

PETITIONS FOR THE THREE SYMBOLIC DEGREES OR AFFILIATION

FOR PLURAL MEMBERSHIP

FOR AFFILIATION

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

West Broward Calendar for August 2009

August 6 – Thursday **Stated Meeting**
Dinner 6:30 p.m. **Meeting 7:30 p.m.**

August 13 – Thursday **FC Proficiency & EA**
Degree **7:00 Prof 7:30 p.m. Degree**

August 15 – Saturday **Work Day**
 9:00 a.m.

August 20 – Thursday **Master Mason Degree**
 7:30 Degree

August 27 – Thursday **E-Board**
 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

September 3 - Thursday **Stated Meeting**
Dinner 6:30 p.m. **Meeting 7:30 p.m.**

September 10 – Thursday **Work and Instruction**
 7:30 p.m.

September 17 – Thursday **Degree TBA**
 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

September 24 – Thursday **E-Board**
 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

OFFICERS 2009

W. MASTER.....BRIAN CHARTRAND
SR. WARDEN.....CARLOS CHUCK HERNANDEZ
JR. WARDEN.....JESUS GONZALEZ
TREASURER.....GLENN GOMEZ P.D.D.G.M
SECRETARY.....ED HEDDEN P.M.
CHAPLAIN.....PHIL SLACK P.M.
MARSHAL.....MITCH LIEBERMAN P.M.
SR. DEACON.....RICHARD ROBOREDO
JR. DEACON.....NELSON FLORES-GOMEZ P.M.
SR. STEWARD.....MANNY FERNANDEZ
JR. STEWARD.....LUIS CALAMA
ASST. STEWARD.....ORLANDO AVILA
TYLER.....ROBERT SCHWEINWALD

R.W. JAMES E. PARK

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

M.W. DALE. I. GOEHRIG

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER OF FLORIDA



WEST BROWARD LODGE # 253



STATED COMMUNICATIONS



FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

FROM THE JUNIOR WARDEN

FAITH

In the theological ladder, the explanation of which forms a part of the instruction of the First Degree of Masonry, faith is said to typify the lowest round. Faith, here, is synonymous with confidence or trust, and hence we find merely a repetition of the lesson which had been previously taught that the first, the essential qualification of a candidate for initiation, is that he should trust in God. In the lecture of the same Degree, it is said that "Faith may be lost in sight; Hope ends in fruition; but Charity extends beyond the grave, through the boundless realms of eternity And this is said, because as faith is "the evidence of things not seen," when we see we no longer believe by faith but through demonstration; and as hope lives only in the expectation of possession, it ceases to exist when the object once hoped for is at length enjoyed, but charity, exercised on earth in acts of mutual kindness and forbearance, is still found in the world to come, in the sublime form of mercy from God to his erring creatures.

- Source: Mackey's Encyclopedia of Freemasonry



FROM THE EAST

Greetings Brethren,

The summer months have been a time of many events and changes in many of our lives: West Broward is still in need of rentals for our Hall to help assist in our finances. The repair to our columns has almost been completed. We have brought in many new brothers, and have many more inquiring about joining, while we have said farewell to others.

First and foremost, Worshipful Joe DeStefano P.M. wife Judy was taken ill in June, and passed away on Thursday, July 23, 2009. Worshipful Joe and his daughter Sheila and son Joey, deeply loved her and will forever cherish her life and memories of her. I would like to extend to W:. DeStefano and his family on behalf of all of West Broward's members and families, our deepest sympathies. All of our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.

Furthermore, in July we said farewell to Brother Ricardo Ruiz, as he and his family moved to New York. Brother Ruiz served West Broward well as Senior Deacon and he will be missed. As a result, the line from Junior Deacon will be moving up one position starting in August.

Finally my brothers, I ask that each of us remind ourselves to take an extra moment out of our lives to spend more time with a loved one and friend. I know we all try and say, "I will", or "Lets try and get together", but if anything these couple of months has taught us is that we NEVER know when it is our time – either to move or to be called to Him.

Fraternally,

W:. Brian Chartrand

