

# Winter Park Lodge

## No. 239

**December 2023**

The Trestle Board is your monthly newsletter brought to you by the Brothers of Winter Park Lodge No. 239

Stated Communications are the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month

Refreshment at 6:30p • Meeting at 7:30p

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Greeting from the East Brethren!

Ok, I admit it feels very strange typing that. Its actually taken me about a week to even start writing this. First, I have to start by thanking everyone for having the confidence in me to do the position you have elected me to. While I admit my journey to the East was a little out of the norm I did sit in every chair along the way and I am very proud of that. It taught me a lot and I know I have a lot of

Past Masters behind me to teach me more, whether I want to hear it or not. Lol! I and my fellow officers got some great things in store for the year. As a lodge we've got some things to improve on and some things we are great at. Come to the Installation on Jan 6th at 12pm and find out more or just watch the plan unfold along the year. It's gonna be a great year! I'm so overwhelmed I don't know what more to say. This Lodge is my second home. I love the friendships and relationships I've cultivated and look forward to watching the Lodge grow as it did before me and will absolutely continue to do so once I've completed my journey to the East. I will see everyone at the installations!

Look well to the East Brethren!

Preston-Weis

Worshipful Master-Elect

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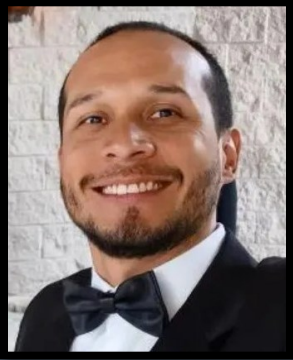
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Dear Esteemed Brothers of Winter Park Lodge 239,

Hoping you all had a restful and joyful holiday season by the end of 2023 and wishing you all an even greater 2024; It is with immense gratitude and humility that I extend my heartfelt thanks to each one of you for entrusting me with the honorable position of Junior Warden. Your trust is a beacon of responsibility, and I pledge to devote my skills and knowledge to serve and assist our brethren under the leadership of our elected Worshipful Master, Preston K. Weiss.

In particular, I am committed to diligently guarding the south, and, following in the footsteps of our esteemed brothers that have passed this chair before me, ensuring that the nourishment of fraternal bonds is a priority. As we embark on this journey together, I eagerly anticipate the camaraderie and warmth that our lodge is known for.

This year promises to be one of enriching experiences, and I am excited to announce that my stewards and I are dedicated to providing delectable meals for our gatherings. Let us come together as a family, fostering the spirit of brotherly love in every moment.

I look forward to the honor of serving you all and contributing to the success of Winter Park Lodge 239 in 2024.

Juan Pablo Carrero B.  
Junior Warden-Elect





Greetings, Brothers,

It's been an honor and pleasure to serve the Lodge as Secretary for the past two years. I am looking forward to W:. Halter's tenure as our new Secretary, and I am very much looking forward to returning to the sidelines.

We've been fortunate as a Lodge this past year to bring in a strong group of new Masons, and this is very encouraging for the continued success of our Lodge.

I also want to thank the Brothers for their swift payment of 2024 dues. Approximately 70% of our membership is currently holding a 2024 dues card. If you are one of the 90 remaining Brothers, please make your payment, or contact the Lodge, as soon as possible. Remember, without a current dues card, you are not considered a member in good standing and you should not visit other Lodges.

I look forward to seeing you throughout the year at Winter Park, and around the District.

Fraternally,  
Michael Catello, PM  
Secretary, **RETIRED**

Pay your dues here

<https://winterparklodge.org/pay-your-dues/>

Has your contact information changed? New address? New phone?  
Email [secretary@winterparklodge.org](mailto:secretary@winterparklodge.org) so we can keep your records up to date

Attentive Ears &  
Instructive Tongues

Petitions Received

Giancarlo Molina

Entered Apprentice

Fellow Craft

Master Mason

Christian Alberto Compana-Emard



## Your 2024 Officers-Elect and Appointed

**Worshipful Master:** Preston Weis

**Senior Warden:** Billy Triplett, PM

**Junior Warden:** Juan Carrero

**Treasurer:** Greg Seavers, PM

**Secretary:** John Halter, PM

**Senior Deacon:** Marc Spittler

**Junior Deacon:** Pedro Arcila Silva

**Musician:** Mike Seeley (Nancie)

**Senior Steward:** Curtis Murray

**Junior Steward:** Eric LeGrow

**Marshall:** Carlos Lopez Landaeta

**Tyler:** Tyler Mitchell



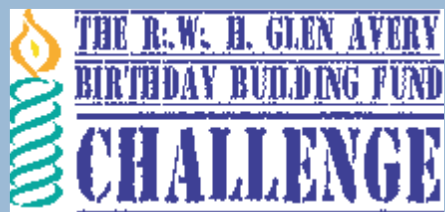
## Masonic Anniversaries

Brother	Years MM
Crain, Earl	62
Claus, Donald	61
Humphreys, Robert	59
May, James	59
Duckworth, Howard	55
McGrew, Charles	52
Ward Jr, Benjamin	48
Skaggs, Terry	39
Roberts, Brian	36
Corn, David	34
Long Jr, John	34
Witchey, Douglas	31
Tellechea, Albert	28
Morgan, Jeffrey	26
Oliver, Brian	26
Parente, Ricardo	26
Paul, Bradley	26
Carpione, Jason	23
Darwich, Alex	23
Isaacs, Steven	23
Wise, Donald	15
Reyes, Jose	12
Ellis, Adrian	9
Leonard, Luke	9
Anderson, Russell	8
Dowda, David	8
Duverge, Caesar	8
Griffin, Brian	8
Nolasco, Wagner	8
Roesch, William	8
Jacelon, Anthony	4
Padilla, Carlos	4
Perry, Adam	4
Canonico, John	3
Davis, Gary	3
LaWarre, Justin	3
Osario Vega, Camilo	3
Arcila Silva, Pedro	1
Campana-Emard, Christian	0

## December Birthdays

Brother	Day
Paynter III, William	2
Provan, Eugene	2
Turner, Joseph	2
Steigleder, Ewerson	3
Medrano, Francisco	6
Talbott, Steven	6
Long, Paul	8
Streit, Jason	8
Jones, Michael	9
May, James	9
Skaggs, Terry	9
Ravago Conde, Luis	12
Cotto, Jonathan	14
Murphy, James	15
White, William	17
Manuel, Romeo	19
Mojica, Rafael	19
Bonet, Nelson	20
Isaacs, Steven	23
Santos Jr, Luis	30
Spittler, Marc	31
Weis, Preston	31

December Celebrations



In 2010 R.W.: H. Glen Avery challenged each of us to contribute to the building fund each year on our birthday. This gift was to represent one dollar for each year of the birthday you are celebrating. Every dollar of your gift will be put into the building fund for use in managing our facilities and helping us to keep it in the pristine condition we have all come to appreciate. You can make your donation by check or credit card. Please see the Secretary or Treasurer for more information.

## Charity of the Month

For the remainder of the year, Winter Park No. 239 will be focusing on the Masonic Home as our charity, and specifically the LYPMGC program. Our focus will be to increase donations to this program to support the home.

Any Brother wishing to donate a little extra to this fund may send a check to the Lodge and put LYPMGC in the notes field.



## Important News from the Proud 16th Masonic District

### District 16 School of Instruction

Led by R.:H.: Patrick Uppole

TBD

### Open Books

Next: February



### Scottish Rite Valley of Orlando

The Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry is commonly known as the Scottish Rite. It is one of several groups that are part of the worldwide fraternity known as Freemasonry. The Scottish Rite is the largest and most widely practiced Masonic Rite in the world and employs a Lodge system. It is our mission to improve its members and enhance the communities in which they live by teaching and emulating the principles of Brotherly Love, Tolerance, Charity, and Truth while actively embracing high social, moral, and spiritual values including fellowship, compassion, and dedication to God, family and country. The Scottish Rite Valley of Orlando meets every 4th Friday at the Winter Park Masonic Center. For more information, please contact Ill. Keith Albright, General Secretary at 407-657-4550.

### Order of the Eastern Star Pioneer Chapter 99

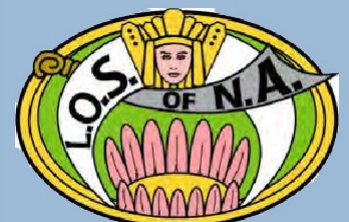
The members of the Order of the Eastern Star are dedicated women and men who sincerely reflect the spirit of fraternal love and the desire to work together for good. It gives them the opportunity to give a part of their time to many projects that benefit mankind. Our lessons are scriptural, our purposes are beneficent, and our teachings are moral. OES Pioneer Chapter is looking for new members from the Masonic community. Masons & their wives, daughters, mothers, widows and sisters all qualify. For more information, please call Ann Dunlap, Secretary at 407-748-1685. Pioneer Chapter meets on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of every month at 7:30pm at Winter Park Lodge building.



### Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America

LOS Kismet Court #86 meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm with dinner starting at 6pm. If you are interested in getting more information on LOS Kismet Court No. 86, please visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/KismetCourt86/>



For more information contact our recorder, Susan Sexton, at smssexton64@yahoo.com or Hillary Cohan 2018-2019 High Priestess at samtheharley1234@aol.com. Ladies do not have to be related to a Mason to join. Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America raises money for the Shriner's Hospital for Children and Special Projects for the hospitals.



## Winter Park Past Masters

1916 - Benjamin W. Stone\* (UD)  
1917 - Benjamin W. Stone\*  
1918 - Homer S. Hope\*  
1919 - J. Otis Hale\*  
1920 - Walter H. Schultz\*  
1921 - Frank J. Lindergreen\*  
1922 - Raymond W. Green\*  
1923 - William G. Hoffman\*  
1924 - James E. Harper\*  
1925 - Adolphus A. Wesson\*  
1926 - H. Earl Cole\*  
1927 - J.A. Podmore\*  
1928 - George C. Dolive\*  
1929 - Warren M. Ingram\*  
1930 - Willis J. Johson\*  
1931 - Willis J. Johson\*  
1932 - Milton A. Perch\*  
1933 - Forrest B. Stone\*  
1934 - J.C. Russell\*  
1935 - Guy F. Colado\*  
1936 - Milton A. Perch\*  
1937 - Webber B. Haines\*  
1938 - Eziel D. Cook\*  
1939 - Huland W. McCord\*  
1940 - William A. Gilbert\*  
1941 - John G. Graylee\*  
1942 - Carroll L. Ward\*  
1943 - Lloyd H. King\*  
1944 - R.W. Fred L. Tuck\*  
1945 - J. Rex Holiday\*  
1946 - Willis J. Johson\*  
1947 - Chester O. Cornwall\*  
1948 - B. Roy Sloniger\*  
1949 - George C. Russell\*  
1950 - M.:W.: George L. Myers, PGM\*  
1951 - James T. Pegram\*  
1952 - Charles O. Kummer\*  
1953 - Roscoe E. Sloniger\*  
1954 - Robert F. McCord\*  
1955 - Thomas W. Tope\*  
1956 - James M. Rhiner\*  
1957 - R.:W.: Morris D. Parker\*  
1958 - Robert F. Edwards\*  
1959 - Dallas L. Bishop\*  
1960 - Albert L. Mashburn\*  
1961 - Charles W. Hostetler\*  
1962 - M.:W.: Harvey Eddy, PGM\*

1963 - R.:W.: Eugene B. Taylor\*  
1964 - Walter J. Boyer\*  
1965 - Donald A. Nyholm\*  
1966 - Eugene R. Simpson\*  
1967 - Julius Blum\*  
1968 - Deane W. Hammond\*  
1969 - R.:W.: Robert D. Fiedler\*  
1970 - R.:W.: H. Glen Avery Jr. \*  
1971 - Daniel W. Hughes\*  
1972 - James E. Winne\*  
1973 - Norman T. Gore  
1974 - George Ray Sloniger \*  
1975 - R.:W.: Charles C. Hayes\*  
1976 - Robert Kowalski\*  
1977 - Kenneth White\*  
1978 - R.:W.: Ernesto Fuste\*  
1979 - Wallace D. Myers\*  
1980 - David E. Smith\*  
1981 - Carl P. Kummer  
1982 - Jesse W. Ridley\*  
1983 - William A. Boyland, Jr.\*  
1984 - Anthony J. Decanio\*  
1985 - G. Keith Gordon  
1986 - R.:W.: Allen Fiedler  
1987 - R.:W.: Michael G. Juett  
1988 - R.:W.: Zeb E. Blanton Jr.  
1989 - Fred E. Brooks\*  
1990 - R.:W.: Chester A. King  
1991 - R.:W.: William B. Erd  
1992 - Lewis S. Lawson Jr.  
1993 - Walter R. Becker  
1994 - Carl J. Moore +++  
1995 - Jerry W. Spruiel  
1996 - Phil Bloom  
1997 - Bobby E. Granthum\*  
1998 - Hans Weinmann\*  
1999 - John H. Beatty\*  
2000 - John T. Scheidt\*  
2001 - John E. Devlin  
2002 - Warren T. Gillis  
2003 - Cameron Lovett  
2004 - Robert W. Jeffrey Sr\*  
2005 - Rodolfo T. Galvan  
2006 - Michael A. Costa  
2007 - Harry V. Eisenberg, M.D.  
2008 - R.:H.: Alex A. Darwich  
2009 - R.:H.: Bill Valentino  
2010 - Mark A. Avery  
2011 - Christopher P. Chag\*

2012 - Allen N. Stearns Jr.  
2013 - John D. Halter  
2014 - Jeffrey B. Morgan  
2015 - Justin S. McDonald  
2016 - R.:W.: Michael S. Griffin  
2017 - R.:W.: Jay M. Cebollero  
2018 - Thomas Swonger  
2019 - Jonathan O. Cotto  
2020 - Chet Tokar  
2021 - Luke Leonard  
2022—Billy Triplett

## Affiliated Past Masters

1984 - Peter Gregory - Bethlehem No. 85  
Delmar, NY  
2007 - Norman E. Hitchcock - St. Paul's No. 14  
Middletown, RI  
2007-8 - Carlos Lopez - Fenix Lodge No. 8  
Venezuela  
2010-11 - Ewerson Steigleder, ARLJ,  
Cavaleiros de São João 2903  
2013 - Bennie Stevens - Venus No. 809, Venus, TX  
2013 - Stuart Orgaz - Orange No. 36  
2014-16 - M.:W.: William Thomas, PGM of NY  
2017 - Randall Safier - Trelum No. 552, Troy, MI  
2017 - Michael Catello - Mokanna No. 329  
2017 - Michael Carlo - Warwick Lodge No. 544,  
Warwick, NY  
2017,19 - Jeff Battaglia - Orlando No. 69  
2018 - Greg Seavers - Oviedo No. 243  
2021 - Jason Streit - Marion Lodge No. 6,  
Marion, IA

\* Deceased

+++ Dimitted





## Chris Chag Memorial Food Drive



We are asking you to join us as we honor our Brother, W:. Chris Chag, by taking a few powerful action steps to help our Central Florida neighbors in need and honor him in the process. You can help your Lodge reach our goal of raising at least \$5000 by donating today.

Thank you for making a great difference for local children, seniors, low-income families, and others who are struggling to put enough food on their tables this year.

[Donate \\$10 Now!](#)

[Donate any amount...](#)

## MASONIC EDUCATION

From the desk of M.:W.: Bill Thomas, PGM GLNY 2014-16 ([wjthomasnyc@gmail.com](mailto:wjthomasnyc@gmail.com)) ...

### Brotherhood

Our annual elections result in the transition of leadership for the Lodge. We wish fair winds and following seas for our incoming Officers. Here are some of my thoughts on the work of our Master.

#### THE MASTER

Great honor comes to any brother when he is elevated to the Oriental Chair of a Masonic Lodge. Our Wardens look forward with mingled pleasure and anxiety to that day when in their hands will be placed the gavel of authority. He who early prepares to be a Master in more than name only arrives in the seat of authority with some confidence.

To be Master of a Lodge is quite different from being president of a club or society. The Master is called upon to decide questions of law and practice that he cannot leave to his brethren. The honor of leadership carries also the responsibility. That his decisions be wise and just, and of such a character as will draw commendation, not condemnation, from Grand Master or District Deputy, he must know the laws of his jurisdiction as well as his own powers and limitations. He can obtain this knowledge only from a faithful study of the book of Masonic law.

Specifically, the Master must familiarize himself with Grand Lodge law upon applications, amendments, ballots and balloting, burial, candidates (residence, qualifications, physical perfection, etc.), charges, correspondence with other Lodges, degrees, dimitts, dispensations (especially as to when they are necessary), dual membership (if authorized by Grand Lodge or not authorized by that body), dues, education, elections, examinations, finances, installation, jurisdiction, membership, minutes, motions (when not in order), objections to candidates, offenses, petitions, processions, proxies, rejection, returns of Lodges, special communications, summons, Sunday observances, trials, visits and visitors, votes and voting (when paper ballot required; when majority; when two-thirds and when unanimous needed, etc.), and waiver of jurisdiction.

Learning all this is not easy, but being a good Master is not supposed to be easy. To have been elected Master presupposes a willingness to labor, and there is labor and plenty of it.

May the Great Architect guide our new Masters, and enable them to lead with wisdom and confidence.





## Christmas Parade 2023







Curlin' the stash



Eola No. 207 visited,  
and took home the  
gavel





R.:W.: Cowart visited a recent Stated Communication



Winter Park Brothers Fornea, Williams, Mitchell, Pollock, Carrero, and Smith joined the Scottish Rite during the Fall Reunion



[CLICK to view the Amazon wish list](#)



## Masonic Home *of Florida*

### Corky's Cupboard Wish List

*(New items only, please)*

Mouth wash (Lavoris)  
Cologne or body spray (men & women)  
Denture adhesives & cleansers  
Tissues  
Body lotion (men's & women's)  
Body wash / shower gel (men's 3in 1 and women's)  
Facial cream - Pond's blue or green  
Panty-liners -(Poise long length)  
Tooth paste  
Lipstick (Reds, Pink, Neutral)  
Face Powder  
Blush (Pinks, Neutrals)  
Soap (bars or liquid)  
Deodorant  
Liquid hand & body soap  
Emery boards / nail clippers  
Nail polish remover  
Electric shave / pre-shave  
Fabric softener /  
Small liquid laundry detergent  
Jewelry (all types of women's and men's)  
Unique items / knick-knacks for the Gift Shop  
Postage stamps  
Cash donations  
Gift Cards to: Walmart, Walgreens, CVS, Target etc.

**Send donations to: The Masonic Home of Florida**

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