

TRESTLEBOARD

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From The EAST

Brightening the Future Through Brotherhood.

Grand Lodge - This was my second Grand Lodge attendance and an honor to be representing Sutherland as Worshipful Master. Most of the Legislation votes went the

way we desired. Brother Brooks SW was also attending his second Grand Lodge, but this was the first for our Brother JW Frank Gaughen.



It was great to be in attendance when PM Kenneth R. James II was installed as the District 20 District Deputy Grand Master. We obtained some pictures and if they turned out well enough, will be on the web site. Among the many Brothers we met, I had the particular pleasure of greeting the Right Worshipful Grand Master of Pennsylvania. I have the distinction of having grown up in the same town and he was a High School Teacher when I graduated there. His kids followed a few years later and a couple of his sons are now Masonic officers in Pennsylvania.

Parrot Head Festival - The Second Saturday in June had downtown Palm Harbor bustling with activity. We provided our side and back lots for the children's park and our OPEN HOUSE for the heat stricken and the Volunteers to have breaks. A sunny, warm day turned into a music filled evening. By nine, Florida Avenue was a sea of people only eased by the enjoyable music and tasty food. More than 50 people entered our doors. Most were in search of relief from the

lines and the heat, but half a dozen requested information about the craft. Two were so interested that they requested petitions before they left. One evening helping out the community and we have a lifetime of positive exposure. We also met a Brother from Hillsborough Lodge # 25, Phillip Beiner who just moved to Palm Harbor. We are pleased to welcome him as our neighbor. Although his Lodge meets on Tuesdays also, he did impart his ability to convey the EA and FC lectures.

Events and Degrees - Brothers, we have a couple New Brothers in the pipeline and will be having practices for the upcoming degrees. EA Don Lasell is moving along well, and we had an EA Degree on July 7th for Jason Schultz. The EA Degree was at Tampa Bay Lodge in Safety Harbor. They had two candidates and it went very well. I look forward to another joint degree with them.

We will also be having the Master Mason Exams and Lodge Officer Training courses to help us better learn more about the fraternity that we have joined. These are not difficult and are not limited to the officers. I have found them to be informative and fun when taken in a big group. The first dates are June 26th and July 17th. We will not be having our regular meeting in July due to being Dark, but I will be at the lodge WITH FOOD to have a fun education class each day. Come and have some fun.

Our 100th Year Anniversary is coming up quickly and I will be holding a Planning Meeting on July 10th. at 7:30 at the Lodge. This is open to all members for ideas and input. This is a very important event and we would like to hear from EVERY MEMBER of the Lodge. Again, desert is planned.

The next Masonic Family Outing is Thresher's Baseball and is scheduled for July 28th @ 6:30 PM with fireworks to follow. Tickets are \$17 and includes food and drinks. This event is being coordinated by Gulf Beach Lodge and many other area Lodges are going to be invited. They need to know who is interested in attending prior to the event ASAP. Please RSVP! A Picnic is being planned near the end of summer.

FYI: the Bylaw Changes, that we voted on, have been approved by Grand Lodge. This makes it official that our news fees are in effect as of the date they were signed; Fees for Degrees, Annual Dues and Perpetual Membership Plans all are now at the new rates.

October will also be a big month for the Sutherland Masonic Center. Jim Ullery and I are meeting with the Palm Harbor Main Street group and are planning to assist with plans in downtown Palm Harbor. October 5th is First Friday, the evening block party, October 7th is the Taste of Palm Harbor and in between, will be the Race to the Taste on Saturday the 6th. We plan to help with the race to the Taste. More information will follow. Think of how many people we will be able to meet at that event. This brings me back to stories of how many Masons helped the community in the past, we'll be doing it in a new way. Let us show that we are still here and plan to be continue to be an helping, active part of the community always.

By the Square,
Kenneth Warner
WM@SutherlandLodge.org

From The WEST

There was a lot of fun at Countryside Lanes. If you did not attend, then you missed out. Everybody enjoyed each other's company. There were some questions about the scoring. I think there should be a recount on some of the scores. The bowling computers were rigged.

W\Warner is planning a couple of outings to the Clearwater Thrashers and Tampa Bay Devil Rays. Do not miss these family outings. The games will be a lot of fun. Be sure to bring your family and friends.

The May dinner was very good. It was

great to see a variety of dishes for the cooking contest. I was not surprised to see some of the brothers walk back up to the tables for just one more bite. The next meeting we may need to bring the scales and charge brothers by how much they gain. The only time I hear the dinning hall quite is when the evening meal is served.

Grand Lodge was attended by W\Warner, Brother Gaughen and I. We attended the sessions and met Brothers from other districts and grand jurisdictions. I met a brother who is the secretary in my Father's lodge. I provided the

brother some information about my Father. We had a good laugh. I think it took my Father two days to call me and let me know that I was dropped from the will. Well, it was the truth.

Recently I needed a couple of rides to the doctor's office. A couple of brothers helped me with the two trips. These brothers stepped up and helped when I needed them **Helping others in need**. This is what being a Mason is all about. These brothers did not hesitate to assist.

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From The SOUTH

Brethren,

Now that summer is upon us, and we will be dark during July, I hope you all have safe travels to wherever you may go. This will also give the cooks time to think of a very special welcome back meal for August. So please mark your calendars and join us for our August 21, 2007 meeting. As our Lodge's 100th year anniversary is getting closer, we will be having our first formal planning meeting on July

10, 2007 at the Lodge. We will begin at 7:30 pm. Everyone is welcomed, and please bring your ideas as we will be trying to get input from everybody. We will also be asking our members for contributions to our 100th Year Anniversary Fund to make this an event that all will remember. Now that we have recuperated from painting the Lodge earlier this year, we will be planning another work party in the October time period. This one will focus primarily on cleaning up the outside debris. We

will be providing more details as we get closer. In closing, I hope you all have a safe summer, and we'll look forward to seeing you in August.

From the South
Frank Gaughen
Junior Warden



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Sutherland eNews – Change to sign-up procedure

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Birthdays



Bro Richard Willis	07/04
Bro Gregory Scott	07/07
W:. Garry Sullivan	07/19
W:. Darrell Myers Jr	07/22
Bro Jerome Scherf	08/08
Bro Bill Sumansky	08/08
Bro George Vanvalkenburg	08/15
Bro Anthony Sacco	08/24
W:. James Mann	08/27
Bro Kenneth Warner	08/27

From The WEST—continued

The lodge was open for the Parrot Head party on Florida Avenue. The lodge windows vibrated to the music. Quite a few people dropped by the lodge. Most used the restrooms. Brothers from other jurisdictions dropped by to introduce themselves. Also some gentlemen dropped by to discuss their interest in the lodge.

W\Warner will be planning some Masonic education courses. Please try to attend. These exams are open to all Florida Masons. The exams are not difficult and are very informative.

Fraternally,
Richard Brooks
Senior Warden



Years of Service

54	Bro. William Wallace	08/17/1953
31	W:.M.:Bill Keigans, PM	07/15/1976
28	W:.M.:Christy Metcalf, PM	08/16/1979
5	Bro. Richard Brooks	07/24/2002

What Masonry IS...

by Kenneth R. James, Sr.

Some say that Masonry demands too much of a man's time, that it takes him away from his family, turns him away from his church and requires him to attend meetings which his wife can have no part in or knowledge of. The list goes on and on and it is not true.

Masonry asks no more of a man than that he be a friend and brother to his fellowman. True religion, undefiled is to love thy God with all thy heart and mind and strength and thy brother as thyself. To become a Mason it is necessary that a man profess a belief in the Supreme Being, Creator of Heaven and Earth, by whatever name he may know his God.

Masonry offers to its members an opportunity to come together with other men of whatever religious persuasion they may be, to work together for the good of all. Masonry does not presume to influence the religious belief of any of its members, but rather respects the right of each to worship God according to his own convictions. If Masonry has any effect upon a man's relationship to his church, it is a beneficial relationship, in that Masonry constantly reminds its members that each should support the church of his choice.

If Masonry were to support any particular faith in preference to others, it would become the advocate of that faith and the opponent of all others. It is impossible for Masonry to act in such a manner and remain Masonry. In this world of many faiths in which we live, we must be ever conscious of the sensibilities of others.

Masonry holds no appeal for the common man, "one who cares for himself alone". Its appeal is to the uncommon man, "one who hurts when

others hurt, who has empathy for the hungry, the destitute and the downtrodden", one who eagerly moves to help, aid and assist those less fortunate than himself.

The true Mason works to build better communities, better school systems and a better land for those who are to come after him. He works to maintain a land where we have freedom of speech, freedom of religion and freedom for each person to work toward his own dream. A land where the State does not dictate to the church nor the Church rule over the state. In the words of Abraham Lincoln, "a government of the people, by the people and for the people".

The man who becomes very active in Masonry does so because he believes in the goals espoused by the fraternity and wants to be a part of the accomplishment of those goals. The amount of time and energy he expends is entirely up to him. If he enjoys attending the meetings and wants to become an officer in the Lodge, that is his decision to make.

There are no required number of meetings a member must attend to remain in good standing. Many men are good Masons as shown by their actions in the community although they rarely attend Lodge. While it is true that we would always like to have a large number present at the Lodge meetings, it is the practice of the principles of Masonry, not the practice of attending meetings of the Lodge that is the true measure of a Mason.

The two patron Saints of Freemasonry are John the Baptist and John the Evangelist. A Mason may be an extrovert like John the Baptist, out

to get action, to sweep opposition aside or an introvert like John the Evangelist, mystical, contemplative; living an inner life or he may stand at any point between the two. There is a place in Masonry for any good man.

Those men who are very active in the Masonic fraternity would be very active in some other organization if they were not Masons. It is their nature. They are the movers and shakers, the ones who get things done.

There are many who belong to and support the Masonic fraternity, but have no desire to stand at the front and lead the charge. They are the good soldiers who lend their support to those they select for leadership and therein lies the strength of Freemasonry.

When a man becomes a Mason, his wife becomes a member of the Masonic family. She may become a member of the Eastern Star or another Masonic Ladies organization if she chooses. She has opportunity to become acquainted with the wives and families of other Masons, to attend Family Night dinners and other social activities of the Lodge. She may go with her husband to our Masonic Home, visit the Shrine Crippled Children's Hospital or the Scottish Rite Speech and Hearing Clinic. At these facilities she will see what Masons are doing for others. She may become a part of the Masonic way of life in many ways and always be proud of the fact that she and her husband are part of the world's greatest fraternity.

If Masonry has a message, it is simply that our Masonic teachings must be transmitted into deeds that last. Ask yourself if you are making a difference in your family and community. Are you building through Masonic knowledge? Will those who come after you feel the touch of your efforts? The legacy we leave is the result of what we do day by day.

Our goal as Masons is to spread the cement of brotherly love and affection, that cement which unites us into one sacred band or society of friends and brothers among whom no contention should ever exist, but that noble contention or rather emulation of who best can work and best agree.

**August
Stated
Communications
District
Deputy
Grand Master
Visit
Our own
R.:W.: Kenneth R.
James II**

Need a ride to Lodge?

Just call Ken James, Sr. at 727 784-3858 or Ken Warner at 727 742-2678.

We'll arrange for someone to come get you and bring you home.

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Past Masters

⌚ James C. Craver	1909
⌚ James C. Craver	1910
⌚ James C. Craver	1911
⌚ James C. Craver	1912
⌚ James C. Craver	1913
⌚ H. S. Freeman	1914
⌚ H. S. Freeman	1915
⌚ H. S. Freeman	1916
⌚ L. H. Eavey	1917
⌚ L. H. Eavey	1918
⌚ W. D. Wood	1919
⌚ W. R. Campbell	1920
⌚ W. E. Nutt	1921
⌚ T. C. Noxtine	1922
⌚ T. C. Noxtine	1923
⌚ W. E. Nutt	1924
⌚ George C. Booth	1925
⌚ George B. Thomas	1926
⌚ R. J. Williford	1927
⌚ T. C. Noxtine	1928
⌚ Charles T. Sasser	1929
⌚ R. W. Mair	1930
⌚ Ralph L. Childs	1931
⌚ Herbert M. Hunter	1932
⌚ R. R. Lipsey	1933
⌚ James E. Johnson	1934
⌚ Ernest F. Gordon	1935
⌚ Pettus H. Stewart	1936
⌚ Gregor L. Ulmer	1937
⌚ Charles C. Jackson, Jr.	1938
⌚ Herbert C. Mann	1939
⌚ Edmond C. Anderson	1940
⌚ James E. Johnson, Jr.	1941

⌚ Roy Jowers	1942
⌚ R. R. Lipsey	1943
⌚ C. C. Walters	1944
⌚ R. J. Johnson	1945
⌚ Lawrence L. Riviere	1946
⌚ William S. Hogue	1947
⌚ Herbert M. Hunter	1948
⌚ C. Eugene Walters	1949
⌚ Henry K. Tilley	1950
Charles A. Jones	1951
George A. Ulmer	1952
Ellis B. Lipsey	1953
⌚ James E. Stevens	1954
⌚ Julian Wallace	1955
⌚ H. Vivian Tinny	1956
Howard Hagen	1957
⌚ William O. Tinny	1958
⌚ Henry V. Watt	1959
⌚ Ralph L. Childs	1960
⌚ James E. McDaniel	1961
⌚ Elmer W. Olson	1962
Kenneth R. James	1963
⌚ Ronald A. Adair	1964
⌚ William F. Tew	1965
Kenneth R. James	1966
⌚ William F. Tew	1967
Norman G. Atherton	1968
Donald Scofield	1969
⌚ William G. Roberts, Jr.	1970
⌚ Edward Swaffod	1971
⌚ Clarence Carter	1972
⌚ William F. Tew	1973
⌚ David Kent	1974

Kenneth R. James	1975
⌚ Ralph B. Hunter	1976
J. Michael Beijar	1977
⌚ Melvin Brackin	1978
Darrell Meyers	1979
William B. Keigans	1980
Darrell Meyers	1981
⌚ William B. White	1982
Christie G. Metcalf, Jr.	1983
Clarence L. Ammons	1984
James M. Mann	1985
James W. Hale	1986
Dennis V. Cole, Jr.	1987
⌚ Wiley E. Stacy	1988
Harry Phillips	1989
Gary Connolly	1990
Richard J. Clowes	1991
⌚ Samuel E. Hart	1992
Austin B. McGreal	1993
Steve Hedgecock	1994
James Pecka	1995
Edward Martin	1996
⌚ Norbert Cheeseman	1997
Steve Polo	1998
⌚ John J. Grasso	1999
Garry Sullivan	2000
Frank P. Sloan	2001
Kenneth R. James, II	2002
Timothy L. Bryce	2003
Jarvis Wood	2004
Jack Bostrom	2005
Louis I. Thomas	2006

⌚ = Deceased

100 Year Anniversary
January 29, 2009
Plan to be here!



Calendar

AUGUST

EAST GATE 355 IS DARK			
14	TUE	7:30PM	SUTHERLAND OFFICERS MEETING
18	SAT	8:00AM - 4:30PM	Zone 6 Masonic Education Workshop at the Masonic Home. All officers are especially encouraged to attend and all Master Masons are invited. There is no cost for the workshop although there are materials for sale if one want to purchase them. Lunch is "on your own" at the Home (\$5.00) or at any of the surrounding restaurants. The Junior Grand Warden, the Junior Grand Deacon and the Chairman of Penal Affairs are among the guest speakers.
21	TUE	6:30PM	DINNER
		7:30PM	STATED MEETING AT SUTHERLAND. This meeting will be the official visit of the District Deputy Grand Master, R.:W.: Kenneth R. James, II.

SEPTEMBER

4	TUE	6:30PM	Dinner
		7:30PM	EAST GATE 355 STATED MEETING
11	TUE	7:30PM	SUTHERLAND OFFICERS MEETING
18	TUE	6:30PM	DINNER
		7:30PM	STATED MEETING AT SUTHERLAND
19	WED	7:00PM	Dinner
		8:00PM	Suncoast Master's and Wardens Meeting at Tampa Bay Lodge

OCTOBER

2	TUE	7:30PM	EAST GATE 355 STATED MEETING
9	TUE	7:30PM	SUTHERLAND OFFICERS MEETING
13	SAT	1:00PM-5:00PM	Sutherland BarBQ Dinner
16	TUE	6:30PM	DINNER
		7:30PM	STATED MEETING AT SUTHERLAND

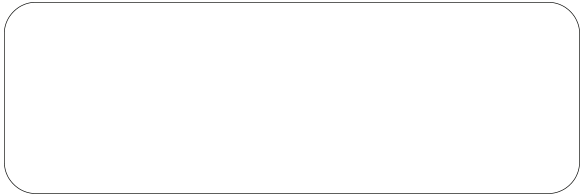
NOVEMBER

6	TUE	7:30PM	EAST GATE 355 STATED MEETING
13	TUE	7:30PM	SUTHERLAND OFFICERS MEETING
20	TUE	6:30PM	DINNER
		7:30PM	STATED MEETING AT SUTHERLAND

DECEMBER

4	TUE	7:30PM	EAST GATE 355 STATED MEETING
11	TUE	7:30PM	SUTHERLAND OFFICERS MEETING
18	TUE	6:30PM	DINNER
		7:30PM	STATED MEETING AT SUTHERLAND

***Election Night ***



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Tyler
 James Clark

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Junior Deacon
 Robert Fisher

Junior Steward
 Greg Scott

Marshall
 Louis Thomas

Musician
 Rae Hoopes