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EYE FOUNDATION ALL YOU CAN EAT SPAGGETTI DINNER, FEB 28, 4-7PM

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Currently meeting at

3100 Evans Avenue, Fort Myers, FL 33901

Regular Communications

2nd and 4th Tuesdays 7:00 PM

Chapter and Council alternate 2nd Tuesdays. Commandery meets every 4th Tuesday. The months of July and August may be Dark. Please verify meeting dates on the calendar and announcement pages of our website

January 2009

Visitors welcome / Members are urged to attend

Our new Officers have been installed.

Chapter Elected Officers are: Excellent High Priest—Richard Nelson; King—Larry Newton; Scribe—Edumndus Repšys. Council Elected Officers are: Illustrious Master—Lew Fish; Deputy Master—Dick Nelson; Principal Conductor of Work—Larry Newton. Elected Officers for Commandery are: Randy Spradling Eminent Commander; Sheldon Arpad—Generalissimo; Jim Record—Captain General. Appointed Officers will be announced shortly.

RELOCATION OF OUR CHARTERS

At the beginning of 2008 a MOTION was made, seconded and subsequently tabled, proposing to relocate the three York Rite Bodies from Noah Lodge to Tropical Lodge. In view of changing relationships and requirements, that motion has been reintroduced and accordingly will be presented at the first meeting in January for its “First Reading.” The MOTION reads as follows: **RESOLVED that the Bylaws be amended to reflect the location for Stated Meetings of Poinciana Chapter 50 RAM and Ft. Myers council No 25 R&SM and Ft. Myers Commandery No 32 KT as being the Fort Myers Masonic Center at 3100 Evans, Ave., Ft. Myers, Florida effective upon Approval of the Bylaws Change by the Grand Governing Bodies.**

Stated Meetings now at Tropical

In accordance with Dispensations previously sought and issued, all Fort Myers York Rite Bodies will conduct stated meetings at Tropical Lodge. Increased space for floor work should assist in all of our Ritual Work, especially Commandery floor work.

Council Degrees were worked in January

Our first Stated Meeting in January opened for Chapter and immediately changed over to a Called Council Meeting for Degree Work. The Royal Master Degree was conducted. The second Stated Meeting in January, Tuesday the 27th, saw Commandery open and immediately change over to a Called Meeting of Council for Degree Work. The Select Master Degree was

be conducted. We have greatly enjoyed doing the Chapter and Council Degrees for our 5 candidates and we look forward to the Templar Orders in February. This will allow us to begin a new Degree cycle in March for the Petitioners waiting to attend. We will also be looking around for Festival events for a couple of Petitioners who are unable to go thru the Degrees on the schedule we have set. It is a bit complicated, however it is great to have new Master Masons interested and eager to join us.

EYE FOUNDATION ALL YOU CAN EAT SPAGGETTI DINNER WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 28 AT TROPICAL LODGE FROM 4 TO 7 PM.

Tickets are available by calling the Secretary Recorder and will be available at the door. Call Ted Connally at 357-1263 and have him send them or hold them for you. As usual, the are \$6.00 each.

We are working on our Newsletter Format

As you can see, we are changing formats and styles as we search for the simplest way to create and send our newsletters as well as posting them to our website. Your comments and ideas are more than welcome as we continue to look for the best way to keep everyone up to date on our York Rite activities. Please feel free to make your thoughts known to any officer or directly to the Secretary Recorder.

Address , Phone Number and email updates are needed.

Thanks to a change in Postal requirements, we have discovered that we have over 60 bad addresses on file. If anyone mentions to you that they are not receiving mail from us, have them call, and if you are not on the email list, please let us have you email address. We want to shift our communication to email as soon as we are able and cut down the cost supplies and postage accordingly.

