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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.

Visit Our Website

www.boyntonlodge236.com

Called Communication Thursday

EA Degree

May 8th, 2014 at 7:30PM
Dinner at 6:30PM \$10.00 /Person
RSVP Alan Cohen 373-30999
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Called Communication Thursday

FC Degree

May 15th, 2014 at 7:30PM
Dinner at 6:30PM \$10.00 /Person
RSVP Alan Cohen 373-30999
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Stated Communication Thursday

May 22th, 2014 at 7:30PM
Dinner at 6:30PM \$10.00 /Person
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DRESS CODE

Brothers are required to
dress in coat and tie.
Officers dress is dark suit
for regular meeting and
white tuxedo for degrees
and official visitations

2014 COMMITTEES

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Ed Wheat
Ziggy & Selma Friedman
Ralph Warren
Daniel Cohen
Murray Gold

FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

At our first communication of April, Bros. Jason Morris and Scott Kaapke became the newest Master Masons of Boynton Lodge. Br. Kaapke's father had the honor and privilege of raising his son; it was a very special night and a great time was had by all. I would like to that all those who were on the degree team for a job well done.

At our second communication, we began with our Masonic Education being presented prior to lodge opening to give our guests a better look into our fraternity. This week, R.W. Dick Philpott presented a small glimpse into the History of Freemasonry in Florida. It was well received. Bros. Jason Morris and Scott Kaapke have jumped in with both feet and were installed as stewards for the rest of the year. We welcomed our first time visitors W.M. William Collado, WM of Hurricane Lodge N 401, Miami, W. Bro. Paul Thompson, Treasurer of Hurricane Lodge No 401, Miami, Florida and R.W. Jerome Wyman of Hurricane Lodge N 401, Miami and had the privilege in helping present R.W. Jerome Wyman his 60 year certificate and pin. We also witnessed a great EA proficiency by Bros. Phillip Rodney Knowles and Ian Hunt. It was well delivered and the hard work and effort they put into their studies showed. Congratulations again Brothers!

Our first communication of the month is on May 8th. This meeting will be a called communication at 7:30 pm for an EA Degree for Mr. Luis Novaton and Mr. Matthew Bennett of Boynton Lodge 236 & Jansel Amoedo Martinez and Vasken Lakhoyan of Palmwood Lodge 303. Dinner will be served at 6:30 P.M. Please ensure to RSVP with Br. Alan Cohen for the dinner which will be at a cost of \$10 per person as this is not a budgeted item and therefore not included in our dues. His e-mail is alancohen73@att.net or call 561-373-3099.

On May 15th, I am calling a meeting for a FC Degree for Bros. Phillip Rodney Knowles and Ian Hunt at 7:30 pm. Again, Dinner will be served at 6:30 P.M. Please ensure to RSVP with Br. Alan Cohen.

Our Stated communication of the month is on May 22nd. This meeting will be dedicated to discuss the upcoming legislation at our annual Grand Lodge meeting on May 26th in Orlando. In anticipation of this meeting, a legislation meeting will be held at Boca-Delray Lodge on April 30th at 7 pm. RW Stan Hudson, JGW, will be presenting the legislations and will answer questions regarding said legislations.

The month of May seems like a busy one, but I hope to see as many of you at our events and meetings. Here are a few of upcoming May events:

April 30th: Grand Lodge Legislation Meeting – Boca-Delray Lodge, 7:00pm

May 1st: Boynton Lodge Visit to Palmwood Lodge 303 - Dinner at 6:30pm, Lodge at 7:30pm

May 3rd: Open Books – Harmonia Lodge – 9am-12pm.

May 8th: EA Degree – Boynton Lodge 236, Dinner at 6:30pm, Lodge at 7:30pm CALLED COMMUNICATION

May 15th: FC Degree – Boynton Lodge 236, Dinner at 6:30pm, Lodge at 7:30pm CALLED COMMUNICATION,

May 22nd: Stated Communication to discuss the proposed legislations at Grand Lodge.

May 26th: Grand Lodge Annual Communication at Rosen Plaza Hotel

Sincerely & Fraternally,
Michael Gambarrotti
Worshipful Master

The Deeper Symbolism of Freemasonry

by W.L. Wilmshurst

A candidate proposing to enter Freemasonry has seldom formed any definite idea of the nature of what he is engaging in. Even after his admission he usually remains quite at a loss to explain satisfactorily what Masonry is and for what purpose his Order exists. He finds, indeed, that it is "a system of morality veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols," but that explanation, whilst true, is but partial and does not carry him very far. For many members of the Craft to be a Mason implies merely connection with a body which seems to be something combining the natures of a club and a benefit society. They find, of course, a certain religious element in it, but as they are told that religious discussion, which means, of course, sectarian religious discussion, is forbidden in the Lodge, they infer that Masonry is not a religious institution, and that its teachings are intended to be merely secondary and supplemental to any religious tenets they may happen to hold. One sometimes hears it remarked that Masonry is "not a religion"; which in a sense is quite true; and sometimes that it is a secondary or supplementary religion, which is quite untrue. Again Masonry is often supposed, even by its own members, to be a system of extreme antiquity, that was practiced and that has come down in well-nigh its present form from Egyptian or at least from early Hebrew sources, a view which again possesses the merest modicum of truth. In brief, the vaguest notions obtain about the origin and history of the Craft, whilst the still more vital subject of its immediate and present purpose, and of its possibilities, remains almost entirely outside the consciousness of many of its own members. We meet in our Lodges regularly; we perform our ceremonial work and repeat our catechetical instruction-lectures night after night with a less or greater degree of intelligence and verbal perfection, and there our work ends, as though the ability to perform this work creditably were the be-all and the end-all of Masonic work. Seldom or never do we employ our Lodge meetings for that purpose for which, quite as much as for ceremonial purposes, they were intended, viz.: for "expatiating on the mysteries of the Craft," and perhaps our neglect to do so is because we have ourselves imperfectly realized what those mysteries are into which our Order was primarily formed to introduce us.

Yet, there exists a large number of brethren who would willingly repair this obvious deficiency; brethren to whose natures Masonry, even in their more limited aspect of it, makes a profound appeal, and who feel their membership of the Craft to be a privilege which has brought them into the presence of something greater than they know, and that enshrines a purpose and that could unfold a message deeper than they at present realize.

No one can communicate the deeper things in Masonry to another. Every man must discover and learn them for himself, although a friend or brother may be able to conduct him a certain distance on the path of understanding. We know that even the elementary and superficial secrets of the Order must not be communicated to unqualified persons, and the reason for this injunction is not so much because those secrets have any special value, but because that silence is intended to be typical of that which applies to the greater, deeper secrets, some of which, for appropriate reasons, must not be communicated, and some of which indeed are not communicable at all, because they transcend the power of communication.

UPCOMING EVENTS

1. April 30th, legislative meeting at Boca-Delray Lodge No 171 at 7:00pm.
2. May 3rd Open book Harmonia Lodge No 138.9-12noon
3. May 8th we are having an EA degree, called communication.
4. May 15th FC degree, called communication.
5. May 22nd stated communication to discuss the proposed legislations at GL.
6. May 26th, Grand Lodge Communication, Orlando, Florida.
7. May 10th Gulfstream Lodge is having Hog Roast for \$10.00 per person.
8. May 3rd, Cinco de May celebration at Palmwood Lodge 11-4:00 PM



Brethren:

Thanks to R.W. Wayne Hansen.the new brick program is on track. W.M. Hansen worked so hard the weekend of December 8-9th, 2007 with his brick paver specialist and the result is an astounding success. The Square and Compasses with the G is already placed in the drive way in the portico of the Lodge. The Square and Compasses are filled with Gold Bricks for the cost of \$ 100.00 each. The Letter G is filled with Blue Bricks and reserved for Past Masters of Boynton Lodge only, the cost is \$ 200.00 each. No business advertisement is allowed on any brick.The Blue bricks are restricted to name, WM Date and DDGM date, if any. Please make a check payable to Boynton Lodge No 236 and send it to the Lodge address along with the inscription you desire.

If you have any question
you may call
R.W. John Karroum, Secretary
at: 561-843-1219



MAY 2014 HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Seymour		Simpson
George		Cohon
Joseph	Morris	Lopin
Vernon	Frank	Brumbaugh Sr
William	Wolfe	Diamond
Seymour	L	Friedman
Gerald		Midman
Rodney	Charles	Aton
Robert	B	Slutzkin
Arnold	Harvey	Fram
Larstin		Hand Jr
Roy	Cesar	Hernandez Jr
Alan	Steven	Cohen
Carlee	Jackson	Lilly II
Tavit	Kennet	Smith
Michael		Floering
Eric	David	Hoffman
Michael	Wade	Morrow
Ian	Jeremy	Goldstein
Rodney	Wayne	Gnoinsky
Ankit	S.	Shah
George	Jason	Morales
Steven	James	Hinton

Passed to The Celestial Lodge - 2014

R.W. Charles Leonard Mead (PM 236)
DOB: 04-18-1929
Raised: 12-21-1967
Died: 01-22-2014

Bro. Stuart Sindell (236)
DOB: 10-19-1928
Raised: 06-09-1970
Died: 04-21-2014
