

PETITIONS FOR THE THREE SYMBOLIC DEGREES OR AFFILIATION

FOR THREE SYMBOLIC DEGREES

ARIEL ENRIQUE GUTIERREZ
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

West Broward Calendar for November 2009

November 5- Thursday **Stated Meeting**
Dinner 6:30 p.m. **Meeting 7:30 p.m.**

November 12 - Thursday **EA Degree**
7:30 p.m.

November 19 - Thursday **E-Board**
7:30 p.m.

November 26 - Thursday **Dark for Thanksgiving**

December 3 - Thursday **SUMMONED Meeting**
6:30 p.m. Dinner **7:30 Meeting**

December 10 - Thursday **Wrapping party**
at American Legion for Masonic Home 7:00 p.m.

December 17 - Thursday **E-Board**
TBA Degree

December 19 - Saturday **FELLOWSHIP**
HOLIDAY PARTY AT ROASTED PEPPER 6PM

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

SUMMONED MEETING

THERE WILL BE A SUMMONED MEETING ON DECEMBER 3, 2009 FOR THE ELECTION OF THE 2010 WEST BROWARD OFFICERS. DINNER AT 6:30 AND MEETING AT 7:30 PM.

FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN

Brothers –

If you know of any group, organization, or persons needing a place to host any event, please make sure to refer them to West Broward – it would be greatly appreciated.

FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Brothers –

We will host our annual Holiday Party at the Roasted Pepper in Pembroke Pines on Pines Boulevard, on Saturday December 19, 2009. Refreshments start at 6:00 p.m., with dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Please plan on attending this last function of the year and R.S.V.P. to Phil Slack at 954-699-7086.

Looking forward to seeing all our brothers to celebrate the holiday's!

FROM THE EAST

Greetings Brethren,

The lodge has been busy these few months and will have many other events coming up for everyone to take part in. In September we had an Apron presentation to twelve brothers, traveled with our DDGM James E. Park to J. Dewey Lodge, took possession of the Traveling Gavel, and spent time tending to the lodge. In October we put on a couple of degrees at the Scottish Rite Reunion, hosted the Grand Masters Visit with DDGM James E. Park (THANK YOU TO J. DEWEY LODGE FOR LETTING US USE YOUR LODGE), and welcomed many interested visitors to the lodge.

On the subject of new brothers, with Dan Brown's new book The Lost Symbol, there has been another surge in those interested in joining our beautiful institution. Many have been coming to our lodge seeking light, and we have many waiting to be received. However, we need you to assist in the process and then mentoring and instructing them. Our Marshall has shared a very interesting article with me that I would like to share with you: *The Masonic Funeral*

A new Worshipful Master in a small Georgia town spent the first four days making personal visits to each of the members, inviting them to come to his first lodge meeting. The following Thursday the Lodge was all but empty. Accordingly, the Worshipful Master placed a notice in the local newspapers, stating that because the Lodge was dead, it was everyone's duty to give it a decent Masonic burial.

The funeral would be held the following Monday afternoon, the notice said. Morbidly curious, a large crowd turned out for the "funeral." In front of the Altar, they saw a raised coffin, smothered in flowers. After the Chaplain delivered the eulogy, he opened the coffin and invited his Brethren to come forward and pay their final respects to their dead Lodge.

Filled with curiosity as to what would represent the corpse of a "Dead Lodge," all the Brethren eagerly lined up to look in the coffin. Each "mourner" peeped into the coffin then quickly turned away with a guilty, sheepish look.

In the coffin, tilted at the correct angle, was a large mirror.

Remember the obligation we all took my brethren attend and support your Lodge!!! AUTHOR UNKNOWN

Fraternally,

W. Brian Chartrand

