



# The Trestleboard

## Message from the East

Fraternal Greetings, my Brothers.

I hope this message finds you and your families doing well. Regrettably, we had to postpone the Master Mason degree scheduled last month, and we are working towards a new date. Regarding degrees, I want to thank those Brothers who are taking the time to learn ritual and come to practice on Tuesdays. If you would like to be part of a degree team, please let our secretary know.

Due to the short notice after the degree was postponed, we opened in the Fellow Craft degree and put together several short Masonic Education pieces appropriate to be discussed in a Lodge of Fellow Crafts. The comments I received after the meeting were extremely positive, so we will be incorporating more of these the rest of the year.

This month we will be dark for the second meeting, August 26th. The Wardens and I will be in New Jersey, attending a Master Mason degree on the Battleship New Jersey museum, a rare event by my mother Lodge, USS New Jersey No. 62. Hopefully, we will be able to plan more travel in the future as a group of Brothers, when we are able to do so safely. There are several planned trips on the back burner already. Peace and Harmony Prevailing,  
Scott Schwartzberg, Worshipful Master

## Message from the West

My Brothers,

Thank you, Brothers, for all the help getting things back to our regular routine of practice, education and attending Communications. It was great to see the Lodge filled with some we haven't seen for quite awhile.

As the Worshipful Master has mentioned we look forward to traveling again as a lodge and some destination events would be nice to plan for the future. We look for your support maintaining the building, bringing non perishable food items for the county food bank as well as joining us for fellowship before the meetings.

Our Junior Warden, and Stewards, have done a very nice job providing and serving good meals this year. If anyone would like to show off their best dishes for the Lodge or like to sponsor a meal please let the Junior Warden know to arrange a date.

Once again, if you know of a Brother and / or a widow who needs assistance please let us know.

Sincerely and Fraternally,  
Steve Otto, Sr. Warden

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### Visit Our Website

[www.boyntonlodge236.com](http://www.boyntonlodge236.com)

Regular Communication  
2nd and 4th Thursday of  
each month at 7:30pm.

**Except November and  
December when it shall  
be the 2nd and 3rd  
Thursday.**

Dinner Served at 6:30pm

RSVP to Eugenio Rosado

### Dress Code

Officers & Brothers are  
required to dress in coat  
and tie. Officers dress in  
white tuxedo for degrees  
and official visitations

### Meeting Schedule

- **August 12:** Stated  
Communication-7:30pm

- **August 26: DARK**

### District Deputy

R.:W.: Bill Paxton

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## Committees

### FINANCE

Steve Otto

W.: Brad Partridge

W.: Robert Mandell

W.: Mark Bogert

R.: W.: Michael Gambarrotti

Marty Kaye

Eugenio Rosado

### VIGILANCE

Eugenio Rosado

Brad Partridge

W.: Ross Cooper

### PETITIONS

R.: W.: Michael Gambarrotti

Anthony Kresty

John Reeve

W.: Ross Cooper

### MASONIC EDUCATION

WM Scott Schwartzberg

W.: Brent Ferns, Sr.

W.: Brian Work

### BOARD OF RELIEF

WM Scott Schwartzberg

Stephen Otto

Eugenio Rosado

Marty Kaye

### CHARITY

W.: Brent Ferns, Sr.

Steve Otto

Marty Kaye

### LODGE PROPERTY

Stephen Otto

W.: Stamatis Stamatopoulos

Alan Cohen

## Message from the South

Brothers,

What a year it has been thus far! During refreshment hours our lodge has kept busy. Whether you are practicing your parts for our Degrees, learning your catechism or dedicating time for practice, it has been a pretty loaded year.

As we reach the end of the year, I encourage each one of you to continue working towards the goals of Worshipful Master Scott Schwartzberg and the lodge in general. Let's continue learning and mastering our parts, whether you hold an office or not. Sooner or later, you may be serving in some capacity in lodge. Feel free to reach out to those Brothers who know the work for assistance. They will gladly help.

Let's continue the dedicated work we have demonstrated we can do! I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Sincerely and Fraternally,  
Eugenio Rosado, Jr. Warden

## Message from the Secretary

My Brothers,

As many of you are aware, the delta Covid cases have been rapidly increasing. In consultation with our brothers in the medical field, they are seeing a trend that the numbers will continue to rise and within the next 4-6 weeks will be the worst. Because of the data, we need to do all we can to protect our families, friends, brothers, and our communities. While we are not mandating anyone to get the vaccine, nor will we ever ask for proof of vaccination, the WM has ordered that ANYONE entering the building will be required to wear a mask (except when eating) and socially distance (at all times).

If you choose not to wear a mask, we ask that you respect the decisions of those who choose to mask up and socially distance accordingly. Mandates have become a point of contention and everyone has their idea of what is right. The WM feels this is the right decision to keep our brothers safe and in turn our families. If you feel like coming o Lodge is not the right decision, please feel free to do what you think is best for you and your family. I ask that you subdue your passions, and let peace and harmony prevail. As always, if you need anything or have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely and Fraternally,  
RW Michael Gambarrotti, Secretary

## Chaplain's Chat

*"We hope they will not be motivated by self-glorification – the largest and brightest apron, the power or prestige of the position or the accolades and attention that is accorded to rank. If their motivation is to serve the order and contribute to the advancement and well-being of our craft, then they will know that this virtue called "humility" has its own reward." —H. H. Astbury; Grand Master's Message; Published in THE TRACING BOARD,GRS; February, 1982.*

Brethren,

Recent events have caused me to consider the virtue of humility. While this virtue is not presented in our ritual as one of the cardinal or other virtues directly, I believe that it is a foundation for many of the virtues and other lessons taught in our Craft.

We are often taught in Freemasonry that just as important as what we do is how we do it. To that end, please consider the following quote from the General Charge given at the installation of officers in Canadian Lodges: "The man who, without courting applause, is loved by all noble-minded men, respected by his superiors and revered by his subordinates; the man who never proclaims what he has done, will do, can do, but where need is, will lay hold with dispassionate courage, circumspect resolution, indefatigable exertion, and a rare power of mind, and who will not cease until he has accomplished his work. but who then, without pretension, will retire into the multitude, because he did the good act, not for himself, but for the cause of good."

As we endeavor in any of our laudable undertakings, but especially when selecting officers, committee members, and ritualists for our Lodge, please consider the importance of humility. It is vital that we always have the best interest of the Fraternity, and not of ourselves, in the forefront of our minds.

Fraternally,  
Brent M. Ferns, Sr., PM

## Lodge Officers

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W.: Steve Stamatopoulos

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## Brick Program

Our brick program is alive and well. If you would like to purchase a brick, please remember:

- The Square and Compasses (Gold Bricks) are available for the cost of \$100.00 each.
- The Letter G (Blue Bricks) are available for the cost of \$200.00 to Past Masters of Boynton Lodge ONLY. These bricks are restricted to name, WM Date & DDGM date.
- No business advertisements are allowed on any brick.

Please make a check payable to Boynton Lodge No 236 and send it to the Lodge address along with



the inscription you desire. If you have any questions you may call, W.: Ross Cooper at: (561) 702-0859

## Birthdays

Melvin Sacharow  
Emilio Diamantis  
Sheldon Altenhaus  
Scott Schwartzberg  
Andrew Pinder  
Daniel Cohen  
George Peshkin  
Jean Reid

Giuseppe Masuzzo Castagna  
Eric Malloy  
James Bussey  
Terry Barnes



## Investigations

Amit Patel   Stephen Bernat   Christopher Ellis   Michael Chapnick

## Awaiting Degrees

**E.A.:**

**F.C.:** Barry Arfa, Erwin Gondesens, James St. Juste,

**M.M.:** JC Villar, Carlos Perdomo, Kelvin Tolentino, Angel Abrego, David Felker

## Upcoming Events

**August 12:** Stated Communication - 7:30pm

**August 21:** Open Books and Proficiency Cards- Harmonia Lodge No. 138—9am-12pm

**August 26:** DARK

## Boosters

R.:W.: Michael Gambarrotti  
Raymond O'Connell  
WM Scott Schwartzberg  
Howard Gotkin  
W. Bruce Leffler