



Vero Beach Masonic Lodge No. 250 F & A.M.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Stated Communication

Vero Beach Masonic Lodge
No. 250 F. & AM
Tuesday, **March 4th**, 2025
6:30 P.M.

Officers Meeting

Vero Beach Masonic Lodge
No. 250 F. & AM
March 17th, 2025
6:30 P.M.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

No Stated Meeting

Curfew Restaurant
1932 14th Ave.
Tuesday, **March 18th**, 2025
6:30 P.M.

Masters & Wardens

Acacia Masonic Lodge
in Stuart, FL.
March 22nd, 2025
8:00 A.M Breakfast
9:00 A.M. - Start

Quote of the Month:

“The most valuable of all talents is that of never using two words when one will do.”

— Bro. Thomas Jefferson

Fellowcraft Degree

Fort Pierce Masonic Lodge
Wednesday, **March 12th** 2025
6:30 P.M.





2024 Lodge Officers

Worshipful Master - Larry Johnson

772-360-7898

Senior Warden - Dean Paulcheck

815-355-0176

Junior Warden - Kevin Gilbert

772-834-6469

Secretary - RW Mason W. Russell

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Treasurer - Bill Ringler

Senior Deacon - James Wolfe

Junior Deacon - Trevor Murrah

Senior Steward - Michael Korda

Junior Steward - Shannon Patrick de Lima

Marshall - Jeff Kagan

Chaplain - Matt Hamilton

Tyler - Jeremy Lynn

Lodge Instructor - Louis Abreu III



From the East

Larry Johnson
Worshipful Master 2025



Greetings Brothers!

I hope this message finds you well. I wanted to provide a few important updates regarding our upcoming events and Lodge matters.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner & March Meeting Update

We will **NOT** have a **Stated Meeting on March 18th**, as the Lodge has voted to **host a St. Patrick's Day dinner instead**. This event will be open to our **spouses and potential members**.

Details regarding the location, time, and cost are on page 7 of this Trestle Board. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for an evening of fellowship and celebration.

Special Election for Junior Warden – April 1st

We have received **Dispensation from Grand Lodge** to hold a **special election** at our **first Lodge meeting in April (April 1st)** to elect a **Junior Warden**.

Since no Brother was nominated for the position during the **December 2024 election of Lodge Officers**, this special election will allow us to fill the role. Per the Dispensation:

“The Lodge may accept nominations for the special election up to the opening of the Stated Communication.”

Brother Kevin Gilbert, who has been serving in the Junior Warden's chair since the beginning of the year, has done a commendable job, and we appreciate his dedication.

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Trestle Board Advertising Opportunities

We are still accepting **advertising orders** for the **Trestle Board**! If you are interested in placing an ad or know someone who is, please contact **RW Mason Russell** for more information.

Thank you all for your continued support and commitment to the Lodge. Looking forward to seeing you at our upcoming events!

Sincerely & Fraternally,
Larry E. Johnson
Worshipful Master





From the West

Dean Paulcheck
Senior Warden 2025



Hello Brothers!

It's been a busy time! I wanted to let everyone know that we'll be hosting a **Golf Outing on September 20th at Sandridge Golf Club**—our biggest fundraiser of the year. While we still have some time, I've already started working on **hole sponsorships**, which will be **\$100 per sponsor**.

I've also gathered a few **donations for the drawing**, and we'd love more contributions if you're able to help! Golf pricing remains the same as last year: **\$125 per golfer** or **\$500 per foursome**, including lunch. To encourage participation, I've put together a few incentives to make it even more exciting.

The funds raised will support **Worshipful Master Larry's programs**, focusing on **Masonic Education, Family Involvement, and Community Outreach**. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated!

In addition, we'll be helping **Sebastian** with the **Fourth of July Festival**, and we'll need plenty of hands for that as well.

Degree Work – Your Help is Needed!

Degree work is very important, and we'll be holding practice sessions on Wednesdays with our lodge instructor, Brother Louis Abreu. The first step will be a Master Mason Degree, so if you can assist, please let him know. Also, reach out to Brother Kevin if you'd like to take on a specific role or help in any way.

Committee Opportunities

I also have committee spots open—if there's something you'd like to be involved in, let me know. Your help is always valued!

Looking forward to seeing you all soon.

Thank you!

Bro. Dean Paulcheck



From the South

Kevin Gilbert

Junior Warden 2024



Loyalty on the Level

As Masons, we hold great regard for the word **loyalty**, even if we don't always use it explicitly. We obligate ourselves in many ways and to many things. Yet, sadly, there are some among our ranks who do not fully uphold their obligations.

A simple example is the child who, when not allowed to choose the game, takes his ball and goes home. While this may seem like an oversimplification, we have seen instances where someone, unhappy with an outcome, has completely left a Lodge over it. Conversely, there are those who, once they achieve exactly what they sought, vanish once the applause fades and their temporary obligations end.

We should hold ourselves **above** such behavior. After all, we did not come here for **titles or accolades**—we came here to **improve ourselves as men and Brothers**. None of us are entirely immune to these tendencies, as we all have **egos**. However, subduing that ego is essential in our journey toward becoming that **perfect ashlar**.

If we wake each day with the reminder that we stand **on the level** with our Brothers—never above them—our journey as Masons will be stronger, and we will be **better men for it**.

Fraternally,

Bro. Kevin Gilbert

St. Patrick's Celebration – March 18 at 6:30 PM



Brothers & Friends,


Join us on **Tuesday, March 18, at 6:30 PM** for a **St. Patrick's Celebration** at Curfew, located diagonally across 14th Avenue from the Lodge building (1932 14th Ave., to be exact).

We'll be serving corned beef and cabbage, along with other delicious Irish fare like bangers and mash, plus gluten-free and vegetarian options to accommodate all preferences.

This dinner **replaces our second Stated Communication for March**, which we voted to call off at our **February 18 Stated Communication**.


Come out and enjoy the fellowship—bring your wife, fiancée, or girlfriend! There will be a cash bar, and the Lodge will partially sponsor the dinner.


Details & RSVP

 **Cost: \$25 per person**

 **Payment Options:**

- **Cash or check** at the door
- **Venmo:** Send to our Secretary, RW Mason Russell (@MasterMason01)

 **RSVP Deadline: March 8** – Please reply to this email to confirm your attendance so we can plan accordingly. - vb250masons@gmail.com

 **Commitment Matters!** If you RSVP and later decide not to attend, we kindly ask that you cover your portion of the cost.

Financial Assistance:

If financial difficulties would prevent you from attending, please contact Brother Junior Warden Kevin Gilbert at (772) 834-6494. We want everyone to have the opportunity to share in the revelry, and arrangements can be made to ensure your attendance.

Looking forward to a great evening of **brotherhood, laughter, and Irish cheer!**

Kindest Fraternal Regards, Bro. Kevin Gilbert



March 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Ritual Practice 6:30 PM			1
2	3	4 Stated Communication 6:30 PM	5 Ritual Practice 6:30	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 Fellowcraft - Degree March 12th Ft.Pierce Lodge 6:30 pm	13	14	15
16	17 Lodge Officers Meeting Monday 6:30 PM	18 Saint Patrick's Day Dinner - Curfew Restaurant 6:30 PM	19 Ritual Practice 6:30 PM	20	21	22 Masters & Wardens Okeechobee 8:00 a.m Breakfast 9:00 AM Start
23	24	25	26 Ritual Practice 6:30 PM	27	28	29
30	31					



**Congratulations to the 2025 Masonic Officer Leadership Team at Vero Beach
Masonic Lodge #250!**

We wish you all the **best** as you guide our Lodge in the coming year.

Advertise with Your Lodge!



Looking for a way to support your Lodge? Your presence is invaluable, but financial contributions play a critical role in sustaining our Lodge's operations. One great way to help is by advertising in the Trestle Board. Whether you want to promote your business, share information about group events, or send well wishes to family, friends, or Brothers, your ad can make a difference!

SUPPORT YOUR SUPPORTERS!

All advertising goes to support mailing the Trestle Board to those who cannot or prefer not to receive it electronically. Your support of these businesses means that you're patronizing those whom which you share a common understanding Thank you.

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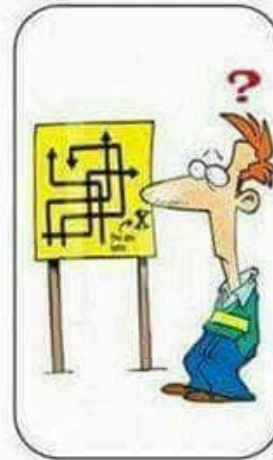
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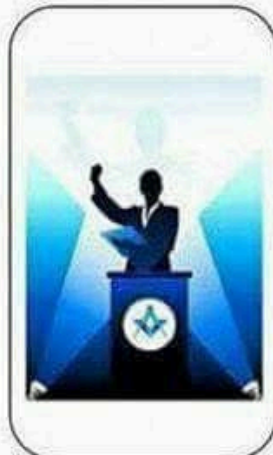
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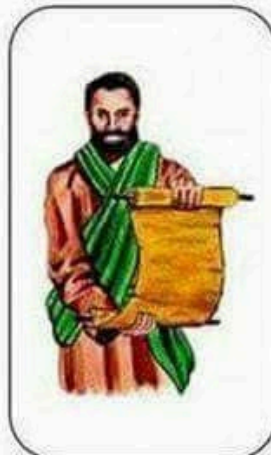
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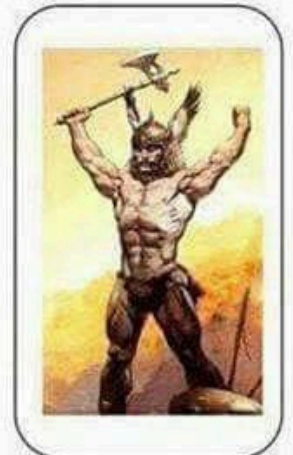
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WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A BROTHER?



**A PERSON WHO IS THERE WHEN YOU NEED HIM;
SOMEONE WHO PICKS YOU UP WHEN YOU FALL;
A PERSON WHO STICKS UP FOR YOU
WHEN NO ONE ELSE WILL;
A BROTHER IS ALWAYS A FRIEND!**



Lodge Charity Activities

Please support Vero Beach Masonic Lodge in our Charity Campaign. We have donation bins in the Lodge for Food, School, Supplies and Hygiene products. Please help us help the less fortunate.

Look for future charity events that we will participate in. We are planning work days for Habitat for Humanity in the near future.

If you know of an organization that needs our help, please talk to one of the officers.

Trestle Board Advertising Rates

All Ads Must Be:
Format - .jpeg, .png, or .pdf
Submitted by the 15th monthly

Rates

Full Page (\$240 per year)
Half Page (\$120 per year)
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