

# The Chalk



## Harmonia Lodge No. 138 F. & A. M. *Chartered 1894*

*124 Years of Masonry in West Palm Beach*

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# Happy 90th Birthday



**III. James H. Kirby, Jr. 33° GC**

90th Birthday - August 7, 2018

Master Mason 68 years



**Many More  
Happy & Healthy Returns  
Brother Kirby**

Harmonia Lodge No. 138 F. & A. M.  
UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENT

*You & your family are cordially invited to the*



**Harmonia Lodge**  
**Pool Party & BBQ**



Join Us For A Day Of  
Fellowship, Family & Fun!  
Bring The Family.  
BBQ Lunch Served.  
Enjoy The Gardens & Pool.

*Please bring your swimsuit and a  
towel for each person attending*



**Sunday, August 19, 2018**

Noon to 4:00 pm

Hosted by Bro. Howie Zusel

at his home in Royal Palm Beach

Please RSVP for each person so we have an accurate head  
count. The address will be sent with your confirmation.



The Menu will include  
Hot Dogs, Hamburgers & all the fixin's.  
**Pot luck side dishes are welcome.**

**Please RSVP NOW At:**

<https://harmoniapoolparty.eventbrite.com>

# Harmonia Lodge No. 138 F. & A. M. UPCOMING COMMUNICATIONS

Lodge Officers Training 2, Harmonia Lodge  
Saturday, July 28th from 9 AM to 2 PM



Masonic Leadership Training 2, Jupiter Light Lodge  
Saturday, August 11, from 9 AM to 2 PM



Harmonia Called Communication  
Monday, August 13, Dinner 6:15 PM  
Rusty Nail Degree 7:00 PM



Harmonia Stated Communication  
Monday, August 13, Dinner 6:15 PM  
Stated Meeting 7:30 PM



Open Books, Harmonia Lodge  
Saturday, August 18th, 2018  
9:00 AM to Noon



2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pool Party & BBQ  
Bro. Howie Zusel's Home  
Sunday, Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>, Noon to 4 PM



Masonic Leadership Training 1  
Boca-Delray Lodge  
Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, 9 AM to 2 PM



Harmonia Stated Communication  
Monday, August 27, 6:15 PM



Harmonia Lodge Entered Apprentice Degree  
Thursday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM

Lodge Of Instruction - Every Thursday Night At 6:30 pm  
Catechism, Degree Practice, Masonic Education & Fellowship



## FROM THE EAST



Brethren,

I wish our Brothers who will be celebrating their birthday this month a Happy Birthday. May you have more years ahead of you and may the Grand Architect of the Universe shower you more blessings to be able to share to your family and friends, to the brethren and community.

I would like to thank our Brothers who were able to come during the official visit of our District Deputy Grand Master and to those who did a tremendous job on the preparation of said event. But most of all thank you for approving financial assistance for the Valley of Lake Worth Scottish Rite. Indeed, as one family you have showed once again how should we as Masons extend help to others.

Brothers, I regret to inform you that the planned poker event to raise funds for our Adopt a School Project will not push through. Nevertheless we will be looking for other alternatives on how to raise funds for the same. This is my priority activity for this year and I hope that you will support this endeavour and make this as our Lodge's community service among others. I will be presenting before you the soonest time other ways on how to fund this project and I hope that you will support it and take part of it. Any ideas are very much welcomed.

This month we will have a Rusty Nail Degree on the 13th during our first stated communication. All Master Masons are invited to come and watched the degree done the Harmonia Lodge way. On the 27th during our second stated communication "A Mason" play will be presented for us Master Masons. I hope to see you then. Finally, on the 30th I hope we will have an Entered Apprentice Degree. Come and support our Degree team and our would be newly obligated brothers.

My unending gratitude to your precious time and selfless support, I remain.

Fraternally yours,

Marco Sevilleja  
Worshipful Master





## FROM THE WEST



Brethren of Harmonia Lodge,

Wimbledon and the FIFA World Cup is currently played as am writing my message. It's a beautiful month, favored by great sportsmen and women everywhere. The pleasant weather is conducive to an outdoor activity, picture taking in a beautiful park setting while doing some exercises and maybe an outdoor degree. Yes, on occasion I do practice my catechism, degree and proficiency lines while shredding the trails.

In many ways, sports are not dissimilar to our institution, Freemasonry. Being that we are very social, while we enjoy our friends and at times competitors and our time with them, we also tend to join them together in the company of like-minded individuals to form groups with a desire to achieve common goals greater than our individual selves, in hope of making a positive contribution to society and leaving a strong legacy for the future. This is accomplished by seeking out those who share some of our common interests whether it is joining our fraternity, a sports team, a health club or volunteering with some organization helping people in need etc. At the end of the day to be successful in any venture, one needs to understand the common goal and then commit and work together for the common goal. This is particularly true of Freemasonry.

R.:W.: Mike Gambarrotti D.D.G.M. visited our lodge this month together with his District Committee. What a pleasure it was to be sitting in the lodge and see the work performed in such a proficient manner. But more importantly, the fellowship was fantastic. What a delight to greet with so many friendly handshakes, hugs and a friendly "How are you doing?" It is truly heartwarming. How very fortunate we are a part of this great fraternity and to be able to meet men of such good character; men we may not have had a chance in the ordinary course of our lives. Freemasonry does this and more.

Congratulations to Brother Ed Griffin, HPM for being awarded the Master Mason of the Month- a well deserved honor. To keep up to date on the events in our lodge, please remember to read the Chalk or visit our website managed by Brother Howie Zusel and check our calendar.

May the G.A.O.T.U. watch over us and may we all strive to live up to our obligations.

Fraternally,

Edmundo O. Rodas  
Senior Warden





## FROM THE SOUTH



Greetings Brethren,

Well, July is almost gone and soon we will be in August 2018 and its time to be ready for any Hurricane coming our way.

Happy Birthday to all the Brother's, friends, and families who are having a birthday in August of 2018. Thanks to the Brother's that came out to support the kitchen crew during the Month of July, and a job well done by our very own W.: Ricky Espiritu, Jr. P.M. for as always preparing an outstanding meal each and every time we come to Harmonia Lodge.

Keep your eye on the Chalk for all future events. Congratulations to our Brother HPM Ed for being selected for the Mason of the Month of June 2018; for a job well done. Brethren, lets continue to train at Harmonia Lodge No. 138 its becoming to pay-off on our Degree and floor work, and now we will be instructing Lodge Officers Training Course (L O T C #2) on Saturday 28, 2018 from 9am – 2pm, at Harmonia Lodge. Also, let us not forget Saturday, August 18th for open books 9.00 am, till Noon at Harmonia Lodge to include a very good chance to earn your proficiency cards by being tested by our District Instructor R.:H.: George H. Winterling; all Masons are encouraged to attend at Harmonia Lodge No.138.

My Brothers, don't forget the Rusty Nail Degree on Monday August 13th, 2018 for Master Masons only at Harmonia Lodge. Dinner 6:15 PM and Degree at 7:00pm.

In closing; May the Grand Architect of the Universe grant all the Brothers, Families, and Friends all the blessings now and forever.

Ray Rios  
Junior Warden  
Make it Happen!





## SECRETARY SEZ



Brethren,

Please keep the Lodge informed on any changes to your contact information, address, phone and e-mail .

The new plastic Grand Lodge Member Identification cards will soon be mailed to Lodge Members.

Brothers that have NOT paid your Dues - PLEASE PAY THEM NOW !!

Fraternally,

W:. Lou Babbit, HPM, Secretary



"Men make history and not the other way around. In periods where there is no leadership, society stands still. Progress occurs when courageous, skillful leaders seize the opportunity to change things for the better."

**~President Harry S Truman  
Past Grand Master of Missouri A.F. & A.M.**



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## MASONIC RELIEF BOX



### PLEASE HELP

Brothers please keep in mind the **Relief Box** at the rear of the Lodge Room as you exit.

It is one of and the most important of the tenants of Freemasonry, which is **CHARITY**, along with Faith & Hope.

## CHARITY OF THE MONTH



### West Palm Police Foundation

Their Board and Advisory Board are made up of community and business leaders and police volunteers, all of whom are committed to making West Palm Beach a friendly and safe place to live and do business.

<https://www.wpbpolicefoundation.org>

## Harmonia Lodge 2018 Committees

### Finance

SW Edmund Rodas (Chairman)  
Treas. W.: Josh Johnson, PM  
Sec. W.: Lou Babbit, HPM  
W.: Ed Griffin HPM,  
W.: Tony Petrides, PM  
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### Vigilance

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Tyler Evan Sobel

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SS Justin Shiver  
Bro. Howie Zusel

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W.: Tony Petrides, PM  
W.: Mike Hart, HPM  
W.: Josh Johnson, PM  
SW Edmund Rodas

### Mentor's Committee

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SS Justin Shiver

### Lodge Board Of Relief

WM Marco Sevilleja (Chairman)  
SW Edmund Rodas, JW Ray Rios

Master Mason Association  
SW Edmund Rodas (Chairman)  
JW Ray Rios, SD Brian Price

### Investigations

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Sec. W.: Lou Babbit, HPM

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SW Edmund Rodas  
Secretary W.: Lou Babbit, HPM  
W.: Ricky Espiritu, PM

### Awards

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SD Brian Price, W.: David Reilly, HPM

### Visitors Committee

Bro. Howie Zusel (Chairman),  
Brother Don Gonzalez  
Brother T. J. Comert

## An Important Message From Worshipful Master Marco Sevilleja

### Harmonia Lodge Dress Code

For regular stated communications, degree, conferrals and official lodge visitations, all Brothers are required to wear a suit or sport coat and tie.

For regular stated communications, all Officers will wear black trousers, black tie, with white tux coat.

**Please Dress Appropriately For Lodge**



### Visit The Harmonia Lodge Masonic Merchandise Counter

Masonic Auto Emblems, Hats,  
Pins, Ties, Shirts, Knives,  
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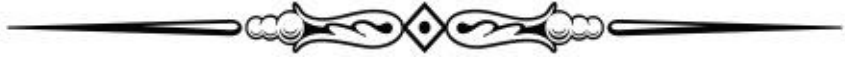
**Fraternal Gifts, Memorabilia & Merchandise**

See Brother Dave Reilly At Any Lodge Function

HOLD THE DATE & PLAN TO ATTEND



**Harmonia Lodge**  
**No. 138 F. & A. M.**  
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**Harmonia Lodge**  
**Rusty Nail**  
**Degree**

Monday August 13, 2018  
Dinner 6:15 PM, Degree 7:00 PM



*Join fellow Master Masons for a  
Rusty Nail Degree to refresh your memory  
regarding the passwords and signs of the  
three regular degrees of Freemasonry.*

MASTER MASONS ONLY



*124 Years of Masonry in West Palm Beach*

**Visit Our Harmonia Lodge Website**  
<http://harmoniamasoniclodge.com>

### **Website Features**

Take a tour of the Masonic Information Links, Resources, Educational Materials, Harmonia History, Upcoming Events, Harmonia Calendar, Fraternal Notices, Past Trestleboards, Photo Albums, Sign The Guest Book & MUCH MORE!

Send us your feedback at [webmaster@harmoniamasoniclodge.com](mailto:webmaster@harmoniamasoniclodge.com)



### **Your Feedback Is Welcome!**

We welcome any suggestions to improve our Trestleboard! Email your ideas, input or questions to The Chalk Publisher, Bro. Howie Zusel, Email: [thechalk@zusel.com](mailto:thechalk@zusel.com)  
*Thanks in advance for your valued input & support!*

## **YOUR LODGE NEEDS YOUR HELP**

### **Can You Assist One Day A Month ?**

The 4th Saturday of each month is Lodge Clean-Up Day  
9:00 AM to Noon - (Choose Inside or Out)

## **Please Join The Lodge Cleaning Crew**

To Volunteer Contact: Brother Ray Rios at:  
Phone: 561-578-3281 - Email: [rayrios@comcast.net](mailto:rayrios@comcast.net)  
or W.: Lou Babbit, HPM, Secretary 561-640-9115



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**M.:W.:Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M.**

25th Masonic District

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Boca - Delray Lodge #171 -----	4093 Northwest 4th Ave. Boca Raton, Fl. 33431 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 PM
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Gulf Stream Lodge #245 -----	2000 N. D St. Lake Worth, Fl. 33460 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30 PM
Palmwood Lodge #303 -----	845 Bradley St. West Palm Beach, Fl. 33405 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 PM
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Master Mason Association  
of the 25th Masonic District



**Meets the 2nd Wednesday of every Month**  
**7:30 PM**



## Palm Beach York Rite Bodies



Meets at Harmonia Lodge No. 138 F & A M  
Chapter No. 24 Royal Arch Masons  
Zabud Council No. 17 Royal and Select Masters  
Palm Beach Commandry No. 18 Knights Templar  
Meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays



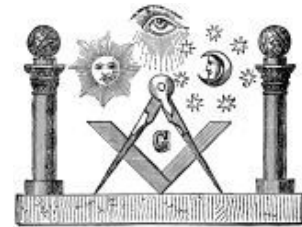
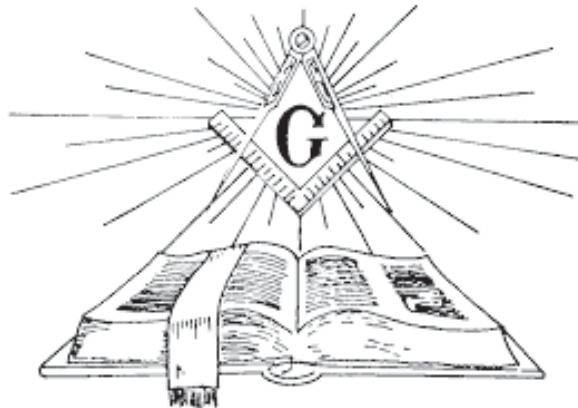
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**Squire Sidney King, President**  
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Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month  
Call Squire Sidney King for location

## Harmonia Lodge Degree Status





# NOTICE OF TIME CHANGE

Brothers,

Please note the following **2018 TIME CHANGES**

Dinner for 2018 Stated Meetings

**NEW TIME:..... 6:15 pm.**

Welcoming of Visitors:... 7:00 pm.

Stated Meeting:..... 7:30 pm.

Thank You

## Off The Shelf Of The Harmonia Library



### August 2018

W.: Bro. David J. Reilly, HPM, Librarian

Check out your Harmonia Library!

We have grown to over 650 Volumes and 40 DVD's. Masonic Education awaits you on every page of every volume. Talk about it and USE IT!

A suggested good read is Thomas Jefferson and the Tripoli Pirates by Brian Kilmeade. This is a timely book as it is directly involved with the current events between the Middle East and the United States. Kilmeade is an excellent writer and makes the story an easy read. He also authored George Washington's Secret Six, concerning the Culpepper Spy Ring. Please take a look at our Library as an order of new books has been received. More on those later.

We are always receptive of donations to the Library, monies, DVD's, Books Masonic Biographies, Books Non-Fiction on Freemasonry, and Florida History.

FYI. The list of 635 + book selections in our Library is on the Harmonia Masonic Lodge Web Site. Please let me know what you think of this service to our members. The Selections are listed Alphabetically by title, followed by author, call number and subject.

**Please Stop and Check Out YOUR Harmonia Library!**

*Lodge of Instruction at Harmonia, Thursday Nights For Catechism Assistance*

# The Old Masters Wages'

by M.W. Brother Neil Neddermeyer

I met a dear old man today, who wore a Masonic pin,  
It was old and faded like the man, Its edges were worn quite thin.

I approached the park bench where he sat, to give the old brother his do,  
I said, "I see you've traveled east", He said, "I have, have you?"

I said, I have and in my day, before the all seeing sun,  
I played in the rubble with Jubala, Jubilo and Jubalum.

He shouted, don't laugh at the work my boy, It's good and it's sweet and it's true,  
And if you've traveled as you said, You should give these things a due.

The word, the sign, the token, the sweet Masonic prayer,  
The vow that all have taken who have climbed the inner stair.

The wages of a Mason, are never paid in gold,  
but the gain comes from contentment, when you're weak and growing old.

You see I've carried my obligations, for almost fifty years,  
It has helped me through the hardships, and the failures full of tears.

I'm now losing my mind and my body, death is near but I don't despair,  
I've lived my life upon the level, and I'll die upon the square.

Sometimes the greatest lessons, are those that are learned anew,  
And the old man in the park today, has changed my point of view.

To all Masonic brothers, the only secret is to care,  
May you live upon the level, May you part upon the square.

**Harmonia Masonic Lodge No. 138 sends our sincere thanks to  
M.W. Brother Neil Neddermeyer  
for permission to use his original writing in The Chalk**



# Harmonia Lodge

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## Masonic Message Of The Month



### Brother John Elway

2 Time Super Bowl Champion, Exec. V.P. Of The Denver Broncos



I've experienced the highest of highs and lowest of lows. I think to really appreciate anything you have to be at both ends of the spectrum.

...John Elway

John Albert Elway Jr. is a former American football quarterback who is currently General Manager and Executive Vice President of Football Operations of the Denver Broncos of the National Football League (NFL). Brother Elway played college football at Stanford and his entire 16-year professional career with the Denver Broncos. At the time of his retirement in early 1999, Elway recorded the most victories by a starting quarterback and statistically was the second most prolific passer in NFL history. Brother Elway set several career records for passing attempts and completions while at Stanford and also received All-American honors. He was the first selection in the 1983 NFL Draft.

Brother Elway and the Denver Broncos won their first Super Bowl title by defeating the Green Bay Packers in Super Bowl XXXII. The Broncos repeated as champions the following season in Super Bowl XXXIII by defeating the Atlanta Falcons. Elway was voted MVP of that Super Bowl, which was the last game of his career, and in doing so Elway set a then-record five Super Bowl starts which was broken in February 2015 when Tom Brady of the New England Patriots started Super Bowl XLIX. As Denver's quarterback, Elway led his teams to six AFC Championship Games and five Super Bowls, winning two. After his retirement as a player, serving as G.M. and Exec. V.P. of Football Operations of the Broncos, the team won four division titles, two AFC Championships, and Super Bowl 50. Brother Elway was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 2004 in his first year of eligibility and was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 2000.

Brother John Elway was raised a Master Mason on June 28, 2002 and is a perpetual member of South Denver- Lodge No. 93.