

## Coral Springs Lodge No. 373 F.&A.M.

### Word from the East



Greetings Brothers and Masonic Family of Coral Springs Lodge No. 373 F. & A.M.

First off I would like to thank everyone who came out to our Installation of Officers and to everyone who chipped in and lent a hand, especially to the Rainbow Girls who attended to the Brothers and guests during dinner. With your efforts it was a successful event and enjoyed by all who attended. My theme for my year in the East is "Back to Basics". What do I mean by that? Well, it is simple. Back to getting our floor work correct. Back to getting our lines and catechism correct. Back to the building blocks of Masonry, re-engaging with our community and our efforts of making good men better. With that being said I would highly encourage you to attend the District Open Books and School of Instruction. they are held at Doric Lodge in Fort Lauderdale on the first Wednesday and third Monday of the month at 5 PM. R.:H.: Phil Dixon, our District Instructor, is a wealth of knowledge and R.:W.: Al McDonald is always there to help with the books. Let's have a strong showing and represent Coral Springs Lodge!

I hope that you all will enjoy our revitalized trestle board and that it will keep you up to date on all of the happenings in the lodge and the district. Communication is important and one of the best ways for us to keep us cemented.

Thank you Brothers for a great start to the year!

Fraternally,

Bill Gordon, WM  
WM@CoralSprings373.com

Lodge Number: 373  
District Number: 33  
Zone: 9  
Chartered: 04/24/1975

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### Announcements

#### March 10, 2015

- FC Degree

#### March 17 2015

- Habitat for Humanity Lunch

#### March 28/29, 2015

- Scottish Rite Spring Reunion Valley of Miami

### Every Month ↓

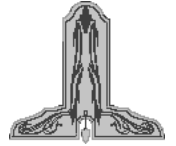
2nd & 4th Tuesday

Coral Springs 373  
J. Dewey Hawkins  
555 NE 42nd Ct  
Oakland Park, FL  
33334

6:30 (Open) Dinner  
7:30 (Tiled) Meeting

1st Wednesday &  
3rd Monday

School of Instruction  
Doric Lodge  
5:00 - 8:00



## Word from the West

As we move into a new year, I want to express my gratitude for the opportunity to serve the Craft and the Brothers of Coral Springs Lodge # 373, and to share a very personal message about what Masonry has taught me.

It starts with the tenet of "Making good men better". To do this one must **devote** time toward one's continuing Masonic education and towards deep self-reflection ... then applying this new-gained knowledge into action by changing one's behavior and leading by example. It's time consuming yes, and at times humbling by revealing and unraveling one's character flaws, but like the Phoenix what emerges from the darkness to Light is a better man.

Join me Brothers and be the change you wish to see in others.

Fraternally,

Michael Tishman, SW  
SW@CoralSprings373.com



## Word from the South

Brethren, I humbly thank you for affording me the opportunity to serve the Lodge and the Craft! Our dedicated and hardworking Stewards and I are committed to providing you, the hardworking brothers, a worthwhile refreshment and a comfortable place to gather.

I am anxious to see the many brothers gathered at our Lodge, enjoying the fellowship, as it was when I first knocked at our Lodge's door not too long ago. The sanctuary of true fellowship which I experienced then and now had and will continue to have a profound effect on my life and my Masonic journey.

Fraternally,

Pyotr "Pete" Kukharsky, JW  
JW@CoralSprings373.com



## Word from the Secretary

2015 is an exciting year for our lodge. It's a year of growth and change. We have set goals to improve the communications with our membership, become more active in the community and to grow our lodge.

In an effort to improve communications with our membership, We are working several initiatives to be able to meet our membership in the way that they prefer to be contacted.

- We are updating our records of all our members to get current address, telephone, cell phone and email addresses.
- Our new website is live [www.coralsprings373.com](http://www.coralsprings373.com) and we encourage everyone to check in often to keep up to date. Members Only access credentials can be obtained by contacting the Senior Warden at [SW@CoralSprings373.com](mailto:SW@CoralSprings373.com).
- We are starting a phone tree and text messaging services to allow us to notify our members of upcoming events and announcements.
- We also have a Facebook page [www.facebook.com/groups/csmasons](http://www.facebook.com/groups/csmasons) and membership area on our website.
- And, we will now be accepting credit cards to pay dues via PAYPAL via the website.

This is our year of growth and new beginnings. We look forward to seeing you at Lodge and at our upcoming events.

W.: Ira Markowitz, Secretary  
Bro. Ken Germann, Asst Secretary

## Officers for 2015

Worshipful Master	W:. M.: William Gordon	wm@coralsprings373.com
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Bro. Joe Fernandez, SD

#### Vigilance

(chair) Bro. Pyotr Kukharsky, JW  
W:.M.: Bill Gordon  
Bro. Michael Tishman, SW

#### Social Events

(chair) Bro. Ken Germann  
Bro. Pyotr Kukharsky, JW  
Bro. Olivera, SS  
Bro. Ford, JS

**Calendar for March 2015**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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2	3	4 <a href="#"><u>School of Instruction</u></a>	5	6	7	8
9	10 <a href="#"><u>Stated Communication – FC Degree</u></a>	11 <a href="#"><u>Scottish Rite – KSA – Miami</u></a>	12	13	14	15
16 <a href="#"><u>School of Instruction</u></a>	17 <a href="#"><u>Habitat for Humanity Lunch</u></a>	18 <a href="#"><u>Scottish Rite – Miami</u></a>	19	20	21	22
23	24 <a href="#"><u>Stated Communication</u></a>	25 <a href="#"><u>Masters &amp; Wardens</u></a>	26	27	28 <a href="#"><u>Scottish Rite – Miami – Spring Reunion</u></a>	29 <a href="#"><u>Scottish Rite – Miami – Spring Reunion</u></a>
30	31					

Masonic Education

## THE MODERN COWAN

by Floren L. Quick

In Scotland, the operative Mason knew cowans to be ignorant builders who put stones together without mortar. They piled rough fieldstones into a wall without hewing them true, or squaring them. They masqueraded as Masters, but they did not have the Word.

Now and again, today - fortunately not too often - we find a modern equivalent of the operative imposter. One such is the Mason who manages a place in an officer's line with little or no effect of his own to deserve it. With only that exertion that is necessary to maintain his place, he continues to advance in line until he receives the jewels and honours that he prizes so highly. But he does not know the Constitution, and he does not understand the traditions and dignity of the Craft. As a presiding officer, his vocal ability is more noteworthy than his executive ability; and when his term is ended, he is seldom seen until another honour or prize appears to be within his grasp.

He is a contemporary builder who works without the benefit of the mortar of real enthusiasm or accomplishments. His structure is likened unto the rough stone wall, having little beauty of value. He is the cowans of modern speculative Masonry.

He is to be pitied, for he is a Masonic failure. His honors are shallow. Bringing no interest to his position, he received little of the satisfaction and respect that belong to the real Master.

Masonry has failed to reach him with a clear understanding of those marks of true devotion which she has to offer. He never knows the opportunities that the Craft makes available to those who diligently seek them. He misses the opportunities that the Craft makes available to strive for a just and worthy cause. He misses the opportunity for continuing fellowship and friendship. He misses the opportunity for loyalty and devotion. He misses the opportunity for development of his executive, intellectual and oratorical abilities. And most of all, he misses the opportunity for service - to God - to his community - and to his fellow man.

These are the jewels that Masonry has to offer, but in his quest for position and honors, the modern cowan misses them. Like the operative cowan, he does not have the Word.

*-reprinted from the Masonic Shimbun in the GLBC Bulletin, Nov. '79*

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**MEMORIAL LODGE NO 33**

Stated Meeting last Wednesday 7:00P.M prior to and at the same location as the Masters and  
Wardens Association Meeting  
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My Brothers,

2015 is here, all of the incoming officers of all lodges have been installed, I tried to make all of the installations and only missed Doric (sick) and West Broward (same installation date as Coral Springs).

Sorry to the brothers of those lodges.

My Thanks go out to RW Maturse for filling in for me.

I also would like to thank all of the brothers who attended the installations of lodges other than their home lodge.

It was great to see the large turn outs.

The boat parade was well attended and a lot of fun was had by all. Thanks to R.W, Mike Binder for all of his hard

work. Another Thanks goes out to Brother Hoste from J. Dewey and North Star lodges for opening his house

to the brothers to party and celebrate our boat for the night as we passed.

I am listing the dates for my 2015 visits to the lodges below (only Coral Springs and Eureka confirmed):

<b>2015 DDGM Official Visit Schedule</b>	
Eureka North Shore No 269	Thursday, February 19, 2015
Coral Springs No 373	Tuesday, February 24, 2015
Roe Fulkerson No 299	Thursday, March 12, 2015
West Broward No 253	Thursday, March 19, 2015
Doric Lodge No 140	Tuesday, March 17, 2015
J. Dewey Hawkins No 331	Thursday, April 02, 2015
North Broward No 404	Thursday, April 23, 2015
North Star No 405	Tuesday, May 05, 2015

Be Safe my brothers.

Fraternally,

R. W, Walter Flemke  
District Deputy Grand Master  
Fraternally



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