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March 2024

J. Dewey Hawkins Lodge #331 Free & Accepted Masons

March 14, 2024 – Stated Meeting

Dinner and Fellowship – 6:30 PM

Meeting Promptly at – 7:30 PM

Agenda: RW:. DDGM Juan Roque Official Visit

Attire: Business Attire (or better)

Elected Officers

Worshipful Master
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Webpage

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February Calendar

- 3/6 Open Books / School of Instruction
- 3/7 Officers Meeting
- 3/9 Oakland Park Youth Day Parade
- 3/14 Stated Meeting (DDGM Visit)
- 3/18 Open Books / School of Instruction
- 3/28 Stated Meeting (HandsOn Broward)
- 3/30 Cigar Night - Cigar Republic



From the East...

Greetings Brethren,

February was an active month with our cleanup day on the 3rd followed by a Stated Meeting on the 8th. Our Junior Warden, Senior Deacon, Junior Deacon, Worshipful Chaplain, and I showed up on the 3rd, along with 2 of our EA's to do some much-needed cleanup work on the kitchen, pantry, and dining room. I'm sure you will notice the difference next time you are in the lodge!

Of note, in attendance for the Stated Meeting were Right Honorable District Instructor Matthue Goldstein and Worshipful Robert Turku of North Star Lodge #405. RH.: Matthue gave us an excellent breakdown of the process and timeline as we discussed and ultimately voted, unanimously, for the North Star / J. Dewey Hawkins merger to take place. Grand Lodge has the resolution, and I would expect their approval to be forthcoming! This was the most well attended regular meeting we have enjoyed in a long time. We had large number of our Past Masters, visitors from District 25, and Roe Fulkerson Lodge #229 came with way more than the seven members required to claim the Traveling Gavel. Congratulations Worshipful Alex and Roe Fulkerson and, thank you to all the brethren that were present. It was truly heart lifting for me seeing the lodge so full! (Check out March photos below)

On February 15th three of our EA's visited Eureka North Star Lodge #269 for a Called Communication focused on EA education. Thank you to Worshipful Hunter Adak for hosting our EA's! Then the following Thursday, February 22nd we enjoyed our Family and Friends Night at GG's of New York with close to 20 family and friends. It was great to see our brother Alex Irvine show up! Cigar Night, 2/23 at Cigar Republic had an even larger showing, I was sorry to miss this one but will plan on attending on March 30th. We finished out February with a bang with our Called Communication on Leap Day, the 29th for Brothers Scott Chalom, David Grossner, and David Angulo to do an outstanding job proving their proficiency in the Entered Apprentice Degree. Congratulations Brothers!

March is shaping up as we have the Oakland Park Youth Day Parade on the 9th, and our Stated Meeting and DDGMOV on the 14th. Our second Stated Meeting will be on March 28th as we have some business to discuss. The Sticks and Stones cigar night is on the 30th and don't forget, tickets to Diamonds and Gold on April 6th are still available. Raffle tickets are 50% off until the day of the event. Contact Worshipful Bob Wischart at +1 (305) 218-6672. Thank you brethren, I could not be happier with the level of participation that is continuing to build!

Fraternally,

Randy Lay, Worshipful Master

"If you can't run with the big dogs, stay on the porch. – John Madden"

February & March Birthdays

Walter Mason
 Frederick Weeks Jr
 RW: Michael Binder
 W: James Freeborn
 W: Solomon Goldenberg
 Anthony Gualtieri
 Vasken (Kenny) Lakhoyan
 Douglas Liantonio
 W: Carlton McLean
 Steven Ross
 William Wolf

District 26 Masters & Wardens

2024 Meetings & Locations

January 31	Doric
February 28	West Broward
March 27	Eureka North Shore
April 24	Roe Fulkerson
May 22	J. Dewey Hawkins
June 26	North Star
July 31	Doric
August 28	Cornerstone
September 25	West Broward
October 30	Eureka North Shore
November 20	Roe Fulkerson
December 27	J. Dewey Hawkins

Grand Master

Most Worshipful Glen Bishop

District Deputy Grand Master

Right Worshipful Juan Roque

District Instructor

Right Honorable Matt Goldstein

President -

Masters & Wardens Association

Worshipful Cesar M. Temes

From the West...

It's hard to believe but we are almost thru the first quarter of the year but it's been exciting times. The biggest piece of excitement is the pending merger of Northstar Lodge with J. Dewey Hawkins. Northstar will bring us a wealth of experienced ritualists and we may ultimately be able to hold our degrees without having to bring in "district pro's." Our ranks are continuing to grow, with 3 of our new Entered Apprentices passing their proficiencies and are now on the road to achieving their Fellowcraft degree and ultimately being raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason.

We have the Oakland Park Youth Day parade coming up on March 9. This is an excellent opportunity for us to both showcase our craft and also to show support to our home community. It is also an opportunity for our brothers to get involved with lodge events and enjoy fellowship.

Lastly, our March 14 meeting will be the official visit of DDGM Juan Roque. Let's have a big turnout to showcase our membership.

This has been and will be an exciting year and we look to you, our brothers, to be there and help generate this continued excitement as our lodge continues to grow.

Fraternally,

W:Arnold Bein

Senior Warden, J. Dewey Hawkins Lodge #331

From the South...


To my Brothers,

I will say it again, we all benefit from contact with the brothers with whom we share this fraternity! The meals prior to our meeting are fun, rewarding, and an excellent way to get to know our fellow brothers better. And for the first meeting in March the Worshipful Master will be preparing another St. Patrick's Day themed dinner! Our meals support themselves and the more brothers we have coming to the meals, the more fellowship we share! Don't forget, family and guests are always welcome to come and share in the fellowship. It's been a lot of fun so far this year and I do appreciate the devotion of my Stewards and EA brothers that help. I hope to see you all for our next meeting and meal... participation is key!

Thank you,

Vasken "Kenny" Lakoyan,

Junior Warden



Open Books and School of Instruction..

**Wednesday, March 6th and
Monday, March 18th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**



**@ Doric Lodge No. 140
(401 SW 15 Street—Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316)**

1st Wednesday and 3rd Monday Every Month!

Interested in Proficiency Cards???

Contact RH: Matt Goldstein, District Instructor (Secretary)

For More Details!





Diamonds and Gold Ladies Night



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Saturday April 6, 2024

Cocktail Hour: 6:00 pm/ Dinner: 7:00 pm

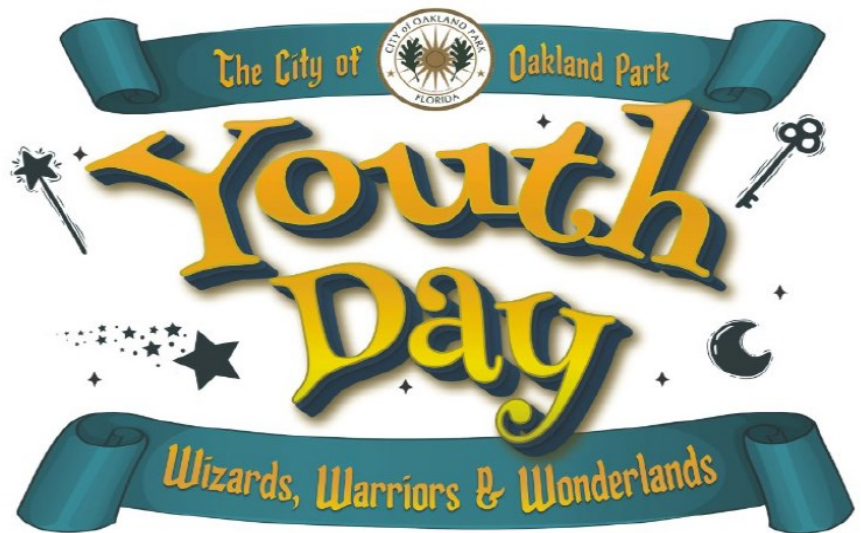
Tropical Acres Restaurant: 2500 Griffin Rd, Fort Lauderdale

Cost: \$65/person or \$650/Table

Florida registration number CH72811 For additional registration information, please contact J Dewey Hawkins Lodge No. 331 F. & A.M., Address: 555 NE 42nd Ct Oakland Park, FL 33334 Phone: (305) 218-6672.

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Approved for Distribution by M.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Grand Master, on November 29, 2023



Youth Day Celebration - Est. 1957

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2024

The City's celebration of its youth features Broward County's longest-running parade led by elected officials, community groups, local schools, and athletic teams.

The parade starts at Jaco Pastorius Park, then south on Dixie Highway, west on NE 38th Street, north on NE 5th Avenue to Wimberly Field. **Road closures will take place along the parade route.**

The parade will be followed by opening ceremonies and a celebration with carnival rides, live music, food, and fireworks.

EVENT TIMES

10 a.m. - Parade starts

11:00 a.m. - 9 p.m. - Celebration at Wimberly Field

Contact: WM:Randy Lay for more info— rkl1028@gmail.com or (954)328-8398



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PILGRIMAGE DAY

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195th Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge

The Most Worshipful grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Florida will hold its 195th Annual Grand Communication on Monday, May 27, 2024 thru Wednesday, May 29, 2024.

It will be held at the Rosen Plaza Hotel, located at 9700 International Drive, Orlando, Florida 32819.

**MAIN HOTEL SOLD OUT...
OVERFLOW ROOMS AVAILABLE
CALL NUMBER BELOW FOR DETAILS.**

REGISTRATION:

Begins Sunday, May 26th, at 9:00 a.m., in the Ballroom Foyer of the Hotel.

RESERVATIONS:

Reservations must be made and guaranteed by credit card with the Rosen Plaza Hotel by 5:00 p.m., May 2, 2024, to guarantee convention room rates. Reservations will be made on a first come first serve basis. Delegates are urged to make their reservations as soon as possible in order to secure the desired accommodations.

CHECK IN TIME IS 3:00 p.m.

Single or Double - \$103.00 / Triple - \$103.00 / Quad - \$103.00

Parking Fees as being Waived for Attendees.

(Mention "Grand Lodge" or "Florida Masons" for room discount.)

Please call (407) 996-9700 to make reservations directly with the Rosen Plaza Hotel.

The schedule has not yet been released.

BE SURE TO CONTACT THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER AND/OR SECRETARY IF YOU ARE ATTENDING!

2024 Elected Officers

Worshipful Master	Randall (Randy) K. Lay
Senior Warden	W.: Arnold Bein
Junior Warden	Vasken (Kenny) Lakhoyan
Treasurer	R.: W.: Michael (Mike) Binder
Secretary	W.: James Freeborn

2024 Appointed Officers

Chaplain	W.: Carlton Mclean
Marshal	W.: (R.J.) Rodney Jobman
Senior Deacon	Philip Buie
Junior Deacon	Luis Garcia
Senior Steward	Douglas (Doug) Livermore
Junior Steward	Humberto Fernandez
Tyler	W.: Robert Wischart
Musician	W.: Michael Waymire

2024 Lodge Committees

Finance	Vigilance	Petitions and Investigations	Board of Relief
Arnold Bein (Chair)	Kenny Lakhoyan (Chair)	Randy Lay (Chair)	Randy Lay (Chair)
Mike Binder	Mike Binder	Phil Buie	Mike Binder
James Freeborn	Robert Wischart	Luis Garcia	James Freeborn
	Marques Gibson	Marques Gibson	Arnold Bein
		Berto Hernandez	
		Doug Livermore	
Charity	Building	Masonic Education	Communications (Web)
Randy Lay (Chair)	Mike Binder (Chair)	Robert Wischart (Chair)	James Freeborn (Chair)
Phil Buie	Kenny Lakhoyan	Ramone Ramirez	Phil Buie
Ramone Ramirez	Phil Buie	James Freeborn	Jason Williams
Luis Garcia	Luis Garcia	Mike Binder	
		Randy Lay	
Catechism	Degrees	Fundraising	Community Service
Robert Wischart (Chair)	Robert Wischart (Chair)	Mike Binder (Chair)	Randy Lay (Chair)
Mike Binder	Mike Binder	Rodney Jobman	Rodney Jobman
James Freeborn	Rodney Jobman	Phil Buie	Luis Garcia
			Marques Gibson





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MARCH 29TH | 7:00PM

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