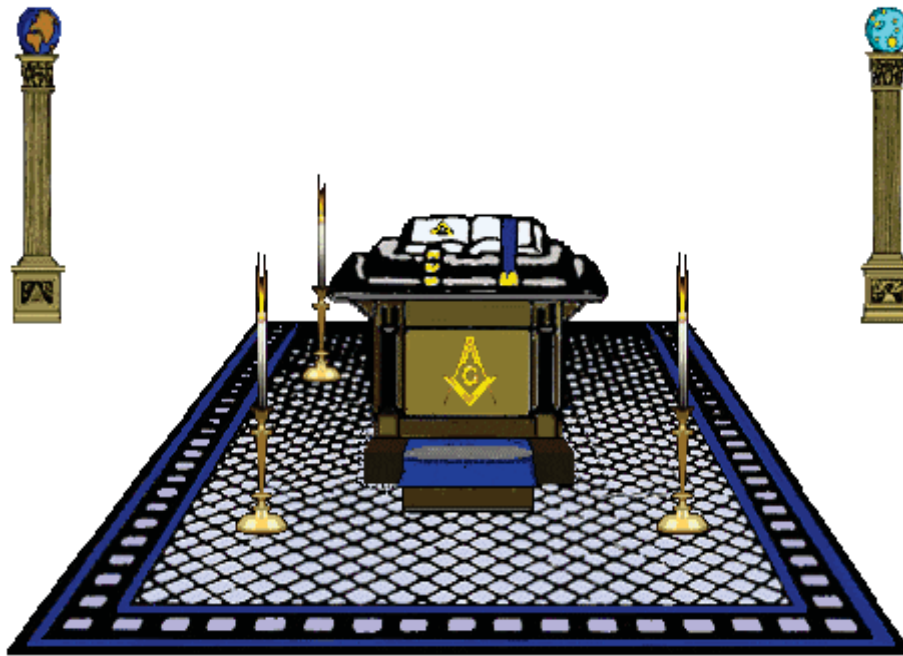


Zephyr Lodge No. 198  
F&AM  
Zephyrhills, FL  
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**Trestle Board**  
**July – September 2014**



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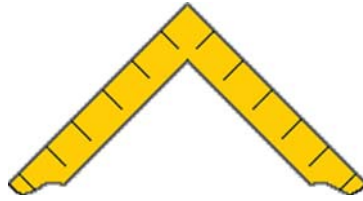
*Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays 7:30pm*

*Dinner & Fellowship 6:30pm Donation still only \$5*

*Lodge is located at corner North Ave and 12<sup>th</sup> Street*

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## **Greetings from the East**

**Greetings from the East,**

**Can you believe 2014 is half gone! This year is flying by. We have four new Master Masons in our craft, and four candidates to start their journey in September. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the degree team members, trainers, officers, and Past Masters for their excellent work these past six months, and look forward to the same great effort ahead!**

**I would also like to express my gratitude to RW Jerry Murray for visiting with us over past three months to perform those wonderful lectures. It is a true treat.**

**Come Fall we will hit the ground running with an Entered Apprentice degree on September 11. We will also start selling tickets for the Pig Roast which is scheduled for November 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

**We are in need of brothers who are interested in learning any parts of the degree work. One of my main goals is to increase our knowledge of this work. If you are interested, please contact any of the officers.**

**You all know our motto “We take good men and make them better.” If you know this man, please invite him to call our Secretary about joining Zephyr lodge. We must act today to preserve tomorrow.**

**Fraternally,**

**Bob Benner**



## **Greetings from the West**

**Greetings from the West!**

**My Brethren, its summertime and I hope this message finds you all well and cool! As we look forward to Fall and our returning friends from the North, we anticipate new beginnings and, hopefully, new traditions to be formed for the upcoming years. We have new ideas on the table and an enthusiastic leadership.**

**As I make my way to the east, I am nervous and excited about my chance to maintain the great lodge we have and to be a leader worthy of such an honor. I'm sure I will look to our Past Masters for their guidance and encouragement and from the craft for support and assistance. May you all be blessed and enjoy your summer! See you in September!**

**Fraternally yours,  
Dave Budai, Sr. Warden**



## **Greetings from the South**

**My fellow brothers,**

**Now we're into the long hot days of summer (at which point it seems to rain constantly), with the lodge dark for the next few months it is a great time to study our Masonic rituals and look deeper into Masonry and it's appendent bodies such as York Rite, Scottish Rite, The Eastern Stars, or the Shriners. All of these groups have different missions but almost all revolve around some form of philanthropy.**

**Personally I have just joined the Shriners at Egypt Temple in Tampa. The Shriners dedication to their hospitals that treat children for free was what attracted me to the group. The money raised goes directly to the support of those hospitals and there are a multitude of units you can join that contribute in various ways, from the clowns that perform at the Shriners Circus and interact with the children at the hospitals, to Midget Motors which drive those little cars in parades that the Shriners are famous for.**

**Here at Zephyr Lodge we are having a great year under the leadership of Worshipful Master Bob Benner. We have initiated several new members already, and have 4 new members set to take their Entered Apprentice Degrees at our first fall meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup>. We need to remember is that most of these new members are looking to be involved in something bigger than themselves and for most people that means charity work. It is incumbent on us as a lodge to use our position of influence and privilege to help other in our community and over the coming years we intend to do that.**

**Our new goal is to be involved in at least 5 charitable projects over the course of the year, from setting up an annual scholarship fund for a ZHS graduate, to buying shoes for poor children in Zephyrhills, and from cooking an annual dinner for Zephyrhills military veterans, to buying toys for the local children at Christmas.**

**These charitable activities will have a couple of benefits. The most obvious benefit is to the people that are on the receiving end of our efforts. The second benefit will be to our lodge. As people see us doing more activities outside of the lodge more people will be inclined to join our ranks and the fees and dues we collect with the growth will more than outweigh the cost of the charitable works to our treasury.**

**Part of the funding for our charitable projects will be our bi-annual Pig Roast Dinner and I now have tickets available for sale for our fall dinner on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please see me for tickets or visit Goin' Postal in downtown Zephyrhills. We need as much help as possible selling tickets.**

**Brothers, I look forward to seeing you inside and outside of the lodge as we work together to make Zephyrhills a better place.**

**Marcus Price, Jr. Warden**

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## IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM OUR SECRETARY

Brothers, if you change your address, your phone number, or E-mail address PLEASE let me know right away. It is critically important that we have accurate contact information at all times. You can e-mail me at [weilpaul02@gmail.com](mailto:weilpaul02@gmail.com) or call me at 813-780-9838. Thank you.

Fraternally,

Paul Weil, Secretary

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### *Past Master's Symbol*



The Compass, Square, Sun, and Quadrant

The oldest known Past Master's Symbol consists of the Compass, Sun, Square and Quadrant. This is the most popular Past Master's Jewel used in the United States. The earliest written evidence that a Past Master's jewel in this form was used can be found in an exposé of Masonry published in April of 1760 entitled Three Distinct Knocks which said, "The Pass Master Hath the Compasses and Sun with a Line of Cords About his Neck."

This symbol includes the Square to remind us that it is by the Square that the wearer governed his lodge as Master. The Quadrant shows what angle the Compass is opened at. This is appropriate for the symbol of a Past Master because it is by the Compass that the Freemason keeps himself within due bounds of all mankind. And it is the role of the Worshipful Master to ensure that all members of his lodge, and all Regular Masons living within his lodge's jurisdiction, are making proper use of their moral compass. It also generally shows that the Compass is opened to the angle of 60 degrees. This is significant because 60 degrees is the angle of an equilateral triangle. The equilateral triangle represents perfect balance, as all sides are of equal length, and the triangle appears the same from all directions. It therefore teaches that the man who wears this jewel has learned the lessons of Freemasonry and lives a balanced life. It also shows that the wearer of this jewel has served equally in the South, the West, and the East.

The Sun is used in this symbol to represent that the wearer has observed the sun at 1) its meridian height in the South, 2) its setting in the West and 3) its rising in the East. The Sun also represents light and it is understood that the Past Master of a Craft Lodge is a source of Masonic Light to his brothers. It closely shares the meaning of the Pentalfa in Masonic symbolism and has on occasion been interchanged with it. Thus, it is also appropriate to say that the Sun represents perfect light.

It is of interest to note that the Grand Lodge of Scotland uses this symbol as their Past Master's Jewel without the Sun.

### The Compass, Sun and Quadrant

In several jurisdictions, especially in the United States, the Past Master's Symbol consists of the Compass, Sun and Quadrant. The meaning of the Compass and Sun are the same as in the symbol described above. However, this symbol is unique as it can also be understood to be a sextant.

A sextant is a tool of navigation used to measure altitude and enable one to determine his location and thus plot a course to travel. This is a very appropriate symbol for a Past Master as he has had to navigate the course of his lodge during his Eastern tenure. It also shows that he is capable of assisting in the navigation of the lodge, if his successors may request his assistance.

Excerpt from: The Meaning and History of the Jewels and Symbols of a Past Master  
Written By: Carl W. Davis – 2005 Worshipful Master – Peru-Miami Lodge #67, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Indiana

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Our Zephyr Angels in the Kitchen

Mary Bell Eleanor Fritter Mary Smith Carole McBride

Elizabeth Retey Carolyn Mayer Cindi March Susan Johnston

Brothers, our Zephyr Angels will surely be missed as we are now dark but we now have something wonderful to look forward to come September 11<sup>th</sup> when we have our next Stated Communication -- another fabulous dinner!!! Please be sure to say thank you to all of our Zephyr Angels the next time you pass down the serving line. We should never take our Zephyr Angels for granted. We are extremely grateful to each and every one of these wonderful ladies and for what they do to support our Lodge.

--- And don't forget, the donation is still only \$5.00 ---

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**Living Past Masters and Members of  
Zephyr Lodge No. 198**

Worshipful Vance R. Forbes 1950  
Worshipful George A. Neukom Jr. 1968  
Worshipful Elmer Hinsz 1974  
Worshipful Wayne S. Sholder Sr. 1981  
Worshipful Robert W. Pritchard 1986  
Worshipful Robert G. Scudder 1993  
Worshipful Victor D. Mitchel 1994/1996  
Worshipful Thomas L. Wyant 1995  
Worshipful Donald H. Geiger 1999

Worshipful John E. Harrison 2002  
Worshipful George W. Palmer 2004  
Worshipful Robert Skrapka 2005  
Worshipful Howard J. Bell Sr. 2007  
Worshipful Charles D. Smith 2009  
Worshipful James H. Litchford 2010  
Worshipful John W. Fritter 2011  
Worshipful Cliff McDuffie 2012  
Worshipful William E. Clark 2013



# Perpetual Members of Zephyr Lodge No. 198

WPM Robert G. Scudder

Bro. David W. Canter

*Happy Birthday Wishes Go Out to these Brothers*

## JULY

Dewey E. Bandy  
David L Budai  
Richard J. Burgstrom

John Colburn  
David M. Schneck  
Roy J. Smith

Steven P. Van Gorden

## AUGUST

James M. Aiman  
Gerry R. Beecher  
William B. Bennett  
James E. Bryant  
James E. Cramer  
James E. Davis  
Ziad T. Elchantiry  
Thomas E. Goldwaite

Larry D. Johnston  
James O. Kenagy, Jr.  
John P. Knowles, Jr.  
Thomas R. Ramsey  
John W. Rickard  
Thomas J. Rufe, Jr  
Douglas R. Sage  
Robert G. Scudder

Wilson C. Vennard  
Bobby L. Walker  
Norman B. Wedemeyer  
David M. Williams

## SEPTEMBER

Charles L. Baptist  
Donald B. Freeman  
George E. Jarrett

Christopher Mandia  
Victor D. Mitchell  
Michael G. Payne

Wayne T. Rodney  
Eric L. Simmons  
Charles D. Smith

## *Lodge Calendar & Upcoming Third Quarter Events*

**July 10, 2014 -- Lodge Officer's Business Meeting**

**July 24, 2014 -- Lodge Officer's Business Meeting**

**August 14, 2014 -- Lodge Officer's Business Meeting**

**August 28, 2014 -- Lodge Officer's Business Meeting**

**September 4, 2014 - Lodge Officer's Business Meeting**

**September 11, 2014 -- Stated Communication and tentative Entered Apprentice Degree**

**September 25, 2014 -- Stated Communication**





*(For the entire year 2014)*

**25 years, 40 years, 50 years and 60+ years**

## **CONGRATULATIONS !**

**Raised October 24, 1974 – Charles L. Baptist – 40 Years in October!!**

**Raised November 4, 1964 – Bobby L. Walker – 50 years in November!!**

**Raised December 29, 1964 – Douglas R. Sage -- 50 years in December!!**

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**Raised April 30, 1953 – Albert W. Royal – 61 years in April!!**

**Raised August 9, 1951 – Robert M. Butler – 63 Years in August!!**

**Raised May 19, 1949 -- John W. Crosby - 65 Years in May!!  
(Turns 93 in December 2014)**

**Raised September 9, 1948 -- Phillip M. Guy -- 66 Years in September!!  
(Turns 93 in November 2014)**

**Raised June 20, 1947 – Vance R. Forbes – 67 Years in June!!  
(Turned 99 in May 2014)**

**Raised October 8, 1946 -- Wilson C. Vennard – 68 years in October  
(Turns 93 in August 2014)**

<http://www.zephyrlodge198.com>

**BE SURE TO SAVE IT TO YOUR FAVORITES AND CHECK IT DAILY**



## Zephyr Lodge 198

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Mailing Address  
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[Click here to visit our Facebook page.](#)

### 2014 Lodge Officers

Worshipful Master	Robert Benner	813-728-0548
Senior Warden	David Budai	813-928-4416
Junior Warden	Marcus Price	813-486-3160
Treasurer	Dewey Bandy	813-782-2240
Secretary	Paul Weil	813-780-9838
Chaplain	Cliff McDuffie PM	813-833-3704
Senior Deacon	Edward Davis	813-949-0538
Junior Deacon	Michael Daffron	813-312-0564
Senior Steward	Paul March	352-567-1298
Junior Steward	Robert Hunter	813-629-0197
Marshal	Larry Johnston	813-782-9586
Musician	Federico Agnir	813-991-1924
Historian	Marcus Price	813-486-3160
Tyler	John Fritter PM	813-779-7838

For questions about the website, contact [marcus@goinpostal.com](mailto:marcus@goinpostal.com)

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## Zephyr Lodge No. 198 Standing Committees for 2014\*

### Finance

SW David Budai, Chair  
JW Marcus Price  
TR Dewey Bandy  
PM Howard Bell  
PM Chuck Smith  
SEC Paul Weil

### Vigilance

JW Marcus Price, Chair  
PM Bill Clark  
SD Ed Davis

### Petitions

PM Bob Skrapka, Chair  
PM Bill Clark  
SW David Budai

### Board of Relief

WM Bob Benner, Chair  
SW David Budai  
JW Marcus Price

### Charity

PM Cliff McDuffie, Chair  
PM Jim Litchford  
JW Marcus Price  
SD Ed Davis

### Lodge Property

TR Dewey Bandy, Chair  
JW Marcus Price  
SD Ed Davis  
PM Chuck Smith  
PM John Fritter  
PM Howard Bell

### Masonic Education

JW Marcus Price, Chair

PM Howard Bell – Lodge Catechism Instructor, Scheduling and Lodge Etiquette GL-208  
SW David Budai – MLT Coordinator and Master Mason Exams

Public Relations Officer – PM Cliff McDuffie

### Lodge Mentor and Education of Candidates (other than catechism)

PM John Fritter – Lodge Mentor – Chair and Booklet Lectures  
PM Chuck Smith – GL-201 (EA Intro) Booklet No. 1 Review  
JW Marcus Price – GL -202 (EA Degree) Booklet No. 2 Review  
PM John Fritter – GL – 204 (FC Degree) Booklet No. 3 Review  
WM Bob Benner – GL – 206 (MM Degree) Booklet No. 4 Review  
PM Bob Skrapka – GL-200, GL-203, GL-205 and the Lodge By-Laws

## Zephyr Lodge No. 198 Auxiliary Committees for 2014\*

### Investigating

PM Howard Bell, Chair  
PM Chuck Smith  
PM John Fritter  
TR Dewey Bandy  
JW Marcus Price

### Blood Bank

PM John Fritter, Chair  
SD Ed Davis  
SS Paul March, MD - Scheduling  
of Blood Mobile

### Scholarships

PM Cliff McDuffie, Chair  
PM Bob Skrapka

### Lodge Librarian

Bro. Chuck Whiddon  
MAR Larry Johnston – Assistant

By-Laws Maintenance

PM Bob Skrapka, Chair  
SD Ed Davis  
SW David Budai

Lodge Historian

JW Marcus Price  
PM Chuck Smith – Back-up  
PM Cliff McDuffie – Back-up

Zephyr Angels (Meals)

JW Marcus Price – Coordinator  
SS Paul March MD  
JS Robert Hunter

Sub-Committee on Ritual Work – Degree Teams

PM Howard Bell – Chair and Degree Team Instructor  
PM Jim Litchford – Degree Team Instructor, Floorwork Procedures Manual

Sub-Committee on Lodge Work – Stated/Called Communications

PM Bob Skrapka, Chair and SW/JW Florida Masonic Code  
PM Cliff McDuffie – SD/JD Florida Masonic Code  
PM John Fritter – SS/JS Florida Masonic Code

Lodge Prompters

PM Chuck Smith – Stated Communications – Business Meetings  
PM Howard Bell – EA, FC, MM Degrees; Called Communications

Lodge Visitations with Newly Raised Master Masons – PM Bob Skrapka

Zone Workshops/Degree Exemplifications – SW David Budai, JW Marcus Price, SD Ed Davis

Trestle Board – Quarterly

WM Bob Benner – East; Editor  
SW David Budai – West  
JW Marcus Price – South and Website Management ([www.zephyrlodge198.com](http://www.zephyrlodge198.com))  
SEC Paul – Grand Lodge Communications/Updates  
PM Bill Clark – Publication  
SD Ed Davis – Calendar Maintenance  
Distribution: 1. E-mail – SEC Paul Weil  
2. Hardcopy – 30 copies for Stated Communications only  
3. Website and Face Book Management – JW Marcus Price

Lodge Reports (other than Grand Lodge Reports prepared by the Lodge Secretary)

SW David Budai – Financial Report, quarterly (Internal Report)  
JW Marcus Price -- Masonic Education Activities Report, quarterly (Form ME-Q)  
WM Bob Benner – Record of Masonic Education Activities – Annually (Form ME-1 and ME-1A)

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Training Syllabus Development: Degree Work and Education of Line Officers

WM Bob Benner  
PM Bill Clark  
PM Cliff McDuffie  
JW Marcus Price  
SD Ed Davis  
JD Mike Daffron  
JS Robert Hunter

## Pig Roast

WM Bob Benner, Chair and Food Purchases Sam's Club  
PM Chuck Smith and PM John Fritter – Paper Products and General Supplies  
JW Marcus Price – Pig Roast Ticket Distribution and Tracking  
PM Bill Clark, Event Coordinator and duty assignments  
PM Jim Litchford, Charge of Kitchen Team and Serving Line  
PM Cliff McDuffie, Charge of Team for tables and seating in back area  
Brother Frank Swartz and Marge Schneck, Charge of seating for front seating area  
PM John Fritter and Eleanor Fritter, Charge of traffic flow at side door and overflow name taking  
PM Chuck Smith, Charge of overflow seating; front and back areas  
Brother Gary Belcher, Charge of Take-out orders at front door  
Brother Dave Schneck and Sec. Paul Weil, North door ticket/sales handling  
PM Bob Skrapka – Charge of Exiting patrons through back door

## Miscellaneous

Lodge Set-up/Breakdown and Trash -- JW Marcus Price, SS Paul March and JS Robert Hunter  
Candidate/Brother Degree Preparation – PM Bobby Walker and PM John Fritter

- Updated effective February 21, 2014.

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# SICKNESS AND DISTRESS



**Brethren, please keep Brother Chuck Whiddon and his wife Rheda in your prayers as well as Maryel Kellogg; Joyce McDuffie, wife of WPM Cliff McDuffie, WPM Jim Litchford and our Treasurer, Dewey Bandy.**



Brethren,

Please contact Worshipful Master Bob Benner with any submissions or suggestions for our Trestle Board. Also to those of you who have sent in your updated contact information and e-mail address, we thank you. For those whose cable tow has not allowed this to happen, we look forward to hearing from you. Contact Secretary Paul Weil at: [weilpaul02@gmail.com](mailto:weilpaul02@gmail.com) or call him at 813-780-9838.

**TEMET NOSCE EX TENEBRIS LUX**

**God Bless America**