



# The Trestle Board

May 2023



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## FROM THE EAST

My Brothers,

May is upon us and its shaping up to be a very busy month. To start off we will be initiating two new brothers into the Lodge on May 13th. There will be breakfast at 8:00 am and the EA Degree will follow. Please come support these new members as they enter into our Lodge. We also have our open house with Zendah Grotto, Eastern Star, and Turkey Creek Lodge 248 scheduled for May 20th from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm. We need your support for all of these functions.

Olin S. Wright Lodge Coffee Club meets every Tuesday at 8:00am. Our stated communications are still the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month, dinner at 6:30pm and the meeting begins at 7:30pm. To round out the month, we have The Grand Lodge of Florida in Orlando on May 28th - May 31st. If you have never attended the annual Grand Lodge Communication there are a lot of fun things and interesting meetings for members to attend.

We also have a new website up and running, [www.olinswright79.com](http://www.olinswright79.com) Also exciting news; we are going to hold the 2nd Annual Turkey Shoot on Saturday, October 14th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Please mark your calendars and we will release more details as they become available. This is an "all hands on deck" type event and would love any and all help.

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 thank all the Brothers who attended the Stated Communications in April. It was good to see everyone in attendance. I hope to see more of our brothers in future meetings. 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.



April was a very busy month. On April 5th, we had our first Turkey Shoot planning meeting. This year the event will be on October 14th from 10-4, at the Cattleman's Association. Our next meeting will be held at G5 on May 17th @ 6:30pm. Everyone with interest in the event is welcome to join there. We need everyone's assistance for success.

On April 21st, Burney Elementary School was delighted to receive "volunteer" shirts for the special day at the school on April 22nd. That same day the Planes, Trains & Automobiles event at the Plant City Airport was a great event for the Lodge. Several individuals there expressed interest in the Fraternity. On April 28th we attended an appreciation breakfast at Burney Elementary for their volunteers and partners. It was a good morning for everyone.

On May 20th, we are hosting an Open House 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. The Lodge will be providing hamburgers and hotdogs and ask other members to bring a side dish. We will have members there from the Zenda Grotto, Olin S Wright 79, Turkey Creek 248 and OES 81. Please plan on attending this important event and bring along anyone interested in learning about who we are and what we do.

Simmons engraving has polo shirts available with our logo for 34.00 without a pocket and 36.00 with a pocket. Other style shirts are available but prices vary. You can stop by and see what they have.

Fraternally,

*James C. Jones, Jr.*

Senior Warden



## FROM THE SOUTH

My Brothers,

Freemasonry is an ancient Brotherhood of honorable men. Each member contributes his talents and efforts to make the Fraternity the greatest in the world. There is truly no other organization quite the same as Freemasonry. The high moral and ethical standards exemplified by each Brother are a tribute to this great organization. The members include men from all backgrounds and professions who come together for the common good and strive to be the very best they can be. Each member gives his time and support in his own special way, according to individual abilities and skills for the betterment of all.



Our current Worshipful Master, Charles Chancey, Jr. is a shining example of what Freemasonry is all about. He always does his best to promote the Lodge and represent the Fraternity in the very best way possible. Anyone who has had the pleasure to work with him can attest to his service and dedication.

Some years ago, before joining the Lodge, our Worshipful Master experienced a life changing event that left him with some physical disability. Some would have let this be an excuse not to continue with the day to day activities most of us enjoy and take for granted. But Brother Chancey has never let his difficulties hinder his determination to be the best he can be. He is always present and ready to lend a hand wherever and whenever there is a need. Currently he is working very hard to prepare for the East in his first Entered Apprentice Degree. He has spent many hours of study and practice to learn the Masonic work for this Degree and I am certain that he will do a fine job. His drive and personal resolve are evident in this and everything else he does. He works to be a strong leader for the Lodge and to represent the Fraternity in the best possible way. I am honored to know him as my Worshipful Master, my Brother, and my friend.

Fraternally,

*R.: W.: Royce A. Yancey, PDDGM*

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**

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

**May**

05 Robert Lee Roderick

17 Jerrod James Hayes

20 Harmon Stewart Van Horn

24 Frankie Gilmore, Jr.

29 Matthew Wayne Wilson

30 Irvin Carl Rupp

30 David Joseph Stofflet



**PLANT CITY CHAPTER No. 81, ORDER OF EASTERN STAR**



We want to wish everyone a good month of May. On May 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am, Burney Elementary School has asked for help with the Fifth Grade Banquet. We have a budget approved for the meal and are waiting to see what the students would like to have for this year's meal. We would love to have volunteers to assist with cooking and serving. If you wish to help with this worthwhile event just go to the Hillsborough County Public School website and fill out the volunteer application form for Burney Elementary School. If you are not sure how to do this and need assistance, please notify Angela Prestwood. Have a blessed month.

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Planes, Trains, and  
Automobiles  
Plant City Airport  
May 22nd



Volunteers and Partners  
Appreciation Breakfast  
Burney Elementary School  
May 28th



# MAY 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 OSW Coffee Club 8:00am	3	4 OSW STATED COMMUNICATION Supper @ 6:30 / Meeting @ 7:30 Starwars Day - May the 4th be With You	5 Degree Practice 6:00 pm	6
7	8	9 OSW Coffee Club 8:00am PLANT CITY CHAPTER No. 81 OES 7:30pm	10	11 Ritual/Degree Practice 6:00 pm	12 Degree Practice 6:00 pm	13 EA Degree Ebenezer Degree Breakfast 8:00 am Degree to Follow Kathleen Lodge338 Turkey Creek 248
14	15 Zendah Grotto Meeting 7:30 pm District School of Instruction 7:30 Brandon Lodge	16 OSW Coffee Club 8:00am	17	18 OSW STATED COMMUNICATION FAMILY NIGHT Supper @ 6:30 / Meeting @ 7:30	19	20 OSW 79, Turkey Creek 248, Zendah Grotto, & OES 81 Open House 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
21	22 Master Masons Association John Darling 154 7:30 pm	23 OSW Coffee Club 8:00am PLANT CITY CHAPTER No. 81 OES 7:30pm	24	25 Lodge Officers Meeting 6:00 pm  Burney Elementary Fifth Grade Banquet 11:30 am	26	27
28	29	30 OSW Coffee Club 8:00am	31			

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## Our Past Masters



Enoch E. Mizzel ..... 1876	Albert Schneider ..... 1905	M. C. Moore ..... 1937	Paul S. Buchman ..... 1966	David Varnum ..... 1995
Enoch E. Mizzel ..... 1877	John Thomas Lowe ..... 1906	James O. Gresham ..... 1938	Nathan L. Watkins ..... 1967	Buddy Odom ..... 1996
William Collins ..... 1878	Earl W. Mays ..... 1907	Alois W. Anders ..... 1939	Olin R. Yancey, Sr. .... 1968	Richard Woods ..... 1997
William Collins ..... 1879	Vivian B. Collins ..... 1908	Harry L. Keller ..... 1940	Manuel Buchman ..... 1969	H. T. Red Coleman ..... 1998
William Collins ..... 1880	Vivian B. Collins ..... 1909	Thomas Houghton ..... 1941	Richard C. Holt, Sr. .... 1970	Timothy Surrency ..... 1999
William Collins ..... 1881	Thomas M. Strickland ... 1910	Thomas Houghton ..... 1942	Jerry L. Joyner ..... 1971	Irvin E. Rupp ..... 2000
William Collins ..... 1882	Olin S. Wright ..... 1911	Fred D. Alley ..... 1943	H. Chad Smith ..... 1972	James W. Ford ..... 2001
William S. Knight ..... 1883	Sheldon C. Wells ..... 1912	Frank S. Scheible ..... 1944	George W. Joyner ..... 1973	Eddie D. Stephens, Sr. ... 2002
William Collins ..... 1884	Jasper Evers ..... 1913	Thomas D. Harvley ..... 1945	Ray E Brobst ..... 1974	Floyd K. Alderman ..... 2003
William Collins ..... 1885	Thomas Carr Calmes .... 1914	Earle Cobb ..... 1946	Raymond D. Mercer ..... 1975	R. Wesley Rounds ..... 2004
William Collins ..... 1886	Lovell H. Harrell ..... 1918	Harry Harrel ..... 1947	Robert A. May ..... 1976	Royce A. Yancey ..... 2005
G. W. Knight ..... 1887	Frank E. Cummins ..... 1919	Wilder Branford ..... 1948	William E. Sams ..... 1977	Philip P. Bethea ..... 2006
William Collins ..... 1888	Cyrus Taylor Neuner .... 1920	Ray H. Crum ..... 1949	Robert M. Venning ..... 1978	Robert "Boog" Powell .... 2007
Olin S. Wright ..... 1889	Cyrus Taylor Neuner .... 1921	Benton L. McEwen ..... 1950	Lloyd W. Owens ..... 1979	Louis K. Mittong, II ..... 2008
Olin S. Wright ..... 1890	Unknown ..... 1922	Arthur A. Tickel ..... 1951	Edward W. Simmons .... 1980	Clarence Rudolph ..... 2009
William Collins ..... 1891	Walker Scott Rardin ..... 1923	Elmer N. Dickenson ..... 1952	Cecil C. Odom ..... 1981	James Harden ..... 2010
William S. Knight ..... 1892	Marcus E. Coue ..... 1924	Willis K. Harrington ..... 1953	James N. Reed, Sr. .... 1982	Harmon Van Horn ..... 2011
Olin S. Wright ..... 1893	Alex McQuinn ..... 1925	Royce M. Wills ..... 1954	Harry McElfresh ..... 1983	Robert W. Taylor, Sr. .... 2012
Olin S. Wright ..... 1894	Alex McQuinn ..... 1926	Charles W. Lancaster ... 1955	Tony Henry ..... 1984	Jimmie S. Marko ..... 2013
Andrew R. Tyson ..... 1895	Lewis G. Carlton ..... 1927	Lee E. Russell ..... 1956	John Ken Kimbel, III .... 1985	Roger Mays ..... 2014
Simeon E. Sparkman .... 1896	R. B. Hedrick ..... 1928	Ira B. Russell ..... 1957	Timothy Conway, III .... 1986	Todd Horne ..... 2015
Thomas W. Wilder ..... 1897	Clyde N. Simmons ..... 1929	Harley S. Miller ..... 1958	Wayne B. Ward ..... 1987	Robert W. Taylor, Sr. .... 2016
Olin S. Wright ..... 1898	Ray H. Kramer ..... 1930	William H. Rollyson ..... 1959	R. W. Yancey ..... 1988	Jimmie S. Marko ..... 2017
Olin S. Wright ..... 1899	Earnest G. Kellam ..... 1931	William A. Twiss ..... 1960	Michael E. Lytle ..... 1989	Louis K. Mittong, II ..... 2018
Olin S. Wright ..... 1900	Wesley Bell ..... 1932	Thomas J. Powell ..... 1961	Frank A. Gaustella ..... 1990	Royce A. Yancey ..... 2019
William A. Beaty ..... 1901	R. Clyde Colson ..... 1933	Paul A. Bailey ..... 1962	E. Arthur Allen ..... 1991	Anthony N. Cline ..... 2020
James M. Forbis ..... 1902	Richard Houghton ..... 1934	John E. Hancock ..... 1963	Edward W. Simmons .... 1992	James R. Jones ..... 2021
Robert E. Fletcher ..... 1903	Wiley F. Smith ..... 1935	A. C. Sutherland ..... 1964	James Cameron ..... 1993	Michael E. Lytle ..... 2022
Albert Schneider ..... 1904	Jesse E. Tuttle ..... 1936	Cecil L. Shackelford ..... 1965	Cecil C. Carr ..... 1994	