



# Trestleboard

## Pearl of the West Lodge No. 146 F&AM

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### From the East

Greetings from the East;

Well, it's that time of year that I want to say Thank you to the craft for allowing me to be the Worshipful Master of the Lodge for 2025. As I sit here writing my last Trestleboard entry, It has been a fun and busy year to say the least. I could not have done it without mentors and past Masters who guided me along the way.

As we prepare for the Holidays, please know that Bro. SW Ken Leonard donated a new pre-lit Christmas tree to the Lodge and I would like to invite all Brothers and their family to help set up and decorate the tree this Thursday December 4th at 6 pm. If you are bringing family members to help, please let me know so we know how many pizzas to order.

As you know a donation was made to Metropolitan Ministries of 183 lbs. of non perishable food items. The barrel is empty and we need to fill it again to make a Christmas donation. In addition, we are collecting new unwrapped toys for the Toys for Tots program at the Lodge. Please consider bringing a new unwrapped toy to the collection box if you are able.

I will be away from 12-8-25 thru 12-20-25. Bro. Ken Leonard will be sitting in the East during my absence on December 16th, 2025.

Lastly, I'd like to take this opportunity to again say Thank you. Please have a healthy and happy holiday season.

Respectfully and Fraternally,

Craig Franklin  
Worshipful Master



### From the West

Happy Holidays from the West, Brothers,

It's hard to believe the year is already coming to a close—it truly feels like it has flown by.

I would like to congratulate Brother Tyler Grimes on being raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. I also want to thank all of the brothers who came out in support, and especially those who helped put on the degree. We had brothers from Paul Revere Lodge, Trilby Lodge, Bushnell, and Cape Coral join our brothers from Pearl to make this degree a success. This is just one of the many reasons Freemasonry is the greatest fraternity in the world—Brothers helping Brothers.

I would also like to thank the Craft for nominating me to serve as Worshipful Master for 2026. Congratulations as well to Shawn Wright and Ray Lindstrom on their nominations for Senior and Junior Wardens. Since all nominations were unopposed, we will be holding an election by acclamation at our December Stated Meeting. A reminder: the Installation of Officers will take place on Saturday, January 10th at 4

PM. This is an open installation, and all are welcome to attend, as the lodge will be open to the public for the event. More details will be shared soon—please save the date.

I will also be sending out a 100% optional and anonymous survey for the Brothers to complete. My goal is to take a "temperature check" on how the Craft feels about the lodge, and how we as officers can do better to ensure a bright future for Pearl of the West. I would greatly appreciate you taking a few minutes to complete the short survey. I hope to share the results with the Craft at our January Stated Meeting.

Respectfully and Fraternally,

Bro. Senior Warden Ken Leonard

"I hope I shall possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man."  
— Brother George Washington.



### From the South

Happy December Brethren:

Hopefully everybody had a happy Thanksgiving and didn't get too stuffed on Turkey.

Please join me in congratulating Brother Tyler Grimes on being raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason! Your hard work has paid off and we are excited to see where this journey takes you.

The Christmas season is upon us and we still have our blue barrel for donations in the lobby for Metropolitan Ministries. Let's get it filled up for a big donation.

As my year as JW comes to an end I would like to say it has been an honor to serve as your JW and I would like to thank everybody who has helped me in my position this year.

Lastly Brethren, we have catechism every Thursday (except the 25th). Please come out and join us for some studying or just for fellowship and dinner. We usually eat around 6 and studying to follow shortly after.

May you and your families have a wonderful Christmas. Don't forget to leave something a little extra for Santa and his reindeer. Please remember the reason that we celebrate Christmas. Happy Birthday Jesus!!!!

Respectfully and Fraternally,  
Bro. Shawn Wright  
Junior Warden



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#### December ANNIVERSARIES Years Date Brother's Name

66 Years 12/29/1959—Barry Dupre  
49 Years 12/13/1976—Cary Shontz  
46 Years 12/20/1979—Lawrentz Spector  
42 Years 12/08/1983—David Gilmore  
30 Years 12/09/1995—"Goody" Thorsteinsson  
29 Years 12/09/1996—Scott Bober  
16 Years 12/14/2009—Matthew Quinn  
03 Years 12/17/2022—Matthew Passmore

#### December BIRTHDAYS Date Brother's Name

12/02—John Tyrkala, Jr.  
12/06—Rot Campbell  
12/08—Bruce Boyce  
12/10—John Leonard  
12/11—Jerome Grace  
12/12—Charles Keay  
12/14—Keith Richard  
12/15—John McCarty  
12/21—William Petrey, Jr.  
12/23—Cameron Hall  
12/26—Timothy Watson  
12/27—Seneca Beal  
12/31—Ronald Evans, Jr.

#### IN MEMORIAM-2024

Phillip Reed  
William David Hart

#### IN MEMORIAM-2025

David Brischler  
Gary Joiner  
Finley "Gabe" Gable

#### PETITIONS

Three Degrees of Freemasonry  
Keith Broder

Dual Membership

Plural Membership

Transfer of Membership  
Robert Miller  
Darryl Rotherforth



#### DISTRICT 14 MASTERS AND WARDENS ASSOCIATION

Monthly meeting will be held at Paul Revere Lodge on Wednesday, December 17th. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm and the meeting will start at 7:00 pm. Come out and see what is happening throughout our District and what events are coming up in other lodges.

**2025 OFFICERS**

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**Past Masters of Pearl of the West No. 146**

1922 / 1924 C.A. Tansill  
1923 J.G. Snell  
1925 H.C. Remling -NP  
1926 / 1939 M.L. Bailey  
1927 / 1928 C.W. Barnett  
1929 Edward Y. Wilkes  
1930 Fred Shaw -NP  
1931 / 1932 / 1946 M.A. Fullington  
1934 / 1941 E.P. Scofield  
1935 George Hollbrook -NP  
1936 G.S. Holbrook -NP  
1937 / 1940 R.W. Huddleston  
1938 G.L. McKay  
1942 / 1949 G.A. Dame  
1943 C. Jones  
1944 / 1945 P.G. Mayer  
1947 W. Long  
1948 E.J. Harrison -NP  
1950 / 1953 R.: W.: H.K. Richmond  
1951 F.B. Riley -NP  
1952 / 1954 Malond Mott  
1955 Carl Hatcher  
1956 William Morgan -NP  
1957 Russell Barford  
1958 Francis Jones  
1959 Albert Cliffe -NP  
1960 E. Thonneson  
1961 Donald Sommer -NP  
1962 Ralph Taylor -NP  
1963 D.C. McClearen -NP  
1964 Fred Smith  
1965 W.E. Westerberg -NP  
1966 W.A. North  
1967 Joseph McMath  
1968 J.P. McAllister -NP  
1969 W.C. Calkins -NP  
1970 / 1971 Roger E. Michels  
1972 Arthur Riess -NP  
1973 Norman R. Wakefield -NP  
1974 Gary Joiner  
1975 K.M. Olson  
1976 Lynn McLarty  
1977 Perry A. North  
1978 D.W. Prescott  
1979 Jed Pittman -NP  
1980 Gene Ore  
1981 George Morgan  
1982 Joseph W. Blum  
1983 George Justin -NP  
1984 Michael Helsel  
1985 J.A. Thompson  
1986 Seth B. Willets  
1987 Ronald C. Newton  
1988 R.: W.: Angelo Rossello

1989 Paul Schatzel  
1990 Paul Craft  
1991 / 1993 Baxter Holland  
1992 Herman J. Schaefer  
1994 Keith A. Richard  
1995 Barry W. Breland  
1996 Gary Dobraski  
1997 Shawn D. Borth  
1998 Charlie T. Cox  
1999 R.: W.: William Petrey  
2000 Lawrence H. Ruby  
2001 Bryce K. Smith  
2002 Harold Banter, Jr.  
2003 Luke DeRoberts  
2004 David Brischler  
2005 / 2006 Judson A. Hiscutt  
2007 Jon Kueny  
2008 Glenn Clarke  
2009 / 2016 R.: W.: Ray Vance  
2010 Milton "Ray" Trahan  
2011 R.: H.: Bradley Watson  
2012 R.: H.: Richard Sikes  
2013 R.: W.: Scott Mitchell  
2014 Henry Eichner  
2015 R.: W.: Creg Bell  
2017 Dan Anger  
2018 Anthony Straquadine  
2019 Shawn Abel  
2020 Seneca "Ponytail" Beal  
2021 Bruce Reinartsen  
2022 R.: W.: David Lawrence  
2023 Jacob Carter  
2024 Glenn Valcarcel

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**Suggestion Box**

A suggestion box is provided in the lobby of the Lodge for our Brothers. The Worshipful Master will review any comments, and will seek to improve on the suggestions.

**From the Quill**

Brethren,

The Holiday Season and the end of the year always leaves me in reflection of everything we have accomplished over the past 11 months. This year has seen so many obstacles yet just as many or more triumphs. But, we've still got so much left to do.

Please consider helping with any number of our Lodge's projects: we've got our Holiday Food Drive—we just donated almost 200 lbs of food for Thanksgiving and more for Christmas, our Toys for Tots drive, and then there are countless other opportunities to assist with

various upcoming endeavors.

In closing, I would like to thank our 2025 Officer Line and all of the contributing Brothers and congratulate everyone on a great year. Together, we are serving and showing our community what Masonry is all about. Be safe over the coming Holidays, My Brethren. And may God Bless each of you and your Families!

Respectfully and Fraternally,

RW Scott Mitchell  
Secretary