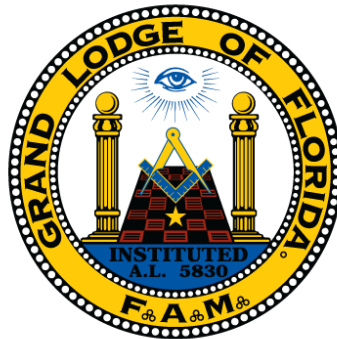


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Passing of Lady Dell Cowart

It is with an extremely heavy heart that we notify you of the passing of Lady Dell Cowart, wife of Most Worshipful Don Cowart, Grand Master. Following her bypass surgery she developed a blood clot that caused her to have a heart attack. Most Worshipful Cowart appreciates all the continued thoughts and prayers during this most difficult time. Arrangement information will be sent out as soon as it is available.

Meetings: 1st and 3rd Thursdays

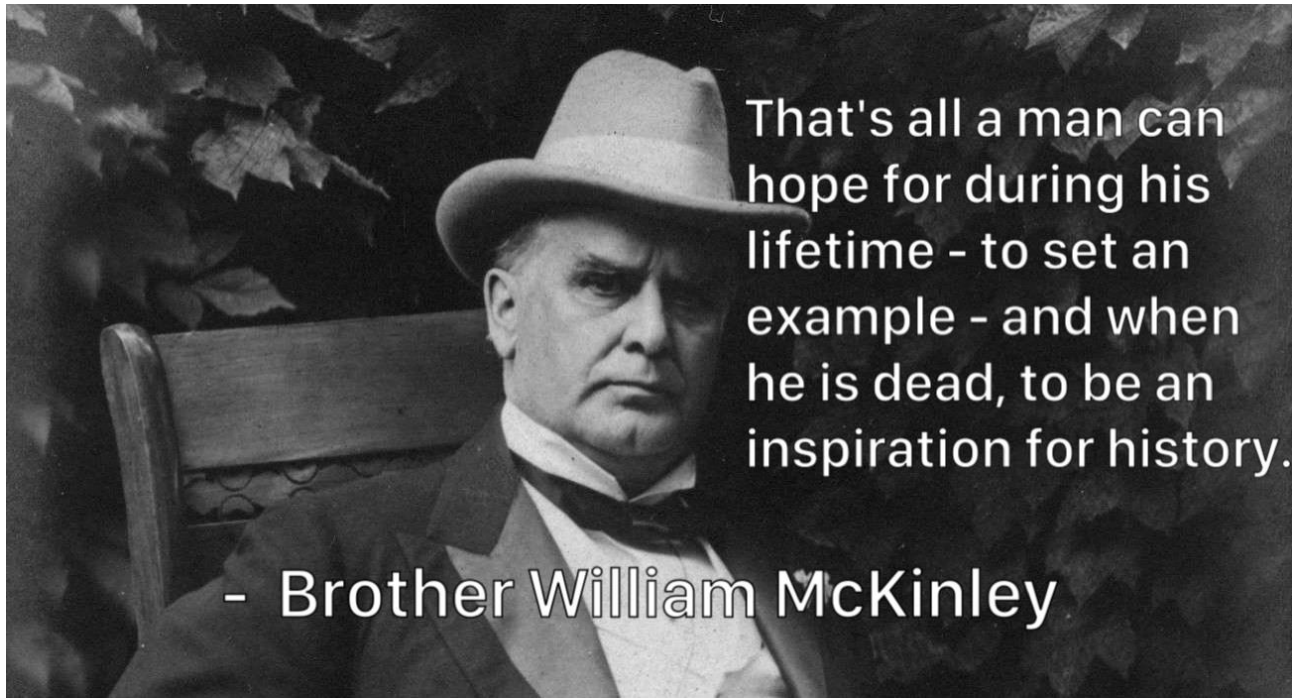
Your Catechism Instructors for the three symbolic degrees in Freemasonry are:

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

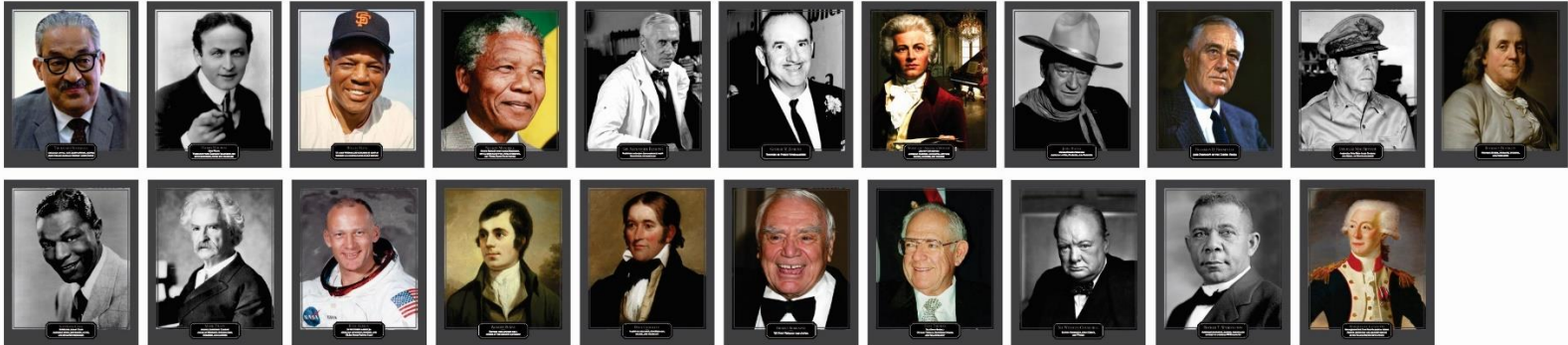


Who does J. F. Swartzel Lodge support in the community?

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
McKittrick 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. Swartzel and Community Lodge](#)

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



Your 2024 J. F. Swartzel Officers are as follows:

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,

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

Calendar of Important Lodge Dates:

September 2024.

- 3rd 6:30 PM, Degree Practice.
- 4th (6:PM – 7:PM, MLT), (7:PM – 8:PM), District School of Instruction @ John Darling No. 154).
- 5th **Stated Communication of J. F. Swartsel Lodge, Dinner @ 6:30 PM, Lodge Opens at 7:30 PM.**
- 9th **Worshipful Master recognition night @ Tampa Scottish Rite.**
- 10th 6:PM, Officers Meeting, 6:30 Degree Practice.
- 12th **Fellowcraft Degree @ J. F. Swartsel Lodge, Dinner @ 6:30 PM, Lodge Opens at 7:30 PM.**
- 13th 7:PM - Masonic Park Board Meeting @ EGYPT Temple.
- 16th 7:PM – Friendship Chapter No. 209. Stated Meeting.
- 17th 6:30 PM, Monthly Lodge visit to Tampa Bay Lodge No. 252.
- 19th **Stated Communication of J. F. Swartsel Lodge, Dinner @ 6:30 PM, Lodge Opens at 7:30 PM.**
- 20th **Third Friday FULL Menu Fish Fry at J.F. Swartsel Lodge – Serving from 5 - 7: PM.**
- 21st **Trestleboard Articles to W.: Sklet.**
- 23rd **6:30 – 8:30 Master Mason Association of Hillsborough County @ EGYPT Shrine.**
- 24th 6:30 PM, Degree Practice.
- 28th 9:AM – Noon, Open Books at Zone School of Instruction @ John Darling Lodge No. 154.

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.

Brothers, we will be discussing and voting on establishing a DeMolay Chapter here at the Lodge at the September 17 stated communication. The cost to the Lodge for applying and receiving a temporary charter is \$250. After that we need to assemble some volunteers, to act as a advisory committee, and finely attract the young men, 12 to 21, to make the Chapter complete.

Upcoming Lodge visit:

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

If you have the time, try to attend. We will be carpooling if you are interested. More to follow at our next Communication on September 5.

District 19 and 20 Fishing trip: We will be arranging another fishing trip aboard the Two Georges the fall (October or November). We should have a flyer with dates and prices shortly.

As Summer starts its SLOW march towards Fall, and family vacations wind down, I hope to see more of you at dinner and Lodge. Your Brothers miss you! We hope to see you soon.

Fraternally yours,
W.: Brian Reach

From the Senior Warden: Brother Allan Jenkins

Nothing from the West

From the Junior Warden: Brother Demetrios Dellis

Nothing from the South

What have we been up to?

Degree Practice. We are very lucky to have R. H. Feldman still giving great instructions to the Brothers of the Lodge. The rest of the Brothers are either listening intently or working with each other. Date of Degree is not determined yet. Stay tuned.



Stated Communication. What a great way to start off a new month with good food and fellowship. Come for the food and stay for the meeting. We had a special visitor this evening, R.: H.: Jeremy Tabak, see if you can find him in the pictures. The pictures of the SW and JW have their own funny story, come on out and discover it.

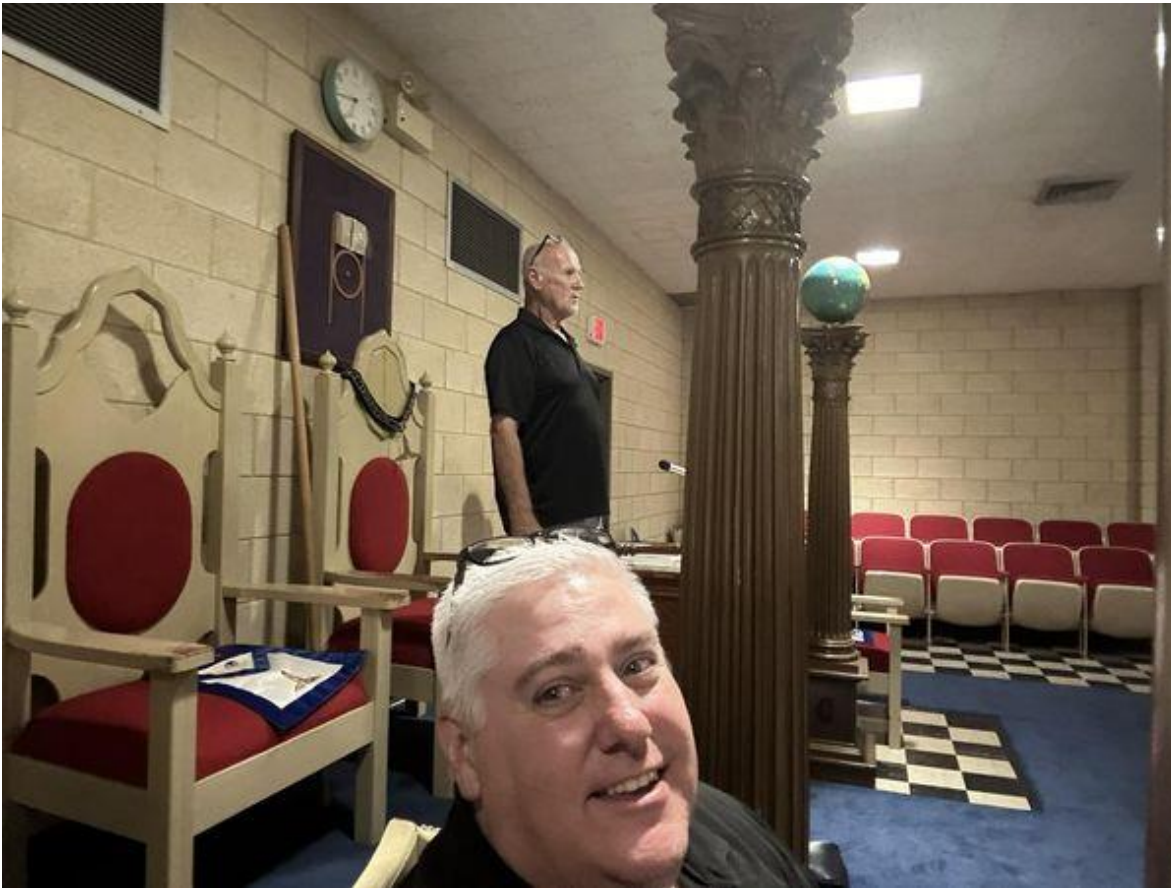
We did do some good work. Three of our EA Brothers gave back their catechism. We received two new petitions and had a visiting Brother from California.







Another practice night. The few but mighty! Degree practice night for upcoming Fellowcraft Degree.



Masonic Leadership Training. Another informative session by W.: Ruiz. Looking forward to next month.



External Publicity:

- Submit press releases to local newspapers.
- Local newspapers are always looking for things to fill space. Important: make certain the articles are well written and complete. Don't expect the newspapers to edit and/or correct mistakes.
- Place a notice in the newspaper inviting out of State and out of town Brother Masons to attend Lodge and any other event you would like them to attend.

District School of Instruction. Always a good night for fellowship and instruction! Swartsel won the Column Under Construction....again. 😄 Thanks to all the Brothers who came out to support the Lodge. Also we are starting a new thing this year. It's a game called I Spy the DI.



Road Trip! Our monthly Lodge visit took us north to Brooksville to visit the Brothers of Paul Revere Lodge. An extra bonus it was their DDGM official visit. We had a great meal and even better fellowship!



Stated Communication! We were invaded by the Brothers of P T F United. Most of them were District Committeemen coming back to give more information on their committees. We welcomed back Brother Chicarella. He cooked a fine meal and as always Brother Jones made a very tasty dessert.

PS: We have the Column Under Construction



Another great day on the course with the Brothers. A beautiful day for some okay golf. Swartzel's monthly golf outing. Looking forward to next month!







Election Day service. Swartsel manned three drop sites for the Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections. We also rent out the Lodge as a polling place. Unfortunately, no pictures of all the hard working Brothers at the polling place. It's against the rules. A special thanks to everyone who participated. All the money raised goes back to the Lodge. 🍷🇺🇸.





Thanks to every braved the Storms to come out tonight. Congratulations to PTF United for having the most Brothers present. Good time was had by all.





Family Night! Oh what a night. There was a great turnout of friends and family. We were really honored to have our Sisters from Friendship Chapter OES with us. Joe Chic and Tom Overman rocked the grill and there was a variety of fantastic food and desserts. There were a couple entertaining games of Bingo. W.: M.: Ken Tutor gave W.: Jeff Sklet a certificate making him a Kentucky Colonel. Everyone is looking forward to next time.









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