

# ORANGE BLOSSOM LODGE NO. 80



## Stated Communications

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We meet every First and Third Monday of the month. Dinner starts at 6:30pm and is open to family and anyone that is interested in learning about Freemasonry.

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## From the East

Greetings brethren,

The month of June is upon us! The first thing I would like to remind the Craft of is that Hurricane season is in full effect. Our main priority is to keep our families and our homes safe, and to take the necessary precautions and measures to make that happen. On a different note, I would like to thank everyone that participated in our Annual Golf Tournament the last weekend of May. The event was a total success, and I am looking forward to next year's already. I personally had a great time, and I hope you guys did the same.

May 31-June 2nd we had our Grand Lodge Communication, it was great seeing many brothers from across the state get together once again since the pandemic to carry out business. I would like to thank each and everyone of you that attended and represented Orange Blossom Lodge No. 80 during those three days. We have a new Grand Master!!!! During our grand communication, we elected our new Grand Master M.:W.: Jeff Foster to take on the task of continuing the legacy of those that have come before him and take our fraternity to new heights.

A couple of "mark your calendar" announcements: on **June 26** we will have our lodge clean up day and this will be the first one of the year and I hope we can get a good turnout so that we can go in, take care of business, and go on with our weekend. Second date is **July 19th, 2021** and this will serve as the first reminder that we are having our first official visit of the Masonic year, R.:W.: Eric Romano will carry out his first visit to our great lodge.

We also have new FellowCrafts!!! Please reach to these brothers and congratulate them in advancing one more step in their Masonic journey. To close out my message, as I reflect on the first half of my year in the East, this lodge continues to amaze me with everything we have been able to accomplish since this pandemic have affected all of us. The Craft have not let off their foot of the pedal, but one thing to keep in mind is that we still have lots of work to do. If we keep the same intensity in the second half, there is no doubt we will accomplish all the goals AND more we have set. Once again, thank you all for everything that you do, and I look forward seeing you at our stated communications.

Fraternally,  
**Marlon L. Gonzalez**  
Worshipful Master



## Masonic Education Corner

### "BROTHER" IS A TITLE

In the usages of Freemasonry, "Brother" is neither a sentimental nor familiar form of address, but is a title - as much so as Worshipful, Right Honorable, Right Worshipful, or Most Worshipful, and must always be used as such. A man does not attend a Lodge Communication in his capacity as a private individual. He is not just Joe, or Bill, or John, but is there in his capacity as a Mason. For this reason one should never in open Lodge refer to "Bill B.," but always to "Brother B." in the same literal sense as any other office in the Lodge or Grand Lodge.

Always address a Grand Lodge Officer at any Communication by his correct title and he in turn must show the same courtesy to other Grand Lodge Officers present as well as to the Worshipful Master and to the Brethren of the Lodge. This rule of etiquette should be punctiliously observed, no matter what ties of family or friendship may exist.

GL 208, Masonic Etiquette Boolet (p3).

## Charity this Month

Central Avenue Elementary

## From the West

My Brothers,

The month of May offered us plenty of opportunities to participate in our several fraternal activities ranging from the social and joyful to the serious and contemplative. This is the beauty of the organization we are all proud to be a part of. It gives us the chance to meet in many different environments, all for the strengthening of our Brotherhood.

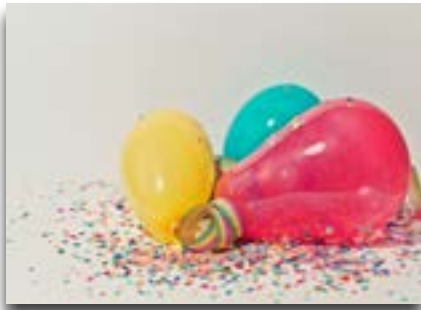
The Golf Invitational was a great success. I, unfortunately, could not attend due to a previous family engagement. It was well-attended and everyone had a great time. Many Brothers expressed interest in the sport and there may even be an OBL80 team in the works for future tournaments. There are many logistical challenges when planning and executing such an event, so my congratulations to our W. Brother Secretary and everyone that volunteered and participated.

On May 24th our Lodge Passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft six Brothers. It was a momentous event for each of them and I'm sure our Lodge is benefiting tremendously by the big influx of potential petitioners and candidates. It is our duty to mentor, educate and support these Brothers as they travel in their journey toward Masonic Light. Everyone is encouraged to attend as many Degrees as possible, as it is in those Degrees that the wealth of knowledge of Masonic Light is presented to us. It is there where we learn our lessons that makes us better men.

Finally, I want to thank M.W. Tommy Turlington for a great year as Grand Master. Also, I'd like to congratulate our Grand Line just installed last week and the 192nd Grand Session. Congratulations to our new DDGM Eric Romano, our DI Patrick Uppole and the district committeemen. I'm sure everyone will do a fantastic job under R.W. Romano's leadership.

Fraternally,  
**Bro. Manny Lozada**  
Senior Warden





## June Birthdays

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Harvey Benitez Jr.  
Eric Roman  
Daniel Ruiz-Isasi  
Joseph Moore  
Brian Shaw  
Jay Frazier  
Ivan Becerra  
Manuel Ruiz

## Happy Birthday Brothers!

## From the South

I am writing this submission the day after the 192nd Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge. It was an honor to represent our lodge all three days. Each of the three days brought unique experiences and opportunities. I found the experiences to be both inspiring and illuminating.

Our new Most Worshipful Grand Master Jeffrey S. Foster's vision statement is "Strength in Numbers; Power in Education." In a written statement, he wrote about the benefits of master masons becoming more proficient in both the business and fraternal aspects of our fraternity. As I have previously, I encourage you to take advantage of learning opportunities within the blue lodge. Some of these opportunities include the Master Mason exams, Masonic Leadership Training, Lodge Officer Training Course, and of course the district school of instruction. As it has often been said, an educated mason is a dedicated mason.



I would be remiss if I did not also mention the benefits of traveling to other lodges. I am aware that many of our brothers have not been master masons for long. I also know that traveling to other lodges when you do not know anyone at that lodge can sometimes be outside some brothers' comfort zone. Therefore, I would like you to know that over the next three months, I will visit every lodge in our district as one of the 16th Masonic District's committeemen. I would love it if some of our brothers would join me during these visits; I will make sure you do not sit alone, and I will help you with the formalities of visiting a different lodge for the first time. An updated calendar for the official visits can be found at:

<https://centralfloridamasons.com/calendar/>

Last, but not by any means least:

Congratulations and thank you to W:. Tomimbang and others that were instrumental in a successful golf tournament. It was clearly a well-planned and executed event.

Kudos and thank you to brothers Isaiah Schwartz, Rob Raffa, and Andy Fernandez. While the three of you only recently became master masons, you are already active and teaching catechism work to the Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts of our lodge. It gives me great pride to sit next to you in lodge.

Fraternally,  
**Bro. Sam Ashley**  
Junior Warden

## Petitions | Mentor's Report

### Entered Apprentices

Memorizing Catechism:  
Jose L. Albastide

### Fellow Crafts

Odormiro Ferreira  
Erick Hamdan  
Luis Humberto  
Humberto Santiago  
Stanley P. Davis  
Jose L. Albastide

### Master Masons

Raised on March 22:  
Andy Fernandez  
Alex Andrew DeBorja  
Isaiah Ishmael Schwartz

Raised on April 27:  
Rob Raffa

Catechism Returned:  
Andy Fernandez  
Isaiah Ishmael Schwartz

**Mentors Committee Chairman**  
Rafael Surillo

## Contact Us

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## Follow Us



## From the Secretary's Desk

Brethren,

On behalf of our Worshipful Master, the Golf Committee, and our Lodge, I would like to thank all those who have volunteered to help prepare and run our Golf Tournament held at Royal St. Cloud Golf Links on May 29, 2021 which was a success. We could not have made it as well were it not for your support. Thanks is extended too to all our sponsors for the event, many of whom are members and friends of our Lodge. It would be remiss if we forget to acknowledge and thank those players who came to support our event - we know they had choices of activities to attend to that day, but they preferred to be with us. We look forward to having all players again next year as we continue to grow this event.

While most of us are pre-occupied with Masonic activities, sports such as golf offer good ways to foster closer fraternal ties, as well as a means to connect to our community, not to mention, the benefit to our health and well-being. I would encourage my Brothers to explore doing some sports activities.

I continue to have mails addressed to Brothers getting returned by the Postal service for change of address. Whenever you move, please let your Secretary know so your records could be updated, or you may do it yourself through Circumscribe.

Your Secretary is always at your disposal for any assistance with your membership.

Fraternally,  
**Wendell Tomimbang, PM**  
Secretary





## Recent Spotlights - 2021 Golf Invitational





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# June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	7:30PM: Eola No. 207 Stated Communication  7:30PM: South Seminole No. 364 - Stated Communication	7:30PM: Pine Castle No. 368 - Stated Communication	7:30PM: Winter Garden No. 165 - Stated Communication  3		8:00AM: Masters & Wardens Meeting  5	6
7:30PM: Orange Blossom No. 80 - Stated Communication  7	7:30PM: Orange No. 36 - Stated Communication  7:30PM: Orlando No. 69 - Stated Communication  7:30PM: Winter Park No. 239 - Stated Communication 8		10:30AM: Hiram's Daylight Lodge No. 407 - Stated Communication  7:30PM - St. Cloud Lodge No. 221 - Stated Communication 10			12
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Sponsor us! Place an ad for your business or organization in this monthly Trestleboard and you too can help support our lodge's Masonic activities. Your sponsorship of our lodge will come with:

- Distribution to about 2,000 Central Florida Masons and their families.
- Online presence with the distribution of this Trestleboard and our lodge [website obl80.org](http://obl80.org).
- One-time advertising cost of \$100/slot for a year.
- Promotion of your business at Lodge activities and events.

Please coordinate with Secretary or email to [info@obl80.org](mailto:info@obl80.org) if you are interested in this exciting opportunity.

Officer's Line 2021

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**Treasurer**

Ivan Becerra

**Senior Deacon**

Rafael Surillo

**Musician**

David Colvin

**Historian**

W.: Jim Fisher

**Marshall**

R.: W.: Bob Cunningham

**Worshipful Master**

Marlon Gonzalez

407-257-5515



**Senior Warden**

Manny Lozada

**Secretary**

W.: Wendell Tomimbang

407-744-5004

**Chaplain**

W.: Jim Davis

**Senior Steward**

Joe Perez

**Junior Warden**

Sam Ashley

**Junior Steward**

Jeff Seizmore

**Junior Deacon**

Kristopher Rodriguez

**Tyler**

Benny launazelli

Committees for Masonic Year 2021

FINANCE	VIGILANCE	CHARITY & SCHOLARSHIP	BUILDING
<b><u>Bro. Manny Lozada</u></b>	<b><u>Bro. Sam Ashley</u></b>	<b><u>R.:W.: Bob Cunningham</u></b>	<b><u>Bro. Pat Fisher</u></b>
Bro. Ivan Becerra R.: W.: Bob Cunningham W.: Wendell Tomimbang	W.: M.: Marlon Gonzalez W.: Jason Cintron Bro. Manny Lozada	Bro. Rafael Surillo W.: Raymond Sanchez Bro. Sam Ashley	Bro. Benny Iannuzelli W.: Raymond Sanchez Bro. Peter Josefek Bro. Angel Melendez
SOCIAL EVENTS	MENTORING	PETITIONS	BOARD OF RELIEF
<b><u>Bro. Sam Ashley</u></b>	<b><u>Bro. Rafael Surillo</u></b>	<b><u>Bro. Rafel Surillo</u></b>	<b><u>W.:M.: Marlon Gonzalez</u></b>
W.:M.: Marlon Gonzalez Bro. Khristopher Rodriguez W.: Raymond Sanchez	Bro. Ivan Becerra Bro. Khristopher Rodriguez W.:M.: Marlon Gonzalez	W.: Jim Fisher W.: Jim Davis Bro. Manny Lozada	Bro. Manny Lozada Bro. Sam Ashley
FUNDRAISING	TECHNOLOGY	COMMUNICATIONS	MASONIC EDUCATION
<b><u>W.: Raymond Sanchez</u></b>	<b><u>Bro. Manny Lozada</u></b>	<b><u>Bro. Khristopher Rodriguez</u></b>	<b><u>Bro. Manny Lozada</u></b>
R.: W.: Johnny Brock R.: W.: Bob Cunningham W.: Wendell Tomimbang	Bro. Khristopher Rodriguez W.: Raymond Sanchez	Bro. Manny Lozada W.:M.: Marlon Gonzalez Bro. Sam Ashley	W.:M.: Marlon Gonzalez W.: Wendell Tomimbang

If you're a member of this lodge and would like to help with — or have suggestions that you'd like to make to — any of the committees above, please reach out and make it known!



## Orange Blossom Lodge No. 80 Past Masters

1885	Joseph L. Nicholson	1919	Thomas J. Woodall	1953	Aldus M. Cody	1987	Dale D. Lewis
1886	Joseph L. Nicholson	1920	J. Earle Lupfer	1954	Addison L. Bodiford	1988	B. Craig Lynch
1887	John W. Harwell	1921	Howard M. Katz	1955	James A. Cambell	1989	Henry Bundy
1888	John M. Bryan	1922	William J. Steed	1956	James A. Cambell	1990	David MacNab
1889	John W. Harwell	1923	Samuel L. Lupfer, Jr.	1957	Michael J. Stanko	1991	Elwood J. Davis
1890	John W. Harwell	1924	John L. Overstreet	1958	Lewis S. Hirtzel	1992	Paul L. Forbes
1891	Charles E. Franklin	1925	George T. Sigler	1959	Kenneth C. Smith	1993	Richard T. Fyfe
1892	John M. Lee	1926	John N. Bryan	1960	Charles P. Dixon	1994	Mark Lamb
1893	John W. Harwell	1927	George T. Sigler	1961	Thomas E. Lee	1995	James W. Fisher
1894	John M. Bryan	1928	Robert E. Griffin	1962	R. Coy Conrand	1996	George E. Metcalfe
1895	John M. Lee	1929	Elmer J. Fehr	1963	Stanley W. Anthony	1997	George T. Sullivan
1896	S.R. Bassett	1930	F. Byron Ames	1964	Ralph T. Miller	1998	Tony Stipich
1897	John M. Bryan	1931	Lawerence W. Rogers	1965	J.C. Clemons	1999	Vince Barnes
1898	Charles E. Franklin	1932	William E. Hansell	1966	Fred E. Ward	2000	James W. Davis
1899	Charles E. Franklin	1933	J. Frank Robinson	1967	Henry Szankiewicz	2001	John T. Roberson III
1900	J.V. Curry	1934	B.L. Johnson	1968	John L. Summers	2002	Richard A. Overbee, Jr.
1901	John M. Lee	1935	Floyd M. Urick	1969	Harry J. Artemus	2003	Robert Cunningham
1902	F.G. Railey	1936	Charles N. Phillips	1970	Victor G. Wendt	2004	Walter J. "Mack" McDowell
1903	F.G. Railey	1937	Arthur F. Crosby	1971	Jeffords D. Miller	2005	Johnny Brock
1904	Moses Katz	1938	K. Norman White	1972	Carl E. Teel	2006	William L. "Bill" Horne
1905	Moses Katz	1939	K. Norman White	1973	George M. Young	2007	Richard A. Overbee, Jr.
1906	Henry N. Bratton	1940	Ira H. Wetherbee	1974	Truman Fugate	2008	Brian M. Shaw
1907	James M. Willson, Jr.	1941	Murray W. Overstreet	1975	Eugene W. Nalley	2009	James W. Davis
1908	Roma Thomas	1942	Edward C. Grissom	1976	Frank Cochrane III	2010	Mitch Lokken
1909	James W. Prentis	1943	Lindsey M. Stevens	1977	James R. Stephen	2011	Rob Junecko
1910	John M. Hansell	1944	George W. McGowan	1978	Thomas F. Clark	2012	Kevin Gowen
1911	Samuel L. Lupfer	1945	Edward C. Jones	1979	James S. Perritt	2013	John LaRocka
1912	Charles W. Damn	1946	C.E. Roberts	1980	Mack McClain	2014	Gregory Waldron
1913	Roma Thomas	1947	Carl W. Ridel	1981	William J. Fisher	2015	Eric Roman
1914	W. Woodfin Carson	1948	Harry K. Jowers	1981	Melvin H. Wills, Jr.	2016	Richard Gonzalez
1915	Nathan C. Ryan	1949	Horace B. Allen	1983	Mark K. Rogers	2017	Jose L. Cintron (Jason)
1916	W. Woodfin Carson	1950	Lloyd Rolls	1984	David W. Paulk	2018	Robert Vazquez
1917	F. Conrad Bryan	1951	Russel S. Thacker	1985	Carl E. Teel	2019	Raymond Sanchez
1918	William B. Crawford	1952	Stanley T. Hodala	1986	J.P. Hughes	2020	Chris Davis