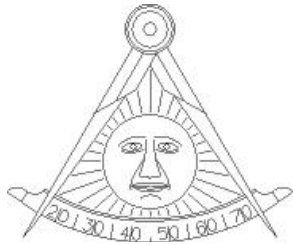


Living Past Masters



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

Azure-Masada Lodge No.22

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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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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

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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

September 2017



Masonic Temple
Elm and Taylor Streets
Carteret, NJ 07008

Meets 2nd & 4th Mondays

Mailing Address:

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Master's Message

Dear Brethren,

Welcome back from the summer months! I would like to thank those of you who took the extra time to participate in a few of the events we have been involved with over the summertime and in continuing to keep the Lodge functioning at a high level. When they say that the Lodge "goes dark" in the summertime, it truly never means that there is not something that has to be done!

As we now look to head down the home stretch for 2017, we still have some important work that needs to be accomplished. We start off September with voting on a couple of new dual memberships, which is always a valuable commodity to be added to the Lodge. We will also continue working together with Azure Masada Lodge with the passing of our candidates with the Fellowcraft Degree this month. As stated in previous e-mail communications, we will also be discussing the possibility of raising the dues during the 1st meeting of the month, with the 2018 dues notices going out immediately afterwards. We have done very well this year to strengthen the Lodge for not only this year, but also years into the future. Stay active Brothers and keep the energy flowing.

Fraternally yours,

Ronald P. Pusillo Jr.
Worshipful Master

DESIGNS UPON THE TRESLEBOARD

Regular Communication

Monday, September 11th, 2017

Business Meeting, Lodge Opens at 7:30pm
Business Attire for Officers
Discussion: Ballot, Raising of Dues

Regular Communication

Monday, September 25th, 2017

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

Lodge Events:

"Halloween Party"

Saturday, October 28th, 2017

Festivities start at 7:00pm
Tickets are **\$30 per person**
Contact Any Officer for Details

Petitions under Investigation

Chad Marciniak (Dual Membership)
Thomas DeLorenzo (Dual Membership)

Waiting EA Degree

None

Waiting FC Degree

Bro. EA Miguel Cintron

Waiting MM Degree

Bro. FC Gary Milak

Waiting MM Examination

Bro. MM Jorge Abrantes
Bro. MM Ryan Rodriguez

Grand Lodge Events

300th Anniversary Gala Celebration

Sunday, September 17th, 2017

2:00pm to 7:00pm

Liberty House Restaurant
76 Audrey Zapp Dr, Jersey City, NJ 07305
\$125.00 per person

Jerusalem Lodge Bicentennial

Friday, October 20th, 2017

6:00pm to 11:00pm

The Westwood
438 North Avenue, Garwood, NJ 07027
\$60 per person

Grand Lodge of Instruction

Wednesday, October 25th, 2017

@ Loyalty Lodge #33, Union, NJ
Dinner: 6:30pm, GLI: 7:30pm
Dress Code: Formal (Tuxedo)

District Events

FellowCraft Degree

Monday, September 18th, 2017

@ Lafayette Lodge #27, Rahway, NJ
Hosted by Azure Masada Lodge #22
Candidates from Azure Masada Lodge #22
& Theodore Roosevelt Lodge #219
Business Meeting, Lodge Opens at 7:00pm
Formal Attire for Officers
Worshipful Master Ryan Moy in the East

DLI: 4th Wednesday Monthly

Wednesday, September 27th, 2017

@ Loyalty Lodge #33, Union, NJ
Masters & Wardens @ 6:30pm,
DLI @ 7:30pm

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

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 we are now starting up the second half of the year and the transition is underway for 2018, I wanted to share my thoughts with you regarding a subject that is not only near and dear to me, but also one that I believe every Mason should become familiar with; Leadership.

The textbook definition of lead, given by Merriam-Webster's dictionary, simply states: "the initiative in an action; an example for others to follow." Now, some of you reading this passage might be of the mind to believe that leadership is such a basic concept to understand and that there is no need for further explanation on this topic. However, in my humble opinion, having not only having been the Worshipful Master of this Lodge for the past 8 months, but also having been a very active officer of the Lodge for 6 years prior (as well as working multiple decades in the workforce), I can tell you that leadership is not as well understood a concept as most people would believe.

Now that we have the textbook answer, let us take a more pragmatic approach to analyzing leadership when comparing it to the duties of a

Mason. We have all heard the expression that Masons should meet "on the Level", which means in part that no Mason Brother is better than anyone else, no matter what that person's rank is within the Lodge nor on the outside within their individual professions. I mention this not only to emphasize that point, but to illustrate one of the possible major problems in the proper functioning of a Lodge, which also counteracts true leadership.

Nobody here is anyone else's "Boss." And, being "bossy" is not the actions associated with being a true leader. Delegation is part of the process, especially for the Worshipful Master, who is responsible for running the Lodge overall; however, everyone in the Lodge has their own set of duties to perform. And, although the Worshipful Master is the ultimate leader of the Lodge for that given year, he is not the only one that is required to display leadership within the Lodge. Remember, that as Past Masters, Officers, and even Regular Master Masons, we must all set the example for those individuals who are just entering the Fraternity and/or are considering joining.

During my tenure as Worshipful Master, I have heard people say things such as "Well, I shouldn't have to do that, it is not my job." With all due respect to the person who might say or think such a thing, nothing in the Lodge is anyone's "job," and that poor attitude can destroy a Lodge quicker than anything else! As I previously stated, we all have a preset organized set of duties within the Lodge, but in the overall scheme of things, no one is getting paid for accomplishing their workload; therefore, to take the attitude that you are not willing to help your Brothers out and keep the Lodge functioning properly is a selfish act, and completely not conducive to Masonry. I have also heard people say that "Well, it is the Worshipful Master's job to handle everything because he is the Worshipful Master." This is probably the silliest and most ignorant of all of the statements I have heard during my tenure. No one person (whether the Worshipful Master or otherwise) can do all of the work within the Lodge and, if you think about it for a second in terms of sheer numbers, wouldn't you think it would make much more sense for a roster of 150 men to help out the one man

instead of the one man helping out 150 men? I know as an officer serving under 6 Worshipful Masters, I did everything I could to help out those Brothers as well as the rest of the Lodge because not only was that my duty, but, I also did not want to see those men have to struggle to get through a given day or night by being completely overwhelmed. No one should ever have to feel that way. In summary, to truly act as a leader is a personal decision, not just one that comes with a title of a specific position. I have seen those in higher positions lack true leadership skills, while those in lesser ranking positions take hold and keep the Lodge moving forward with their great attitudes and passion to want to make a positive difference. It is up to you to be a leader by taking proper action.

Dues are due:

2017 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