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## NOVEMBER 2012

### THE TRESTLEBOARD

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#### Boynton Lodge #236 F&AM

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Regular Communication 2nd and 4th  
Thursday of each month at 7:30 P.M.

Except November and December  
when it shall be the 2nd and 3rd Thursday.

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#### Stated Communication Thursday

November 8th, 2012 at 7:30PM

#### Stated Communication Thursday

November 15th, 2012 at 7:30PM

**HAPPY THANKSGIVINGS  
TO ALL!!!**

**Lodge Picnic**  
**Saturday, November 10th, 2012**  
**Time: 12:00 Noon - 4:00PM**  
**Oceanfront Park Beach**  
**North Pavillion**  
**6415 North Ocean Boulevard,**  
**Boynton Beach, Florida**

**ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY**  
**SATURDAY**  
**DECEMBER 8th, 2012**  
**ATALANTIS COUNTRY CLUB**  
**SEE PAGE 4.**

## 2012 COMMITTEES

### Finance

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Gaylord Taylor  
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### AWAITING E.A.

### AWAITING F.C.

Jacob Diamond  
Eric Hoffman  
Steven Hinton

### AWAITING M.M.

Paul Matthew Polokoff  
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## Trestleboard Booster

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Ron Bade  
Ed Wheat

# FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

October was a month where we conferred the first degree in Freemasonry on Brothers; Jacob Diamond, Eric Hoffman and Steven Hinton. It was a wonderful evening and the degree team was terrific. We had many of our brothers' step up and take positions that they were not accustomed to. Farren Kahan was in the East, Alan Cohen in the West, Steve Stamatopoulos in the South, Mark Bogert as Senior Deacon, Mike Kenner as Junior Deacon, Senior Steward Bob Hess, Junior Steward Mike Gambarotti, Tom Wotherspoon as Chaplain and W. Irwin Ettlinger as Tyler. Our Senior Warden Brian Work again outdid himself with his excellent Entered Apprentice lecture. The working tools were given by our very own FC Paul Polokoff and the charge by our Assistant Secretary Bob Hess.

November will be another active month at Boynton Lodge. **Our regular meetings this month will be the second and third Thursday of the month (November 8 & 15)** as we celebrate Thanksgiving on the fourth Thursday. We are having a lodge picnic on Saturday November 10th at Oceanfront Park Beach from 12-4pm. The address is 6415 North Ocean Boulevard, Boynton Beach. We have reserved the North Pavilion near the steps to the beach. The picnic is for all masons, their family and friends. There will be no charge for the picnic, so come out for one hour or four! This will be a good time to meet and socialize with our families and friends. Please notify me via email of your intent to come so we can plan accordingly for food and refreshments. My email is; [partridge.brad@gmail.com](mailto:partridge.brad@gmail.com)

The lodge will be practicing this entire month for our Master Mason Degree on Saturday December 1st at 2:00pm. So, come on Tuesday's at 7:30pm to help participate in the degree. Let's raise these three brothers with a packed house to show our support and fellowship!

To most of us attending lodge I know we have witnessed serious leaks and patchwork on our roof. Over the past six months we have had to repair the roof several times. It has become a dangerous situation. We will need to replace the roof soon. Our Treasurer has begun securing three bids for the job and will present a recommendation from the finance committee at our first meeting in December. The plan is to replace the roof at that time. I'm calling on an appeal for any brother to contribute to the replacement of the roof which is initially estimated at \$45,000 or more plus the repair that has to be done inside the Building.

Also in December, we will be having our Holiday Party once again at Atlantis Country Club. The party will take place on Saturday December 8th at 6:00pm, details on page 4 of the Trestleboard. Please make your reservation early.

Brethren, I leave you with a thought;

"The secret of Masonry, like the secret of life, can be known only by those who seek it, serve it, and live it. It cannot be uttered; it can only be felt and acted. It is, in fact, an open secret, and each man knows it according to his quest and capacity. Like all things worth knowing, no one can know it for another and no man can know it alone."

Have a wonderful month and give thanks to all we are able to do. To teach, to love and to respect each other always. **"HAPPY THANKSGIVINGS"**

Humbly, I remain Your Worshipful Master,

Brad Partridge WM

## **Mentoring Failures: The Phantom Menace**

**“With great power, comes great responsibility” -Francois-Marie Arouet aka Voltaire.**

I've been a member of two Lodges since I joined our Fraternity and visited many others. I've seen the positive benefits of a good mentoring relationship with a young Mason, as well as the negative result of the failure to develop this relationship.

After ensuring through the petitioning and investigative processes that the right new Men are joining your Lodge, mentoring is the process by which we help the young Mason grow and develop as a Mason, becoming a part of the Lodge.

Casting magic spells and plotting to take over the world are not proper functions for a Lodge. I've met men who have gone through the degrees of Freemasonry in a day, and those who've taken much longer, and both sorts have not grasped this fact. I've met Brothers who may not have been honest with the people who allowed them to get through the West Gate, or even with themselves, and refused to believe that becoming a Mason is not a magical cure-all.

The mentor relationship is different than the instructor relationship. The instructor teaches the student what he needs to know to advance to the next degree, often being able to recite answers to questions based on the preceding degree. The mentor teaches what it means, answering questions, giving definitions, guiding the student towards seeking answers for himself. There are often no direct answers possible, as we are a society that uses symbols quite heavily. There are answers as to what a symbol means to each person at each stage of his Masonic education, and as long as these are not contradictory, all may be correct.

One failure of the mentor is to insist that only the answer he tells you is correct. This is more likely to happen if he himself was not mentored properly. Having a group mentor students at the Lodge can limit this. Having the student seek his own answers will prevent this from happening. Discuss possible meanings for symbols. There is often no wrong answer.

Another failure is when the new Brother does not feel as if he is a part of his Lodge. I've seen this happen when large groups of new members are rushed through the degrees. It takes time to build a Mason. Take the time to help each new member fit in. We are here working on our spiritual temples. There can be no rush to complete this structure.

I'm not entirely sure why... it's probably Matt Johnson's fault, as he's convinced me that Freemasons are the Jedi... but thinking about a failed mentor relationship had me thinking about the movie Star Wars: The Phantom Menace. I am not going to discuss Jar Jar, but rather the role of the Jedi and Anakin Skywalker. In this movie, a Jedi Master, Qui-Gon Jinn, and his Padawan (apprentice), Obi-Wan Kenobi meet a young boy, Anakin. Qui-Gon senses that the Force is strong in the boy, and wants to train him to be a Jedi. His request is denied by the Jedi Council, but he persists in his designs. His dying request is that Obi-Wan train the boy. Obi-Wan does, but the eager student wishes to advance farther, and faster.

Anakin Skywalker did have the Force with him. I believe that through a failed mentorship, he ended up turning to the Dark Side. We cannot allow this to happen to our Brethren.

***Presented at Boynton Lodge No 236 meeting as part of Masonic Education on September 27th, 2012.***

**BOYNTON LODGE No 236 F. & A.M.  
HOLIDAYS PARTY  
SATURDAY DEC 8th, 2012 at 6:00 PM  
ATLANTIS COUNTRY CLUB  
190 Atlantis Blvd, Atlantis, FL 33462**

**MENU:  
Caesar Salad  
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**Roasted Prime Rib of Beef, or  
Broiled Mahi Mahi with Tartar Sauce, or  
Breast of Chicken Picatta**

**(Medallions of Chicken topped with Lemon Butter Wine Sauce and Capers)**

**Potato and Vegetable  
Walnut Layer Cake  
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**Coffe , Tea or Soda**

**COST \$45.00 per person.**

**Early Reservation is highly recommended.**

**Make your check payable to Boynton Lodge No 236 and send it with  
your selection of dinner and seating preference to:**

**John Karroum, Secretary  
Boynton Lodge No 236 F & A.M.  
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**NOVEMBER 2012  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

William Robert Eckert
William Robert Merkle
Jean Carlo Duval
Sean Bradley Callender
Richard Oliver Boyd, Sr
Robert G. Green
James Edward Wooster, Jr
Marshall Mova Faillace
Renol Geanty
Kans Booz Lewis
Morris Horowitz
James R. Bowman
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Ralph M. Warren
David Maurice Freeman
Jean Edwin Salomon