# The Trestleboard of **Pythagoras Lodge** #358 F. & A. M.



# 109 South Arnold Road Panama City Beach, Florida 32413

Regular meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month. Instruction & practice meetings are held each Tuesday at 7:00 PM

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# **UPCOMING WORK**

**JANUARY, 2010** 

Date Time Event

# Instruction will be held each Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM

#### **FEBRUARY**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> District School of Instruction. St Andrews Lodge, 7:00 PM
- 5<sup>th</sup> Shaddi Dinner Social 6:00 PM
- 10<sup>th</sup> Masters and Wardens, St Andrews Lodge 7 PM.
- 11<sup>th</sup> Pythagorus Stated Meeting. . Family and Widows night. Bring a covered dish. Dinner at 6:30, Meeting at 7:30.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Shaddi Stated Meeting 7:00 PM

District School of instruction, Parker Lodge, 7 PM

- 22<sup>nd</sup> York Rite Council
- 25<sup>th</sup> Pythagorus Stated meeting. Past Masters Appreciation night. Dinner at 6:30, Meeting at 7:30.
- 26th Scottish Rite 6:00 PM Exec and KSA, 6:30 PM Dinner, 7:30 Stated and Ladies Meeting

#### **MARCH**

- 5<sup>th</sup> Shaddai Dinner meeting 6 PM
- 10<sup>th</sup> Masters and Wardens, St Andrews Lodge, 7 PM
- 11<sup>th</sup> Pythagorus Stated Meeting. . Family night. Bring a covered dish. Dinner at 6:30, Meeting at 7:30.
- 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Scottish Rite Spring Reunion
- 18<sup>th</sup> Scottish Rite Ceremony of Remembrance
- 19<sup>th</sup> Shaddai Stated Meeting, 7 PM.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> York Rite Commandery
- 25<sup>th</sup> Pythagorus Stated meeting, dinner 6:30 PM Meeting 7:30 PM
- 26th Shaddai Dinner, 6 PM, Stated Meeting 7:30 PM

#### **FELLOWSHIP**

Each Tuesday morning from 8 AM to about 10 AM the brethren gather for coffee and fellowship. There is really no set time, show up at your leisure. Come on out to the lodge to meet and greet your friends and brothers. This is not restricted to Masons only. Bring your neighbor or a friend who may be interested in Masonry. We hope to rekindle the interest of past members and perhaps encourage new.



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#### FROM THE SECRETARY

Hello Brethren,

We only lost one brother due to non-payment of dues (NPD). Dues notices went out in October, your prompt payment reduces the chance of forgetting to pay, additional postage charges to the Lodge and last but not least, makes my job as your Secretary easier. Please keep your address current. If you receive this, it's correct. If you know someone that is a member and is not getting the Trestle Board, have him contact me with his address. And finally, we are putting together an E-mail list for better notification along with the calling post. Please send your Email address to knithorn@knology.net.

See you at the meeting Ken T.

### FROM THE SOUTH

Thursday, February 11 is Family night. The lodge will provide roast pork and beef, mashed potatoes and gravy. Please bring a covered dish to complement the meal. If you are unable to bring a covered dish, a donation to defray lodge expenses is appreciated.

Saturday February 13<sup>th</sup> from 8 to 10 AM your coffee club will bring you breakfast at the lodge. Breakfast will consist of: Eggs, Sausage, Bacon, Grits, Pan Cakes, Biscuits and Coffee. The last breakfast was a huge success. Come out, join your brothers, and bring a friend who may be interested in Masonry.

Br. Dale Junior Warden

#### FROM THE EAST

Greetings Brothers,

The first meeting is now under our belts. Family night was fantastic. We are going to have an exciting year. Our first challenge has been given to us with the deployment of a local Reserve Unit. We are working on our budget which will put in place the guidelines for our course for the year. We have accepted several new petitions so the work is beginning. As always attendance is an important aspect to the success of this year.

We had a great family night for our first meeting. If you were not able to come you missed not only a huge, delicious dinner but some wonderful fellowship. Food and fellowship are a winning combination. Everyone participated and brought a dish. The turnout was great as well. It is such a pleasure to see my brothers and their families enjoying themselves. Please put it on your calendar for next month. We are going to honor our widows at the next family night. A large turnout would show them that we still honor them and what their departed ones meant to our fraternity. During the business part of our first meeting a challenge has been placed before us. A local Reserve Unit has been deployed to Ft. Hood and is on their way to Iraq. Several of the members are brothers. Fortunately, none of the brothers from Pythagoras are in those numbers. However, they are still our brothers and even the ones who have not joined our fraternity need our help. This is a challenge we must rise to and we will show those who put their lives, and families on the line for our freedoms how much we appreciate them. We have been asked to send things like individual powder electrolyte for bottled water (i.e. Propel), wrapped gum and nonperishable goodies to them while they are in Ft. Hood. Once they are in Iraq the needs will change and we will adapt to their needs. If you wish to help please bring whatever you can to the lodge. We will have a box there to place the donations in. The Charity committee will mail them to the proper authority. There will also be a need for support for their families. More details will follow on this.

The Finance committee is working hard to put in place a budget for the upcoming year. This is a daunting task to try to balance the need to save money and improve the lodge. We are up to the task and will look out for the best interests of the lodge and our future.

Brothers, improving our membership this year is also an important task. We have many new petitions and will need all the knowledgeable brothers to help the new brothers on their journey to further light. I would like to put in place a mentor program. This will help them to have a single source to guide them through their travels. I would like to have a mentor for each degree. If you would like to volunteer for this please let us know. I would encourage every brother to bring a prospective brother and their family to our family night. This will be a great opportunity for them to see us at our best.

Fraternally Yours, Tim Sowell