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Meetings: 1st and 3rd Thursdays

Your Catechism Instructors for the three symbolic degrees in Freemasonry are:

R:. H:. Adam Feldman - W:. Jerry M. Snell Jr. – W:. Marty Greif – Br. Allan Jenkins W:. Wade Angel – Br. Jack Jones – Br. Denis Monefeldt



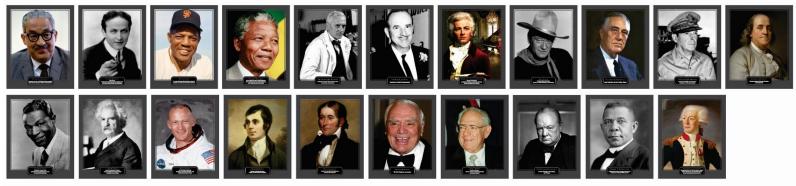




#### Who does J. F. Swartsel Lodge support in the community? The Lutz Fire Department, TOPS (take off pounds sensibly) Lutz chapter 56 BSA (Boy Scouts of America) pack and troop 12 Lutz Lutz Little League Baseball Awards college scholarships in N.W. Hillsborough County McKitrick Elementary School "Helping Paws Program" Rainbow Assembly (Hillsborough County) De Molay (Hillsborough County) Shriners' Hospital Lifepath Hospice Jobs' Daughters Land O Lakes High School Steinbrenner High School Monthly Bingo jackpots at the Florida Masonic Home in St. Petersburg Metropolitan Ministries The Joshua House



# If they could do the things they did then,



# imagine the things that we can do now.

### Thank you to all of our Past Masters - Who laid the foundation for us to build upon

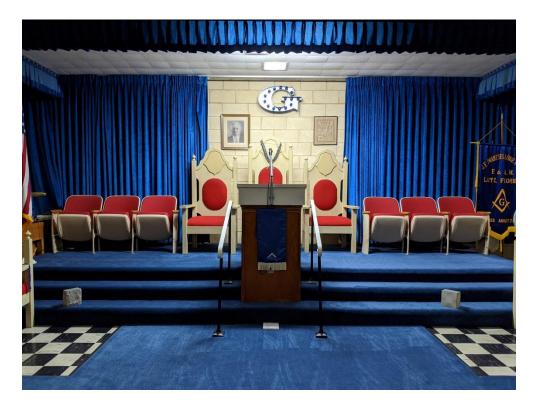
The Past Masters of J.F. Swartsel and Community Lodge

Please follow the link to our website for a complete list of past masters.

## Your 2024 J. F. Swartsel Officers are as follows:

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Worshipful Master	Brother Brian Andrew Reach
Senior Warden	Brother Allan Arthur Jenkins
Junior Warden	Brother Demetrios Thomas Dellis
Treasurer	W 🖞 Jeffrey Thomas Sklet
Secretary	W : David Bruce Lambert Sr.
Chaplain	Br. Thomas Martin Sheehan
Marshall	W ∴ Stephen Douglas Edson
Senior Deacon	Brother Joe Circhirillo
Junior Deacon	Brother Thomas Holland Overman
Senior Steward	Brother Dickey Parrish Davis
Junior Steward	Brother Jack Wilbur Jones
Tyler	Brother Lamont Jay Richardson
Musician	Brother John S Nagy
Historian	W . Samuel McPherson





#### Please remember your Lodge boosters and thank them!

R:.W:. Ronald E. Stanley - R:.W:. Donald R. Bell - Mark L. Lager - Daniel Allen - Brad Sollberger - Ernest P. Sidlow



# **Chair Chatter**

#### From the Secretary: Worshipful David Lambert, Sr.

Brethren,

<u>Please check your Dues Card to see if you have paid your 2024 Dues</u>, and <u>If you have changed your address</u>, please give me a call @ (813) 838-7705 or email me at <u>dlambert7907@gmail.com</u> so I can update your records.

### Calendar of Important Lodge Dates:

August 2024.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Stated Communication of J. F. Swartsel Lodge, Dinner @ 6:30 PM, Lodge Opens at 7:30 PM.
- 6<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM, Degree Practice
- 7<sup>th</sup> (6:PM 7:PM, MLT), (7:PM 8:PM), District School of Instruction @ John Darling No. 154).
- 9<sup>th</sup> 7:PM Masonic Park Board Meeting @ EGYPT Temple.
- 13<sup>th</sup> 6:30, Monthly Lodge Visit to Paul Revere No. 419. Located @ 13402 Montour St, Brooksville, FL.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication of J. F. Swartsel Lodge, Dinner @ 6:30 PM, Lodge Opens at 7:30 PM,
- 16<sup>th</sup> Third Friday FULL Menu Fish Fry at J.F. Swartsel Lodge Serving from 5 7: PM.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Trestleboard Articles to W: Sklet.
- 20<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM, Degree Practice.
- 24<sup>th</sup> 9:AM Noon, Open Books at Zone School of Instruction @ Brandon Lodge No. 114.
- 26th 6:30 8:30 Master Mason Association of Hillsborough County @ EGYPT Shrine.
- 27<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM, Degree Practice.

## From the Worshipful Master: Brother Brian Reach

Brothers, if you are planning to run for one of the elected offices for 2025 (WM, SW, JW, Secretary or Treasurer) your Grand Lodge record MUST confirm that you have completed the 15 MLT modules and the Master Mason I, II, and III examinations before you would be allowed to submit the paperwork to run. The Nomination Forms have to be submitted before the opening of the first Stated Communication in November on the 7th.

A Master Mason I, II, and III class will be held on August 27 at good old J.F. Swartsel. Please let W:. Jeff Sklet know if you will be attending.

I would like to congratulate and welcome Br. Brian Galzerano into our Masonic Brotherhood. He was initiated an Entered Apprentice at J.F. Swartsel on July 16.

Upcoming Lodge visits:

Paul Revere Lodge No 419 Tuesday, August 13 13402 Montour St., Brooksville, FL 34613

Tampa Bay Lodge No 252 Tuesday, September 17 354 Main St., Safety Harbor, FL 34695

Brothers, both these Lodges are very excited to have us visit them. If you have the time, try to attend. We will be carpooling if you are interested. More to follow at our next Communication on Aug. 1.

District 19 and 20 Fishing trip: Just so you know, we will be arranging another fishing trip aboard the Two Georges the fall (October or November). While nothing is set yet, watch this space for news about the trip.

Bowling outing: I would like to get together with our Brothers and Sisters and go bowling. If we are anywhere near respectable, we will see if any Lodges will accept our challenge to a spirited game!! Please let me know if you are interested at <u>wm@jfswartsel251.org</u>

And finally, our Stated Communications and Degrees have been well attended which is wonderful to see. However, if you have been away, come see us. Your Brothers miss you! We hope to see you soon.

Fraternally yours, W:. Brian Reach

### From the Senior Warden: Brother Allan Jenkins

My Brothers, I want to start August's message by thanking everyone for all of the support so far this year. We have started to create Masonic activities and it was well attended by 9 Masonic Brother. We golfed at Heritage Harbor, while it was very hot out all brothers had a great time. In August, we have another Golf Outing planned. We will be golfing at Northdale Golf Club teeing off at 7:30 a.m. I have reserved 3 foursomes for August 17<sup>th</sup>. That is a total of 12 brothers, we have 6 spots taken at this point. We are still looking for 6 more brothers to join us. If you are interested, please let me know and I will get you all of the details. If we have more than 6 additional brothers interested, I will get reserve another foursome. The best part of this is the fellowship and relationships that build and grow during these events. I look forward to filling all the spots and making the next reservation.

We will continue to build out monthly events for our lodge. If anyone has an idea for a future event, please let me know and I will attempt to get is scheduled.

Have a great summer and see you all at Lodge soon.

#### From the Junior Warden: Brother Demetrios Dellis

Nothing from the South

## What have we been up to?

Grand Master's Official Visit to Districts 19 and 20. J.F. Swartsel makes a donation to the Grand Master's Charity and the First Lady's Project.





Masonic Leadership Training. W:. Jose Ruiz's first time doing the classes. He did a great job! Swartsel had a pretty lite turnout.



Great turnout for District School of Instruction! Congratulations to PTF United for having the most members present and taking home the Column Under Construction.



Happy Independence Day!



Officer's Meeting followed be Degree practice. Making sure the Lodge is going in the right direction.



Some Brothers from Swartsel traveled down to support Holyrood Lodge for their DDGM official visit. We enjoyed a fantastic dinner, thank you W:. Anderson but we even better fellowship with all the Brothers in attendance.



Golf outing for the Brothers of Swartsel and one Brother from PTF United. it's going to be a monthly thing so if you want in, contact our SW Alan Jenkins. We owe him a big thanks for putting this together. August 17th is the next time. It was hot but everyone had a great time. We all enjoyed the 19th hole the best  $\mathfrak{S}$ ! Until next month.





Entered Apprentice Degree! Thanks to all who came out to support our newest member of the Fraternity. The Degree team did well, we had a great lecture by R:. W:. Ray Vance and W:. Wade Angel did a great charge. Side note; W:. Angel became a Grand Father for the third time this afternoon! There was a lot to celebrate tonight at Swartsel.







Another successful fish fry! Thanks to all who came out. We hope you enjoyed the food and fellowship. Thanks to all the Brothers who pitched in to help.



It was a dark and stormy night but Brothers from Districts 19 and 20 met for our monthly MMA meeting. A good time was had by all!



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