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The Masonic Information Center, March 2001 MSA of North America

Fraternally, 'Bill' Price, W.M.

Note: For all events scheduled in this TB, check with the Master for possible changes in date and / time before the event.

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50yr Certificate & Pin Presented to W∴ Jim Dyer, PM at a Stated 7/9/15. Pictured left to right: W: Bill Price, WM; Bro. Jeff Snyder, SD; W∴ Jim Dyer, PM; Bro. Riley Giddens.





FROM THE WEST

Bro. David Vandenbemden, Senior Warden (Heidi)

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Brethren and all,

Well it's a blistering summer here at Groveland Lodge, I hope all of our migrating brothers are enjoying the cooler weather and lower humidity. True fact, there are more vacations taken in the month of August than any other month. So lets talk about taking a road trip. Our Lodge is situated about as far Southwest as the 18th Masonic District goes. So we rarely venture out of the friendly confines of our Lodge, I'm personally guilty of it. That being said now that we are practicing after our stated communications, that frees up a few nights a month to do what we do, and be traveling men. Groveland's footprint needs to be a little bigger, and we need help to show support for other Lodges in our district. Let's let the district know that we ain't just that little hick Lodge, just South of the holler... even though we still are!

I propose to the members, and I mean ALL members of Groveland Lodge that we make a few pilgrimages to a stated communication or two across the district once or twice a month. There are plenty of us who are willing to drive so if you need to catch a ride, speak up. It's good for new Master Masons, it's good for old Master Masons, fellowship is good for us all. The added kicker is there is usually a good meal for a small donation, there is nothing stopping us but ourselves.

This is also an open invitation to the rest of the District, our Lodge is open to you, please come down. 320 East Jim Payne Rd, Google it, we've got a great group of guys, second and fourth Thursdays 7:30 meeting, 6:30 refreshments. Our Junior Warden can't cook for anything, but fortunately for us and you, his wife (Mrs. Kosner) is the Chef de Cuisine. I assure you there is always enough and the meal will be well worth you travels. you don't even need call ahead seating.

To all the snow birding Brothers and their others have safe travels back down here where you belong, we'll keep it warm for you!

<u>Charity Of The Month — AUGUST</u> LAKE-SUMTER DEMOLAY

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FROM THE SOUTH

Bro. Dr. Jay B. Kosner, Junior Warden (Sandee)

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My Brothers,

Last month proved to be a fruitful month. We agreed to update some electrical issues. Although we are presently not cooking in our kitchen updating our electricity will permit us to operate several kitchen gadgets simultaneously.

 $W : Bill \ Price, \ W.M.$ has been working diligently with us to prepare for the visit of $R : W : Alan \ Heist, \ D.D.G.M.$ and his assemblage of committeemen on August 13th. As part of R : W : Heist's team I've had the privilege of attending multiple Lodge's in the 18th District. I've learned that we are all Brothers; although of different Lodges we are really members of the same team. It has strengthened my outlook so that when I am asked where I first discovered Masonry, I recognize that indeed, it's always been in my heart.

July 18th Master Mason Exams 1, 2, & 3 were taught at Groveland Lodge. Although attendance started out low, as the time got nearer more Brothers, including Worshipful Masters, responded they were looking forward to the class.

Every morning when I thank the Supreme Architect of the Universe for giving me another day of life, I also thank Him for directing me to Masonry and to Groveland Lodge.

Fraternally, Jay Kosner , J.W.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

06-27-15 Saturday — Adopt-A-Road — Simon Brown Road Team: Bro. David Vandenbemden, Senior Warden; Bro. George L. Rosario, Junior Deacon & Bro. Hewey Davis. This team needs more young volunteers.







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- Betty Hyatt (W∴ Derwood, PM)
- Kathy Burns (widow of W∴ Carl)
- Bro. Bob Emanuel's mother & father
- Bro. Jeff Snyder, SD reported on his mother
- W∴ Berl Ruleman, PM

.Please, remember the above in your prayers.

Fraternally,

Chris Singh, Chaplain

Attendance

- 06-25-15 Stated = 22
- 07-09-15 Stated = 25

Community Volunteers

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• 7/11/15 Saturday —Groveland Museum – R∴ W∴ Tom Brown, PDDGM

Floral arrangements donated by Kim E's Flowers

- 6/25/15 W:. Glenn Turner, Jr., PM
- 7/9/15 Bro. Anthony Alicea

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- Lawn Maintenance —Bro. Bill Vandenbemden
- Trestle Board Staff —Bro Alec Quellhorst; W∴ Brett Hamilton, PM; W∴ Charlie Marden, PM; W∴ Bill Price, WM; Bro Hewey Davis, JD; Bro. Mike Mohr; R∴ W∴ Tom Brown, PDDGM & anyone else that wants to help.

Visits to other Lodges

- 5/7/15 Dolgeville Lodge 796 Dolgeville NY (1) W:. John M. Andrek, PM
- 7/6/15 Umatilla No. 65 (1) Bro. Jay Kosner



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	29	28	27 —190 Stated	26	25	24	23
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10	15	14	13 —190 Stated –DDGM's Visit	12 Open Books Dist School Tavares 234	11	10	9
)	8	7 Purple Heart Day (Florida)	6	5	4	3	2
	1 Annual Possum Festi- val Wausau, FL						
	SATURDAY	FRIDAY	THURSDAY	WEDNESDAY	TUESDAY	MONDAY	SUNDAY



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BIRTHDAYS — AUGUST

01	DAPHNE GONYNOR	17	JUSTIN GABBARD
05	DONALD BRONSON	18	MARIAN GUNNELL
08	ANN WILLIAMS	18	TONY HERRINGTON
08	ROLANDO BANASCO	21	CECIL REVELS
11	BERNICE McHENRY	24	SANDRA HERRINGTON
12	BONNIE ALICEA	25	RICK KURFISS
13	JOHN MILLER, PM	25	DALE BEALL
14	LUCILLE HARGIS	30	GLENN TURNER, JR., PM
16	HOLLY ZUBKIN	31	BEN WILLIAMS
16	HENRY TYSKA		

ANNIVERSARIES — AUGUST

- 06 JOHN (PM) & JOAN ANDREK (1988)
- 09 ROLANDO & DIANN BANASCO (2003)
- 10 DALE & SHARON BEALL (1968)
- 25 BILL (PM) & YESMIRA SIEGENTHALER (2003)
- 30 HEWEY & JEAN DAVIS (1968)
- 31 TOM & JUDITH JAMES (1974)

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MASONIC BIRTHDAYS — AUGUST

	Raised
W.: Jerry Beard, PM	08.22.1978
W: Jeff Crandall, PM	08.14.1999
Bro. Hewey Davis	08.13.1980
Bro. Tony Herrington	08.16.2003
Bro. R. D. Kurfiss	08.27.1957
Bro. Al Quellhorst	08.16.2011

^{*}Note: 50 or more years

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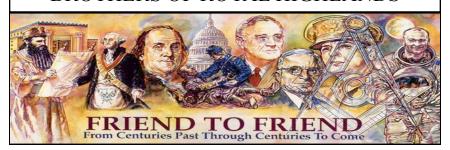
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Brother Gary Revelt, Groveland PD Officer, was in Washington, D.C. recently and while there he visited the Law Enforcement Memorial. There he found our Brother Robert Lee Smithwick, Sr.'s name engraved on the wall. Brother Smithwick was killed when he responded to a home burglary in Groveland in April 1929.









QUOTE

Above all things let us never forget that mankind constitutes one great brotherhood; all born to encounter suffering and sorrow, and therefore bound to sympathize with each other.

Albert Pike (1809-1891) American attorney, Writer, and Freemason.

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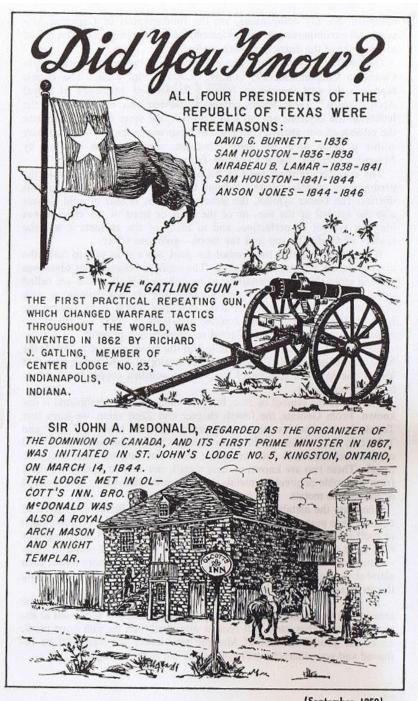
R.: W.: Joseph F. Basler, PDDGM

APRON: A symbol of honorable labor. The material of the Masonic Apron, lambskin, is a symbol of innocence, as the lamb has always been. But for "innocence" do not read "ignorant". The word describes those who do no injury to other, not those to whom injury may be done because they know little.

There is a special symbolism in the different ways in which the Entered Apprentice, the Fellow Craft, and the Master Mason are taught to wear their aprons, emblematic of the progress from darkness to light, from ignorance to knowledge. The use of the apron is extremely old, not, as with the Operative Mason, as the protector of clothing and body against tools and stone, but as a Badge of Honor. It was so used by the priests of Israel, by candidates for the mysteries of Mithras in Persia, by the ancient Japanese in religious worship. Ethiopia knew aprons as did Egypt. In all times and climes, it has been a badge of distinction. It is as such that a Mason wears it. Color and material are important in its symbolism but Masonry admits the "symbol of the symbol" as for instance, an electric light in place of a candle. Hence, a Mason has more than once been "properly clothed" when the lambskin aprons of the Lodge were all in use and he came through the tiled door clad in a white hand-kerchief.

The apron is said to be more ancient and more honorable that certain orders and decorations.

- -The Order of the Golden Fleece was founded by Philip, Duke of Burgundy, in 1429.
- -The Roman Eagle was Rome's symbol and ensign of power and might a hundred years before Christ.
- -The Order of the Star was created by John II of France in the middle of the fourteenth century.
- -The Order of the Garter was founded by Edward III of England in 1349 for himself and twenty-five knights of the Garter.
- -The Masonic Apron is more ancient than these is a provable fact. In averring that is more honorable, the premise "when worthily worn" is understood. The apron is "more honorable that the Star and Garter" when all that it teaches is exemplified in the life of the wearer.



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DIRECTIVE NO. 2

July 13, 2015

To: All Particular Lodges:

Re: Masonic Medical Research Laboratory Utica, New York

Dear Brethren:

In consequence of the actions of the Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of New York prohibiting correspondence between the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory and any other Grand Jurisdiction recognized by The Grand Lodge of New York, I hereby ORDER AND DIRECT that all contact, whether by written correspondence, e-mail, or verbal with the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory or its representatives, as well as all fundraising efforts and/or activities, etc. be immediately terminated and you are hereby directed to CEASE AND DESIST any of the foregoing.

It should be noted that the Elected Grand Lodge Officers of this Grand Jurisdiction were made aware of this situation within The Grand Lodge of New York several months ago and have been investigating the reasoning of such order from the Grand Master of New York prior to issuance of this Directive. Inasmuch as the Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of New York has not provided a resolution to this matter, I thereby issue this Directive

Sincerely and fraternally, Steven P. Boring Grand Master

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