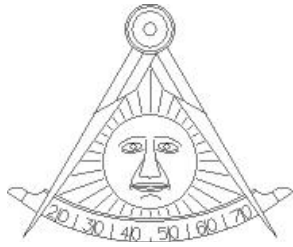


Living Past Masters



Walter C. King 1964
Robert Moore 1968
Preston Giles 1977
Edward Sadowski 1979
Bradley Wurzel 1981 & 1982
Paul McDermott 1984
Donald A.C. Black, Sr 1988 & 1999
Paul R. Mundy 1989 & 2003
Joseph Barcikai 1991
Nathan Mark 1992
Horace Buchanan 1994 & 1995
Peter Adragna 1996
Donald A.C. Black Jr 1996
John C. Greene 1998
James K. Cairns II 2001, 2003, 2008 & 2009
David Csimbok 2002
Eric F.M. Chubenko 2004
Peter M.M. Chubenko 2005
Chester A. Bohanek, Jr. 2006
Taras Chubenko 2007
Ian Cairns 2007 & 2010
David A. Morris 2008
Jerome Buchanan 2009
Ray Alcantara 2010
Bruce Wadiak Sr. 2011
James Rustemeyer 2012
Kevin Fitzgerald 2013
Isidoro Garcia 2014 & 2015
Richard Hrycuna 2014 & 2015
Zachary Sieczkowski 2015
Gabriel Aguirre 2016

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Meets 1st & 3rd Fridays

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Jerusalem Lodge No. 26
105 E. 7th St., Plainfield
Meets 1st Tuesday

Lafayette Lodge No. 27
1550 Irving St., Rahway
Meets 2nd Friday

Loyalty Lodge No. 33
1912 Morris Ave, Union
Meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays

Mt. Zion Lodge No 135
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Meets 1st & 3rd Thursdays

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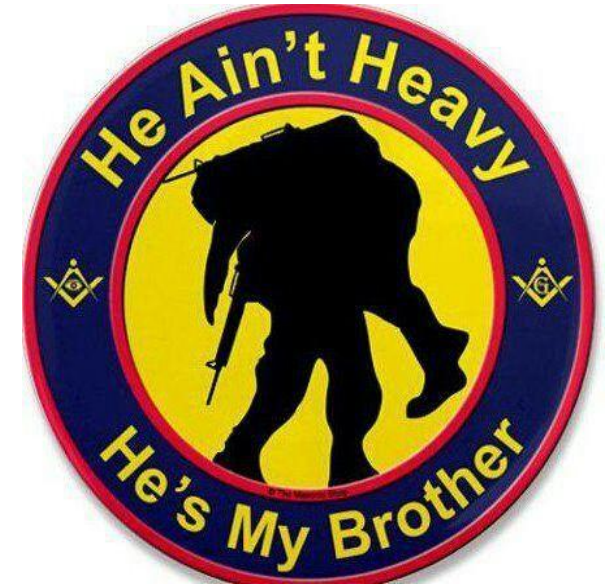
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CARTERET CRAFTSMEN'S CLUB

Meets every 1st Friday at 8 pm
All Master Masons welcome!
Club President - Chester Bohanek, Jr.
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THEODORE ROOSEVELT LODGE # 219 F & A M

May 2017



Masonic Temple
Elm and Taylor Streets
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Meets 2nd & 4th Mondays

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Master's Message

Dear Brethren,

The month of May promises to be a very exciting time for the future growth of our Lodge. On the 8th, we will endeavor to raise our four (4) fine candidates that we have spent a great deal of time mentoring from their humble beginnings at the start of this Masonic year. It is a credit to all of the Lodge that we have been able to take them this far on their journey in such a short amount of time and the future looks bright with them all possibly being added to our roster as Master Masons by month's end. We are also looking at having our largest fundraiser to date this year on the 13th, the Toga Party, which will include all of the fixings: namely DJ, buffet and games & prizes. Again, I am calling on all of our Lodge members to help make this event a very successful one in which we can propel not only our finances, but also our community involvement. Please try to participate and help out your Lodge. Finally Brothers, please come by the Lodge on Sunday the 28th for our Memorial Day festivities. We will once again march in the town's parade and have our barbecue afterwards. Keep the good times rolling Brothers!

Fraternally yours,

Ronald P. Pusillo Jr.
Worshipful Master

DESIGNS UPON THE TRESLEBOARD

Master Mason Degree

Monday, May 8th, 2017

Business Meeting, Lodge Opens at 7:00pm
Formal Attire for Officers

Regular Communication

Monday, May 22nd, 2017

Business Meeting, Lodge Opens at 7:30pm
Business Attire for Officers

Lodge Events:

"Toga Party" Fundraiser

Saturday, May 13th, 2017

\$40/person, 7pm to 11pm

Contact Any Officer for Details

"Memorial Day Parade & Barbecue"

Sunday, May 28th, 2017

Festivities start at 10:30am

"Scholastic Night"

Monday, June 12th, 2017

Festivities start at 6:30pm

Contact Any Officer for Details

Petitions under Investigation

Waiting EA Degree

None

Waiting FC Degree

None

Waiting MM Degree

Bro. FC Jorge Abrantes

Bro. FC Joseph Baird

Bro. FC Haress Goodson

Bro. FC Ryan Rodriguez

Bro. FC Gary Milak

Grand Lodge Events

Masonic Education &

Enlightenment Day

Saturday, May 20th, 2017

Fellowship Center, Masonic Village
902 Jacksonville Road,
Burlington, NJ 08016

Registration- 8:00am, Concludes- 2:00pm
WM, SW, JW & SD encouraged to attend
All Masons Welcomed

Register at:

<http://2017seminar.eventbrite.com>

Or by email to the Education Committee
Chairman at mayatim@hotmail.com

Grand Lodge of Instruction

June 10th, 2017 in Trenton, NJ

Check-In: 8:30am

9:00am to 2:30pm, Ionic Room

Dress Code: Business Attire
(Suit and Tie)

District Events

DLI: 4th Wednesday Monthly

Wednesday, May 24th, 2017

@ Loyalty Lodge, Union, NJ

Lodge Committees

Blood Bank

Gabriel Aguirre, PM

Mentoring Program

WM & all qualified Brethren

By-Laws and Roster

Joseph Barcikai, PM

Paul Mundy, PDDGM

Nathan Mark, PGC

Finance

Jim Rustemeyer, PM

Bruce Wadiak, PM

Paul Mundy, PGGDM

Instruction of Candidates/Ritual

Donald A.C. Black Sr., PGC

All Qualified Brethren

Lodge Trustees

Joe Centra, 1 year

Daniel Schittone, 1 year

Zach Sieczkowski, PM 2 years

Masonic Funeral Services

Kevin Fitzgerald, PM

Sickness and Relief

Ronald Pusillo, WM

Daniel Schittone, SW

Gabriel Aguirre PM, JW

Historic Preservation

Gabriel Aguirre, PM

Jonathan Dershowitz

Ricklin Harmening

FROM THE EAST

Brethren, I would like to share my thoughts with you this month regarding the importance of keeping your family and loved ones in the forefront of your life, while also being a dedicated Mason.

It can be very easy for all of us, unfortunately, to lose track of what is going on in the lives of those that we cherish the most, in the midst of all of the innocent social pleasures that we partake in as Brother Masons. I was recently reminded of a story of one such dedicated Mason and his family from a member of our District. This Brother had passed away not too long ago and after his funeral had concluded, his daughter proceeded to throw away all of his Mason paraphernalia without any regard for the Fraternity or the people who may have cherished those items in the archives of the Lodge as a memorial. My initial reaction to this act was that she was being selfish and unreasonable; that she was cheating the Fraternity of that which should have been returned to the place whence it came to be honored forever in sight of his fellow Brothers and all visitors to the Lodge. However, as I

continued to mull over this instance, I came to realize that although this young woman's actions were extreme in nature that they also had a lot of justification from her side of the issue. Her reasoning for performing such a seemingly dramatic act was that she blamed Masonry for taking away her father's attention from her and the rest of her family in all of the years that he was earning all of the awards that he had been given and collecting all of the other paraphernalia that was in that now trash pile. She obviously felt hurt and harbored some angry feelings towards the Fraternity. It was at that point in my analysis of the story that I actually felt bad for that young woman. And, although this may sound a little controversial to my fellow Brothers, I believe she not only had an extremely valid point in this instance, but that she also had every right to do whatever she wanted with that merchandise because, quite simply, we as Masons had no right to any of it. Now, should she have collected her thoughts a little bit and perhaps made a simple phone call to one of her late father's Lodge mates? Yes, I believe so; after all, if she was just looking to get rid of it anyway as simple trash, it is always prudent (in

my opinion) to see if someone may need or want it. However, (and this may be the most controversial statement I may make of all regarding this issue) from what I hear of her father's lack of family commitment over the years, I believe she has every right to feel that her father neglected her and her family too often and that his choices over the years to attend Mason functions over spending time with his family, especially her, is a tragedy that all Masons should heed warning to.

As the Worshipful Master of the Lodge this year, I have continually preached to all of my Masons Brothers, especially those in the officer line, the phrase that "Masonry should not interfere with your family or vocation." I have tried very hard to run the Lodge this year where I felt that I have done everything in my power to give my officers that opportunity to spend as much quality time with their families as well as letting them know that if they cannot attend a particular event due to work-related issues that it was perfectly fine with me. However, therein lies the rub with being in-charge of running a Lodge successfully; you need a lot of manpower to pull off such a great feat.

So, where does the balance between Mason life and family/work life arrive at its most efficient point? Well, therein lies the answer from my point of view; efficiency. We need to be efficient with our time as Masons my Brothers. We usually strive for this naturally in our other walks of life, but I notice that we do not always follow through with this logic as Masons. As much as we may like to, we cannot be Masons full-time. Remember our teachings as Masons my Brothers in that we all strive to be better men; better fathers, husbands, brothers, cousins, etc. And, please always remember that being a great man means taking care of your family, first and foremost, while not dismissing your duties as a Mason. Is this a tough balance to maintain? It can be, but that is what makes you a Mason.

Dues are due:

2017 dues are \$129.50

If you owe for previous years:

Call or email the secretary for your dues details.

All Hardship cases should be referred to the Worshipful Master