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## APRIL 2014

### **THE TRESTLEBOARD**

Published Monthly  
**Boynton Lodge No.236 F&AM**

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Boynton Beach, FL 33426-8616  
**561-734-3727**  
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

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### Called Communication Thursday

#### MM Degree

**April 10th, 2014 at 7:30PM**  
Dinner at 6:30PM \$10.00 /Person  
RSVP Alan Cohen 373-30999

[cohenalan23@yahoo.com](mailto:cohenalan23@yahoo.com)

### Stated Communication Thursday

**April 24th, 2014 at 7:30PM**  
Dinner at 6:30PM \$10.00 /Person  
RSVP Alan Cohen 373-3099

[cohenalan23@yahoo.com](mailto:cohenalan23@yahoo.com)

#### 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

### **Finance**

Mark Bogert, Chairman  
W. Brad Partridge, Marty Kaye, Alan Cohen  
Stamatis Stamatopoulos, W. Bob Mandell,

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Scott Schwartzberg, Chairman  
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Warnell Phillips, Eric Hoffman

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Brian Work, Michael Gambarrotti  
RW John Karroum

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Steven Hinton, Michael Boccia

### **Lodge Mentors**

W. Brian Work, R.W. Richard Philpott,  
Scott Schwartzberg

### **Ritual / Lodge instructors**

W. Bro. John Jay Carter, PM

### **Masonic Youth**

W. Brad Partridge, Chairman  
W. Brian Work, John Morris, Marc Fareau

### **Masonic Funeral**

R.W. Sheldon Altenhaus, Chairman  
W. Irwin Ettlinger, Thomas Wotherspoon

### **Public Relation Committee**

W. Ross Cooper

## INVESTIGATION

### AWAITING E.A.

Matthew Franklin Bennett  
Luis Gregorio Novaton

### AWAITING F.C.

Ian Matthew Hunt  
Phillip Rodney Knowles

### AWAITING M.M.

Scott Edward Kaapke, SR  
Jason Matthew Morris

## Trestleboard Booster 2014

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Bill Diamond  
John Karroum  
Peter Van Leeuwen  
Mark Bogert  
Nabil Karroum  
Robert Mandell  
Sheldon Altenhaus  
Ed Wheat  
Zlggy & Selma Friedman  
Ralph Warren  
Daniel Cohen  
Murray Gold

# FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

The month of March was indeed a busy one. On March 11, I had the privilege of attending the EA Degree at Jupiter Light Lodge where the chief of police for Jupiter was initiated into the fraternity. Br. Kitzerow has been instrumental and the biggest supporter of the Child ID Program and has helped make it as successful as it is. Without his help and "seal of approval," the Child ID Program would not be as well known in Jupiter as it has become.

Our event for the month was the Boynton Lodge Family Bowling Night of which we had 15 Brothers and their friends & families attend the event. Also, our visit for the month was to Gulf Stream Lodge #245 which coincided with the visit of DDGM RW Travis Routt.

At our first stated communication on March 13th, W. Br. Burg Diamond was presented his 55 year service certificate. We continued doing our Masonic Education prior to our meeting, for the purpose of allowing those who are interested in masonry to get a more in depth look at the fraternity and to also help our EAs & FCs in their journey. It has been well received and we will continue to provide that education to those in attendance.

At our second stated communication on March 27th, our DDGM RW Travis Routt made his second official visit to our lodge. We did very well on the inspection and continue to be on the right path. Also, Brs. Jason Morris and Scott Kapke were found to be proficient in the FC degree and are to be raised on Thursday, April 10th. I would like to congratulate Brs. Morris and Kaapke along with their instructor Br. Mark Bogert, on their proficiency & a job well done. You all worked hard and it showed.

On March 30th the District 32 Master Mason Association held its annual picnic. There were approximately 250 Brothers, their friends & their families in attendance. Every lodge in the district had a presence there and it was a great time to catch up with our brothers and meet their friends and families. Great times were had by all and thank you to the District 32 Master Mason Association for a wonderful day.

Our first communication of the month is on April 10th. This meeting will be a called communication at 7:30 pm for the Master Mason Degree for Brs. Jason Morris and Scott Kaapke. 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](mailto:alancohen73@att.net) or call 561-373-3099.

I hope to see as many of you at our events and meetings. Here are a few of upcoming April events:

April 3: BLERG Meeting 7:30pm at Boynton Lodge

April 8: RW Routt Homecoming - Jupiter Light, Dinner at 6:30pm, Lodge at 7:30pm

April 9: Master Mason Association - Lake Worth Scottish Rite - 7:30pm

April 10: Master Mason Degree – Boynton Lodge 236, Dinner at 6:30pm, Lodge at 7:30pm

April 12: Kirk McNaulty Seminar, 9am-3pm – Boynton Lodge 236

April 19: Master Mason Degree – Bykota Lodge 333, 9:00am

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

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

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

Michael Gambarrotti  
Worshipful Master

# Excerpts from “A Philosophical Background for Masonic Symbolism,” *by W. Kirk MacNulty*

Each of us, as we contemplate the symbols of Freemasonry and seek to apply them in our lives, comes to understand them in a context which certainly has some philosophical dimension. In this way each Mason develops his own understanding of the Craft’s symbolism and his own Masonic philosophy. Such a personal interpretation seems to me to be appropriate, desirable, and even necessary, if one is to receive the greatest benefit from membership in the Order. It also seems to me that an understanding of the underlying intentions of those Brethren who devised our ritual might be of real benefit to each Mason as he internalizes the Craft’s symbols. Sadly, there is no authoritative information to provide such an understanding, but it is certainly possible for us to know what the intellectual community was thinking at the time Freemasonry came into being. That seems to be a likely frame of reference for starting to understand the intentions of our founders.

“Speculative Masonry”, in the sense that we understand the term today, seems to appear first in the early-to-mid-seventeenth century. This is the period that marks the end of the Renaissance in England and Northern Europe, and it is to the Renaissance that we will turn for our frame of reference. We will start by stating (very briefly) the fundamental philosophical principles that comprised the essence of Renaissance thought. Then we will look at Freemasonry and suggest that: (1) those principles are reflected in the symbolic structure of the Order, and (2) our Masonic symbolic structure may well have been developed to communicate those principles.

The Renaissance is usually thought of as an explosion of art. It was certainly that; but it was very much more. Its philosophy was based on Judeo-Christian monotheism; but it was also characterized by a revival of interest in the Classical world and its thought (in particular the Greek and Roman civilizations) and by a strong neo-Platonic influence. Medieval scholars had been interested in classical philosophy from the point of view of reconciling it to Christian doctrine. Renaissance scholars were interested in classical philosophy for what it said about man, himself. These Renaissance philosophers incorporated a good many Greek (particularly neo-Platonic) and Jewish mystical ideas into their orthodox Christian thought.

# BOYNTON LODGE ESOTERIC RESEARCH GROUP PRESENTS

## WORSHIPFUL KIRK MACNULTY

WRITER OF A SEARCH FOR THE SPIRITUAL ESSENCE OF CRAFT FREEMASONRY,  
FREEMASONRY SYMBOLS SECRETS, SIGNIFICANCE AND FREEMASONRY:  
A JOURNEY THROUGH RITUAL AND SYMBOL.

### DATE

SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 2014

### TIME

9:30 AM : CHECK-IN

10:00 AM—3:00 PM : SEMINAR WILL INCLUDE TOPICS SUCH AS  
NATURE OF THE THREE DEGREES AND STUDY OF THE SYMBOLISM  
OF FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD DEGREES .

11:50 AM—1:00 PM : LUNCH

### COST

\$30 PRE-SALE \$40 AT THE DOOR

### LOCATION

BOYNTON LODGE NO.236

2701 QUANTUM BOULEVARD, BOYNTON BEACH, FL 33426



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Donald		Roxenberg
S	Richard	Brenner
Edward	G	Hillery Jr
Philip	Lewis	Litman
John		Morris
Norman	Morris	Strell
George		Soto Jr
Joseph	Sousa	Brito
James	Arthur	Butscher
Joseph	George	Lotito
Carmelo	Rafael	Mendoza

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



#### 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