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# M. W. JOHN ELIAS KARROVM GRAND MASTER OF MASONS OF FL

M∴W∴ John Elias Karroum was born in Damascus Syria. He attended and graduated from College de Peres Lazaristes and Damascus University Medical School and then graduated as a Medical Doctor in 1974.

M.: W.: Karroum received the Three Symbolic Degrees of Freemasonry as a member of Zahle Lodge No 1047, Chartered by The Grand Lodge of Scotland in Zahle, Lebanon, in 1977. He is a life member of his mother Lodge. He then immigrated to Venezuela, where his family lived and where he worked as a General Practitioner for two years. In 1979 he moved to the United States to pursue a higher education in Medicine. He became Board Certified in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology and in Dermatopathology. He practices his specialty and has been the Medical Director of Broward Medical Lab in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, since 1997.

M.· W.· Karroum joined Boynton Lodge No 236, F. & A.M., in 2001 and served as Junior Steward, Senior Deacon, Senior Warden, and as Worshipful Master. He also served as Secretary of his Lodge from 2007 through 2015. He has served his District in various Committee Chairmanships from 2004 through 2014.

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*M*:·*W*:· *John E. Karroum* was installed as the Grand Master of Masons of Florida at the 189th Annual Communication.

Degrees on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays
Stated Communications on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays
Masonic Instruction every Thursday
Eastern Star meets on 1st and 3rd Saturdays
DeMolay meets every Monday

#### PILLAK MIZDOW



Greetings My Brothers,

Wow! The year is half over and we will be dark in August, a great time to spend with family on vacations before the kids head back to school. The officers and Brothers are back from the 189th Annual Grand Lodge Communication and it was an excellent time to fellowship with our own Brothers and a reunion to see Brothers from all over the state. Congratulations to

Our official visit of our new District Deputy Grand Master  $R \cdot \cdot W \cdot \cdot$  Tony DeAngelo is set for Tuesday July 10th. I look forward to the evening with his traveling committee.

Also, We will be having our 2nd Family Night of the year on the fifth Tuesday of the month, July 31st. Hillsborough Lodge 25 will be celebrating "Egypt Shrine Appreciation Night" We are looking forward to an excellent evening.

The second half of the year has much work to be done

and our Officers have done an excellent job this year with all their duties. I have truly been blessed to have a tremendous officers line. Truly, the most dedicated Masons in Florida. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your commitment to our lodge and Freemasonry.

Our 18th Annual Table Lodge is just around the corner and is set for Tuesday, September 4th. This is the event of the year and many Brothers from around the district and state look forward to this event and is guaranteed to be another spectacular event. Purchase your tickets early. I look forward to seeing everyone. Be safe and have a great summer!

Fraternally,

Joey Davis

Worshipful Master



## PILTAR STRENATH



My Brothers,

As we are in the height of the summer and temperatures are rising I would like to remind everyone that our lodge will be dark for the Month of August, but that doesn't mean we will not be doing projects around the lodge. I have a few painting projects and a few face lift projects I would like to tackle this summer. If you have time and are interested please contact me to get involved.

I have been asked, and I accepted, to serve not only Lodge but also our District this year. Our grand Lodge is focusing on Masonic Education and for the coming year will be the chairman for Masonic Leadership Training. I will be holding classes every month on the first Wednesday at John Darling Lodge #154 immediately preceding District School of Instruction. We will begin at 6:00pm and go for about an hour. If you have started your MLT card or are desirous of beginning the process please come out and support me this year.

Our annual Table Lodge will be held September 4, 2018. Seating is limited, so if you haven't purchased your tickets yet, please do so as soon as possible either through the lodge website or in person with the Lodge Secretary. This is one of the most enjoyable event all year and if you have never attended Table Lodge, I encourage you to do so. It is always a fun time, as you will share friendship and Brotherly love with Brothers from throughout the entire state. Table Lodge is open to Entered Apprentice and Fellowcrafts, so don't miss out!

Fraternally,

Billy D. Scott, ]]]

Senior Warden



### PILLAK REAUTY



My Brothers,

As we pass into summer, I'm pleased to report we have fourteen Entered Apprentices who have been initiated so far this year. These upstanding men have knocked at our door, and after careful consideration on our part and their part, they have joined our ranks. As they pass to the degree of Fellow Craft and are then Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason, I ask

that you join us and support these men and your Lodge.

With new members, comes a need for instructors. Are you looking to instruct and earn a Silver Card? If so, please contact me! If needed, W.: Mike Fletcher is available on Thursday evenings to help you earn your proficiency card and get you ready to teach a class. Thank you to R.: W.: Silvers, W.: Liniger, Brother Ellis, and Brother Tennis for stepping up and instructing classes.

Do you think attending Lodge meetings is dull? Nothing new to offer? We have a great many grand plans for our Lodge and Fraternity, but sadly, very few Brothers around to help take action. If you are interested in assisting the Lodge with expanding programs in the areas of education, charity, or social events, please let us know. You don't have to be an officer of the Lodge or even attend Tuesday events to contribute to your Lodge. If you have an idea, bring it forward and assist us in making it happen.

I'm happy to report that at the 189th Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Florida, the Craft voted overwhelmingly to "empower our Grand Master to sign an acceptable agreement extending "Recognition" to the Most Worshipful Union Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons, Florida, Belize, Central America & Jurisdiction, Incorporated, Prince Hall Affiliated". The Craft will be notified if and when recognition is in place.

Last, I'd like to thank Brothers Wise, Blair, and Huster for their continued and consistent assistance tending to prep and clean up for our meals. Dedication with such tasks shows the true character of a man and leader. I thank you greatly for your efforts.

If you have any questions or need anything, especially concerning the subjects above, please come talk to me anytime or email me at billyschmidtH25@gmail.com.

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# YEJO E'KARTJAJJE



Greetings, Brothers!

I have sent out the first Notices of Delinquent Dues to the Brothers who have not paid their 2018 Dues. If you haven't paid your Dues yet, please do so as soon as possible.

By September 30th, I will be sending out the Final Notices/ Summonses to Brothers who still have not paid their 2018 Dues by that time. If you end up getting suspended for non-

payment of Dues this year, you will have to complete the formal reinstatement process to get reinstated, which will cost time and money. If you have any questions or concerns regarding payment of Dues, please feel free to contact me.

I encourage you to review all of the legislation that was passed at the recent Annual Grand Communication this past May.

Even though the Lodge will be "dark" on Tuesday nights

in August, the Secretary's office will still remain open for business. Please feel free to stop by the Secretary's office in August. You can also call the Lodge at (813) 229-2305 and email me at secretary@hillsborough25.org.

Sincerely & Fraternally,

Drew Batowin

Secretary, PM





Our Next FAMILY NIGHT!

Tuesday, July 31, 2018 Dinner 6:30 p.m. Lodge Presentations at 7:30 p.m. **JVLY** 

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IS	Paul Revere Chapter 7 p.m.	Degree Night For Candidates & Brothers prepared. Dinner 6:30 p.m. Degree 7:15 p.m.	18	Masonic Education & Catechism  Finance / Prop. Meeting PM Room 6:30pm	20	MASONIC HOME BOARD MTG Masonic Home of Florida St. Petersburg 11a.m.	
22	Paul Revere Chapter 7 p.m.	Stated Communication  Dinner 6:30 p.m. Meeting 7:15 p.m.	25	Masonic Education & Catechism 6:30 p.m.	Masters & Wardens Meeting  John Darling Lodge • 6:30 p.m. 4601 Habana Tampa, FL	28	
29	Paul Revere Chapter 7 p.m.	FAMILY NIGHT! Dinner 6:30 p.m. Awards 7:30 p.m.	MORE MASONIC EVENTS  View more Masonic events and updated information on the Lodge web site: www.hillsborough25.org, or follow us on Facebook and Twitter, links available on the web site.				

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26	Paul Revere Chapter 7 p.m.	No Meeting Tonight	29	Masonic Education & Catechism 6:30 p.m.	31	

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He served as District Deputy Grand Master for  $M \cdot W \cdot I$  Jim J Harris in 2011 and as District Instructor in 2007. He also served on the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Home for five years. He served as Admissions and Relief Committee Chairman for one year and Chairman of the Budget Committee of the Masonic Home for the past three years. He was elected to the Office of Junior Grand Warden on May 26, 2015 at the 186th Annual Grand Communication.

M.· W.· Karroum is a 32° KCCH Scottish Rite Mason in the Valley of Lake Worth, Lake Worth, Florida, and continues to be an active supporter of the Scottish Rite. He is also a proud member of the Palm Beach York Rite Bodies, Mahi Shriners, AAONMS, and is a member of the Royal Order of Scotland. He is Gold Card Perpetual Member of Boynton Lodge No. 236 F. & A.M. and Apalachicola Lodge No. 76 F. & A.M. ■



If you hear of a Brother who has passed to that Celestial Lodge Above, please inform the Lodge Secretary so the Lodge can give proper condolence and assistance to his Widow.





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Brothers, all Circumscribe ID cards with pictures were delivered to the Lodge Secretary at the Annual Grand Lodge Communication in May 2018. If you had already uploaded a picture, it was printed on your new card. If you had not, you will be receiving a card without a photo. If you would like to add a photo, and order a new card, you may do so within your Circumscribe profile, and pay a nominal fee of \$5.00. It will be mailed directly to the address on your profile.

HILLSBOROUGH LODGE No. 25 F. & A.M. Tuesday, September 4th 2018

Don't miss the Fellowship and a seven course, 5-star meal prepared by W∴ Walter Schoepf and Brother Karlo Degiacomi. This event is open to all Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts. Avouchment for EA's & FC's is required by Master Masons in good standing. Aprons are not required, and free parking is available on any street North of Kennedy Blvd.

Here's an example of past meals:

- •1st Course: Shaved Prosciutto & Melon Appetizer
- •2nd Course: Chilled Cucumber Soup
- •3rd Course: Maryland Crab Cake w/Creole Marmalade
- •4th Course: Garden Salad w/Balsamic Dressing
- •5th Course: Fresh Sorbet w/Mint
- •6th Course: Chicken Champaign w/Wild Mushrooms and Beef Medallions w/Spatzle and Vegetable Medley
- •7th Course: Strudel A-la-Mode with Vanilla Bean Ice Cream
- •Dinner Rolls w/Butter, Iced Tea, Coffee, Water, and of course the Cannon Toasts (you keep the Cannon).

Purchase your ticket online at www.hillsborough25.org/table\_lodge.html

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Sincerely and Fraternally,

Billy D. Schmidt

Iunior Warden



## HAPPY BIRTHPAY

#### **July 2018**

Clifford M. Allen John H. Ashby Iohn T. Bast Joseph A. Bever Lawrence W.Bryan William R. Bussey Bruce D. Cameron Gary M. Canady Thomas C. Climer George R. Cloversettle James K. Clyman Rvan I. Concordia Thomas L. Crandell Randal W. Crites Kenneth W. Dausy Richard L. Di Cicco Wilbur D. Dietzman John A. Eldridge Kyle J. Ellis Larry D. Flynn Ignazio Fonte George R. Fox Joseph Guggino Jeffrey L. Haning Steven T. Hawkins Iohn W. Heffernan Richard P. Henry Iulian S. Hook Melvin S. Iacobson Jack D. Lamb Angelo S. Lazzara

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If you missed the Spring Reunion, the next one will be in Fall, October 20th and 27th, 2018.

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#### August 2018

Ricardo J. Bonilla Robert A. Bovchuk Jerry L. Brady Sr Henry R. Christian Iames H. Crook Michael P. Daves Michael L. Desiderio Ronald Dominguez Travis R. Ferkich Iustin W. Franke Iohn H. Garrett C. Miles Hartnett Matthew H. Haynie Paul P. Hohenzollen Mitchell I. Horowitz John V. Jernigan Winfield Lamb Roger Langston Otis C. Le Compte III Mark E. Lewis Ierold A. Little

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## LON TMIENE CINB

My Brother, as you have been instructed, to relieve the distressed is a duty incumbent upon all men, but more particularly Masons. The Masonic Low Twelve Club of Tampa is a benefit fund organized for Master Masons, whose dual or current membership is in a Masonic Lodge within Hillsborough County, Florida. The purpose of the Low Twelve Club is to provide immediate monetary relief and benefit to the widow, or other beneficiary, of said Low Twelve Club member in good standing, upon his demise.

Only Master Masons which are in good standing within their respective Masonic Lodges, not over 65 years of age, and in good health are eligible to apply for membership. For more information, or to obtain an application, contact R. W. Houston D. White, PDDGM, at email hwhite3@tampabay.rr.com or phone (813) 884-8529.



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