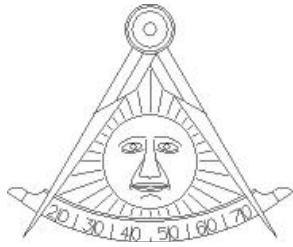


## Living Past Masters



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  
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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1011 Central Avenue, Westfield  
Meets 1st & 3rd Fridays

## Azure-Masada Lodge No.22

1550 Irving St., Rahway  
Meets 1st & 3rd. Mondays

## 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

483 Middlesex Ave., Metuchen  
Meets 1st & 3rd Thursdays

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**Senior Steward** Stanley Nartowicz  
**Junior Steward** Joel Weissman  
**Marshal** Mark Consiglio  
**Organist** Joseph Haines  
**Historian** Anthony Beluch  
**Tyler** Stephen Price  
**Proxy to Grand Lodge** Robert Alcantara

## LODGE WEB SITE

[www.tr219.org](http://www.tr219.org)

## CARTERET CRAFTSMEN'S CLUB

Meets every 1st Friday at 8 pm  
All Master Masons welcome!  
Club President - Chester Bohanek, Jr.  
(732) 710-1161  
Hall Rental: Patrick Tucker - (732) 586-3838

## THEODORE ROOSEVELT LODGE #219 F & A M

November 2017



**Masonic Temple**  
Elm and Taylor Streets  
Carteret, NJ 07008

**Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays**

## Mailing Address:

**Theodore Roosevelt #219**  
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## Master's Message

Dear Brethren,

With November upon us, the final stages of the transition are in full effect and we can look upon our yearly accomplishments with great pride. With our recently held Joint Master Mason Degree, consisting of one (1) candidate from three (3) different lodges within the 10<sup>th</sup> Masonic District, we not only raised our own 5<sup>th</sup> candidate of the year from start to finish, but we also played a significant role in helping our fellow Brothers out. Likewise, our fundraisers have continued to move us into a more stable financial situation as well as provide an enjoyable outlet for both the general public and Freemasons alike. However my Brothers, we must get more participation from our membership if we are going to sustain this success well into the future. Now more than ever we need to come together as a Lodge and do everything we can to ensure we are running efficiently and not relying on only a small segment of our roster to complete 100% of the tasks required to continue as not only a viable, but successful Lodge. I know that we have very high-character individuals that can make this happen, so I am calling on all of you to reach out to your fellow Brothers and help us continue to rise.

Fraternally yours,

**Ronald P. Pusillo Jr.**  
Worshipful Master

## **DESIGNS UPON THE TRESLEBOARD**

### Regular Communication

**Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Business Meeting, Lodge Opens at 7:30pm

Business Attire for Officers

**Discussion: Nominations, General Business**

### Entered Apprentice Degree

**Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Business Meeting, Lodge Opens at 7:00pm

Formal Attire for Officers

**Discussion: Elections, General Business**  
**SW Daniel Schittone in the East for Degree**

### Lodge Events:

#### “Tricky Tray Fundraiser”

**Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Event starts at 1:00pm, No Entrance Fee

Soup & Sandwich Option: **\$8 per person**

Contact Any Officer for Details

#### “Holiday Portrait Fundraiser”

**Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

From 10:00am to 5:00pm

Hosted by

**Brittany Harmening Photography**

For Prices and/or Reservations, please

Contact Brother Jonathan Dershowitz or Any

Officer for Details

### Petitions under Investigation

Mr. Henri Skiba

#### Waiting EA Degree

None

#### Waiting FC Degree

None

#### Waiting MM Degree

Bro. FC Gary Milak

## Grand Lodge Events

### Annual Feast of St. John

**Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017**

**@ MCF Fellowship Center**

**1114 Oxmead Road,**

**Burlington, NJ 08016**

Social Hour: 5:00pm to 6:00pm

Buffet Dinner: 6:00pm to 7:30pm

Guest Speaker: 7:30pm-

Master Chief Petty Officer

Steven W. Cantrell,

U.S. Coast Guard

**Contact Grand Lodge of NJ for Tickets**

**\$55 per person**

### 2018 10<sup>th</sup> District Grand Reception

**Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**@ Shadowbrook at Shrewsbury**

**1 Obre Place,**

**Shrewsbury, NJ 07702**

Buffet Dinner: 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Reception: 7:00pm to 9:00pm

(More details to follow)

## District Events

### Wreathes Across America

**Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**@ Rahway Cemetery**

**1670 St. George Avenue**

**Rahway, NJ 07065**

Event Starts: 9:00 am

Open to All Masons & the Public

To make a donation, please go to:

[www.gofundme.com/10thdistWAA](http://www.gofundme.com/10thdistWAA)

### DLI: 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Monthly

November 2017 DLI (TBA)

## 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, PDDGM

### 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

Daniel Schittone, SW

### 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, as spoken about in my Master's Message in the previous section, we have been very productive as a Lodge this year and there is a lot to be proud of. There are many components that must be satisfied when having a productive, efficient and healthy Lodge & a majority of those components are satisfied with great membership participation. Unfortunately, as is the case with many Lodges that I have been in contact with, the percentage of membership participation is not very high. The unfortunate result of such low membership participation hurts the Lodge in many significant ways including: low morale, burnout of productive members, insufficient funding and a negative influence on both new members as well as potential petitioners. As your Worshipful Master this year, I have personally seen the pitfalls of having low participation and how certain projects that would benefit the Lodge significantly have had to be either delayed or cancelled because of these occurrences.

There are certain factors that every Lodge's personnel have to deal with,

which includes that we are strictly a volunteer organization and that we do not sell any products or services nor do we have any type of steady revenue stream that we can rely upon. With these issues in mind, it becomes easy to see how easily an organization like ours can struggle if we do not have both strong leadership and a strong group of members, both of which need to care enough about their respective Lodge's success to give the selfless service necessary to keep the process moving in the right direction.

So, how do we go about solving the issue of needing to increase member participation? Well Brothers, the first order of business is that we have to be more particular about who we bring into the Lodge as candidates and potential future Masons. As discussed earlier within these messages, not everyone is meant to be a Mason. Being accepted and admitted into the Brotherhood of Freemasonry is a privilege and an honor...it is certainly not a right. In that regard, we are not much different than other organizations out there. Does everyone that applies to a particular business out in the marketplace automatically get hired? Certainly not. And these

organizations understand from the very beginning that if they let just anybody in their offices that they will not be in business for very long. This is the same mindset that we must adopt as well. The other part of this equation has to do with the people that are already here; I'm speaking about not only the Officers of the Lodge, but also the Past Masters and Regular Masons as well. This has to be a "we" organization, not a "me sometimes" or a "me when it is convenient in my life and I have nothing better to do" organization. Every Mason carries with him an obligation, which should be obvious within a short amount of time spent as a Mason if not realized the day they are raised as a Master Mason. However, some of what I have observed in my time in the East is that too many individuals are looking to depend on others to do something for them. As a Mason, you are your Brother's keeper...and when you see that only a few people are being asked to do so much to keep the Lodge afloat, your personal pride should kick and you should not let those certain Brothers pick up the slack that you are leaving behind for them. Another point is that the wives, girlfriends and other family and friends of those Mason Brothers are

putting in the work that should be handled by Master Masons; even though we are very thankful to have them help us out, they also should not feel obligated to always help.

In summary Brothers, you can see that I am very passionate about this subject of increasing member participation within the Lodge. I have this passion not only because I love my Lodge and want to see it grow for many years to come, but I have also witnessed the negative impact it has on those dedicated Masons and their families. No one should ever have to feel that the Lodge will fail if they don't give up all of their time to save it, especially when there are so many others that can help out. Be the reason that your Lodge excels, not the reason that your fellow Masons are overburdened.

### Dues are due:

**2018 dues are \$130.50**

**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