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### From the East

Brothers,

Grand Lodge was a great experience—hearing a giant room filled with men reciting the Pledge of Allegiance together is very moving.

Tragically, as many of you know, Most Worshipful John E. Karroum was taken gravely ill during the proceedings and passed to the Celestial Lodge Above on Friday, May 31. We will be draping the Altar in remembrance of his life during our Stated Meeting on Monday, June 10.

A Memorial Service for M.W. John Karroum will be held on Saturday, June 15 at 10:00 am at Boynton Lodge #236, 2701 Quantum Boulevard, Boynton Beach. Please keep his wife Carol and his entire family in your prayers and thoughts as they move through this trying time. We know not when the Great Architect calls. Alas, My Brother.

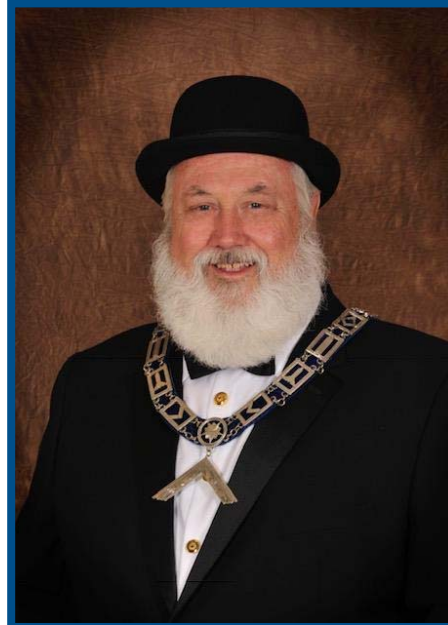
Our newly elected Grand Master, M.W. John Westerman, will be visiting the Proud 16th District on Saturday, June 22. In the morning, St. John's Day breakfast will commence at 8:00 am Winter Park Lodge. In the evening, registration for the Grand Master's Dinner will begin at 5:00 pm at Apopka VFW Hall, 519 South Central Avenue, Apopka. Dinner is at 6:00 pm. All Master Masons are invited to attend, and dinner for you and your lady has already been paid for by Mokanna.

Following the Dinner, there will be a tiled meeting for all Master Masons in the District at Mokanna Lodge. It will likely be a late evening but your support and attendance is most welcome as we host the new Grand Master and the Brothers of the District in our own home Lodge.

Prior to this event on Saturday, we need help on Friday, June 21 at 4:00 pm to set up the dining room at the VFW for the Grand Master's visit. This shouldn't take long—many hands make light work.

Speaking of many hands, thank you to everyone who helped get the Lodge furniture off on it's journey to and from Grand Lodge. That was a lot. But it was worth it. All of the Grand Masters present at Grand Lodge signed our Bible, which we will be using for the upcoming Fellowcraft Degree on Monday, June 17 at Mokanna. Light refreshments at 6:00 pm, and the Degree will begin at 7:00 pm. We have three candidates and we are doing courtesy work for Winter Park Lodge. Please come and support these men as they continue their journey in the Craft.

Join me in welcoming our new DDGM, R.W. Jerry Clark, and our new District Instructor, R.H. Alex Darwich. At Grand Lodge, R.W. Larry Williamson was appointed 2019 Worshipful Grand Standard Bearer of the Grand Lodge of Florida, and Brother Mike Seeley was appointed Grand Musician of the Grand Lodge of Florida. Also, R.W. Donald Goolsby has been appointed Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge of Florida. Many congratulations to these fine Masons from the Proud 16th District!



### Stated Meetings

#### Second & Fourth Mondays

6:30 pm Dinner

7:30 pm Meeting

#### Physical Address:

4925 Clarcona-Ocoee Road  
Orlando, Florida 32810

#### Mailing Address:

PO Box 580339  
Orlando, Florida 32858-0339

#### Lodge Phone:

321-800-6337

#### Email Address:

MokannaLodge@Gmail.com

#### Website:

[www.mokanna329.com](http://www.mokanna329.com)

#### Facebook:

[facebook.com/mokannalodge](https://facebook.com/mokannalodge)

### Events

- 6/3 Officer's Meeting
- 6/10 Stated Meeting
- 6/17 Officer's Meeting
- 6/24 Stated Meeting

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### From the Lodge Secretary

Greetings Brothers,

I wanted to remind you all, please check your wallet for a 2019 dues card. I will be sending out late dues notices the end of this month to those I do not show being current. I ask you to understand this is required by Grand Lodge as every member is required to pay the next years dues by 27 December for ensuing year. If you mail your dues in Jan or Feb, you are technically late.

At the 2019 Grand Lodge session, the Craft voted to raise the per capita tax from the current \$20 per year by \$5 per year, ending in 5 years to a total of \$45. I am sure you all remember several years ago, the Craft also voted to separate the dues from the per capita tax. Over the last 10 years, membership statewide has decreased by 10,000 members through deaths and NPD. Mokanna currently has 247 members. Of which, we have 45 members that are 50 year plus members that are dues exempt and 48 members that are perpetual members, leaving us 154 that pay the full dues amount. Our dues of \$116 are thus explained: \$20 GL per capita, \$7.30 LYPMGS (\$27.30 which goes directly to GL, \$10 which goes towards our building fund for emergencies and only \$78.70 dues goes to the general fund to operate Your Lodge. Our Perpetual members pay 75% of our per capita tax and also Mokanna will continue to receive funds from these Brothers long after they leave this earthly life.



Our annual operating budget at Mokanna Lodge is approximately \$42,000 annually with the majority of that money going to the overall operation and maintenance of our facility which is 40 years old this year. As the building ages, maintenance costs increase, just like at our homes. Of our budget of \$42,000, dues covers approximately \$12,100 of that figure and we are EXTREMELY fortunate that we have a church that rents our building on Sundays for \$1000 per month or \$12,000 per year. Without that income, we would be in dire straits to continue our annual operations in our facility. Together with our aging members, which we lose annually approximately 10 members per year to the Great Architect calling them home and another 12 or so to NPD. While we have had some success in bringing in new members, we do not cover our losses annually. Your officers are working on a plan to streamline the process to bring in more members to offset those losses AND to strengthen the bonds of our great fraternity.

With this in mind, Mokanna Lodge will be proposing a dues increase at the 10 June stated meeting and voting on it at our 8 July meeting. Our Treasurer Brother Steve Thomas, who does a fantastic job at controlling and monitoring expenses, will be presenting a portion of the explanation of the increase in dues. Please make every effort to attend both of these very important meetings in the continued success of Mokanna Lodge.

If you attended the Grand Lodge session, or may not have heard of the circumstances, our Grand Master, M.W. John Karroum fell ill and later succumbed and passed to the Celestial Lodge above on Friday evening, 31 May. We will be draping the altar in his honor at our next meeting and all the Brethren of Mokanna Lodge wish to express our heartfelt sorrow to his wife Carol and his family. May the GGotU hold him and welcome him into His loving arms and comfort the family of our lost Grand Master.

Fraternally & Respectfully,

Ed Sexton, Secretary



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### From our Past DDGM (aka Stovetop)

My Brothers,

As the 2019 Grand Lodge is over, I reflect on the year I had as District Deputy Grand Master and feel that it was a successful run.

Part of being DDGM requires you to have a core of Brothers you can rely on and trust, so naturally a lot of responsibility falls on the DDGM's home Lodge.

I just wanted to say thank you to the Brothers of Mokanna for being so supportive of me this year.

It kicked off with the GM official visit, the Chili cookoff at my last DDGM official visit, my Homecoming in May, and then with bringing in the furniture and setting up the Grand Lodge room last week.

The amount of work you Brothers put in just makes me even more proud to be a member of this fantastic Lodge.

Without your help and support, I know this wouldn't have been as memorable a year as it was. Thank you again!

Thank you,

Ryan Kilmartin,

District Deputy Grand Master

Proud 16th Masonic District

Past Master of Mokanna Lodge No. 329 - 2015

Past District Instructor - 2015, 2016, 2017



*"Blessed indeed is the man who hears many gentle voices call him father."*

*— Lydia Maria Child*



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### Greetings from the West!

First of all, the corn boil was a great success. Thank you to all who supported this event. The corn boil is the annual cornerstone fundraiser for the lodge.

Remember we have two more later in the year, the Italian Dinner and the BBQ. See you there.

Grand lodge was filled with great fellowship and vendors. On a special note please continue to pray for our Past Most Worshipful Grand Master John Karroum's family.



Thank you for your continued support of our Worshipful Master John and the lodge officers.

Fraternally,

 *Kenneth L. Foster, 999, S.W.*

### Welcome from the South!



Another month has passed and it feels like only yesterday I sat in the South.

May has been a busy month with Grand Lodge, the Shrine Circus, our Corn Boil and many other events. The Corn boil was a great success this year and was well attended. Zellwood corn is still the best I've tasted. Well done to all that helped from the cooks to the clean up crew.

Let's keep this momentum going for our future events and to make them as successful as this one. Our next fundraiser is the Italian Dinner on 20th July. Make sure you come and enjoy a taste of Italy.

Every time I'm at the Lodge I feel a sense of pride for Mokanna. We are a Lodge that excels! I am proud to say I'm from Mokanna #329. Worshipful Master John is having a great year so far and let's move it up a notch and make it fantastic. I look guests to seeing you all soon at Lodge.

Now onto the menu!

6/10 Breaded chicken with roasted potatoes and vegetables with brown gravy.  
Dessert apple strudel and ice cream

6/24 BBQ Pulled pork, rolls, tater tots and beans  
Dessert rainbow cookies and ice cream

COME HUNGRY LEAVE FULL!

 *Mark Charlton, J.W.*



*"Do what is right, not what is easy"*

*The*  
**Grand Master's Official Visit**  
to the "Proud" 16th Masonic District

**"DO THE RIGHT THING,  
AT THE RIGHT TIME,  
FOR THE RIGHT REASON"**

**Saturday, June 22, 2019**

5:00pm Registration

6:00pm Dinner

7:00pm Meeting



**M.:W.: JOHN WESTERMAN**

**Dinner & Ladies Program at  
The Apopka VFW**

**519 S Central Ave, Apopka, FL 32703**

**Meeting to follow at**

**Mokanna Lodge No. 329**



# *Lodge Social Night*

*At Azteca D'Oro*

*Mexican Restaurant*

7320 W. Colonial Drive, Orlando

Friday, June 14

6:30 pm



You & Your Lady  
Casual Dress



RSVP to John Stewart  
By Wednesday, June 12

(321) 438-0339 or

[johnstewartmokanna@aol.com](mailto:johnstewartmokanna@aol.com)

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# ANNUAL ITALIAN DINNER

*Saturday, July 20, 2019*  
*5:00 pm to 8:00 pm*

Mokanna Lodge #329, 4925 Clarcona-Ocoee Rd, Orlando, FL 32810

*Public Welcome!*

*Tickets are \$10 each*

## *Mark's Menu*

**Lasagna / Chicken Alfredo / Spaghetti with Meatballs**

**Fresh Green Italian Salad and Baked Garlic Bread**

**Virgin Limoncello / Iced Tea / Coffee**

**Desserts sold separately by Our Lovely Rainbow Girls**

**This is a Fundraiser for the Community Charities the Lodge Supports**

Proceeds benefit Mokanna Lodge No. 329 Free and Accepted Masons of Florida and are not tax deductible as a charitable contribution. Mokanna Lodge No. 329 Free and Accepted Masons of Florida registration No. CH42345, a charitable organization registered with the State of Florida under s.496.405. "A COPY OF THE OFFICIAL REGISTRATION AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES BY CALLING TOLL FREE (800-435-7352) WITHIN THE STATE. REGISTRATION DOES NOT IMPLY ENDORSEMENT, APPROVAL, OR RECOMMENDATION BY THE STATE"





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### Mokanna Past Masters

Robert B. Shugart .....1958/59d	Everett P. Manis ..... 1995
Phillip M. Taylor.....1960d	Walter E. Harris..... 1996d
Lofton D. Chiles, PDDGM.....1961d	W. Terry Chateau ..... 1997d
Fredrick M. Morris, PDDGM .....1962d	Larry W. Grose, PDDGM..... 1998
Andrew E. Duggar.....1963d	Robert H. Wassum ..... 1999d
Harold Bremer.....1964d	James C. Brittain..... 2000d
Julian L. Friedman.....1965d	Fred D. Daughtry Sr..... 2001d
Gary N. Vann .....1966d	Carl Ray..... 2002d
Emmett Hummell .....1967d	Edward M. Sexton, PDDGM ..... 2003
William Hunt .....1968d	Joseph E. Gerard Sr. .... 2004
B.D. Hays, PDDGM.....1969d	Donald E. Martin ..... 2005
Frank L. Alexander.....1970	James R. Hamilton..... 2006
William F. Perry .....1971d	Frank D. Walker ..... 2007
Merritt J. Morrison, PDDGM.....1972d	Erik B. Andersen..... 2008
Bill Bowman .....1973d	A. Richard Wirth, Sr..... 2009
Charles S. Pappas .....1974d	Edward L. Rees..... 2010
Fred Masciantoni.....1975d	Thomas E. Whitman..... 2011
O.H. Ware.....1976d	A. Richard Wirth, Jr ..... 2012
George W. Laberee Sr.....1977d	Jim Gillespie ..... 2013
Robert E. Matteson .....1978d	Guenter Sommer ..... 2014
Deem E. Ramey .....1979d	Ryan Kilmartin, DDGM ..... 2015
Thomas M. Stewart Jr.....1980d	Eric Romano, DI..... 2016
Bruce P. Brooks .....1981d	Michael Catello..... 2017
Kenneth G. Cannon .....1982d	Rocco Williams..... 2018
William H. Smith.....1983d	<b>Affiliated Past Masters</b>
Jack A. Jennings .....1984d	William E. Compton ..... 1978d
Donald H. Patterson Sr. ....1985d	Robert J. Morrow, PDDGM
James G. Blackwell .....1986	..... 1981/
Thomas V. LeMoine.....1987	02
Kenneth E. Briscoe.....1988d	Charles D. Counterman ..... 1983
Robert D. Imes.....1989	Ottis R. Erickson, PDDGM..... 1983d
Lee R. Hill.....1990d	Blair Evans, PDDGM.....1983
Gerald T. Boylan .....1991d	Gordon T. Coyle ..... 1985
Paul Moore.....1992	Robert Davis..... 1985d
John H. Linebarier, PDDGM.....1993d	Eugene Belt ..... 1986d
D. Phillip Rowe Jr .....1994	Paul W. Tinsley.....1986
	Bill "Willie B" Erd, PDDGM ..... 1991

d=Deceased PDDGM=Past District Deputy Grand Master PGM=Past Grand Master PDI=Past District Instructor

### 2019 Mokanna Lodge Officers

Worshipful Master:	John C. Stewart Jr.
Senior Warden:	Kenneth Foster III
Junior Warden:	Mark Charlton
Treasurer:	Steve Thomas
Secretary:	R.:W.: Edward M. Sexton
Chaplain:	Dennis A. Ickes
Marshal:	W.: Frank Walker
Senior Deacon:	Calvin Woolfolk
Junior Deacon:	Bill Wagner
Senior Steward:	Rob Price
Junior Steward:	Gregg Robinson
Tyler:	R.:W.: Ryan Kilmartin, DDGM
ALT. Tyler:	Louis Steuer, Jr.
ALT. Tyler:	Terry Tucker

### 2019 Mokanna Committees

Finance Committee:	Kenneth Foster III
Vigilance Committee:	Mark Charlton
Masonic Education:	Kenneth Foster III
	R.:W.: Ryan Kilmartin, DDGM
Board of Relief:	John C. Stewart Jr.
Investigation Committee:	Kenneth Foster III
Charity Committee:	John C. Stewart Jr.
Lodge Property:	Mark Charlton
	W.: Frank Walker
Memorial Lodge:	Frank Woods
Rental Committee:	John C. Stewart Jr.
Rental Coordinator:	Susan Sexton
Past Masters & Widows:	John C. Stewart Jr.
Corn Boil—May 11	Calvin Woolfolk
DDGM Homecoming—May 18	Mokanna Officers
Italian Dinner—July 20	Mark Charlton
BBQ Dinner—Nov 9	Kenneth Foster III





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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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6/1 Saturday — Masters and Wardens / Winter Garden Lodge #165

6/3 Monday — Mokanna Officer's Meeting

6/4 Tuesday — Rainbow Meeting

6/5 Wednesday — Entered Apprentice Degree / South Seminole Lodge #364

6/10 Monday — Mokanna Stated Meeting

6/11 Tuesday — Amaranth Heritage Court at Mokanna

6/12 Wednesday — Grand Master Official Visit Practice at Mokanna / 6 pm

6/14 Friday — FLAG DAY

6/14 Friday — Lodge Social at Azteca Mexican Restaurant

6/16 Sunday — FATHER'S DAY

6/17 Monday — Mokanna Officer's Meeting / Fellowcraft Degree

6/18 Tuesday — Rainbow Board Meeting

6/20 Thursday — Set up Mokanna Lodge for Grand Master's Official Visit

6/21 Friday — Set up American Legion Hall for Grand Master's Official Visit

6/22 Saturday — St. John's Day and Grand Master's Official Visit and Dinner

6/24 Monday — Mokanna Stated Meeting

6/25 Tuesday — Amaranth Heritage Court at Mokanna

6/26 Wednesday — District School of Instruction / Winter Garden #165 / 7 pm to 9 pm

6/29 Saturday — District Open Books / Winter Park #239 / 8 am to Noon

Upcoming in July:

7/20 Saturday — Mokanna Italian Dinner Fundraiser / 5 pm to 8 pm / Tickets \$10 per person



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June Birthdays			
Day	Brother		
1	David	Owen	Noell Sr
1	Charles	Richard	Thomas
2	Frank	D	Walker
5	David	Lee	Amrein
5	Dennis	A	Ickes
5	Barry	Vernon	Newton Jr
5	William	Clarence	Wagner
6	Amos	William	Harris
6	Calvin	Jerome	Woolfolk
7	Peter		Diaz
9	Gregory	Renard	Robinson
10	Timothy	Warren	Carroll
10	William	Shearer	Culberson
11	James	Rexford	Burgess
12	Michael	Pyron	Alexander
16	Michael	Clarence	Snapp
18	Daniel	Roy	Vansyckle
21	Kenneth	Joseph	Johns
24	Paul	Brian	Thurston
27	Gary	Lynn	Alford
27	David	McGuire	Bridenbaugh

June Masonic Birthdays				
Date	Brother		Years	
06/01/1971	Eugene	Donald Werner	48	
06/01/1996	Lawrence	Alger Brasher	23	
06/01/1996	Alan	Thomas Byers	23	
06/01/1996	Robert	Alden Dodge Sr	23	
06/01/1996	Tony	Ray Monson	23	
06/01/1996	Martin	Lee Short	23	
06/01/1996	John	C Stewart Jr	23	
06/01/1996	Howard	Edwin Sullivan Jr	23	
06/01/1996	Jack	Steven Watkins	23	
06/01/1996	Jack		Watkins Sr	23
06/02/1989	Everette	Phillip Manis	33	
06/03/1963	Elwood	Slater Smith Jr	56	
06/05/1959	William	Wallace Beckett	60	
06/12/1981	Gary	Lynn Alford	38	
06/12/1981	Floyd	W Thurston Jr	38	
06/12/1991	Ronald	Allen Borders Sr	28	
06/18/1975	Donald	Eric Moon	44	
06/21/1972	Sam	Austin Smith Jr	47	
06/21/2000	Donald	J Maness	19	
06/22/1972	Charles	Ernest Smith	47	
06/25/1969	Robert	Lowery Hamilton	50	
06/25/1980	Edward	Richard Davis	39	
06/26/1985	James	Wesley Wiley	34	
06/27/1967	David	Lee Amrein	52	
06/27/2013	Alberto		Feliberty Jr	6
06/27/2013	Gary	Bedford Guy	6	



**Happy Birthday**



Kenny Foster, SW



Mark Charlton, JW



2019  
Mokanna  
Officers



R.:W.: Ed Sexton, SEC



Steve Thomas, TREAS



Calvin Woolfolk, SD



W.:M.: John Stewart



Bill Wagner, JD



Rob Price, SS



Gregg Robinson, JS



Dennis Ickes, CHAP



W.: Frank Walker, MAR



R.:W.: Ryan Kilmartin, TYLER



“What we do for ourselves dies with us.  
What we do for others and the world remains and is immortal.”

Albert Pike