

FLORA LODGE #119 A.F & A.M.
February 2023 NEWSLETTER
Stated Meeting 1st Tuesday, 7:30 P.M. Meal 6:30 P.M
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Looking West...

Masonic Moments from Past Februarys:

On February 19, 1811, the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia was formed in Washington, D.C.

On February 9, 1909, Harry S. Truman received his E. A. degree in Belton Lodge No. 450, Missouri.

On February 18, 1909, U.S. President William Howard Taft received his E.A. degree in Kilwinning Lodge No. 356, Cincinnati, Ohio.

On February 7, 1981, the Grand Lodge of Alaska was formed.

On February 11, 1988, a group of Masonic leaders met with President Ronald Regan where the GM of Washington, D.C. presented him with a certificate; and the Scottish Rite and Shrine made him an honorary member of those bodies.

January Event of Interest:

The December 2022 Fish Fry Fundraiser raised over \$4,500.00 for the 2023 Quitman Christmas Sharing Plus event. Lodge Master, Charlie Couser presented the Lodge's donation to Christmas Sharing Plus Chairwoman, Michelle Dobbs, on January 19, 2023 at the Lodge facilities. **A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO WORKED SO HARD TO MAKE THIS EVENT A HUGE SUCCESS!**

Upcoming February Events:

- Thursday, February 2, 2023, **Practice Fellowcraft degree**, 6:00PM – 7:00PM,
- Saturday, February 4, 2023, Flora 119's monthly **Pancake Breakfast** -- 7:30AM -- 9:00AM,
- Tuesday, February 7, 2023, **Stated Meeting**, Dinner at 6:30PM -- Meeting at 7:30PM,
- Thursday, February 9, 2023, **Parts 2 & 3 of E.A. proficiency followed by FC degree**, 6:00PM – 7:30PM,
- Saturday, February 11, 2023, **Grand Masters Conference** Longview 08:00 Reg / Conf 09:00 Pine Tree Lodge #1396, 2709 Pine Tree Rd. Longview 75604
- Saturday, February 11, 2023, **Grand Master Conference** Tyler 2PM Reg/ Conf 3:00 PM Sharon Shrine Center, 10027 TX 31 Tyler 75705
- Thursday, February 16, 2023, **Lodge Practice**, 6:00PM – 7:00PM,
- Thursday, February 23, 2023, **A Special Past Master's Meeting/Program**, 6:30PM to 7:30PM.

Finally, please keep our sick and distressed members, their families and friends in your thoughts and prayers.