

# The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida

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## MEMORANDUM

To: All Lodge Secretaries

From: Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary

Re: Future Annual Grand Communications

Date: October 22, 2008

Dear Brother Secretary:

This is to notify you that as of this date, the next four Annual Grand Communication dates have been scheduled as follows:

180th Annual Grand Communication on May 25, 26 and 27, 2009  
to be held at the Rosen Plaza Hotel, Orlando, Florida  
Sunday, May 24, 2009 – Grand Master's Banquet  
Wednesday, May 27, 2009 – Installation of Grand Lodge Officers

181st Annual Grand Communication on May 31, June 1 and 2, 2010  
to be held at the Rosen Plaza Hotel, Orlando, Florida  
Sunday, May 30, 2010 – Grand Master's Banquet  
Wednesday, June 2, 2010 – Installation of Grand Lodge Officers

182nd Annual Grand Communication on May 30, 31 and June 1, 2011  
to be held at the Rosen Plaza Hotel, Orlando, Florida  
Sunday, May 29, 2011 – Grand Master's Banquet  
Wednesday, June 1, 2011 – Installation of Grand Lodge Officers

183rd Annual Grand Communication on May 28, 29 and 30, 2012  
to be held at the Rosen Plaza Hotel, Orlando, Florida  
Sunday, May 27, 2012 – Grand Master's Banquet  
Wednesday, May 30, 2012 – Installation of Grand Lodge Officers

You will be notified of any changes.

cc: Corporate Board  
Florida Directory  
Member States of the Southeastern Masonic Conference

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CHANGES ARE UNDERLINED

**CHANGES TO MASTERS AND SECRETARIES DIRECTORY:**

Citrus Lodge No. 118  
Page 13  
Add Cellular Phone Number  
Add E-mail Address

Tony J. Marotta  
P.O. Box 1851  
Inverness 34451-1851  
Mbl. (352) 634-5454  
Ldg. (352) 344-4544  
Taz1957@tampabay.rr.com

Saint Cloud Lodge No. 221  
Page 21  
Secretary Resigned, New Acting Sec.  
Change Res. Number & Remove Bus.

Alvin Sharp, Acting Sec.  
P.O. Box 700542  
St. Cloud 34770-0542  
Res. (407) 957-2210

Coral Gables Lodge No. 260  
Page 25  
New Worshipful Master Pro-Tem

James C. Forbes, S.W.  
5888 SW 20<sup>th</sup> Street  
Miami 33155  
Res. (305) 662-2495

Merritt Island Lodge No. 353  
Page 33  
Change Sec. Res. Number

Barry Shaffer, Sec.  
72 E. Merritt Island Cswy  
Merritt Island 32952-3671  
Res. (321) 453-3742

Merritt Island Lodge No. 353  
Page 33  
Change W.M. Res. Number

Eugene E. Crawford, W.M.  
621 Heatherstone Drive  
Merritt Island 32953-4341  
Res. (321) 243-6842

Dunedin Lodge No. 192  
Page 59  
Change Meeting Time & Day

1297 Michigan Blvd, Dunedin, 34698  
7:00 PM – 3rd Monday

**Please make the following changes to the FLORIDA DIRECTORY:**

Penal Affairs Panel  
Page 21  
Change Bus. Number  
Add Fax Number

Joseph L. Meketsy, Chairman  
Bus. (813) 506-6594  
Fax (813) 506-6591

Penal Affairs Panel  
Page 21  
Change E-Mail & Res. Ph.

James E. Cumbie, Vice-Chairman  
Res.Ph. (904) 641-3019  
grumpyomcl@att.net

Dunedin Lodge No. 192  
Page 48  
Change Meeting Time & Day

1297 Michigan Blvd, Dunedin, 34698  
7:00 PM – 3rd Monday

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**Please Make the Following Changes to Your 2008 LIST OF LODGES DIRECTORY:**

Grand Lodge of Delaware  
Page 30  
New Grand Secretary

Herbert P. Fulmer, P.G.M., Grand Secretary

Grand Lodge of Hawaii  
Page 36  
New Grand Secretary

Randy T. Chang, P.G.M., Grand Secretary

Grand Lodge of Idaho  
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New Grand Master & Grand Secretary

Richard E. Kaiser, Grand Master  
Monte B. Bollar, Grand Secretary

Grand Lodge of Massachusetts  
Page 57  
New Grand Secretary

Jeffrey L. Gardiner, Grand Secretary

Grand Lodge of Mississippi  
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Correct Spelling of Last Name

Micky P. McMahan, Grand Secretary

Grand Lodge of Oklahoma  
Page 87  
New Grand Secretary

Robert R. Poole, Grand Secretary

Grand Lodge Utah  
Page 106  
Add P.G.M. to Grand Secretary

Robert K. "Bob" McKenzie, P.G.M., Grand Secretary

**MEETING OF THE CORPORATE BOARD  
OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE  
OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF FLORIDA**

September 20, 2008

No. 12

A meeting of the Corporate Board of Directors was called to order at 9:30 a.m. in the Grand Master's office at the Masonic Home of Florida by M<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Joe A. Fleites, Grand Master, Chairman, with the following members present:

M<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Joe A. Fleites, Grand Master  
R<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Dale I. Goehrig, Deputy Grand Master  
R<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden  
R<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Jim J Harris, Junior Grand Warden  
M<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer  
R<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Jorge L. Aladro, P.D.D.G.M.  
M<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Richard Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, Secretary to the Board

Also present:

M<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Robert P. Harry, Jr., P.G.M.  
M<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Robert D. Trump, P.G.M.  
R<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Danny R. Griffith, P.D.DG.M  
R<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Walter L. Bush, P.D.DG.M., Grand Historian  
R<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Robert T. Langford, P.D.D.G.M., Chairman, Endowment Investment Committee

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag led by M<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Joe A. Fleites, Grand Master, and prayer was offered by R<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Dale I. Goehrig, Deputy Grand Master. The Grand Master introduced the members of the Board and others present.

A motion was made by M<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer, seconded by R<sup>^</sup> W<sup>^</sup> Dale I. Goehrig, Deputy Grand Master, to approve the minutes of the Corporate Board Meeting No. 8 of August 16, 2008, Telephone Poll No. 9 of August 20, 2008, Telephone Poll No. 10 of September 9, 2008 and Telephone Poll No. 11 of September 9, 2008. The motion carried.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

- The price increase for Private Pay and those residents with Trust will go into effect on November 1, 2008. Based on 29 Private Pay Residents with approximately half in the Assisted Living Facility and half in the Skilled Nursing Facility this increase will generate approximately \$218,000 in additional income annually.
- The Grand Master's Certificate for the Lodges' principle officers attending the Masonic Home Board Meeting will now be completed at the Home following each meeting. Recipients will be acknowledged in the Masonic Lifestyles Magazine.
- The Resident that was issued a discharge notice for inappropriate behavior towards fellow Residents has notified the State Ombudsman of his refusal to leave voluntarily. The Board of Trustees will be notified of updates on this situation.
- The Administrator attended Family Night at Tampa Lodge No. 240 on Friday evening, September 19<sup>th</sup>, to promote the Masonic Home and the information was very well received.
- The Administrator met with the State Attorney on September 8<sup>th</sup> to provide a statement regarding the prior Certified Nursing Assistant who admitted stealing narcotics. The Administrator is complying with the investigation on behalf of the Masonic Home and the Residents.
- The First Lady's Project is progressing well. The chairs being refinished and the tables are to be ordered on or about November 1<sup>st</sup> for deliver around January 1, 2009.

**LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT**

- The first floor shower room and punch list has been completed. The second floor shower room has been completed and a punch list is being compiled.
- The Committee recommends acceptance the bid by Bay City Tree Service for the trimming of the mangroves when reviewed by General Counsel and approved by the Corporate Board.
- The Committee recommends contacting Progressive Energy via letter to stress the necessity in finishing the tree trimming around the power lines.

R^ W^ Dale I. Goehrig, Deputy Grand Master, moved for adoption of the reports which was seconded by R^ W^ Jim J Harris, Junior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

**ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Grand Master then called upon R^ W^ J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden, Chairman of the Admissions Committee, who reported that 2 applications were being presented to the Admissions Committee for approval for the month of September as follows:

- Johnette Fultz, sponsored by Jackson Lodge No. 1
- Wallace Dawson, sponsored by Cape Coral Lodge No. 367

R^ W^ J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden, moved for adoption of the report which was seconded by R^ W^ Jorge L. Aladro, P.D.D.G.M, and the motion carried.

**MASONIC HOME APPLICATIONS**

During the month of August there were no applications submitted to the Admissions Committee for approval by the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Home.

**NON-RESIDENT RELIEF**

No Non-Resident Relief Funds were distributed in August of 2008.

R^ W^ J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden, then made a motion to approve the Masonic Home Applications received during the month of August 2008 and Non-Resident Relief report for August 2008. R^ W^ Dale I. Goehrig, Deputy Grand Master, seconded the motion which carried.

**NEW ACCOUNT NUMBERS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2008**

| <b>ACCOUNT NO.:</b> | <b>NAME:</b>                  | <b>ACCOUNT TYPE:</b> |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 060 00-00 24591.001 | Foster, George (Cash)         | Liability            |
| 060 00-00 24892.001 | Foster, Norma (Cash)          | Liability            |
| 060 00-00 26142.008 | Miller, Richard (Private Pay) | Liability            |

**CREDIT APPLICATIONS  
GRAND LODGE AND MASONIC HOME OF FLORIDA**

During the month of August the following credit application(s) were received by the Grand Lodge Office for the Masonic Home of Florida:

- Cheney Brothers
- Brisk Coffee

R^ W^ Dale I. Goehrig, Deputy Grand Master, moved for approval of the New Account Numbers and Credit Applications for August 2008. The motion was seconded by R^ W^ J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

After review by the Corporate Board, R^ W^ Dale I. Goehrig, Deputy Grand Master, moved for approval of the List of Estate Activity for the month of August. The motion was seconded by R^ W^ J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Funds Received for the Masonic Home Endowment Fund, Inc., (\$77,348.74) and then reviewed funds available for the Masonic Home Building Fund (\$155,430.00). A motion was made by M^ W^ Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer, to approve the reports. The motion was seconded by R^ W^ Jorge L. Aladro, P.D.D.G.M., and the motion carried.

R^ W^ J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden, moved for approval of the List of Mortgages for the month of August. The motion was seconded by M^ W^ Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer, and the motion carried.

There were no donations to the Masonic Relief Fund to report for August of 2008. R^ W^ Jorge L. Aladro, P.D.D.G.M, moved for adoption of the report which was seconded by, R^ W^ J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

### **MASONIC HOME BUDGET REPORT**

R^ W^ Jim J Harris, Junior Grand Warden, was called upon for the Budget Report who reported that after five months we are 4.20% over budget. This overage is primarily due to the payment of the annual facility insurance premium made in April 2008.

R^ W^ Jim J Harris, Junior Grand Warden, moved for adoption of the report which was seconded by R^ W^ Dale I. Goehrig, Deputy Grand Master, and the motion carried.

R^ W^ J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden, moved for approval of the list of Property Activity for the Month of August 2008. The motion was seconded by R^ W^ Jim J Harris, Junior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

### **PROPERTIES COMMITTEE REPORT**

R^ W^ Dale I. Goehrig, Deputy Grand Master, presented the following report on behalf R^ W^ Joe Martin, P.D.D.G.M., Chairman of the Properties Committee:

Zone 5: R.:W.: Glenn A. Reynolds, Zone 5 Properties Chairman, reported that he spoke with Beacon Realty and the Weldy Property in Eustis has been shown once since procuring the listing. It is listed in several publications and we are awaiting interested buyers at this time. The Broker stated that the storms have slowed interest somewhat but it should pick up in the fall.

Zone 6: W.: Randall A. Currelly, Zone 6 Properties Chairman, reported that the market is very slow and there has been no activity on with the Hardy Property in Clearwater since the last report.

Zone 7: R.:W.: A. Gary Cavanaugh, Zone 7 Properties Chairman, reported the following on the Irvine Property in Lake Placid: The house was emptied on Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup>. Placid Lodge No. 282 held an auction and everything was sold. The auctioneer waited for several checks to clear the bank before providing a total of \$1,028.50 which was given to Mrs. Debbie Neveitt at the Masonic Home. We are now in a position to have the carpets cleaned and to have a contract drawn up to place the home on the market. Two estimates for carpet cleaning have been received and we are waiting on a third estimate.

R.:W.: A. Gary Cavanaugh, Zone 7 Properties Chairman, reported that the activity in the Sandpiper Community where the Booze Property, located in Lakeland, is very slow. There have been a limited number of showings on any of the listings in that community; fortunately we had three showings

of the Booze Property. The broker feels that the activity will increase in the fall as the “snow birds” come back into the area and if we do not receive an offer by November 1<sup>st</sup> we may need to re-evaluate the asking price.

Zone 8: R.:W.: Edward D. Stepp, Zone 8 Chairman of the Properties Committee, reported the following on the Cartwright Property in Punta Gorda (Port Charlotte): The realtor advised that there continues to be no interest in the property, however, none was expected until the fall. While single family home sales have improved, the condo market continues to be very slow.

Zone 10: R.:W.: Al Lourido, Zone 10 Chairman of the Properties Committee, reported the following on the Kirby Property in Miami: The broker reported that there have been no showings on the Kirby Property. The market is down in South Florida. The Condo Market in the area is flooded with unsold listings and no other listings in the building have been sold so far.

#### **Vehicles Listed for Sale at the Masonic Home:**

- 1996 Acura Sedan – 3.2TL – 191,029 miles – Listed in Auto Trader for \$4,200.00 with **NO** calls what-so-ever over the last month. Suggest we list for \$3,200.00 and go with best offer.
- 1977 Mercedes Sedan – 300D – 204,109 miles – Listed in auto trader for \$3,500.00 with one call in over a month (**Not Interested**). Suggest we list for \$1,500.00 and go with best offer.
- 1998 Buick Park Avenue – 67,604 miles – Kelly Blue Book suggests value at \$4,900.00. This appears to be a good starting point. Trade in Value is \$3,200.00.
- 2004 Buick LeSabre – 22,211 miles – Kelly Blue Book suggests asking price \$11,400.00. This appears also to be a good starting price. Trade in value is \$9,040.00.
- 2005 Toyota Camry – **SOLD** – 29,493 miles – Kelly Blue Book suggests an asking price of \$13,900.00. Trade in value is \$12,270.00.
- 1999 John Deere Mower – **SOLD** – \$300.00
- 2008 Glendale 5<sup>th</sup> Wheel RV to be placed on consignment for sale.

R^ W^ Dale I. Goehrig, Deputy Grand Master, moved for approval of report . The motion was seconded by R^ W^ J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

#### **GRAND SECRETARY’S REPORT**

M.:W.: Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary presented the Masonic Service Association Publication *Further light information for New Masons* to be added to the store items sold by Grand Lodge at a cost of \$5.00 plus shipping.

R^ W^ Dale I. Goehrig, Deputy Grand Master, moved for approval. The motion was seconded by R^ W^ J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

The changes to the Grand Lodge Budget Manual were reviewed by the Corporate Board. The changes will be presented at the 2009 Annual Grand Communication for final approval by the Craft.

R.: W.: J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden, moved for the approval of the Budget Manual. R.: W.: Jim J Harris, Junior Grand Warden, seconded the motion which carried.

The Grand Secretary thanked R.: W.: Robert T. Langford, P.D.D.G.M., Chairman of the Endowment and Investment Committee, for the many hours spent reviewing the Grand Lodge cash accounts and making the recommendations rendered on proper handling to protect our funds.

A Wolf Lawn Care estimate for landscaping and cleaning of the grounds at the Grand Lodge Building was presented. R^ W^ Dale I. Goehrig, Deputy Grand Master, moved for approval pending legal council review on the reoccurring maintenance portion should Wolf Lawn Care require a signed contract. The motion was seconded by R^ W^ Jorge L. Aladro, P.D.D.G.M, and the motion carried.

## ENDOWMENT INVESTMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

R.:W.: Robert T. Langford, Chairman of the Endowment and Investment Committee presented the following report:

The Committee has conferred in recent weeks regarding general economic conditions and the situation of the Grand Lodge's financial position. We have spoken at length with our investment advisors, Ms. Lisa Weatherby and Mr. Robert Alexander of Wachovia Securities.

Wachovia has been closely watching the recent market movements, but as late as today notes that the recent action of the federal government has already stabilized the economy and given investors the assurance that catastrophe is not forthcoming. Wachovia notes that:

“We have been on the conservative side of the Craft's investment policy for some time and that has proved to have been a good strategy. The market generally bottoms about four-six months ahead of the economy, so it may not be long before we might recommend taking a greater stance towards an asset allocation shift that correlates well to a market recovery, rather than to a recession, which is how we have been positioned.” (September 15, 2008)

Wachovia has made several general suggestions for study, including further changes in the portfolios. However, neither Wachovia nor the Committee feels that immediate, massive adjustments are prudent. As might be expected with a seven-member committee, not all members concur in full. There is some thought that more adjustment than proposed here is appropriate, even past due. That subject will be discussed at the next Committee meeting.

Wachovia has suggested the following specific changes to the portfolios:

***In the “E” Home Endowment Fund and Masonic Home Endowment Fund, Inc. :***

***Reduce Wentworth International Growth by 2%,  
Reduce Renaissance Large Cap Growth by 2%,  
Add 2% to Met West Large Cap Value,  
Add 1% to Sytematic Mid Cap Value, and  
Add 1% to Kayne Anderson Small Cap Value.***

The Committee is also studying cash management and security of bank deposits to prevent interruption of daily operations. As usual, the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary have these matters well in hand. The Committee will be pleased to provide any support needed.

R.:W.: J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden, moved for approval of this report. The motion was seconded M.:W.: Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer, and the motion carried.

### OTHER BUSINESS

M.:W.: Robert D. Trump P.G.M., Chairman of the Grand Lodge Property Fact Finding Committee, presented the following minutes of the first meeting and proceeded to review the committee's progress:

**Grand Lodge Property Fact Finding Committee  
August 28, 2008**

**No. 1**

Committee Members Present:

M.:W.: Robert D. Trump, P.G.M., Chairman  
M.:W.: Joe A. Fleites, Grand Master  
R.:W.: J. Dick Martinez, Senior Grand Warden  
R.:W.: Danny R. Griffith, P.D.DG.M.

R.: W.: Seth Rothstein, D.D.G.M. 11<sup>th</sup> Masonic District, and G.L. Attorney  
R.: W.: Wilmer T. Atwell, P.D.DG.M.  
Brother Fitzhugh Powell

Also Present:

M.: W.: Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer  
M.: W.: Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary

The meeting was opened with prayer at 10:15 a.m.

The Chairman, M.: W.: Robert D. Trump, reviewed the letter received by the committee. M.: W.: Trump made a statement explaining that the duties of the committee was a fact finding committee to review options for future development of the Grand Lodge property.

A review of a draft proposal from Venture Resources Group for a joint venture with the Farah Group and 10 West Adams Street Partnership.

Plans were presented for a parking garage, received from R.: W.: Chuck Fossler, D.D.G.M. of the 35<sup>th</sup> Masonic District, which is located in South Florida not yet assembled and can be leased or purchased at below cost.

R.: W.: Seth Rothstein, D.D.G.M, began discussion on the problems with joint ownership. This would be necessary to enter into an agreement as per the proposal from Venture Group.

Brother Fitzhugh Powell expressed the following concerns about the downtown development:

- a) The general economy is going to get worse
- b) Downtown is over developed at this point
- c) We should not commit to development for 5 years

The Chairman was requested to arrange an appointment with R.: W.: Chuck Fossler to gather information in regards to the unassembled structure in South Florida.

There was a review on what processes need to be in place for approval of the development in the future.

The possibility of replacing the Grand Lodge building with the parking garage and placing the office on the top floor with the museum on the ground floor occupying part of the retail space was discussed. Point of fact, this would not require a partnership as we would have the necessary land to erect the structure.

A review on the appraisal was completed. M.: W.: Robert D. Trump, P.G.M., Chairman, assured the Board they would be well informed of the outcome of the committees meetings. M.: W.: Trump was thanked for his involvement and dedication.

There being no further business, the Grand Master closed the meeting at 11:30 AM. Prayer was offered by R.: W.: Jim J Harris, Junior Grand Warden.

Respectfully submitted:  
*Signature on File*  
Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M.  
Secretary to the Board

Approved:  
*Signature on File*  
Joe A. Fleites  
Grand Master

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October 22, 2008

To: Particular Lodge Secretaries

Re: Delinquent Dues

Dear Brother Secretary:

Attached you will find a sample letter that may be sent to your members who are delinquent in their dues. The Worshipful Master of your Lodge should sign the letter and it should be sent to any Brothers who have not yet paid their 2008 dues. We feel that a personal letter from your Worshipful Master may be effective in avoiding suspension for non-payment of dues.

In order for this letter to be effective you will need to mail it to the Brother as soon as possible.

Sincerely and fraternally,



Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M.  
Grand Secretary

REL/wj

Cc: Florida Directory

*INSERT DATE*

*NAME*

*ADDRESS*

*CITY STATE ZIP*

Dear Brother,

While reviewing the list of names of Brothers that have, as of this date, failed to remit their dues for the current year, your name was among those listed. I trust that you are aware that your inattention to this matter could place your membership in our great Fraternity in jeopardy if action is not taken to bring your dues current.

If it has been a while since you have attended Lodge and you are thinking that because you are not active in your Lodge you are wasting your money paying dues, I ask you to consider the many Masonic benefits that you will be giving up. First, there is the loss of association with the many Brothers in your Lodge, not to mention the possible association with hundreds of Brothers in your District but also the thousands of Brothers in the Grand Jurisdiction of Florida and around the world.

Wherever a Mason may travel, he will always find a Brother and a friend close at hand, whether it is in the state of Florida, across the country or around the world. As you are no doubt aware, Masons come from all walks of life, some have outstanding talents and many are just plain ordinary individuals such as myself. No matter what our station in life may be, there is a place in Masonry for every good man, and viewing your Masonic History, I see you as one of those good men which Masonry seeks and desires to keep as members.

The benefits of being a Mason are many. For example, a Mason's family has a place to meet new friends and to socialize with like minded individuals at our various Masonic functions; children of Masonic families can participate in our various youth activities. A Mason has the opportunity to contribute a part of his time, talent and skills to his community and in so doing, help make it a better place for all. And if this is not enough, he has the certain knowledge that in his latter years, if he needs it and wants it, the Masonic Home in St. Petersburg is available to him and his spouse and will provide for their care for as long as they live. A Brother in need may request financial assistance and continue to live in their own home if that is his wish. What I am saying Brother, is that there are many, many benefits that can derive from your association in Freemasonry, far more than I have enumerated here.

As Worshipful Master of your Lodge, I ask that you reflect on this situation, and it is my hope that you will consider it in your best interest, and that of your family, to continue your association in the world's greatest Fraternity and in so doing, help us continue to do the good work of building a better world for us all.

My Brother, it would grieve me to see even one member of our Lodge sacrifice his good standing in our Fraternity because of an oversight, but this is what is at risk if you do not sit down right now and take the necessary action of forwarding a check in the amount of your annual dues to our Lodge Secretary.

Also, I would like to point out that if you are experiencing financial difficulties, please advise me of this. It is possible that you could be considered for Emeritus Status until your financial situation improves and you are once again on your feet.

Sincerely and fraternally,

*MASTER'S NAME*

Worshipful Master

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October 26, 2008 - December 06, 2008

# Joe A. Fleites GRAND MASTER

"Be a leader; make the difference"

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| <i>Oct 26</i>                                      | <i>Oct 27</i><br><br><b>Grand Lodge Work Day</b>          | <i>Oct 28</i><br><b>Table Lodge Harbor City 318</b> | <i>Oct 29</i>                         | <i>Oct 30</i>  | <i>Oct 31</i><br><b>Halloween</b>  | <i>Nov 1</i><br><br><b>District 8 &amp; 9</b>                           |
| <i>Nov 2</i><br><b>Daylight Savings Time Ends</b>  | <i>Nov 3</i><br><br><b>Grand Lodge Work Day</b>           | <i>Nov 4</i><br><b>Election Day</b>                 | <i>Nov 5</i>                          | <i>Nov 6</i><br><b>Stated Oleeta West Dade Lodge</b> | <i>Nov 7</i>                       | <i>Nov 8</i><br><br><b>District 5 &amp; 6</b>                           |
| <i>Nov 9</i>                                       | <i>Nov 10</i><br><b>34 &amp; 35 Masters &amp; Wardens</b> | <i>Nov 11</i><br><b>Veterans Day</b>                | <i>Nov 12</i>                         | <i>Nov 13</i><br><b>Mahi Shrine</b>                  | <i>Nov 14</i>                      | <i>Nov 15</i><br><b>10:00 AM BOT</b><br><br><b>11:00 AM Corp. Board</b> |
| <i>Nov 16</i><br><b>11:00 AM Board of Trustees</b> | <i>Nov 17</i><br><br><b>Grand Lodge Work Day</b>          | <i>Nov 18</i>                                       | <i>Nov 19</i><br><b>Scottish Rite</b> | <i>Nov 20</i>  | <i>Nov 21</i>                      | <i>Nov 22</i><br><br><b>District 24 O.V.</b> <b>District 25 O.V.</b>    |
| <i>Nov 23</i>                                      | <i>Nov 24</i>   | <i>Nov 25</i><br><b>Grand Lodge Work Day</b>        | <i>Nov 26</i>                         | <i>Nov 27</i><br><b>Thanksgiving</b>                 | <i>Nov 28</i><br><b>GM 2007 BD</b> | <i>Nov 29</i>   |
| <i>Nov 30</i>                                      | <i>Dec 1</i>  | <i>Dec 2</i><br><b>Grand Lodge Work Day</b>         | <i>Dec 3</i>                          | <i>Dec 4</i><br><b>Stated Oleeta West Dade Lodge</b> | <i>Dec 5</i>                       | <i>Dec 6</i><br><br><b>District 31 &amp; 32</b> <b>District 30 O.V.</b> |

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
THE MASONIC HOME OF FLORIDA  
September 21, 2008**

The Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Masonic Home of Florida met in regular session on Sunday, September 21, 2008, at 11:00 a.m., with all members present. Also present were M.:W.: Joe Fleites, Grand Master, M.:W.: Robert P. Harry, Jr., P.G.M., M.:W.: Elmer Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer, M.:W.: Robert Trump, P.G.M., M.:W.: Joe Fowler, P.G.M. and M.:W.: Richard Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Chairman of the Board and Deputy Grand Master, R.:W.: Dale I. Goehrig, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. The Chairman welcomed all assembled and asked them to join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. The Invocation was given by R.:W.: Danny Griffith.

M.:W.: Joe Fleites, Grand Master, welcomed all the residents who were in attendance at the Board Meeting.

A motion was made by R.:W.: Dwight Wilkes and seconded by R.:W.: Lenny Lorenzo that the minutes of the August 17, 2008, Board of Trustees Meeting be adopted as printed and distributed. Motion carried.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S BOARD REPORT:** Lisa Tsotsos reported at our last regular Board Meeting, we had 110 residents in the Home. During August we had 3 admissions and 5 losses bringing the total to 108.

| <b>ADMITTED:</b>  | <b>ADMIT DATE:</b> |
|---|--------------------|
| (PRIVATE PAY)   |                    |
| Richard Miller, membership at Friendship-Williams Lodge No. 400 | August 30, 2008    |
| (LIFE CARE)   |                    |
| George Foster, membership at Clearwater Lodge No. 127           | August 8, 2008     |
| Norma Foster, husband's membership at Clearwater Lodge No.127   | August 8, 2008     |

| <b>DECEASED/DISCHARGED:</b>  | <b>DECEASED:</b>          |
|--|---------------------------|
| Elsie Shorts, PP, husband's membership at St. Petersburg Lodge No. 139 | August 01, 2008           |
| Admitted: July 22, 2008  |                           |
| James Barco, membership at Friendship Lodge No. 53                     | August 01, 2008           |
| Admitted: April 16, 1987   |                           |
| Donald Kiefer, PP, membership at DeSoto Lodge No.128                   | August 12, 2008           |
| Admitted: June 17, 2008  |                           |
| Herman Stein, membership at Florida Keys Lodge No. 336                 | August 28,2008(discharge) |
| Admitted: July 22, 2008  |                           |
| Hampton Booze, membership at Elmer O. Smith Lodge No. 307              | August 29, 2008           |
| Admitted: December 16, 2007  |                           |

Therefore, with 3 admissions, and 5 losses, the month of August ended with 58 Assisted Living Residents and 50 Nursing Center Residents, for a total of 108 residents. Of those, 49 are men and 59 are women, with 3 of the women sponsored by the Order of the Eastern Star.

Resident Council member Bob Gilliland was introduced.

A motion was made by R.:W.: Dwight Wilkes, and seconded by R.:W.: Gary Cavanaugh, that the Administrator's Report be accepted as read. Motion carried.

**MONTHLY REPORT ACTIVITIES DEPARTMENT - August 2008**

R.:W.: Jorge L. Aladro, Chairman, presented the following report:

Some of the Special Events held during the month included:

- Entertainment by David Macabee Music Ministry, Meditation Time with Karmene, Song & Prayer, The Masonic Band Concert, Bob, Lilly & Scott Singing at the Chapel, the Mike Boyd Show, and Dog visits.
- Trip activities included the New Cypress Mall, Disston Plaza, N.E. Plaza, special requests, Gateway Mall, Pinellas Daylight Lodge Social Event, Scottish Rite Meeting, Wal-Mart, and a Lunch trip to Cracker Barrel.

- The Theme Day for the month was “Baseball Day” where everyone wore their favorite team hats and shirts. The Dining Room and Activity Room were covered with posters of old baseball legends, baseball cards, black & white photos, and old baseball ad signs. Dietary provided a special menu including hot dogs, hamburgers, pizza, Cracker Jacks, an ice cream station at 3<sup>rd</sup> base, and non-alcoholic beer, with baseball songs playing in the background. Residents were invited to put on a real baseball hitting helmet and glove, and throw the baseball into the strike zone for prizes – a lot of fun & laughs! In the afternoon residents tried their luck at baseball trivia and enjoyed the movies.
- On August 26<sup>th</sup> the residents celebrated Dog Day, with 4 employees and family members bringing in their visiting dogs for the residents enjoyment. Residents and staff brought their dog photos, dancing dogs, and stuffed dogs! In the morning the residents also made “big dog” biscuits in the Activity Room.
- Some of the other monthly activities that offered a wide variety of interests included Lucille DePew’s 101<sup>st</sup> Birthday Party, Belly Busters Jokes, Sing-A-Long, You Be the Judge Game, an Ice Cream Social, and Pool Tournament.
- At “What’s on your Mind?” with Administrator Lisa Tsotsos, residents discussed current events while they enjoyed a new feature to each program – tasting new and different foods on the market for the residents to sample.

A motion was made by R.: W.: Jorge Aladro, and seconded by R.: W.: J. Dick Martinez, that the Activities Report be accepted as read. Motion carried.

**LONG RANGE PLANNING & FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT: R.: W.: Lenny W. Lorenzo, Chairman**

R.: W.: Gary Cavanaugh presented the following reports:

**DIETARY DEPARTMENT:** The total number of resident meals served for the month of August was 10,203 with 1,882 other meals, which included employees, visitors, and special events, for a total of 12,085 meals served. The Masonic Home collected \$1,217.00 towards meal cost. The raw food cost per meal was \$1.96.

**SECURITY DEPARTMENT:** There was one (1) reportable incident for the month of August. Six employee and six resident I.D. cards were issued.

R.: W.: Dwight Wilkes presented the following reports:

**HOUSEKEEPING/LAUNDRY DEPARTMENT:** The Housekeeping Department standards are at a good level to maintain the facility standards. During the month of August the Housekeeping Department processed 42,160 lbs. of laundry. The total chemical cost was \$491.61.

**GUEST HOUSE:** The Guest House was occupied for 69 nights during the month of August. Visits were for the Board of Trustees and family members of several residents. The Masonic Home collected \$900.00 in donations from Guest House occupants.

R.: W.: Lenny W. Lorenzo, Chairman, presented the following report:

**LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT:**

- 1) The first floor shower room and punch list has been completed. The second floor shower room has been completed and a punch is being compiled.
- 2) We recommend acceptance of the bid by Bay City Tree Service for the trimming of the mangroves when reviewed by legal and approved by the Corporate Board.
- 3) We recommend contacting Progress Energy via letter to stress the necessity in finishing the tree trimming around the power lines.

A motion was made by R.: W.: Lenny Lorenzo, seconded by R.: W.: Danny Griffith, that the Planning and Facilities Committee Report be accepted as read. Motion carried.

**ESTATES AND WILLS – September 12, 2008 - (New year begins April 1st)**

**FUNDS RECEIVED THRU AUGUST 2008**

Funds received and deposited in the Masonic Home Endowment Fund, Inc., a 501 (c)(3) Corporation.

| DATE DEPOSITED               | ESTATES AND WILLS RECEIVED FOR MASONIC HOME ENDOWMENT FUND, INC. | AMOUNT RECEIVED     |
|------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| 08/25/08                     | Arnold Johnson – Estate  | \$ 73.87            |
| 08/29/08                     | A. Sigmund Weil – Trust  | 1,043.89            |
|                              | Total Received   | <u>\$ 1,117.76</u>  |
| TOTAL RECEIVED YEAR TO DATE: |  | <u>\$ 77,348.74</u> |

A motion was made by R.:W.: Jim J Harris, and seconded by R.:W.: J. Dick Martinez, that the Legal Advisor's Reports be accepted. Motion carried.

**BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT:**

R.:W.: Jim J Harris presented the following report:

The following report reflects expenditures through August 31, 2008:

|                 |               |
|-----------------|---------------|
| Administration  | 56.59%        |
| Maintenance     | 40.02%        |
| Dietary         | 40.63%        |
| Nursing         | 46.49%        |
| Housekeeping    | 38.37%        |
| Recreation      | 42.02%        |
| Social Services | 42.28%        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>    | <b>45.85%</b> |

After five months we are 4.20% over budget. This overage is primarily due to the payment of the annual facility insurance premium made in April 2008.

**ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT:** R.:W.: J. Dick Martinez

During the month of September, 2 applications were presented to the Admissions Committee for approval. Johnette Fultz, sponsored by Jackson Lodge No. 1  
Wallace Dawson, sponsored by Cape Coral Lodge No. 367

A motion was made by R.:W.: J. Dick Martinez, and seconded by R.:W.: Jim J Harris, that the Admissions Committee Report be accepted as read. Motion carried.

**INTRODUCTIONS:** M.:W.: Joe Fleites, Grand Master, continued with the following introductions:

**GRAND LODGE OFFICERS-APPOINTED:** R.:R.: Robert J. "Stretch" Liekefet, Grand Chaplain; W.: J. David Neveitt, Grand Tyler, and his lady, Debbie; W.: Walter L. Bush, Grand Historian, and his lady, Lee.

**PAST GRAND MASTERS:** M.:W.: Robert P. Harry, Jr., M.:W.: Joe Fowler; M.:W.: Elmer G. Coffman, and his lady, Pat; M.:W.: Robert D. Trump, and his lady, Virginia; and M.:W.: Richard E. Lynn.

**DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS:** R.:W.: Ray T. Cox, and his lady, Betty; R.:W.: Robert H."Slim" Owen; R.:W.: R. James Rocha; R.:W.: Mark A. Fowler; R.:W.: Jimmie B. Crowder; R.:W.: William G. Ellis, Jr.

**DISTRICT INSTRUCTORS:** R.:H.: Henry "Gene" Hagan; R.:H.: Carroll E. Hunter, and his lady, Jean.

**GRAND LODGE COMMITTEEMEN:** Montague R. "Sam" Chancey, General Service Panel, and his lady, Minnie Lee; Danny Robison, General Service Panel; Richard C. Daniel, General Service Panel; Raul A. Reyes; Endowment Procurement Committee, and his lady, Nellie; David A. Henderson, Fraternal Administrative Endowment Committee; Harold "Mike" McCool, Grand Master's Charity Committee, and his lady, Linda; Jim Storms, Grand Master's Charity Committee; James E. Ford, Lodge Officers Education Committee, and his lady, Joy; Phillip W. Paul, Masonic Youth Activities Committee, and his lady, Joanna; Rodger C. Carson, Public Relations Committee, and his lady, Golda; John C. Bates, Jr., Properties Committee.

**OTHER GUESTS:** Stephen Jacobson, Hillsborough Lodge No. 25; William C. Cobb, Hillsborough Lodge No. 25; C. Miles Hartnett, Hillsborough Lodge No. 25; Joseph Citro, Hillsborough Lodge No. 25; Thomas Johnson, Hillsborough Lodge No. 25; Chuck Taylor, Ridge Lodge No. 398; John M. Lee, Ridge Lodge No. 398; Jon

Vonderau, Clearwater Lodge No. 127; Arthur Barker, Clearwater Lodge No. 127; Ed Phero, Clearwater Lodge No. 127; Stan Rakita, High Twelve No. 317; Reed Rue, Elmer O. Smith Lodge No. 307; Gene T. Elliott, Bushnell Lodge No. 30; Denney H. Bostic, Bushnell Lodge No. 30; Veryl M. Summerlin, Bushnell Lodge No. 30; James W. Long, John Darling Lodge No. 154; Ken Allen, John Darling Lodge No. 154; Burt Brim, Pine Castle Lodge No. 368; Earl Ray, St. Petersburg Lodge No. 139; Charles Reichert, Brandon Lodge No. 114; Richard Boettger, Brandon Lodge No. 114.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The next Board meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m. at the Masonic Home of Florida in St. Petersburg on October 19, 2008.

R.:R.: Robert J. "Stretch" Liekefet gave the Benediction, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

R.: W.: Dale I. Goehrig, D.G.M.  
Chairman, Board of Trustees

R.: W.: Dwight S. Wilkes  
Secretary to the Board of Trustees

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### ADDENDUM NO. 1

#### **PLANNING & FACILITIES REPORT - R.: W.: Leonard W. Lorenzo FAILED EQUIPMENT REPORT – August 2008**

1. Replaced evaporator fan motor on six door refrigerator in main kitchen.
2. Replaced broken fuel pick-up assembly in fuel tank and defective cam sensor on Ford Wheelchair Van by Pinellas Diesel repair.
3. Tampa Roofing completed repair to roof over housekeeping hallway. Replaced (20) feet of flashing and repaired and re-caulked scupper.
4. Replaced condenser fan motor and added permagum insulation and cork tape to evaporator and lines.
5. Replaced shower spindle and added ADA handle in room 229 R/C 2 west.
6. Replaced defective parts on Robocoupe in main kitchen.
7. Replaced timer on Southbend oven in kitchen.
8. Replaced intermittent gas valve on Cleveland Boiler in kitchen.
9. Performed brake job on Ford Wheelchair Van along with oil and filter.
10. Replaced motor mounts on exhaust fan on N/C roof.
11. Replaced three (3) smoke detectors in several rooms on R/C 2 north wing. (alarming with trouble signals).