

# ORANGE BLOSSOM LODGE NO. 80



## March 2022 Trestleboard

*To be distributed to members of Orange Blossom Lodge No. 80 and officers of the 16th Masonic District.*

### From the East

My Brothers,

A huge THANK YOU to those that in one way or another participated at the KVLS Fair. This year was a record breaker for KVLS and also for us. Our lodge worked hard and we had a great time doing it. Special thanks to W. Mike and Ceal Hemphill, who always help us at the Rodeo Gate, W. Jim and Sandy Davis, who also put many many hours at that same gate and witnessed first-hand the craziness on Friday night! Also, thanks to Bro. Khristopher Rodriguez for his help in implementing work shifts. It worked! We are all set for next year and we will continue to improve the process.

We are almost at the end of the first quarter of 2022. Now that the Fair is over, we turn our attention to our Masonic work. On Monday, March 14th, we will be conferring the Entered Apprentice Degree to six candidates. Brother Iván is working hard to organize the E.A. Degree. Let's support him and assist him in anything he needs. Since we have six candidates, we will need five conductors. The conductors' performance is as important as any other officer in the Degree. Please attend the practice sessions on Wednesdays.

This is our primary duty as a Blue Lodge: to make new Masons. In addition to supporting the new Brothers, your presence at the degrees is important because in those degrees is all the information we need to continue to improve ourselves. The other day, another lodge conferred a degree and they posted on social media that they had over 50 Brothers in attendance. I would like to proudly announce a similar or even higher number to the Brethren of our District 16 that Orange Blossom Lodge is one of the most dynamic and with better attendance than most of the lodges in our District. Can we take up the challenge? I'm counting on you.

For those Brothers that don't know, last year, our Lodge was approached by Osceola Arts to decorate our building with an amazing mural that will cover the entire wall by the parking lot. This is amazing news for us as we were planning to improve the outside appearance this year. If you see some of the murals in the Kissimmee downtown area, they are outstanding works of art! The project was presented to the Craft and it was approved to proceed. At our last meeting, I informed the Craft that we signed the agreement to go ahead with the project. I'm



excited about this not only because it will make our building even more beautiful but I'm sure the mural will be one more attraction our Kissimmee visitors will enjoy.

Finally, my Brothers, please talk to your ladies and mention the new initiative that my wife is proposing: O.B.L. (Orange Blossom Ladies). She is organizing activities to strengthen the relationships of our Lodge members along with our significant others. This is essential to create a great culture of friendship and collaboration. We will be sending an email with my wife's ideas and a link to a Google Form she put together.

Other initiatives in the works: Dungeons & Dragons Game Nights, Cigars and Conversation, Lodge outing to Andretti Indoor Karting and Games and much more!

If you have any questions or feedback about the way we are doing, please don't forget to go to our feedback form on our website and drop us a line. The link to the feedback form is: <https://www.obl80.org/our-lodge/feedback/>.

Sincerely and fraternally,

**Bro. Manny Lozada**  
Worshipful Master

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## From the West

My Brothers,

I write this article as I fondly reflect on our service to the community via the KVLS fair. I want to thank the brothers and their families that stepped up to make this event successful. I would be remiss if I did not also share a special kudos to Bro. Kris Rodriguez. Bro. Kris was instrumental in confirming that our two gates were appropriately staffed and relieved.

Lastly, we have brothers that are experiencing various levels of distress. Please don't forget them in your prayers and check up on them when you are able.

Thank you for all you do for the craft and I'll see you at the next meeting.

**Bro. Sam Ashley**  
Senior Warden

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## From the South

Greetings from the South.

I hope everyone is enjoying the Italian cuisine I have been preparing for all of you. There is plenty more food to come. Myself together with the Worshipful Master are planning a great outing for a cigar and whiskey tasting along with a special cigar surprise for all of our Orange Blossom Lodge brethren. Let's utilize our lodge and plan more get togethers for our brethren And families. Last but not least for vigilance let's make sure that we are paying close attention to who enters the lodge and let's all make sure we are using the large to make sure to lock it when you leave.

In Brotherly Love,

**Bro. Rafael Surillo**  
Junior Warden



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### Masonic Education Column

#### Symbolism of the Corner-Stone.

We come next, in a due order of precedence, to the consideration of the symbolism connected with an important ceremony in the ritual of the first degree of Masonry, which refers to the north-east corner of the lodge. In this ceremony the candidate becomes the representative of a spiritual corner-stone. And hence, to thoroughly comprehend the true meaning of the emblematic ceremony, it is essential that we should investigate the symbolism of the corner-stone.

The corner-stone, as the foundation on which the entire building is supposed to rest, is, of course, the most important stone in the whole edifice. It is, at least, so considered by operative masons. It is laid with impressive ceremonies; the assistance of speculative masons is often, and always ought to be, invited, to give dignity to the occasion; and the event is viewed by the workmen as an important era in the construction of the edifice.

In the rich imagery of *Orientalism*, the corner-stone is frequently referred to as the appropriate symbol of a chief or prince who is the defence and bulwark of his people, and more particularly in Scripture, as denoting that promised Messiah who was to be the sure prop and support of all who should put their trust in his divine mission.

To the various properties that are necessary to constitute a true corner-stone,--its firmness and durability, its perfect form, and its peculiar position as the connecting link between the walls,--we must attribute the important character that it has assumed in the language of symbolism. Freemasonry, which alone, of all existing institutions, has preserved this ancient and universal language, could not, as it may well be supposed, have neglected to adopt the corner-stone among its most cherished and impressive symbols; and hence it has referred to it many of its most significant lessons of morality and truth.

Mackey M.D., Albert G.. *The Symbolism of Freemasonry (Illustrated)* (Annotated) (p. 81). Unknown. Kindle Edition.

### March Birthdays

Dion Smith  
Frederick Casler  
Roberto Goicochea  
Steven Hernandez  
Brian Johns  
Carl Adams  
Michael Hemphill  
Bobby Shonyo  
Patrick Fisher  
Joseph Prestigiacomio  
Ronu Artis  
Samuel Ashely III

### Happy Birthday Brothers!

### Petitions | Mentor's Report

#### Petitioners

Mr. Myfedgy Fanord  
Mr. Jean Paul Destine  
Mr. Dieurinel Francois  
Mr. Curtis Smith  
Mr. Reinaldo Rodriguez-Ghigliotti

#### New Member Jesus Rodriguez

Entered Apprentices  
Learning Catechism:  
John Torres  
Eric Almenas  
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1885	Joseph L. Nicholson	1920	J. Earle Lupfer	1955	James A. Cambell	1990	David MacNab
1886	Joseph L. Nicholson	1921	Howard M. Katz	1956	James A. Cambell	1991	Elwood J. Davis
1887	John W. Harwell	1922	William J. Steed	1957	Michael J. Stanko	1992	Paul L. Forbes
1888	John M. Bryan	1923	Samuel L. Lupfer, Jr.	1958	Lewis S. Hirtzel	1993	Richard T. Fyfe
1889	John W. Harwell	1924	John L. Overstreet	1959	Kenneth C. Smith	1994	Mark Lamb
1890	John W. Harwell	1925	George T. Sigler	1960	Charles P. Dixon	1995	James W. Fisher
1891	Charles E. Franklin	1926	John N. Bryan	1961	Thomas E. Lee	1996	George E. Metcalfe
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1893	John W. Harwell	1928	Robert E. Griffin	1963	Stanley W. Anthony	1998	Tony Stipich
1894	John M. Bryan	1929	Elmer J. Fehr	1964	Ralph T. Miller	1999	Vince Barnes
1895	John M. Lee	1930	F. Byron Ames	1965	J.C. Clemons	2000	James W. Davis
1896	S.R. Bassett	1931	Lawerence W. Rogers	1966	Fred E. Ward	2001	John T. Roberson III
1897	John M. Bryan	1932	William E. Hansell	1967	Henry Szankiewicz	2002	Richard A. Overbee, Jr.
1898	Charles E. Franklin	1933	J. Frank Robinson	1968	John L. Summers	2003	Robert Cunningham
1899	Charles E. Franklin	1934	B.L. Johnson	1969	Harry J. Altemus	2004	Walter J. "Mack" McDowell
1900	J.V. Curry	1935	Floyd M. Urick	1970	Victor G. Wendt	2005	Johnny Brock
1901	John M. Lee	1936	Charles N. Phillips	1971	Jeffords D. Miller	2006	William L. "Bill" Horne
1902	F.G. Railey	1937	Arthur F. Crosby	1972	Carl E. Teel	2007	Richard A. Overbee, Jr.
1903	F.G. Railey	1938	K. Norman White	1973	George M. Young	2008	Brian M. Shaw
1904	Moses Katz	1939	K. Norman White	1974	Truman Fugate	2009	James W. Davis
1905	Moses Katz	1940	Ira H. Wetherbee	1975	Eugene W. Nalley	2010	Mitch Lokken
1906	Henry N. Bratton	1941	Murray W. Overstreet	1976	Frank Cochrane III	2011	Rob Gunecko
1907	James M. Willson, Jr.	1942	Edward C. Grissom	1977	James R. Stephen	2012	Kevin Gowen
1908	Roma Thomas	1943	Lindsey M. Stevens	1978	Thomas F. Clark	2013	John LaRocka
1909	James W. Prentis	1944	George W. McGowan	1979	James S. Perritt	2014	Gregory Waldron
1910	John M. Hansell	1945	Edward C. Jones	1980	Mack McClain	2015	Eric Román
1911	Samuel L. Lupfer	1946	C.E. Roberts	1981	William J. Fisher	2016	Richard González
1912	Charles W. Damn	1947	Carl W. Ridel	1981	Melvin H. Wills, Jr.	2017	José L. Cintrón (Jason)
1913	Roma Thomas	1948	Harry K. Jowers	1983	Mark K. Rogers	2018	Robert Vázquez
1914	W. Woodfin Carson	1949	Horace B. Allen	1984	David W. Paulk	2019	Raymond Sánchez
1915	Nathan C. Ryan	1950	Lloyd Rolls	1985	Carl E. Teel	2020	Christopher Davis
1916	W. Woodfin Carson	1951	Russel S. Thacker	1986	J.P. Hughes	2021	Marlon González
1917	F. Conrad Bryan	1952	Stanley T. Hodala	1987	Dale D. Lewis		
1918	William B. Crawford	1953	Aldus M. Cody	1988	B. Craig Lynch		
1919	Thomas J. Woodall	1954	Addison L. Bodiford	1989	Henry Bundy		



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