

Gray Line



NEWSLETTER OF GRAY MASONIC LODGE No. 329, A.F. & A.M.

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Greetings from the East



Brethren,

Where has the time gone? It's already May and my time in the East is nearing its close. There have been times when I thought this year was CRAWLING, but with only two months left before Installation, I'm realizing how quickly it has flown by. I will be making my last formal speech at our June stated meeting where I will go into more detail, but

I'd like to make some general reflections for our last *Gray Line* for this Masonic year.

Almost a year ago, I received the honor of being elected to serve as the 150th Master of this prestigious Lodge. It has been a great year and it has been so because of the help and participation of not only my Officers, but of so many of the Gray Lodge brethren. We have had to accomplish a lot this year out of necessity. To name a few things: we repaired and/or upgraded the kitchen and kitchen equipment, we had our water main repaired to stop a massive leak, and we had to fix frozen water pipes and save

our dining room from flooding. We upgraded our fencing and camera system, and are in the process of doing the same with our security system to insure the protection of our lodge, brethren, and belongings.

Along with these maintenance projects, we've made massive progress in cleaning and organizing the second story of the lodge and the shed. There are a lot of brethren to

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Greetings From the East

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thank for all of this and I will expand on that at the June stated meeting, but please know that you all have my full appreciation for everything accomplished during my term.

To my Officers: I've been very fortunate to have such a strong core of brethren to help me through this year. This Lodge would not have been able to accomplish a fraction of what we did without your help and dedication. Thank you all for agreeing to serve. It is my honor to call each of you "Brother".

To the brethren and friends of Gray Lodge: I have seen an incredible effort from not only our Master Masons, but from our Entered Apprentices, Fellowcrafts, and even our frequent visitors! The lodge's Officers carry certain responsibilities, but this Lodge belongs to ***every single brother*** and I can't thank you enough for the support. It's important to realize that just because you aren't an officer, that doesn't mean that you aren't responsible for the lodge. This Lodge has carried on for 152 years only because there have been brethren to participate and "labor in the quarries". We are all stewards of the Craft and this Lodge and from what I've seen from you, we are in good hands for many years to come.

I joined this Lodge as a Master Mason in November of 2015 with no expectations to be Worshipful Master or even an officer. I simply enjoyed the mysteries of the Craft and the brotherhood of those surrounding me (and still do!), but when I was asked to be a Steward, I was happy to jump in and support the Lodge that had become like a second home to me. Since then, I have been humbled and honored to be included as a caretaker for this 152-year-old Lodge. I have had some of the best times of my life and some of the worst, and I found some of my best friends in the process.

This is starting to sound like "goodbye", but I assure you that it's not. We still have work to do and events to look forward to before the end of June; and after July 2nd rolls around, I will be here for Gray just as I have been for the last 7 years.

Again, thank you all for your trust and support this past year. It has been one of the highlights of my life to serve you and this Lodge and I can't wait to see what the future holds for Gray Lodge No. 329.

Fraternally and Sincerely,

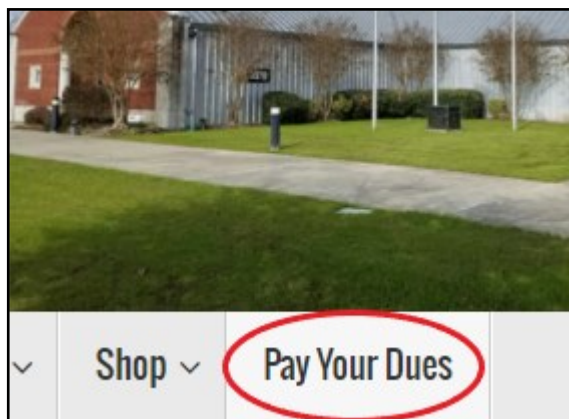
Erickson Ybarra
Worshipful Master '21-'22

Please note that Gray Lodge No. 329 will close our 2021-2022 Lodge of Sorrow on Thursday evening, June 30. We have lost many esteemed Brethren this past year, so please plan to join us in celebration of their memories.

June 24th is Almost Here ...

... and on that date, Brethren whose Lodge dues are still in arrears will become the dreaded NPD: Suspension for Non-Payment of Dues.

Dues notices were mailed and emailed to all Brethren in December, and if you haven't paid for 2022 yet, you are now in arrears. Your dues payments provide the funds that allow Gray Lodge to pay our bills, so when asked, please provide your financial support to the Lodge promptly.



You can now pay your annual Lodge dues, join the Master's Club, or increase your Endowment online through the Gray Lodge #329 website! Go to <http://www.gray329.org> and in the navigation banner, just under the picture of our Lodge building, click "Pay Your Dues".

This link will take you to a page where you can make your dues payment via PayPal, either using your credit card or PayPal Account. (PayPal will add a small convenience fee.)

Our Secretary and Treasurer will be notified of your payment, and your dues card will be mailed to you as soon as we receive it from Grand Lodge.

"Flattering as it may be to the human mind, and truly honorable as it is to receive from our fellow citizens testimonies of approbation for exertions to promote the public welfare, it is not less pleasing to know that the milder virtues of the heart are highly respected by a Society whose liberal principles must be founded in the immutable laws of truth and justice. To enlarge the sphere of social happiness is worthy of the benevolent design of a Masonic institution; and it is most fervently to be wished that the conduct of every member of the Fraternity, as well as those publications that discover the principles which actuate them, may tend to convince mankind that the great object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race."

~ George Washington



GOLDEN TROWEL AWARD

HONORING

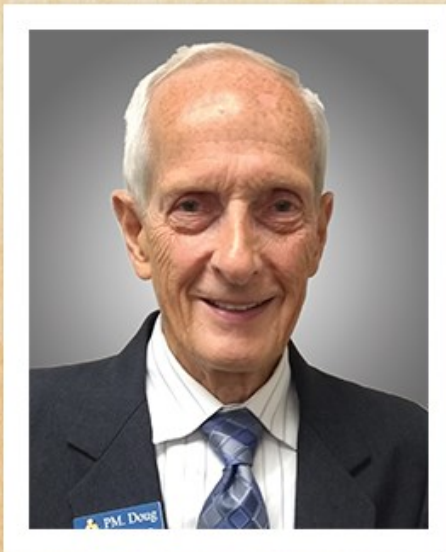
Douglas W. "Doug" Hissong

WHEN

Saturday, May 14 | 10:00am Open Meeting & Presentation | 11:00am Reception

WHERE

Gray Lodge No. 329 | 2370 Barker Oaks Drive | Houston, Texas



Masons, ladies and guests from around the world are invited to join the officers and members of Gray Lodge No. 329 for a special Open Meeting and presentation prior to the Texas High Twelve State Convocation.

The Golden Trowel Award was established by the Grand Lodge of Texas to recognize Masons who have consistently demonstrated exemplary service and leadership. Recipients display commitment to Masonic principles and have shown dedication to the teaching of Masonry. It is the highest Grand Lodge-sanctioned honor a Lodge can bestow upon a worthy Brother.

Gray Lodge No. 329 is proud to present Doug W. Hissong, a dedicated Mason who has honorably served the Masonic fraternity as an officer and Past Master (2016-2017) of Gray Lodge, with the Golden Trowel Award.

GRAY LODGE NO. 329

Gray Lodge No. 329 was originally chartered by the Grand Lodge of Texas in 1870, and has been in continuous Masonic service for 152 years, making it the second-oldest Masonic Lodge in the Houston area. Named for Col. William Fairfax Gray, the first Clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas, Gray Lodge No. 329 currently has one of the most diverse memberships of any regular Texas Masonic Lodge, with active members hailing from a dozen different nations representing all three of the world's major religions.

Worshipful Master

Erickson E. Ybarra

Senior Warden

Gary A. Wiener

Junior Warden

Steven E. Cobb

Secretary

Darrin I. Pitts, PM

Treasurer

Daniel R. Sweet



It's Elections Time Again!

Our June Stated Meeting will be the final one presided over by Worshipful Master Erickson Ybarra, and the annual opportunity for Gray Lodge No. 329 to elect our next Master, Wardens, Treasurer, Secretary and Tiler. WM Ybarra will select a worthy Brother to join the list of Gray Honor recipients, and will share his final thoughts as he finishes his tenure in the East.

Please make plans to attend the final Stated Meeting of the 2021-2022 Masonic Year on Wednesday, June 1. A special dinner is being planned by SS Leo Barnuevo and JS Mike Polychronopoulos, which will be served at 6:00 pm; the Lodge will open at 7:00 pm. As a Brother once liked to say, "All Masons are good citizens, and all good citizens vote!"

Save the Date for a Very Special Installation Ceremony!

Gray Lodge will host its 152nd Installation of Officers on **Saturday, July 2**, at 10:00 am. We are pleased to welcome families, friends and visitors for this very special Installation, as the 2022-23 Officers will be installed by M.:W.:Brad Billings, Grand Master of Masons in Texas.

Joining M.:W.:Billings to install our 151st Worshipful Master will be R.:W.:Bart Henderson, Grand Senior Warden of Texas (and Past Master of Bellaire #1336), and our Secretary and Past Master, Darrin Pitts. Refreshments and a full catered lunch will be served following the ceremony.

With the Grand Master's presence, this will be a historic day to add to Gray Lodge's storied legacy! Please save the date, and plan to join us for this unique occasion.

47th Problem of Euclid

Masonic Education

[Editor's note: The author of this article is unknown; the article is signed "Masonic Education" but does not even disclose from which Grand Jurisdiction it came. We reprint it here because of its value to the Craft, with full appreciation and attribution to the unknown Brethren who provided it.]

The 47th Problem of Euclid, also called the 47th Problem of Euclid or the Pythagorean Theorem, is represented by 3 squares.



To the speculative Mason, the 47th Problem of Euclid may be somewhat mysterious. They may see this symbol on Masonic certificates or on Masonic cufflinks and lapel pins. Most Masonic books simply describe it as "a general love of the Arts and Sciences". However, to leave its explanation at that would be to omit a subject which is very important to the Masonic Square.

What are these three black boxes and why are they important to Freemasons?

We are told that Euclid (father of Geometry), who lived several hundred years after Pythagoras, worked long and hard to solve the 3:4:5 ratio puzzle. It is said by some that he then sacrificed a hecatomb (a sacrificial offering to God of up to 100 oxen or cattle). However, historically, it is believed that the Egyptians and the Babylonians understood the mathematical usefulness of the 3:4:5 ratio long before Euclid. The math is the key to understanding this symbol's broader and universal meaning.

47th Problem or 3:4:5

In any right angle, the sum of the squares of the two sides is equal to the square of the hypotenuse (the hypotenuse of a right triangle ... which is the longest leg ... or the "5" side of the 3:4:5). The right triangle, below, shows the sides of 3, 4, and 5. The angle created between the 3 (side) and the 4 (side) is the right angle of the square.

A little later, when we begin to build it (with sticks and string), you will place your sticks at the three corners of the right triangle.

The square of 3 is 9. The square of 4 is 16. The sum of 9 and 16 is 25. (25 represents the hypotenuse). The square root of 25 is 5. Therefore, the ratio is written 3:4:5. Let's try it:

1, 4, 9, 16

4 - 1 = 3

9 - 4 = 5

16 - 9 = 7

These are the steps in Masonry. They are the steps in the winding stairs, which leads to the Middle Chamber, and they are the number of brethren that form the number of Master Masons necessary to open a lodge of:

Master Masons: 3

Fellow Crafts: 5

Entered Apprentices: 7

The essence of the 47th Problem of Euclid is about the importance of establishing an architecturally true (correct) foundation based on the use of the square. Why is this so important to speculative Masons who only have a symbolic square and not the actual square of the operative Mason? The 47th Problem of Euclid is the mathematical ratio (the knowledge) that allows a Master Mason to "Square his square when it gets out of square".

The knowledge of how to form a perfect square without the possibility of error has been accounted of the highest importance in the art of building from the time of the *Harpodonaptae*. *Harpodonaptae*, literally translated, means “rope stretchers” or “rope fasteners” of ancient Egypt (long before King Solomon’s Temple was built).

They were architectural specialists who were called in to lay out the foundation lines of buildings. They were highly skilled and relied on astronomy (the stars) as well as mathematical calculations in order to form perfect square angles for each building.

In the Berlin museum is a deed, written on leather, dating back to 2000 B.C. (long before Solomon’s time), which tells of the work of these rope stretchers.

Historically, a building’s cornerstone was laid in the Northeast corner of the building. Why in the Northeast?

The ancient builders first laid out the North and South lines by observation of the stars and the sun—especially the North Star, which they believed at that time to be fixed in the sky. Only after laying out a perfect North and South line could they use the square to establish a perfect East and West line for their foundations.

The 47th Problem of Euclid established those true East and West lines, so the rope stretchers could ascertain a perfect 90-degree angle to the North-South line which they established using the stars.

If you would like to perform this yourself, it is quite easy... and once you get the necessary pieces together, would be a great show-and-tell educational instruction piece within your lodge.

Unlike the *Harpodonaptae*, you will have no way to establish true North and South... unless you use a compass. But a compass is not necessary for this demonstration.

You will need four thin sticks that are strong enough to stick in soft soil, 40 inches of string, and a black magic marker.

1. Place your **first** stick flat on the ground so that its ends point North and South.
2. Next, take a string (it’s much more unwieldy if you use rope) and tie knots in it 3 inches apart. This will divide the string into 12 equal divisions. Tie the two ends of the string together (this is your 12th knot ... again, remember that from knot-to-knot must be 3 inches apart). The divisions between knots must be correct and equal or it will not work. Your string’s total length is 36 inches. After you’ve tied the end-to-end knot, you may cut off the excess 4 inches of string. If you have more than 4 inches left over or less than 4 inches, you need to re-measure the lengths between the knots. Your string is now circular in shape and has 12 knots and 12 divisions.

Note: The Operative Masons of old used rope; however, because much of the length of the rope is within the knot, if you use rope, you must use a longer piece, measure each division, tie your knot, and then measure the next 3 inch division **before** you cut the length of rope, instead of marking the entire rope while it is lying flat and then tying your knots.

3. Stab your **second** stick in the ground near either end of your North-South stick and arrange a knot at the stick. Stretch three divisions away from it in any direction (9 inches) and insert the **third** stick in the ground, then place the **fourth** stick so that it falls on the knot between the 4-part and the 5-part division (12 inches). This forces the creation of a 3:4:5 right triangle. The angle between the 3 units and the 4 units is, of necessity, a square or right angle.
4. Now move your **third** and **fourth** sticks until they become a right angle (90 degrees) to your North-South stick.

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Congratulations! You now have not only the ability to square your square, but to lay a geometrically correct cornerstone for your new foundation.

The Forty-Seventh Problem of Euclid in Today's World

With this simple geometric 3:4:5 ratio of how to create a 90-degree Right Angle, Man can reach out into space and measure the distance of the stars, in light years. He can survey land, mark off boundaries and construct every single thing on earth. He can build homes, churches and buildings, and with the knowledge of this simple ratio, he can begin digging on opposite sides of a mountain and dig a straight tunnel through the center of it that meets exactly at the center. He can navigate the oceans and be able to locate himself in the middle of the water, and is able to calculate how far he has come and how much farther he must go.

The 47th Problem of Euclid teaches each of us not only to be general lovers of the arts and sciences, but to stand in awe of the God given knowledge with which you can take a piece of string and 4 sticks, and be able to find your way home ... from anywhere on Earth, on the Sea, or in the Heavens.

It represents such a perfect symbol of Freemasonry, encompassing both arts and sciences, that the simple knowledge of it demands a breathtaking awe to which we may only bow our heads in reverence at the perfection, the universality and the infinite wisdom of that which has been given to us by God.

With knowledge of this simple geometric ratio, the word "Eureka!" almost palls in expressing the fundamental powers which our Creator has bestowed upon us.

IN MEMORIAM

Bro. Allen Linwood Pitts, Jr., PM

March 10, 1934 — April 13, 2022



We knew it was coming, but that never softens the blow enough. On April 13, our Past Master Allen Pitts laid down his working tools, having survived his wife Linda, his parents and his sister. Bro. Pitts leaves children Melissa, Allen III (Trey) and Gray Lodge No. 329's Secretary and Past Master, Darrin Pitts.

Bro. Pitts was raised in Dallas, Texas where he was a top football recruit. He played at Highland Park high school before attending and graduating from what was then Sewanee Military Academy (now St. Andrew's-Sewanee School in Tennessee, where he was named All-Mid-South running back in 1953.

Bro. Pitts went on to serve and play football for the Marine Corps until his honorable discharge in 1957, after which he moved to Houston where he met his wife, Linda. In 1969, Allen began working for Leyendecker Homes and built a 45-year career in new home sales, always winning top sales awards with the Greater Houston Builders Association's Sales & Marketing Council.

Just as quickly as he must have rushed past opposing linemen, Bro. Pitts rushed through the degrees in Masonry in record time: initiated on October 27, 1971; passed on December 2 and raised on December 31, 1971, all in Gray Lodge No. 329. Allen was a 32-degree Scottish Rite Mason and recently received his Grand Lodge 50-year service award from his son, Bro. Darrin Pitts. He advanced through the officer line and served as WM of Gray Lodge in 1976-77, and became an Endowed Member in 2004. In 2011, he received the Lodge's Golden Trowel Award. Bro. Pitts was also a 50-year Shriner and member of the Arabia Shrine. He was laid to his eternal rest with Masonic honors on April 19, 2022.

UPCOMING LOCAL MASONIC EVENTS

Please note that all plans are subject to change and should be confirmed before attending. The most up-to-date calendar info is always available at <http://www.GRAY329.org/calendar>.

We are working to repair the online calendar feed and will have new links for you soon.

MAY 2022

4	Wed.	Gray Lodge Stated Meeting	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
5	Thurs.	Lodge Masonic Education	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
9	Mon.	Washington Chapt #2 Meeting	Holland Lodge #1	Meeting 7:00 pm
10	Tues.	Bluebell Chapter OES Meeting	Gray Lodge #329	7:30 pm
12	Thurs.	Gray Scholarship Awards	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
13	Fri.	Ruthven Cmdry #2 Stated Meeting	Holland Lodge #1	Meeting 7:00 pm
14	Sat.	Golden Trowel—Doug Hissong	Gray Lodge #329	10:00 am
14	Sat.	High Twelve Int'l Texas Conclave	Gray Lodge #329	12:00 pm
16	Mon.	Arabia Shrine Stated Meeting	Arabia Shrine Temple	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
19	Thurs.	Lodge Ritual / Degree Practice	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
25	Wed.	District 30 MWSA Meeting	Holland Lodge #1	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
26	Thurs.	Lodge Catechism Instruction	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
26	Thurs.	Scottish Rite Stated Meeting	Scottish Rite Temple	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm

JUNE 2022

1	Wed.	Gray Stated Meeting—ELECTIONS	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
2	Thurs.	Lodge Masonic Education	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
9	Thurs.	Lodge Education & Esoteric Work	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
10	Fri.	Ruthven Cmdry #2 Stated Meeting	Holland Lodge #1	Meeting 7:00 pm
12	Sun.	Past Masters' Dinner	TBA	TBA
13	Mon.	Houston Council #1 Meeting	Holland Lodge #1	Meeting 7:00 pm
14	Tues.	Bluebell Chapter OES Meeting	Gray Lodge #329	7:30 pm
16	Thurs.	Lodge Ritual / Degree Practice	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
20	Mon.	Arabia Shrine Stated Meeting	Arabia Shrine Temple	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
22	Wed.	District 30 MWSA Meeting	Reagan Lodge #1057	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
23	Thurs.	St. John's Day Observance	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
30	Thurs.	Scottish Rite Stated Meeting	Scottish Rite Temple	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
30	Thurs.	Closure of Lodge of Sorrow	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm

JULY 2022

2	Sat.	152nd Installation of Officers	Gray Lodge #329	10:00 am— 1:00 pm
6	Wed.	Gray Lodge Stated Meeting	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
7	Thurs.	Lodge Masonic Education	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
8	Fri.	Ruthven Cmdry #2 Stated Meeting	Holland Lodge #1	Meeting 7:00 pm
11	Mon.	Washington Chapt #2 Meeting	Holland Lodge #1	Meeting 7:00 pm
12	Tues.	Bluebell Chapter OES Meeting	Gray Lodge #329	7:30 pm
14	Thurs.	Lodge Ritual / Degree Practice	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
18	Mon.	Arabia Shrine Stated Meeting	Arabia Shrine Temple	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
21	Thurs.	Lodge Catechism Instruction	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
27	Wed.	District 30 MWSA Meeting	Reagan Lodge #1057	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
28	Thurs.	Scottish Rite Stated Meeting	Scottish Rite Temple	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm
28	Thurs.	Lodge Education & Esoteric Work	Gray Lodge #329	Dinner 6:00 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm

June Stated Meeting

Please plan now to join us for our next Stated Meeting on Wednesday, June 1. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m., with an Entered Apprentice Mason's lodge to open at 7 p.m.

This meeting is when we will conduct our Election of Officers for the upcoming Masonic year. Please be there to make your voice heard in the governing of Gray Lodge!

Keep Us Posted

If you have moved, or updated your email address or phone number, please update your record at grandlodgeoftexas.org (in the Member Portal), call us at 713-730-9329, or email Bro. Darrin Pitts at secretary@gray329.org with your new information so we can stay in touch.

Also, please let the Secretary know if you have any personal announcements you would like us to pass along to the Brethren.

MASTER MASON ANNIVERSARIES

MAY 2022

1 Rachid Barry	11 Samuel Winstead	19 Charles Baxter
1 Darrell Dodds	13 Bennie Irish	21 Thomas Smith
1 Marcos Leita	13 Gerald Zucker	27 Edward Bock
1 Donald Smith	14 Michael Hill	28 Harry Green *
3 Darrell Craig	14 Kenneth Nobelock	30 Mike Nanny *+
8 Jerry Spencer	14 Brad Ledbetter	30 William Pray
9 Warren Ayres	14 Paul Sala	31 Nelson Fisher
9 Jason Pollick	15 William Gillespie	31 Michael Green
11 Joseph Addison	16 Lee Hooker	31 David Reece
11 Jeffrey Kapche	17 Steven Cobb	31 Carl Rubly
11 Dragos Oprea	18 Sidney Victory *	* Past Master of Gray Lodge + Past Grand Master

JUNE 2022

2 Preston Voosen	15 Deryl Ridenhour
9 Donald Brown	17 Harry Fikaris
9 James Lemons	18 Matthew Mckown
9 William Martin	23 Rene Canales
10 Roger Durden	23 Gregory Morgan
10 Dean Forbes	28 James Dillon
11 Jack Green *	30 Carlos Huerta
11 John Stevenson	30 Christopher Krummel
12 Mark Levine	30 Aaron Tyksinski **
13 Harvey Fodell	* Past Master of Gray Lodge ** Affiliated Past Master

JULY 2022

8 Andres Garza	21 Patrick Dees
8 David Pupo *	23 Luis Massas
10 Mark Pravel	24 Doug Hissong *
13 David Aguilar	25 Michael Polychronopoulos
13 Michael Baldwin	26 Donald Keller, Jr.
14 James Bracht	26 Mike Crisamore
15 Bobby Clark	29 Dan Sweet
15 Jose Rodriguez	30 Richard Hollinger, Jr.
18 Paul Elders	30 William Konecny
18 Curtis Walton	31 Lounceny Bangoura
19 Donald Hernandez, Sr. **	* Past Master of Gray Lodge ** Affiliated Past Master
19 Thomas Murray	

"We represent a fraternity which believes in justice and truth and honorable action in your community...men who are endeavoring to be better citizens...[and] to make a great country greater. This is the only institution in the world where we can meet on the level all sorts of people who want to live rightly."

~ Harry S Truman