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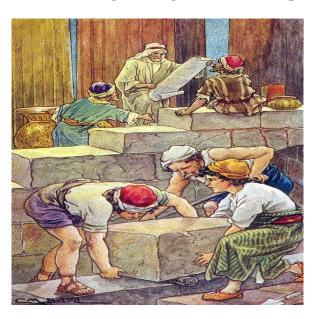
Communications for April 2020

You are cordially and fraternally requested to attend the following communications of Laurel Lodge No. 237, F&AM

Friday April 3rd 7:45PM Scheduled meeting is cancelled

Friday April 20th 7:45PM Scheduled meeting is cancelled

Brethren, many hands make lighter work. Let's continue to work towards building a stronger Masonic Temple.



By Order of WB William Roche Worshipful Master

Attest
WB Robert A. Taylor, PM
Secretary

Worshipful Masters Message

I sit here writing this message and realized the date. It's the Ides of March. March 15, the day in 44BC that Julius Caesar was assassinated by 60 Senators at the Curia of Pompey in Rome. It was a turning point in Roman history and signaled the end of the Roman Republic. I can only imagine how the people of that time dealt with this. Losing a Leader at any time in history; is an event that changes everything in one's life. News spread much slower then than it does today but must have affected those people much as the people are affected today when a catastrophic event occurs. In this day and age with the mass media of today, the news reports can change within minutes and people become glued to their devices. This Coronavirus issue is no different than any other event that has happened in the past. We have become inundated with information that sometimes presents helpful news. Unfortunately, this same media; can create havoc in society and cause people to buy into the hype. Just watch the news reports and see how the store shelves have been emptied of essential products. This will eventually pass and life will go on. We must not panic and add to this problem, thus creating even more hysteria. These things can bring out the best and the worst in people. Remember that we are Brothers and we need to stick together and set an example. This is where common sense should come into play. It is the way that we should all govern ourselves, along with news updates, to help keep us safe. Follow recommended updates on this or any issue that is posted to keep loved ones, friends, neighbors, co-workers, Brothers and ourselves safe. Experts say that this virus will get worse and affect more people before it gets better. There is good information coming out every day that can be used. As Mason's, we need to show others what we do best, looking out for others and ourselves. There are different risk categories that are attached to this disease. The elderly are at most risk and should be checked on regularly. Everyone is advised to carefully consider whether to attend large or small events and to use COMMON SENSE. Cover your coughs and sneezes, avoid touching your face and most important, wash your hands after every time you touch something. All of these things can be very stressful and a real pain, but it's the only way. The Grand Master has done his part in an attempt to keep us safe by ending all Masonic events until at least the end of March. We must all take time from the Grand Master and carry it further. Protect ourselves and use common sense and follow the guidelines that will ensure that we will get through this. Remember Brothers, when we stand together, we can accomplish anything. Lean on each other when needed and stay vigilant. Take time each day and call or message Brothers, family members and friends and let them know that they are not alone. The Ides of March has been known to be an unlucky time for some (Julius Caesar) but not Freemason's. Stav well and safe my Brothers.

> Sincerely and Fraternally, William Roche Worshipful Master

Registration Procedure for Electronic Balloting Deadline Tuesday, April 7th

By R.W. Barry P. Kornspan, PDDGM

Chairman, Balloting and Registration Committee

Per C&L, Past Masters (PM) may cast their ballots for elected Grand Lodge offices (Title 3, Article IV, Section 2, Part 1) using an Internet connection. This article will outline the process you must follow in order to vote at a location **other than** the Balloting & Registration Room at the Annual Communication in Atlantic City. You may vote from any device (desktop, tablet, mobile) that has an Internet connection and Web browser.

You MUST REQUEST AN OFF-SITE BALLOT by PRE-REGISTERING.

To pre-register, you must send an email **by 11:59pm Eastern Time, Tuesday, April 7th, 2020** to GLNJVOTING@GMAIL.COM containing:

- Your full name
- Your email address
- Your Member Number (found on your dues card or through your Lodge Secretary)
- NJ Lodge Name/NumberOnce your eligibility is verified by the GL office (which may take a few days), you will receive a confirmation email stating that you have successfully registered. Then, on the morning of Wednesday, April 22nd, you will receive an email with an encrypted link that will take you to the appropriate webpage to vote. This email will also contain additional information and instructions. Remember, registration for off-site voting will close at 11:59pm Eastern Time on Tuesday, April 7th, 2020.

Balloting will begin at approximately 12:00 noon on Wednesday, April 22nd until sometime between 9:00am and 10:00am Thursday, April 23rd (all times Eastern). Once balloting starts, an email will be sent to those who have registered reminding them that the ballot is now open. Offsite balloting may be done at ANY TIME while balloting is open in Atlantic City. Please note that the times for the start and end of off-site voting are variable depending on when the Grand Master starts and stops balloting on-site. Off-site balloting will end at the same time as on-site balloting. Please do not take a chance and wait until the last minute – vote any time before

Please do not take a chance and wait until the last minute – vote any time before 9:00am Thursday!

You may request an off-site ballot if you are a PM of any lodge in a recognized jurisdiction **and** a member in good standing of a Lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, F&AM. Please note that the WM, SW and JW must cast the vote assigned to their office on-site (per C&L). If the WM, SW or JW is also a PM (previous year) and they are not able to attend the Annual Communication, they may only cast their PM vote off-site and must follow the procedure above to register for that ballot.

Please address all questions regarding this procedure to GLNJVoting@gmail.com.



or contact:

Scott Vicari (856) 952-3459 vicari427@comcast.net

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Call or contact Brother Halina for the following service:

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27 Canyon Drive, Berlin, NJ 08009 - NJ Master HVACR Contractor #19HC00586400

Office – 856-809-9342 or e-mail drexelhyac@hotmail.com

Sales/Service/Installation/Oil to gas conversions

Brethren helping Brethren Continued:

Call or contact WB Moser for the following service:

Financial Planning: WB Moser is a second generation financial planner with over 30 years experience. I was the last Past Master of Florence Lodge in Woodbury.

Donald S Moser - DSM Capital Wealth Management Managing Director/ CCO

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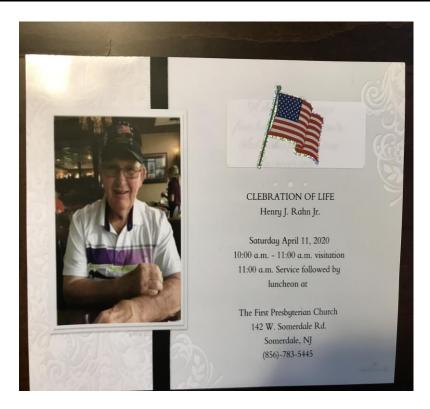
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Ladies Night DateTBD

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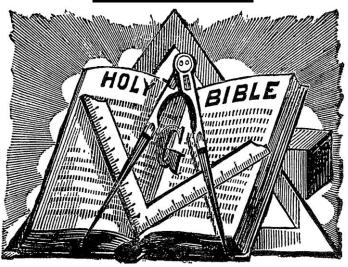
In Remembrance of RW Henry J. Rahn Jr. PSGS



Brethren,

If you planned on attending this Service my recommendation is too call the Church at 856-783-5445 to confirm that it's been cancelled. However, you never know, with good thoughts and Prayers this event may happen if after all.

In Memorium

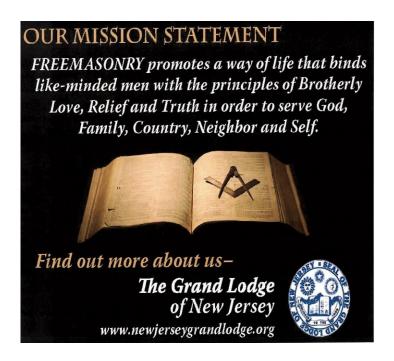


Brother Alfred W. Strater Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason April 16th 1962 Called from Labor February 26th 2020



Building Fund Benefactors for 2020

Bro. James C. Black	Bro. Wilfredo Halina
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Brethren,	Thank you!



<u>18th Masonic District</u> <u>District Lodge of Instruction Dates for 2020</u>

Cancelled - Lazarus Lodge #303 April 8th at Haddonfield

Mozart Lodge #121 May 13th at Audubon

Merchantville Lodge #119 June 10th at Merchantville

Rising Sun Lodge #15 September 9th Haddonfield

USS NJ Lodge October 14th Merchantville

Qualifications Teams November 11th at Merchantville

Masters & Wardens @6:45PM

DLI Opening @7:30PM

April Masonic Birthdays

Bro Lloyd H Jones	1958	62
Bro Allan H Pierson	1963	57
Bro Gerald L Tully	1967	53
Bro Charles Palumbo	1972	48
Bro William J Brandley	1974	46
Bro George M Hahn	1974	46
Bro Alvin C Fitting	1976	44
Bro Henry N Portner	1976	44
Bro Robert G Burt	1987	33
WB Eric B Erickson	1988	32
Bro James D Shisler	1990	30
WB Gene G Olson	1994	26
Bro Manwell G Baroody	1997	23
Bro Russell R Hoyle, Jr.	1997	23
Bro Robert E Rudden	1997	23
Bro Derek J Freyberger	1999	21
Bro William F Schwab, Jr.	1999	21
Bro Richard L Wooster	2000	20
Bro William E Hughes III	2005	15
Bro Anthony J Centritto	2007	13
Bro William C Dare	2007	13
Bro Robert J Powell	2007	13
WB John P Gomen	2009	11
Bro Joseph R Haines, Jr.	2009	11
Bro Edward S Bohi	2010	10
DB John C Read, Jr.	2010	10
Bro Paul P. Bonnamassa Sr.	2016	4
Bro William J. King	2016	4

Past Masters of Laurel Lodge #237 * Deceased # Served another Lodge

1922	Albert C, Stack *	1961	John P. Steffan*
1923	Harry A, Beck *	1962	Harold H. Croom*
1923	William S. Martin # *	1963	Charles F. Yost *
1924	Arthur Scrimshaw *	1963	Benjamin Foster, PGC #
1925	Benjamin Forrest *	1964	Charles W. Engler, Jr.*
1926	Elmer F. Giffin *	1965	Daniel A. Mullen, III *
1927	Charles B. Giffin *	1965	Carl H. Gamp # *
1928	John T. Reif *	1966	Edgar N. Peppler PGM
1929	Charles V. Osborne, Sr. *	1966	Albert L. Hann, PJGD
1930	Samuel G. Garrison, Jr.*	1967	Henry Baumert *
1931	Charles P. Mills # *	1968	Robert E. Walsh, Jr.*
1932	William R. Cannon *	1969	George E. Carpenter *
1933	Noah C. Bender *	1970	Henry Sannipolli, PDDGM *
1934	F. Maurice Goodwin *	1971	Leonard O. Beebe *
1935	Michael Balent, Jr. *	1972	Robert D. Rowand *
1936	Enos J. Jarvis *	1973	Louis W. Bradley, PGT*
1937	Robert F. Ranken *	1974	Robert W. Bates, PSGD
1938	John H. Fisher, Sr. *	1975	Frederick W. Knox
1939	Oscar M. Hansen *	1976	Leroy See *
1940	Albert F Neidinger PGP*	1976	John J. Eitel # *
1941	Lawrence E. Gardiner *	1977	Roy F. Gutshall, Jr.*
1942	B. Franklin Cope *	1978	John R. Beetle
1943	Fred Humphrey *	1978	James J. Golley #
1944	Charles. S. Schenick *	1979	Charles W. Bell
1945	Ora L. Wooster, Sr. *	1980	Benjamin H. Read, Jr.*
1946	Carl C. Caldwell *	1981	Joseph H. Rival Jr., PGM
1947	Benjamin A. Glatz *	1982	Warren E. Rival, PGC *
1948	Joseph H. Matthews *	1982	Ronald A. Rocco #
1949	Ralph E. Husted *	1983	Hugh C. Williams *
1950	Thomas Milne *	1984	Walter C. Knett *
1951	Ferdinand Herbst *	1984	Charles E. Oppido, Jr. # *
1952	Charles Mannice *	1984	Larry S Plasket, PGM, #
1953	Robert C. Osborne, PGC*	1985	Frank A. Applegate, Sr.*
1954	Earl B. Hallowell *	1985	Henry Bubacz # *
1955	Harry M. Ireland *	1986	Wilfred E. Wilson *
1956	John M. Fisher, Jr.*	1986	Donald L. Keppen Sr. #
1957	Albert C. Stack, Jr.*	1987	Robert F. Butler *
1958	Whitney H. Myers *	1988	William E. Hand *
1959	George F. McCann *	1989	Edwin W. Griffiths, Jr. # *
1960	Harold T. Wolf*	1990	Benjamin Foster, PGC #

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Masonic Home Wheelchair Push

Brethren, thank you in advance for volunteering at the Masonic Home this year. 2020 Dates:

Cancelled: April 12th

June 21st August 30th

November 1st

Masonic Home Address:

902 Jacksonville Road, Burlington, NJ

Carpool from the lodge at 7:45

There are two services 9:30AM and 10:45AM.

We finish up about 11:30 AM

Children, family and friends are welcome.

Contact Status Changes

Brethren, Please remember to contact the Secretary or Worshipful Master with regard to changes to your mailing address, phone numbers, e-mail addresses etc. Our goal is maintain our membership database as accurate as possible. Thank you, Worshipful Master

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Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Please free to bring Libations for Refreshment after Lodge! Remember Brethren, all in Moderation

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2020 DUES NOTICE

Please note: Your dues for 2020 were due 12-31-2019. If you know or believe that you haven't paid dues please contact the Worshipful Master or Secretary.

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