

# VENICE LODGE NO. 301 F & A.M.

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**W.:M. John R. Latta**  
Worshipful Master

**R.W.: Stephen H. Clark**  
Secretary

Chartered April 18, 1951

Stated Communications 7:30 P.M.  
1st and 3rd Mondays

## FROM THE EAST

As we face the challenges of the New Year, let us be mindful of the great good we have achieved and the strong bonds we have formed. Our immediate concern this year will be making much needed repairs to the Lodge. With everyone doing his part we can return the Lodge to it's former glory and create an atmosphere of pride and honor to the fraternity. The goal of any Lodge is to make good men better in Masonry and we will continue to actively pursue that goal. We will attempt to do at least one Degree a month and give everyone a fair chance to advance. And we will provide entertaining and worthwhile programs to bring brothers back and offer a stimulus to attend Lodge. We need to move forward to ensure the survival of the lodge and the good of the fraternity. We start this year with a Master Mason Degree on February 6<sup>th</sup> and I encourage everyone to come out and support your Lodge.

W.: John Latta

## FROM THE WEST

Brothers, Let me take this opportunity to thank you for electing me Senior Warden this year. We have a big, exciting and challenging year ahead and I look forward to working with you to make Venice Lodge #301 the best Lodge in Florida. As I sit in the West, I'm awed at the talent we have on the sidelines. I think we are very

unique in that many, if not most of our Past Masters continue to come to Lodge, even when they aren't in a leadership position anymore. What a wonderful way for our newest members to observe what a Masonic Lodge should be. Again, thanks for your confidence and I look forward to working with you in the Lodge, in our fundraising efforts and in our philanthropy.

Barry D. Hart

## FROM THE SOUTH

Brothers, I wish to thank you for putting your confidence in me for the coming year. I will be concentrating on degree work in order to keep the ball rolling on bringing in new members. Our numbers have grown and we are looking at a good opportunity towards setting a record for Masonic Renewal this year. I will be counting on each and every one of you to promote our Fraternity and encourage younger prospects to take a look at what we have to offer. There is not another organization out there that offers so much to men in helping them on their journey in life. Please keep this in mind when you go out in public. Also, I encourage you to let me know how I can help or improve anything here at Venice.

Thank you again. Fraternally,  
W.: Lou Marchetti

## Dates to remember:

- Feb 1<sup>st</sup>** Stated Meeting
- Feb 6<sup>th</sup>** Master Mason Degree 9 AM
- Feb 15<sup>th</sup>** Stated Meeting DDGM visit
- Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>** EA Degree
- Mar 1<sup>st</sup>** Stated Meeting
- Mar 15<sup>th</sup>** Stated Meeting
- Mar 20<sup>th</sup>** Rummage Sale/ Bake Sale 9 AM

## FEBRUARY

### Masonic Birthdays

Philip B. Rockwood	2-15-55
Charles J. Crandall	2-28-63
Roger O. Isphording	2-13-67
Louis H. Ortt	2-17-69
John S. Todsen	2-22-71
Paul Slopovsky	2-12-74
Curtis Bradley	2-24-86
Thomas P. Perkins	2-28-06
Bradley G. Peirce	2-28-06
Jeffrey M. Pick	2-28-06

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\*\*Past District Deputy Grand Master

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George DeNeen	1984	Stephen H. Clark**	1994	B. John Ross	2001	G. "Rocky" Kearney	2008
C. Bruce Jones	1985	Malcolm B. Ryder	1995	John F. Wermann	2002	John C. Hobeika	2009
William W. Brooks	1986	Louie Kelly	1996	Hampton Crimi	2003		
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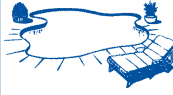
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