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## SUTHERLAND MASONIC CENTER

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## Sutherland Lodge No. 174 Home of Sutherland Hospitality

### From The EAST

Brothers,

I would like to thank you for entrusting me with the honor of being your Worshipful Master this year. In the coming year I look forward to continuing the Second Century Program by getting the first floor re-carpeted. In addition, I plan to equip the kitchen with additional lighting and a new stove. We are also going to continue with the Catechism work on Mondays and add Degree work after the officers' meeting on the second Tuesday of the month. I will be sure to have the District Instructor or a past instructor at the practices to ensure we are performing the ritual work correctly. This will also enable us to have one voice of correction which will minimize confusion. If you are an elected or appointed officer please plan to attend all the officers' meetings. This will strengthen our dedication to improving ourselves in Masonry. The District Instructor is generously giving of his time for our benefit. I would also like to encourage anyone interested in becoming an officer

to attend the officers' meetings. It is never too early to start learning the parts and responsibilities of an officer.

Another important goal I have set for 2011 is to increase active membership. Over the last couple of years we have already seen an increase in this area and I am hoping to continue this trend. The first part of this plan will be to have four (4) family dinners this year. While families are always invited to every dinner, we will have four (4) dinners dedicated to the people who support us behind the scenes everyday. After the February Family Dinner we will have a Rust Nail Degree where we will reinvest you with the Grip and Word and any other things you may need help with. It is my hope that this important meeting will encourage any brothers that have not made it to lodge in awhile to attend. All you need to bring is your current dues card. If you cannot find yours please call me at 727.214.8741 and we will get you a new one.

Again, thank you for your support and faith in my ability to lead our lodge in the coming year.

Fraternally yours,  
Brother Greg Scott  
Worshipful Master



## From The WEST

From the West,

I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays with family and friends. This time of year it is wise to reflect on the past 12 months and reprioritize for the next 12 months

Brothers, 2010 has come to a close. Congratulations to WM Campbell and the line of officers for a successful 2010. I hope that you have enjoyed the meals that were prepared for you this year and know that it has been my honor and privilege to serve as your JW. I have complete confidence that Bro. Ballow will continue with the quality of meals that we have come accustomed to. Finally, let's get behind WM Scott in 2011 and perpetuate the momentum and excitement that exists in our lodge. The success of any lodge rests at the feet of ALL the Brothers.

I humbly thank you for entrusting me to the office of SW. I will continue to grow as a mason and focus on being an active participant in our meeting, outside functions, and the many degrees that we will put on this up and coming year. Here is to a Happy and Healthy 2011.

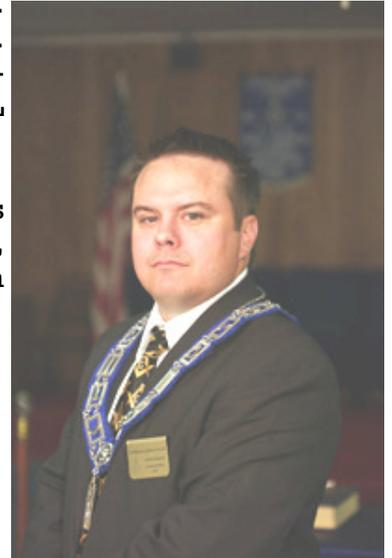
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## From The SOUTH

Brethren,

I would like to thank you for electing me to the position of Junior Warden for the upcoming year. It has been my pleasure to serve the lodge for the last year as your Senior Deacon, an appointment that I took very seriously. I look forward to serving the lodge and my brothers in this new position as well.

I will do my best to prepare delicious meals for the brothers and their families, and I hope that attendance to the dinners becomes a habit for all. I love to cook, and get a thrill looking into the faces of those that I cook for as they enjoy what I have prepared.

I would like to thank Brothers Brian Capallo and Aaron Robertson for agreeing to serve as my Stewards this year. It is a demanding position for both and I am confident that they will do well.

I would also like to thank Worshipful Brian Campbell for his year of service as our Worshipful Master for the past year. It was an honor to serve at the right hand of such an excellent leader as he. His goals for the lodge having been fulfilled, we now have new jewels for all the officers, the old jewels on display, and new lodge chairs for the officers, all of which he set into motion. Future generations of brothers will be able to enjoy these contributions long after we have entered that eternal lodge above.

A menu for the year will be in the next issue, but January's dinner will be a surprise as I have not had a chance to take over the duties as of yet. All I can say is don't miss it, and bring your families.

Brother Joseph Ballow

Junior Warden.



## From The Marshall

Brothers,

The New Year brings on busy times. Two Fellow Craft have given back their Catechisms' and are ready for the Master Mason Degree. Three Brothers will soon be ready to give back their Entered Apprentice Catechisms' and will be ready for their Fellow Craft Degrees. And two new candidates are in the review process and will be ready for the Entered Apprentice Degree. We need to spend a lot of time practicing our degree work.

This leads again to my librarian duties. I have been reading a book that I received for Christmas.

### ***The Magus of Freemasonry:***

### ***The mysterious Life of Alias Ashmole--- Scientist, Alchemist, and Founder of the Royal Society***

**Tobias Churton**  
(Rochester, Vermont: Inner Traditions,  
2004, 2006)

ISBN-13: 978-1-59477-122-4 (ppbk.)

An interesting vocabulary word is MAGUS – “The word comes from the class of Magi, the priests who at various times provided the governing counsel to ancient Persia. The Greek historian Herodotus wrote about their wide-spread power and influence in his histories (c. 450 B.C.). The Magi were philosophers who cultivated knowledge of nature; a nature that is, held to be magickal. “Page. 4.

It can be found on <http://www.alibris.com/booksearch?author=tobias+churton> along with other interesting books by Tobias Churton for a reasonable price. Also at Inner Traditions at new book prices at <http://store.innertraditions.com>

Respectfully,

Brother Marshal and Librarian

Louis I. Thomas



## From The Senior Deacon

My Brothers,

I would like to start by thanking Worship Master Campbell for his leadership this past year. Under his direction our second century project has got off to a great start. New Jewels, new chairs and a great looking shadow box just to start. I look forward to this year and working on continuing to improve our Lodge. I enjoyed my year as your Junior Deacon and I am really looking forward to being your newest Senior Deacon. We seem to have at least three degrees coming up in the next few months and I look forward to seeing all of you coming out to support our newest brothers.

I would like to thank Worshipful Campbell for awarding me the Mason of the Year Nutcracker. This is truly an honor. I look forward to seeing all the new brothers strive to win this great nutcracker. It is truly an honor to achieve.

Fraternally,

Brother Larry P Pomeroy

Senior Deacon

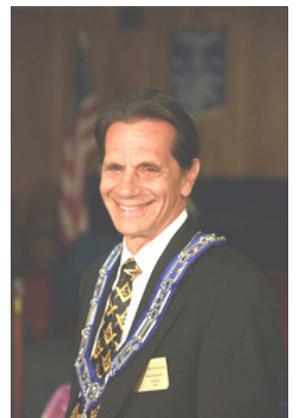


## From The Junior Deacon

Greetings, from your Chaplain who by the time this is printed and distributed will occupy the seat of the Junior Deacon. It has been my pleasure to serve as Chaplain invoking the blessing of Deity upon our Lodge for the past three years. May the Great Architect of the Universe guide our Lodge in our 102nd year with a renewed brotherly love directed toward making Sutherland Lodge the epitome of a successful Masonic lodge.

Brother Rick Raguso

Junior Deacon

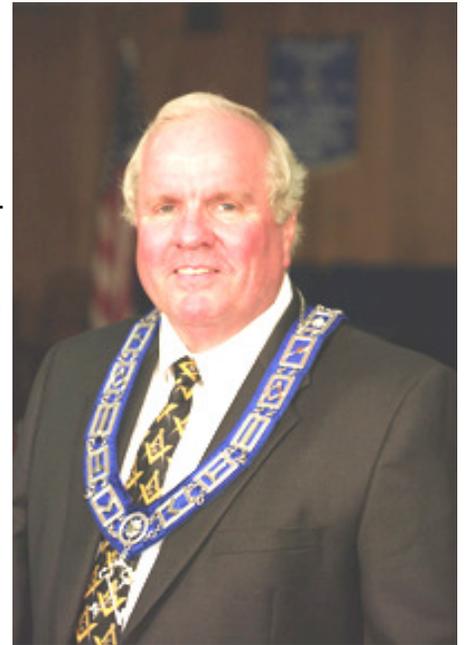


## From The Secretary

Brethren,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for electing me your Secretary for 2011. I only hope I can come close to filling the shoes of Ken Warner, our previous Secretary. He has done an outstanding job as Secretary over the last three years, and he will be missed. As we move into 2011, the financial condition of the Lodge is very strong. We have accomplished a lot during 2010 with our Second Century Project, and we will be continuing that momentum in 2011. Please stop by and see all that has been done to the Lodge. As we move forward, we hope we can count on all the Brothers for their continued help and effort. In December, we had several events that were very successful for the Lodge. The Palm Harbor Arts Fair the first week of December was very successful. The Lodge made over \$300.00 selling hot dogs, and we will be continuing these activities around our local, Palm Harbor events. The second weekend was the Palm Harbor Christmas Parade that we have been involved with for years. The weather was great and Worshipful Master Ken Warner entertained everyone with his tuba playing ability! We will be having an event calendar published shortly, so please come out and help support your Lodge within the community.

On the Level,  
Frank Gaughen  
Secretary



## From The Treasurer

Congratulations to the newly installed officers of Sutherland Lodge No. 174. It is looking to be another great year for the lodge and family. I would like to humbly thank you for the vote of confidence and trust in electing me to be the Treasurer for the ensuing year.

We finished 2010 fiscally strong, under budget and raring to go. The final fund raiser in December yielded a 170% return and closed the year with great optimism.

Worshipful Scott is planning to continue the Second Century Project started in 2010 and we look forward to his list of desires for the lodge. I urge those who made commitments to the project in 2010 to consider continuing the same level of commitment and charity for 2011. With your fiscal support, elbow grease and continued optimism, we will accomplish all.

Again, thank you for your support.

Warmly,  
Brian D. Campbell PM  
Treasurer



## Farewell From The East

Brethren, before stepping down from Sutherland's East for the final time as the Worshipful Master, I would like to take a moment to thank all the Brethren for helping to make this year pleasant and successful. In particular, I would like to thank my Officers for their splendid cooperation and dedication to Sutherland Lodge. Without a competent line, no Master can justly govern a Lodge; I have been more than fortunate in having such a fine group of brother officers.

Before I proceed to close, I would like to add one final thought: Thank you, for your fellowship, your kindness and charity, and most of all, your brotherhood. You have enriched my life and made me a better man and Mason through the opportunity to serve you as Master of Sutherland Lodge. It is not the material achievements that make a Master's year complete; rather it is the inward thrill of comradeship that comes from leading such a fine group of brethren. I shall cherish always the friendships that have ripened during my term of office and the work that we have accomplished together.

I wish to extend my congratulations to our new Master, Worshipful Greg Scott. I know he will have a splendid year.



## From the Chaplin

As you read this we will have dismissed the old man we called 2010 and welcomed to the world the newborn 2011. While some things change and are made anew, many things remain the same. We live in a changing world filled with people and events which may not always affect us in a positive way. That being said, as Chaplain I would like to help make everyone's health and welfare as best as it can be. Therefore, here are some tips, tricks and preparations that I have begun in my life that you may want to include in yours.

There are five fundamental needs that must be addressed in being prepared for whatever life may throw at you: Water, Food, Shelter, Security and Energy. To address these needs we need to decide what the threats are and which ones are most likely? For us here in Florida a natural disaster such as a hurricane or flood is the most likely event that would change our lives. Or it could be something more personal like the loss of a job or injury/illness that prevents us from working or getting to the store to purchase what we need to survive. My personal challenge to you is to start addressing the five fundamental needs, if even in a small way. Here are some suggestions to get started.

**Water:** Next time you are in the grocery store; purchase an extra case of bottled water or a couple of extra gallon jugs. When you are halfway through the case you are drinking, purchase another case and start rotating the water. Continue to expand this plan until you have enough water for you and your family for 3 days. Think of Hurricane Katrina and what those people would have done for a case of water.

**Food:** In a similar plan, next time you are at the store and buy a can of soup, vegetables, crackers, etc... go ahead and pick up a second one. In the same way, begin to rotate your stock and build a 3 day pantry. Now two things will happen. In an emergency you will have food and also you will have fewer trips to the store to pick up a cup of sugar or a can of green beans as you will just go to the pantry and grab one off the shelf. The pantry will pay for itself and you will have very cheap insurance if something happens.

**Shelter:** Make sure you are doing the small things to maintain your home to minimize unexpected expenses. For instance draining your hot water heater to remove the sediment, caulking the outside windows to prevent leaks, replace the batteries in your smoke detectors and check your fire extinguishers to ensure they are still good. In addition, have a plan as to where you and your family would go if you had to leave your home in an emergency. Make sure everyone understands the plan and has what they need to get there.

**Security:** Security is one of the most difficult needs to address. Each of us must consider our own abilities and our own means. Be prepared to protect yourself and you family from whatever the threat may be. In the case of the storm scenario, this may include being able to board the windows, a simple first aid kit, an extra 30 day supply of medications you are taking (ask your doctor, most will write you an extra prescription). As far as day to day, make sure your doors and windows are locked, your cell phone is charged and available. But remember, when seconds count, the police are only minutes away.

**Energy:** This need is very scalable. It could be as simple as having an inverter for your car or a battery powered jump starter that has 120v plug to power small devices in a power outage. This could be as big as a portable generator or a whole house propane powered one. But to get started, a simple blackout kit will work. This would include several tea light candles, flashlight and batteries and even a lantern with extra fuel. A suggestion for using the candles is to cut the lid off of a soda can and butterfly it open to the halfway point. This will contain the spilled wax and act as a reflector for the candle.

Thank you brothers for your attention. I will continue to pass on some ideas on preparedness in the coming year and share with you my experiences as I get my family more prepared. Safe travels to you and yours.

Brother James Clark

## Schedule of events

Jan 4th East Gate # 355 Stated meeting 6:30 dinner 7:30 meeting  
 Jan 7th Installation practice Sutherland #174 7pm  
 Jan 8th Installation of Officers Sutherland #174 10:30 am lunch afterwards  
 Jan 11th Officer Meeting 7pm  
 Jan 18th Stated Communication and DDGM visit dinner 6:30 meeting 7:30  
 Jan 24th MM Degree practice 7pm  
 Jan 25th MM Degree at Sutherland 7pm

Feb 1st East Gate #355 Stated Communication and DDGM visit dinner  
 6:30 meeting 7:30  
 Feb 8th Officer meeting 7pm  
 Feb 15th Stated Communication dinner 6:30pm meeting 7:30pm  
 Feb 21st Practice EA Degree 7pm  
 Feb 22nd EA Degree 7pm

**Every Monday Night at 7pm is Catechism practice for all Degree's. This is at the Lodge. All EA and Fellow Craft Mason's should plan to attend. Any Master Mason wanting to work on their Catechism should**



### Birthdays

January	February
George Umer 1-3	Richard Grant 2-9
Raymond Milton 1-4	William Decker 2-13
James Pecka 1-7	Robert Fisher II 2-15
Austin McGreal 1-8	Larry Pomeroy 2-17
Jerry Bowling 1-12	Ellis Lipsey 2-19
Donald Lasell 1-26	Phillip Marsh 2-20
Dennis Cole 1-28	Gerald Camilleri II 2-23
Louis King 1-28	Boyce Thrift 2-27



Be sure to visit the newly re-vamped web site. W:M. Campbell has retooled the site let us know what you think

