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To assure accurate and timely communications... Please advise the Lodge Secretary of any corrections or changes to your contact information or e-mail address!





Instituted May 13, 1761 "Oldest Masonic Lodge in New Jersey"

# **FEBRUARY 2021**

**Regular Communications** First & Third Tuesdavs- 7:30 рм (Except July and August)

MASONIC LODGE 280 Boulevard Mountain Lakes, NJ 07046 Please note our new phone number: 973-794-3844 and our new web site: www.stjohnsno1.com

e-mail: stjohnslodgenumber1@gmail.com

# "A Welcome Hand to Greet You"



- The Grand Lodge of New Jersey MISSION STATEMENT-FREEMASONRY promotes a way of life that binds like-minded men with the principles of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth in order to serve God, Family, Country, Neighbor and Self.

#### FROM THE EAST

#### My Brother,

It is often said that actions speak louder than words, and I think we can all agree that this is true. It is not always easy to do what is right. It can be unpopular, intimidating, or even dangerous. This thought induces me to reflect on the gavel, the potent emblem of Masonic authority.

Sitting in the East, I find my attention is constantly drawn to this powerful Masonic symbol. Our ritual teaches us that the gavel was used in ancient times to square the corners of newly guarried stones. It is from this usage that we are taught the importance of refining ourselves and our moral conduct.

Yet, the gavel seems a harsh and unvielding tool for this purpose. Consequently, I also see it as being symbolic of the firmness and resolve required to affect this honing of our minds and consciences, prerequisite to our appearance before the doors of the Celestial Lodge above.

In this sense, the gavel reminds me of my constant responsibility to be honest, and to have the wherewithal to do what is right, even in the face of danger or personal consequence.

In our nation's history, there are few men who I believe understood this concept better than the first President of our nation; Brother George Washington.

In a letter he wrote responding to the suggestion that he should become the President of our newly formed republic (A letter in which he politely declined the proposal) he said; "I hope I shall possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man."

Fraternally, Jarrett M. Cronk, PM Worshipful Master

#### FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK



**GRAND VIEW** is the new Grand Lodge Online Membership Management Database. All Members are asked to register and

update your personal information. Contact WB Ken Baxter if you have any questions or need assistance: kbxtr54@yahoo.com or 973-580-0607

**GRAND VIEW** 

#### HOW TO REGISTER ON GRAND VIEW Go to the portal URL https://nj.grandview.systems

 Click on "Member Portal" in the upper right corner to get the login screen. If you have never registered you can just click on "Member Registration" in the login screen.

· Here is a direct link to register and verify your contact info. https://nj.grandview.systems/membership registration

Once on this page you will be asked to put in your lodge #, member ID, and last name as it appears on your dues card. This will verify your membership and allow you to set up an account.

On the membership registration page, there is a short video showing you how to register.

#### VIRTUAL DUES CARD-2021

Starting in 2021, Grand Lodge will be issuing VIRTUAL DUES CARDS linked to Grand View Physical Blue Cards will NOT be used going forward For more information, please contact WB Ken Baxter, Secretary

# The Grand Lodg, Bast Ancient and **BLUE LODGE ZOOM MEETINGS**

#### January 11, 2021 The following will detail the proper procedures for conducting

- a lodge meeting via ZOOM within the jurisdiction of The Grand Lodge of New Jersey
- 1. The preferred platform for virtual lodge business is Zoom. Any lodge wishing to conduct business virtually shall have or invest in a ZOOM account.
- 2. Prior to the business portion of the meeting, the officers will open the lodge with the standard ritual that SHALL NOT BE BROADCAST.
- 3. Once the formal opening has occurred, the ZOOM portion of the meeting will be opened.
- 4. Lodge business is allowed including any items that may require a hand vote. A vote to reinstate a member suspended for NPD for a period of time less than five (5) years shall only be conducted by using the polling feature available on ZOOM. thereby insuring the secrecy of the ballot.
- Balloting on candidates is strictly prohibited.
- 6. At the conclusion of the business portion, the ZOOM meeting will be closed.
- Once the ZOOM communication has terminated, the lodge will be closed formally.

Please note that during the ZOOM portion of the meeting, no signs or words will be used.

#### EDICT

By virtue of the authority in me vested as Grand Master of Masons of the State of New Jersey. I hereby direct that the Grand Lodge Assessment for 2020 for all Active Duty Military Brethren be waived. Consideration of Lodge Dues rest with each individual Lodge.

#### SO ORDERED Dated: December 31, 2020

# EDICT

WHEREAS, Officer Brian David Sicknick, District of Columbia Capital Police, and the son of DWA Brother Charles Sicknick, the brother of Brother Craig Sicknick, members of Philo Lodge No. 243; and

WHEREAS. Officer Brian David Sicknick served his country most honorably as a member of the 108th Air National Guard Wing, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Desert Storm; and

WHEREAS, Officer Brian David Sicknick went above and beyond in his role as District of Columbia Capital Police officer to defend the Capital of the United States and those citizens therein: and

WHEREAS, Officer Brian David Sicknick in his heroic duty lost his life on January 6, 2021;

**NOW THEREFORE.** it is on this thirteenth (13<sup>th</sup>) day of January. 2021. that I exercise my authority as Grand Master of Masons for the State of New Jersev to proclaim posthumously Officer Brian David Sicknick as "Honorary Mason."

Attest:

John S. Ryan

Grand Secretary

SO ORDERED

Robert V. Monacelli Grand Master

> HELP WANTED! Secretary of Grand Lodge Trustees

The Grand Lodge Trustees are in need of a new secretary to replace RW Jack A.E. Ford who has served for many years. The duties are to keep minutes of all regular and executive session meetings of the Trustees. It will be necessary to attend all Grand Lodge Trustee meetings, which are typically held on the third Wednesday at 5 PM in Burlington when permitted, or via ZOOM.

Any member of Grand Lodge (i.e. a Past Master of a New Jersey Lodge) is eligible. The ideal candidate will have experience in Grand Lodge in some capacity with service in a trustee position helpful, the ability to keep contemporaneous notes supplemented by recording each session on an electronic device, and the sufficient writing skills to create a Word document for the permanent record. Absolute discretion ir required.

Please send expressions of interest and qualifications to RW William "Butch" Stevenson at abiff5769@gmail.com.

#### 11th DISTRICT/GRAND LODGE EVENTS **FEBRUARY 2021**

Colonial-Prospect #24- Speaker, RW Moises Gomez, "Freemasonry & the Pandemic 1918 vs 2020" on ZOOM

- Acacia #20- Annual Business Meeting. 3
- Madison #93- Blood Drive, 10:30 AM-2:30 PM. 6 8
- Cincinnati #3- Brother George Washington (Bro. Mark Tabbert, George Washington Masonic Memorial).
- Congdon-Overlook #163- Regular Communication.
- 10 Madison #93- George Washington Presentation.
- District Lodge of Instruction at St. John's #1. 11
- 15 Colonial-Prospect #24- No Meeting, Holiday. 17 Acacia #20- Guest Speaker, RW Brian Mandel, JGD, Masonic Charity Foundation. ZOOM: 8 PM.
- 22 Cincinnati #3- Hope One Program on Addiction Support
- Congdon-Overlook #163- Regular Communication. 23
- 24 Madison #93- "Rusty Mason," with WB Alex Aldea.

# COMING EVENTS-MARCH

- Colonial-Prospect #24- Official Visit of DDGM. 3
- Acacia #20- Official Visit of RW Paul Hauser. DDGM. Acacia #20- Blood Drive, 10 AM-3 PM, Appointments
- required, 201-251-3703 or vitalant.org.
- Cincinnati #3- Official Visit of RW Paul Hauser. DDGM. 8
- Congdon-Overlook #163- Official Visit of DDGM. 9
- Madison #93- Official Visit of RW Paul Hauser. DDGM. 10
- 11 District Lodge of Instruction at St. John's #1.
- 15 Colonial-Prospect #24- Regular Communication.
- 17 Acacia #20- Regular Communication.
- 22 Cincinnati #3- Regular Communication.
- 23 Congdon-Overlook #163- Regular Communication.
- 24 Madison #93- Regular Communication. Game Night.





#### MESSAGE FROM YOUR MASONIC CHARITY FOUNDATION TRUSTEES

The Board of the Masonic Charity Foundation is pleased to announce to its membership that it has finalized an agreement with Life Care Services (LCS) to manage the Masonic Village at Burlington (MVB). LCS replaces Ashlar Creative Solutions (Ashlar), a senior services management and development company of the Masonic Villages of Pennsylvania, which has managed MVB since January 1, 2013.



assistance, please find our application on the members only website www.njmasons.com

Questions can be directed to: RW Andy Churney, Grand Almoner 609-239-3971 • Trenton Office 609-239-3804 · Burlington Office agc@njmasonic.org

### LODGE EVENTS-FEBRUARY 2021

- (All times are 7:30 PM unless otherwise noted)
- Tue. Regular Communication.
- 9 Officers Rehearsal. Tue. 11

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- Thu. District Lodge of Instruction at St. John's #1.
- Masonic evening. Activities begin at 6:30 PM. Sat.
- Regular Communication. 16 Tue.
- 18 Thu. Masters and Wardens.
- 23 Tue. Officers Rehearsal. 27
  - Sat. Masonic evening. Activities begin at 6:30 PM.

#### COMING EVENTS-MARCH

- Regular Communication. Official Visit of RW Paul 2 Tue. Hauser, DDGM, Officers Dress Formal. 6
  - Sat. Masonic evening. Activities begin at 6:30 PM.
- 9 Tue. Officers Rehearsal.
- District Lodge of Instruction at St. John's #1. 11 Thu.
- Regular Communication. 16 Tue.
- 18 Thu. Masters and Wardens.
- 20 Masonic evening. Activities begin at 6:30 PM Sat.
- 23 Tue. Officers Rehearsal.

Do you need a ride to Lodge or assistance? Contact our Brotherhood Committee Chairman Bro. Paul Kaczkin at 973-615-6776

AWAITING ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE

Mr. Stephen E. Riefler, Mr. Joseph R. Tasca,

Mr. Jerry S. Tuscano, Mr. David N. VanPelt,

Mr. Ryan A. VanPelt

AWAITING FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE

Bro. E.A. Matthew R. Santangelo

AWAITING MASTER MASON EXAM

Bro. George Gallini

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS-FEBRUARY

(Date of Master Mason Degree)

Birthdavs will be celebrated when Covid-19 Restrictions are lifted

IN MEMORIAM

We are saddened to inform you of the passing of:

Most Worshipful William H. Sackett

Past Grand Master 1986-1987

Raised by the Supreme Grand Master

January 15, 2021

"May his soul bloom in eternal Spring"

2/13/64

2/19/57

William J. Adelhelm, III (23) 2/17/98 Cecil C. Stichweh (57)

James J. Benedetti (67) 2/25/54 Charles T. Weiler (64)

Raymond R. Erwine (49) 2/24/72