



# THE TRESTLE BOARD

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**HE WHO SEEKS TO DRAW WAGES  
IN GOLD OR SILVER WILL BE  
DISAPPOINTED.  
THE WAGES OF A MASON ARE  
EARNED AND PAID IN THEIR  
DEALINGS WITH ONE  
ANOTHER.....**



**SYMPATHY THAT BEGETS  
SYMPATHY, KINDNESS BEGETS  
KINDNESS, HELPFULNESS BEGETS  
HELPFULNESS AND THESE ARE THE  
WAGES OF A MASON**

Bro. Benjamin Franklin 1706-1790

## 2022-2023 OFFICERS

### Worshipful Master

W.: Gary Cronau  
352-586-7128

### Senior Warden

W.: Michael Touchton  
352-613-0811

### Junior Warden

W.: Clifford McPhee  
352-419-7088

### Treasurer

Bro. Richard Hutwohl  
352-634-1022

### Secretary

R.: W.: Alan Walls  
352-637-0044

### Chaplain

W.: James Trusley III  
352-382-7232

### Marshal

W.: Kenneth Williams  
352-453-9126

### Senior Deacon

Bro. Robert Tester  
352-302-3133

### Junior Deacon

TBA

### Senior Steward

Bro. David Belknap  
352-400-6581

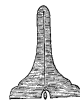
### Junior Steward

Bro. Richard Lamb  
Tyler

Bro. Jeffery Bowers  
352-503-3666

### Musician

W.: Alan Norton



W.: Gary L. Cronau  
WM

## Greetings From The East

**"Happy New Year!"** may your New Year be prosperous and filled with happiness and joy.

I want to give my sincere thanks for your support over the past year as we went through the process of Consolidation. Springs Lodge No.378 and Citrus Lodge No.118 will be Chartered **"Nature Coast Masonic Lodge No.418"** as of January 21, 2023, when the Grand Master puts the Charter **"To Work"**.

Due to the Grand Masters schedule, the **Charter ceremony** will be held at Brotherhood Lodge in Brooksville, **January 21<sup>st</sup> at 12 noon**, a light lunch will be provided, business attire please.

It is requested that all charter members be present at Springs Lodge on Thursday, **January 19, 2023, 7:00 pm**, to practice the upcoming installation. Allow 2 hours for the practice.

**The election of the new Nature Coast Masonic Lodge No.418 officers will be held on Thursday, February 2, 2023 at 7:30 pm, at the Citrus Lodge building in Inverness. The DDGM, John Ziegler, will officiate and nominations will be taken from the floor.**

The By-laws for Nature Coast Masonic Lodge are being updated and will be ready for review at the officers meeting Thursday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm, at Springs Lodge.

I want to thank all those helping with our Holiday Food Basket Outreach in December; we assisted 20 families in need, coordinating with the Episcopal Children's Services. They were extremely appreciative. Please continue to help support our food basket outreach program.



At our last Stated meeting of the year, we had a Memorial Service for our fraternal brothers who have passed to the Celestial Lodge and have joined the Grand Architect of the Universe. Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of:

- ① W.: Gregory J. Cwick
- ① Bro. Rolf M. Benkert
- ① Bro. Dennis A Gibson
- ① Bro. Gary Wirth
- ① W.: Dennis Suarino
- ① W.: Timothy L. Tyler
- ① R.:W.: James Hughey
- ① M.:W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., PGM



Congratulations to W.: James Trusley III, our Chaplain, for reaching the 50-year milestone as a Master Mason. God Bless you, the fraternity appreciates your dedication.

We are working the gates at the Citrus County Fair Grounds for the Truck and Tractor Pull on Friday and Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. There are shifts available and we can use your help. The Sign-up sheet is at the lodge or let our secretary know what shift you would like to cover.

Fraternally,  
W.: Gary L. Cronau, PM



**R:W.: Alan Walls**  
**Secretary**

### **SECRETARY SCRIBBLES 2023**

Congratulations to you and family, we have survived another year, COVID-19, the flu, and any other happenings this past year.

A lot going on this January, our meeting of Tuesday, the 17<sup>th</sup> will be the LAST meeting of Springs Lodge.

I extend an invitation to you and family to attend the Charter presentation of Nature Coast Masonic Lodge No. 418, to be held at Brotherhood Lodge No. 375, Montour Street, Brooksville, FL at 12:00pm on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup>. The Grand Master of Masons of Florida and his staff will set the Charter to work. A light luncheon, sandwiches, and strawberries.

Looking ahead to February, the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of Nature Coast Masonic Lodge will be held on Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30pm. At 301 Hendrix Ave, Inverness, FL 34451. (The Old Citrus Masonic Lodge No. 118) Dinner at 6:30pm. At this meeting (closed) the District Deputy Grand Master will take nominations from the floor, for the officers of Nature Coast Masonic Lodge. And then complete the elections of officers for 2023. The District Deputy will place the Lodge at ease for the open installation of officers, family and friends are invited.

When attending Lodge stop by the desk of the Secretary, never, to busy that I can't stop and greet my Brother.

Sincerely and fraternally,  
RW Alan Walls, Secretary



**Mentor to the Master**

*R.:W.:Tom Tyner*

**Lodge Floor Ritual**

*R.:W.: Tom Tyner*

**Catechism Instructors:**

*R.:W.: Alan Walls*



**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

- Bro. Norman T. Brown
- Bro. Mario M. Chalpoutis
- Bro. Dalmond W. Holden
- Bro. Eric J. Kessel
- Bro. Mathew S. Malek, Jr.
- Bro. Richard T. McKenna
- Bro. Nolan G. Mitchell
- Bro. Robert L. Tester
- W.: Steven A. Thompson
- R.:W.: Tom Tyner
- Bro. Harld D. Warren
- Bro. David C. Whitelaw

**MASONIC BIRHDAYS**

*Years of Masonic Service*

Bro. Norman T. Brown	31
Bro. Stephen M. Cothron	31
Bro. Douglas M. Fisher	43
Bro. Morris E. Stevenson, Jr	19
W.: Gregory L. Webb	18

***Thank you for your years of service and continued support.***



**W.: Michael Touchton  
SW**

**From the West** I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. As we journey into a new year, I look forward to seeing many of you. I wish everyone and their families, good health, joy, and happiness in 2023.



**W.: Clifford McPhee  
JW**

**Greetings From The South**

Wishing all my Brothers a very Happy and Healthy New Year. Attending the Lodge is something we all should look forward to.

Our final meeting as Springs Lodge will be Tuesday, January 17, 2023.

We will be serving:

Italian chicken yellow rice, corn, green beans, garlic bread, salad and desserts, coffee and tea garlic bread. Come join us for fellowship.

**W.: Clifford McPhee P.M.  
Junior Warden**

**COMING EVENTS**

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The Citrus County Fairgrounds  
**"Truck and Tractor Pull"**

February 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>

We need four people per shift per day. There are two shifts each day. The Signup sheet is available in the lodge or contact RW Alan Walls.



**“2023”**

**Trestle Board Boosters**

**Please Ad \$10 to your dues check to support your newsletter and see your name listed as a Booster. Thank you.**

If you would like to be a Trestle Board Booster, make your check payable to: Springs Lodge No. 378, and mail it to the address listed below or give your donation to our Secretary R.: W.: Alan Walls

If you have submitted an e-mail address to us, you will be receiving your newsletter via e-mail. If you change your e-mail address, please let us know. This is a cost savings to the Lodge, by saving postage. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Thank You for supporting your  
Trestle Board**

Submissions to the Trestle Board are welcome, but must be submitted by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month. Please submit in 'Word' format for editing and JPEG format for pictures.

Submit articles, corrections or additions to:  
W.: Gary Cronau, Editor  
[trestleboard378@yahoo.com](mailto:trestleboard378@yahoo.com)

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**CALENDER**

for  
**"January 2023"**

5 <sup>th</sup>	Officers Meeting	6:30 pm
	By-laws meeting	
12 <sup>th</sup>	Practice	6:30 pm
17 <sup>th</sup>	Stated Meeting	7:30 pm
	"Dinner"	6:30 pm
	" Italian chicken "	
19 <sup>th</sup>	Practice	7:00 pm
	Allow 2 hours for practice	
21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Consolidation Ceremony for Nature Coast Masonic Lodge No. 418 Held at Brotherhood Lodge No. 375 12:00 Noon</b>	

Election of officers for Nature Coast Masonic Lodge No. 418 will take place Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Inverness lodge building. 7:30 pm. Our DDGM RW John Ziegler will be conducting the meeting.



**"CHARITY"**

**"Pennies Make Good Sense"**

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**Brothers, please remember our  
Annual "Food Basket" charity  
for those less fortunate in our  
community during the Holidays.**

**Thank You**