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Sutherland Lodge No. 174 Home of Sutherland Hospitality

From The EAST

We have a number of happenings at Sutherland Lodge No.174 upcoming this last quarter of 2010.

On November 16th the Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America will be presenting a program for our ladies. I remember the first time I introduced my wife as my "Lady". "Hi, my name is Brian Campbell and this is my Lady, Pam". Boy did it sound strange! But after a very short conversation with Carol Sue, the speaker for the ladies program, I was proud to call my wife my Lady. Bring your Lady to dinner on November 16th and learn more about what masonry has to offer for her and for you.

As you may know, the Grand Lodge of Florida has authorized various types of public fundraising which Sutherland can utilize. We have decided to participate in the Palm Harbor Arts & Crafts Festival on December 4th and 5th, 2010. We will be offering Hot Dogs, Soda on both days with a BBQ contest between Sutherland lodge and East Gate lodge only on Saturday, December 4th. We are still working out the competition details, but it looks like BBQ smokers will be fired up Friday night. Some of the guys are talking about offering a BBQ-U (Bar-B-Que University) for brothers who would like to learn more about BBQ and use of smokers.

The Child ID program will be offered during the Palm Harbor Arts & Crafts Festival by the brothers of the 20th Masonic District, which includes Sutherland and East Gates lodges. It sure looks like the first weekend in December will be a very active one for the lodge.

There are a few final touches to be completed to meet all of the goals established for the physical plant and property for this year. The last item is to hang decorative fabric behind each of the officer stations. The Second Century Project has been a great success.

With all of the new work and the increase in membership, the mandated new Lodge Mentoring program and the shortening of many brothers' cable tows; we are in need of additional coaches. There are a number of brothers seeking further light and working hard on their returns. The weekly Thursday evening training has wound down and we are now only practicing work after officer meetings on the second Tuesday of the month. This has left some new brothers without adequate guidance. If you are available to help in any way, please contact me directly at 813-503-0633 or at brian@camfam.com.

Elections will be held at our December Stated Communications as will the presentation of the Mason of the Year.

It has truly been an honor to serve as your Worshipful Master. Thank you, again, for the honor, challenge and the blessings that you have bestowed upon me this past year. It is because of you that Free Masonry is the world's greatest fraternity.

Humbly,
Brian Campbell
Worshipful Master



From The WEST

Brethren,

As the year comes to a close it is time to start thinking of elections and next year's officer line. For the new brothers that don't understand how elections and the officer line work, here is an overview. A brother that is interested in becoming the Worshipful Master of our lodge needs to let the sitting Master or the incoming Master know that he is interested. If you have shown good character and are serious about starting a seven year journey he will appoint you to the Junior Steward position, assuming there is not an equally qualified brother with seniority to you.

Once appointed to Junior Steward, whether you make it to Worshipful Master will be up to you. You must learn your lines and show your commitment to the Lodge. If you do this proficiently the next year you will move up the line to Senior Steward >> Junior Deacon >> Senior Deacon >> Junior Warden (if elected) >> Senior Warden (if elected) >> Worshipful Master (if elected). One of the most important things you need to do before accepting the position of Junior Steward is talk with your family and make sure that you will be able to complete your seven year commitment. I mention speaking with your family because the only way you will make it and enjoy the adventure is if you have their support and participation. Well, I hope this answered some questions but if it created more please feel free to ask at me. You can catch me at any meeting or give me a call 727.214.8741.

Fraternally yours,
Brother Greg Scott
Senior Warden



From The SOUTH

Brethren:

Below is a description of the Junior Wardens duties in the lodge. The information was found at www.masonic-lodge-of-education.com. The description of duties is primarily aimed at the newly raised brothers considering whether to get "In-Line" or not. But I think we all can benefit from a periodic refresher.

JUNIOR WARDEN DUTIES

The term Warden is derived from the Middle English word "wardein" and from the Anglo-French word wardein, gardein, from warden to guard dated around the 13th century.

The word, Warden, has many different meanings in today's world. Its basic meaning is one having care or in charge of something with supervisory duties or with the enforcement of specified laws or regulations.

1. To **assist the Worshipful Master** in the performance of his duties.
2. To **discharge those duties** which ancient usage has assigned to the station of the Junior Warden.
3. During the absence of the Worshipful Master and the Senior Warden, **to succeed and be in charge with all the powers and duties of the Worshipful Master.**
4. To **prefer charges** against a Mason guilty of un-Masonic conduct and present such charges to the Master of the Lodge.
5. To be responsible for all **refreshments** served at the Lodge.
6. To keep an **attendance record** for all Lodge functions whereby refreshments are served. (an ongoing count which is necessary to plan for future events in order to insure there is the correct amount of food and supplies ordered)
7. To serve as **Committee Chairman for the Refreshment and Entertainment Committee** along with the Senior and Junior Stewards.
8. To serve either as a **Committee Chairman or Member** of any committee that the Worshipful Master may request his services.
9. To **assist the Senior Warden** with the execution of his duties as required.
10. To **attend all Lodge functions** (Stated or Called, Lodge social events and other Lodge Functions).
11. To **attend the Grand Lodge Annual Communication.**

Like all other officers of the Masonic lodge, the Junior Warden's understanding and performance of his duties creates harmony within the lodge and promotes the brotherhood of its members. I hope the information will be useful to all.

November Meal: Thanksgiving meal with all the fixings!

Go Noles, Bucs and Lightning! Thanks Rays for an American League East Pennant... 122 Days until Spring Training. See you at lodge!

Fraternally,

Jason R. Schultz, Junior Warden

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From The Marshall

Brothers,

We had an excellent Fellow Craft Degree at Sutherland Lodge in Palm Harbor on Wednesday Sept 29th at 7pm passing Bro. Sergei Zhurkov to Fellow Craft Mason. Sitting in the East was R.: W.: Sam Lampson, Clearwater Lodge's professional Worshipful Master. In the West, responding to a last minute call from our Worshipful Master, was Louis Thomas, Junior Warden was Richard Brooks, PM, SD - Joe Ballow (First Half), JD - Larry Pomeroy, SS - Bruce Messinger, JS - Ray Hughes, Sec - Kenneth Warner, PM, Chap - Rick Raguso, Tyler - Bud Youngreen, PM, Lecturer - D.I. Bradley Watson Charge - read by Louis Thomas. Most distinguished by there hard work and excellent job were the stewards.

This points up our need to set up teams and practice degree work on Tuesday nights that are not meeting nights. You may never know when you will be called upon to help with a degree.

This leads again to my librarian duties. While talking with Sutherland and East members at a practice, they were not aware that the bookshelf behind the display case is our lending library. Those books have a Sutherland Lodge Stamp in the front and there is a plastic 3x5 index card box for signing out books. Every news letter, I mention books that we have and also a website that has boxes online. A part of our collection: Smith, Morton, *The Secret Gospel: The Discovery and Interpretation of the Secret Gospel According to Mark* (Clearlake, CA: The Dawn Horse Press, 1982)

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Here is a website which gives the translations of the Gnostic codex's found at Nag Hammadi: <http://www.gnosis.org/naghamm/nhlalpha.html>. It is the basis upon which Morton Smith writes so that you can look at his primary sources.

Respectfully,

Brother Marshall and Liberian



From The Junior Deacon

Brothers,

Another year is almost over and what a great year it has been. We have made several improvements to our lodge. Most recently, is the addition of the chairs in the East, West and South. Brother Joe Ballow did a great job finding these great chairs. They really add to the feel of our great lodge room. We really want to give a big thank you to our brothers at East Gate lodge #355 for the generous donations to help us afford these great chairs. If you would like to make a donation, it's not too late. Just see our Brother Treasurer. Anything thing helps.

I hope all our new Brothers are working hard at their catechisms. I am hoping by next month we will form a night and time to work on all catechisms for all the brothers. I feel our ritual work is the most important thing, outside of our charity work, that we do. I am hoping we will set up a day and time for all of us to work on our Degree work. To me this is what separates us from other societies. We have a R:H. District instructor, Brad Watson, who is eager to share his knowledge with all of us.

I have enjoyed working on our Trestle board this year and look forward to improving and expanding it next year. We are looking for sponsors for the Trestle Board next year. We are going to sell spaces for one year. If you would like to help, just let me know. Cost will be minimal and is going to be used to cover our printing costs.

Let's remember that December is lodge elections. I hope to see all of you then. Remember if you need a ride to Lodge just ask a brother.

Fraternally Yours,

Larry Pomeroy

Junior Deacon

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From The Secretary

Brothers,

Dues notices for 2011 will be coming out soon. Please remember to plan to have them in as soon as possible.

Also, any Brother needing a ride to and from our meetings, please call any of the officers. We would be proud to have you join us.

Kenneth Warner, PM

Secretary

Thanks,

Ken W



From The Treasurer

Brothers,

As the District 20 Committeeman for the Grand Lodge's new Masonic Leadership Training Program, I wanted to thank those of you who attended the September 11, 2010 Masonic Leadership Training Program at Clearwater Lodge. We had 67 Brothers in attendance, and I felt everyone walked away with some new information and knowledge. R. W.'s Gil Weisman, Rick Hoover, and Jim Rocha also gave very good and informative presentations. Grand Lodge has done a very good job of condensing the Digest into several key elements, which are available in the new Masonic Leadership Training Manual. These manuals are available through Grand Lodge for \$35.00.

We continue to upgrade our Lodge with different items, and the Lodge Room has taken on a whole, new atmosphere. I would like to give a special thanks to Br. Joe Ballow for all his work in rejuvenating the Lodge Room. Our budgets have allowed us to purchase several needed items for the Lodge which makes our Lodge meetings more meaningful and relevant. So please come by and see what is happening.

Fraternally,

Frank Gaughen

Treasurer



From The Chaplin

Chaplain's Corner Seat at the left of the Worshipful

A serendipitous perusal of a library cart on my way out, got me to pick up a copy of *The Freemasons* by Jasper Ridley published in 1999. Mr. Ridley is not a Mason but thanks the staff of the Library and Museum of Freemasons' at the Freemasonry Hall in London. A quote from Rev. James Anderson's *Book of Constitutions of the Antient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons* seems quite apropos coming from my office of chaplain.

"A mason is obliged by his tenure to obey the moral law; and if he rightly understands the Art, he will never be a stupid Atheist, nor an irreligious libertine. But though in ancient Times Masons were charged in every country to be of the religion of that country or nation, whatever it was, yet 'tis now thought more expedient only to oblige them to that religion in which all men agree, leaving their particular opinions to themselves; that is to be good men and true, or men of honour and honesty, by whatever denomination or persuasions they may be distinguished; whereby Masonry becomes the centre of union and the means of consolidating true friendship among persons that must have remained at a perpetual distance."

This inclusion in the *Constitutions* opened Freemasons' lodges to anyone who believed in God or the 'Great Architect of the Universe' as He is called. Although Anderson was told by the first Grand Lodge to write the *Constitutions* in 1723 (further elaborated in 1738), a committee of the original fourteen discussed and amended his draft.

Grand Lodge started in London with four lodges (at the exclusion of other lodges in York and other cities) in 1717 with a Grand Master serving for one year. In 1720 Bro. Payne was elected for his second term as Grand Master and he was the last commoner to be so elected as for the next 278 years the office was held by noble men. This was to discourage the persecution of Masonry and encourage the swelling of membership roles. A lot of religious oriented politics surrounded all events in Britain and Europe at this time.

Philip Wharton, Duke of Wharton, beguiled his was into becoming Grand Master at the age of 24 in 1722. He had been brought up on the Continent and came into contact with the Jacobites and James III, the Pretender (should have been King of England except for his Catholic background and the revolts and persecutions of the time). Wharton went back to England and separated from his wife shortly thereafter and established himself as a notorious libertine and member of the Hellfire Club, whose members indulged in scandalous orgies. He also took a seat in the Irish House of Commons at age 19 (underage) and supported the House of Hanover – that's the James III bunch. This Wharton was a real character and after his term as Grand Master repudiated his successor to the seat and was expelled by the Grand Lodge. Then this Wharton splits to the Continent to avoid his creditors and meets up with James III who then appoints him Duke of Northumberland and Wharton then goes to Spain and urged the King of Spain to declare War on England! Leading an Irish company for the Spanish in the attack on Gibraltar, he was wounded. Despite his quarrels with Freemasonry in England, he founded a lodge in Spain. Subsequently, he became a Roman Catholic and died in a Franciscan monastery in Paris in 1731 at the age of 33. Now there's a true character.



Sutherland Past Masters

Frank Gaughen III	2009	Charles Howard Hagan	1957
Richard Brooks	2008	H. Vivian Tinny	1956
Kenneth Warner	2007	Julian Wallace	1955
Louis I. Thomas	2006	James E. Stevens	1954
Jack Bostrom	2005	Ellis B. Lipsey	1953
Jarvis Wood	2004	George A. Ulmer	1952
Timothy L. Bryce	2003	Charles A. Jones	1951
Kenneth R. James, II		Henry K. Tilley	1950
D.D.G.M (2007)	2002	C. Eugene Walters	1949
Frank P. Sloan	2001	Herbert M. Hunter	1948
Garry Sullivan	2000	William S. Hogue,	
John J. Grasso	1999	D.D.G.M, (1953)	1947
Steve Polo	1998	Lawrence L. Riviere	1946
Norbert Cheeseman	1997	R. J. Johnson	1945
Edward Martin	1996	C. C. Walters	1944
James Pecka	1995	R. R. Lipsey	1943
Steve Hedgecock	1994	Roy Jowers	1942
Austin B. McGreal	1993	James E. Johnson, Jr.	1941
Samuel E. Hart	1992	Edmond C. Anderson	1940
Richard J. Clowes	1991	Herbert C. Mann	1939
Gary Connolly	1990	Charles C. Jackson, Jr.	1938
Harry Phillips	1989	Gregor L. Ulmer	1937
Wiley E. Stacy	1988	Pettus H. Stewart	1936
Dennis V. Cole, Jr.	1987	Ernest F. Gordon	1935
James W. Hale	1986	James E. Johnson	1934
James M. Mann	1985	R. R. Lipsey	1933
Clarence L. Ammons	1984	Herbert M. Hunter	1932
Christy G. Metcalfe, Jr.	1983	R. W. Mair	1930
William B. White	1982	Charles T. Sasser	1929
Darrell Myers	1981, 1979	T. C. Noxtine	1928, 1923, 1922
William B. Keigans	1980	R. J. Williford	1927
Melvin Brackin	1978	George B. Thomas	1926
J. Michael Beijar		George C. Booth	1925
D.D.G.M (1994)	1977	W. E. Nutt	1924, 1921
Ralph B. Hunter	1976	W. R. Campbell	1920
Kenneth R. James	1975, 1966, 1963	W. D. Wood	1919
David Kent	1974	L. H. Eavey	1917- 1918
William F. Tew	1973, 1967, 1965	H. S. Freeman	1914-1916
Clarence Carter	1972	James C. Craver	1909-1913
Edward Swaffod	1971		
William G. Roberts, Jr.	1970		
Donald Scofield	1969		
Norman G. Atherton	1968		
Ronald A. Adair	1964		
Elmer W. Olson	1962		
James E. McDaniel	1961		
Ralph L. Childs	1960, 1931		
Henry V. Watt	1959		
William O. Tinny	1958		



Schedule of events

- November 2nd 7:30pm East Gate Lodge Meeting 6:30 Dinner, 7:30 meeting
- November 9th 7:00pm Sutherland Officer's meeting & Degree Training
- November 16th 7:30pm Sutherland Lodge Meeting 6:30 Dinner, 7:30 meeting
- Semi-Formal Family Dinner**
- November 17th Suncoast Masters and Wardens 6:30 Dinner, 7:30 meeting
- November 18th Thanksgiving Day
- November 21st 11:00am Masonic Home Board Meeting 3201 1st St NE, St Pete

- December 4th BBQ Cook-Off with East Gate Lodge
- December 4th&5th Palm Harbor Arts and Crafts Festival.
- December 7th 7:30pm East Gate Lodge Meeting 6:30 Dinner, 7:30 meeting
- December 12th Palm Harbor Christmas Parade
- December 14th 7:00pm Sutherland Officer's meeting & Degree Training
- December 19th 11:00am Masonic Home Board Meeting 3201 1st St NE, St Pete
- December 21st 7:30pm Sutherland Lodge Meeting 6:30 Dinner, 7:30 meeting
- December 27th St John's Day

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

Birthdays

November	December
Frank Gonzalez 11/02	Steven Branham 12/04
Sasa Bratic 11/02	James Clark jr 12/10
John Beijar 11/05	Theodore Irving 12/14
Kenneth James II 11/06	Richard Stiles 12/16
Frank Sanford 11/17	Ronald Bowman 12/19
Thomas Domres 11/22	Richard Brooks 12/19
Randy Steen 11/27	Donald Scofield 12/21
	Frank Gaughen III 12/24
	Donald Hedgcock Sr 12/26



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