for this year will be held in the dining area @ 6:30 pm. The Planes, Trains & Automobiles Event at the Plant City Airport is on April 22nd, from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm. We will be having a booth set-up along with Turkey Creek Lodge and need volunteers to help answer questions about the Masonic Fraternity, who we are, and what we represent. The last Thursday of each month, we hold an Officers meeting at the lodge at 6:00 pm to discuss upcoming items. All members are encouraged to attend to stay updated on ongoing business and anything that you would like to discuss can be included during this meeting. This would be a good time for suggestions on fundraising ideas for the year ahead.

Just a reminder that every Tuesday @ 8:00 am we have coffee club in the dining room. Wishing everyone a safe and blessed month.

Fraternally, James C. Jones, Jr. Senior Warden



My Brothers,

April has arrived. Seems that time just keeps ticking away. There is lots of excitement at Olin S. Wright Lodge. We had a great day parking cars for the Strawberry Festival Parade. The day was a success and we had an opportunity to talk with a number about our Lodge and the Fraternity. The March Family Night was well attended. We had a crowded dining room as many of the family members join us for the evening as well as several of our Sisters from the Eastern Star Chapter. In attendance were two individuals who completed petitions which were turned in to the Secretary. My Brothers we are



looking forward to an Entered Apprentice Degree in the near future. The menu for the 3rd Thursday meeting in April is Barbeque Chicken with Baked Beans. As always you are urged to join us and bring your family members and friends. The Family Nights are really beginning to catch on and you don't want to miss the good food and fellowship. If you care to bring a side dish or dessert please let me know so that I can plan accordingly. We have lots of activities ahead; an Open House in May, Turkey Shoot date TBD, Planes, Trains, and Automobiles Event on April 22nd and much more. We are moving ahead with plans to work more closely with the Eastern Star Chapter and Zendah Grotto for the success and benefit of us all.

Fraternally, **R**.: **W**.: **Royce A. Yancey** Junior Warden

PLEASE NOTE

It is requested that you supply the Lodge Secretary with your updated contact information including e-mail address and cell phone number.

DON'T FORGET THE COFFEE CLUB - EVERY TUESDAY AT 8:00 AM

OLIN S. WRIGHT LODGE No. 79, F&AM - BIRTHDAYS

April

- 03 Charles David Barron
- 03 Harold Franklin Pridemore
- 04 Lawrence Jay Bailey
- 05 Robert Wilson "Boog" Powell, II
- 07 Henry Hubert King, II
- 08 Dennis Wayne Brown
- 12 Anthony Nathaniel "Nate" Cline

- 15 Richard Neal Terrell
- 20 Louis Kelly Mittong, II
- 26 Royce Allen Yancey
- 28 Jeffrey Allen Coffelt
- 29 Prentice Larry Peace
- 30 Jerry Lee Joyner



PLANT CITY CHAPTER No. 81, ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

The Installation of Officers for Plant City Chapter No. 81 was held on Saturday, March 25th. There were many in attendance as the Officers for the 2023-2024 year were installed and everyone seemed pleased with the event. The new Worthy Matron, Sheila Perine is excited to be beginning her year in the East. We are excited to be working along with Olin S Wright Lodge No. 79 in adopting Burney Elementary School. We have reached out to the Principal and have arranged a meeting on March 31st at 10:00 am. Some of the OES members were able to join the Family Night on March 16th and enjoyed the wonderful food and fellowship. Have a blessed month.

ANNOUNCEMENT

There is some very exciting news to share. Olin S. Wright Lodge has a <u>website</u>!!! This has been a long time in coming but I'm sure you will be pleased when you visit for the first time. The web address for the site is <u>www.olinswright79.com</u> and I invite you to check it out for yourself. There is much information there and I believe you will find it interesting. Like anything new there are a few bugs and rough edges to work out but it will only improve with time.



APRIL 2023



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | | 1 NOTE: This is the LAST EVER Trestleboard for Olin S. Wright Lodge!!! *APRIL FOOL* |
| 2 | 3 | 4 OSW Coffee Club 8:00am | 5 Turkey Shoot Committee Meeting 6:30 | 6 OSW STATED COMMUNICATION Supper @ 6:30 / Meeting @ 7:30 | 7 Good Friday | 8 |
| 9 EASTER SUNDAY | 10 | 11 OSW Coffee Club 8:00am PLANT CITY CHAPTER No. 81 OES 7:30pm | 12 | 13 Ritual/Degree Practice 6:00 pm | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 Zendah Grotto Meeting 7:30 pm District School of Instruction 7:30 Brandon Lodge | 18 OSW Coffee Club 8:00am | 19 | 20 OSW STATED COMMUNICATION FAMILY NIGHT Supper @ 6:30 / Meeting @ 7:30 | 21 | 22 Planes, Trains, & Automobiles Event Plant City Airport 10:00 - 3:00 |
| 23/30 | 24 Master Masons Association John Darling 154 7:30 pm | 25 OSW Coffee Club 8:00am PLANT CITY CHAPTER No. 81 OES 7:30pm | 26 | 27 Lodge Officers Meeting 6:00 pm Ritual/Degree Practice 7:00 pm | 28 | 29 |

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| Alois W. Anders 1939 |
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| Thomas Houghton 1941 |
| Thomas Houghton 1942 |
| Fred D. Alley 1943 |
| Frank S. Scheible 1944 |
| Thomas D. Harvley 1945 |
| Earle Cobb 1946 |
| Harry Harrel 1947 |
| Wilder Branford 1948 |
| Ray H. Crum 1949 |
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| Benton L. McEwen 1950 |
| Arthur A. Tickel 1951 |
| Elmer N. Dickenson 1952 |
| Willis K. Harrington 1953 |
| Royce M. Wills 1954 |
| Charles W. Lancaster 1955 |
| Lee E. Russell 1956 |
| Ira B. Russell 1957 |
| Harley S. Miller 1958 |
| Harley H. Rollyson 1959 |
| William A. Twiss 1960 |
| Thomas J. Powell 1961 |
| Paul A. Bailey 1962 |
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| A. C. Sutherland 1964 |
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Paul S. Buchman 1966 Nathan L. Watkins 1967 Olin R. Yancey, Sr. 1968 Manuel Buchman 1969 Richard C. Holt, Sr. 1970 Jerry L. Joyner 1971 H. Chad Smith 1972 George W. Joyner 1973 Ray E Brobst 1974 Raymond D. Mercer 1975 Robert A. May 1976 William E. Sams 1977 Robert M. Venning 1978 Lloyd W. Owens 1979 Edward W. Simmons 1980 Cecil C. Odom 1981 James N. Reed, Sr. 1982 Harry McElfresh 1983 Tony Henry 1984 John Ken Kimbel, III 1985 Timothy Conway, III 1986 Wayne B. Ward 1987 R. W. Yancey 1988 Michael E. Lytle 1989 Frank A. Gaustella 1990 E. Arthur Allen 1991 Edward W. Simmons 1992 James Cameron 1993 Cecil C. Carr 1994

| David Varnum 1995 |
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| Buddy Odom 1996 |
| Richard Woods 1997 |
| H. T. Red Coleman 1998 |
| Timothy Surrency 1999 |
| Irvin E. Rupp |
| James W. Ford 2001 |
| Eddie D. Stephens, Sr 2002 |
| Floyd K. Alderman 2003 |
| R. Wesley Rounds 2004 |
| Royce A. Yancey 2005 |
| Philip P. Bethea 2006 |
| Robert "Boog" Powell 2007 |
| Louis K. Mittong, II 2008 |
| Clarence Rudolph 2009 |
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| James Harden 2010 |
| Harmon Van Horn 2011 |
| Robert W. Taylor, Sr 2012 |
| Jimmie S. Marko 2013 |
| Roger Mays 2014 |
| Todd Horne 2015 |
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