

Medford Lodge No. 178 F. & A. M.



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Grand Master of Masons of New Jersey
M.W. Dieter B Hees



**CONSTITUTED
MARCH 11, 1903**

MEETS SECOND MONDAY
(EXCEPT JULY & AUGUST)

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Medford Lodge 2018 Officers

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Medford Lodge Installation of Officers 12/11/17



Message from the East



Dear Brothers,

In writing my first message from the East, I cannot help but think of the night when I was first made a Mason. What most impressed me that night, was the ritual and the time and effort that must have been exerted by the members of the lodge. To this day, I can still recall the names of the Brothers, who gave the lectures during my degrees. Experiencing the degrees from the sidelines also greatly impressed me. I remember thinking then that this was something I wanted to do, which naturally led me to join the officer line.

In learning and further appreciating ritual over the past several years, what has helped me with its memorization, has been developing a deeper understanding of what is actually being conveyed to the candidates and the brothers in attendance.

This is especially true with the charges, which in various forms, are not only given at the end of each degree, but in some cases during the degree. A charge is also given at the end of every meeting, whether it be a regular or emergent communication, with the Master standing on the level with the Brethren. When you carefully read the charges, they lay the framework as to how we, as Masons, should conduct ourselves and act throughout our lives. When coupled with our obligations, a solid foundation is laid for a moral and upright life. In other words, “making good men better”.

Various forms of charges can be traced back hundreds, if not thousands of years. The first written charges, that we know of, are contained within the Halliwell Manuscript, also known as the Regius Manuscript or Poem. This manuscript is dated to the 1300s and contains over 700 lines of rhymed verse. Per various sources, the original poem is written in Middle English and it begins by describing how Euclid “counterfeited geometry” and called it masonry, for the employment of the children of nobility in Ancient Egypt. It describes the spread of masonry to various lands and was brought to England during the reign of King Athelstan (924 -939). In addition, it describes how Athelstan and the nobility forged 15 articles and 15 points for their rule. It is followed by 15 articles for the master concerning both moral behavior and the operation of work on a building site.

The particular charge that I have been focused on lately is the closing charge, which is the most recent piece of ritual that I have learned. In the closing charge, we are told how we should act; diligent, prudent, temperate and discreet outside of the lodge room. We are also told that we should assist our fellow Brethren in their time of need and counsel those who may have strayed, give them the benefit of the doubt and support them to the best of our abilities. We are then instructed that this obligation should not just apply to our fellow Brothers but to all mankind.

We live in a time when people can say the most horrible and insulting things and hide behind the screen of social media. However, we as Mason, have obligated ourselves to live by standards that we do not take lightly. It is these charges they we must continue to live by.

Fraternally and happy holidays,

Daniel O'Brien
Worshipful Master

Calendar of Events



Dates to Remember — January

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location
Tuesday	2	6:30 PM	District Lodge of Instruction Dinner 6:30pm DLI Opens 7:30pm Officer Expected to Attend / Master Mason Encouraged Dress: Business	Mount Holly Lodge 15 Garden Street Mt Holly, NJ 08060
Monday	8	6:00 PM	Regular Communication Dinner/Fraternal Networking 6:30 pm / Open: 7:30 PM Dress Officers: Formal / Masons: Business Dinner Catered by Femmina - Brother Franco Coppola	Medford Lodge 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055
Monday	15	7:15 PM	Officer Rehearsal: 2018 Officers All Officers Encouraged to Attend. All Master Masons Welcome	Medford Lodge 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055
Monday	22	6:30 PM	Emergent Communication: EA Degree Dinner: 6:30 PM / Business: 7:30 PM Dress Officers: Formal / Masons: Business	Medford Lodge 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055
Thursday	25	7:00 PM	**Cigar & Poker Night** Please come have fun, Reach out to WB Phillips for more information.	Main Street Cigar 7 South Main Street Medford, NJ 08055
Saturday	27	9:00 AM	Grand Lodge Winter Education Symposium *See Attached information must register with GL Prior	Masonic Temple 100 Barrack Street Trenton, NJ 08608
Monday	29	7:15 PM	Officer Rehearsal: 2018 Officers All Officers Encouraged to Attend. All Master Masons Welcome	Medford Lodge 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055



January's Program

At our next regular communication, on January 8, 2018, Brother Hugh Christine will do a presentation regarding project management. Brother Christine has 30+ years' experience in Acquisition and Program Management with Lockheed Martin. Courses taught include Earned Value Management, Project Management, Subcontract Program Management, Subcontract Administration and various special topic courses related to acquisition and project management.

We hope to see you there!



DUES

Dues for 2018 are now due and payable to Medford Lodge #178. Please remit to the Secretary.
Lodge Dues for 2018 (\$115.00) and include Grand Lodge Assessment.

Masonic Birthdays

Brother	Raised	Years	Brother	Raised	Years
Wallace H Cabler Jr.	1/10/1983	35	Nicholas L Matteo	1/11/1993	25
Todd A Cottle	1/28/2015	3	Trond G Olsen	1/18/1993	25
Alan S Craine	1/28/1991	27	Charles D Parker	1/15/1996	22
Jack A Crosby	1/8/1990	28	Donald H Schroeder	1/28/1991	27
A. John Ellor	1/16/1996	22	Frederick A Tantleff	1/24/2000	18
Thomas J Fitzpatrick	1/13/1965	53	Paul J Thompson III	1/15/1996	22
Jeffrey Fitzpatrick	1/28/2015	3	Charles A Trethewy	1/17/1984	34
Richard A Godin	1/8/1973	45	Daniel L Weaver	1/15/1996	22
Andrew J Kean	1/26/2004	14	K. Charles Westen	1/15/1996	22
Thomas J Kosdemba	1/30/1989	29	George J Wigginton Jr.	1/11/1993	25
Robert C Marter	1/18/1993	25	Larry W Wilson	1/29/1966	52
Rocco L Marvaldi	1/25/1999	19	Richard W Woodhull	1/30/1989	29



Making Good Men Better

To be Balloted:	Mr. David M Carvin Jr
	Mr. George W Massey
	Mr. Ryan R Wilno
	Bro. Steven Zumwalde (Dual Membership) Naval Lodge #87 Viejo, CA
In Waiting for Entered Apprentice Degree:	Mr. Michael J Ferry Jr
In Waiting for the Master Mason Exam:	Bro. Matthew S DiPaula
	Bro. Gary C Gubbei
	Bro. Robert T Gadsby
	Bro. Steve Woods

Grand Lodge & District Info



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Lodges of the 19th District

Beverly Riverside #107

Meets 3rd Thursday
621 Chester Avenue, Riverside, NJ 08075

Burlington #32

Meets 2nd Tuesday
2308 Mt Holly Rd, Burlington, NJ 08016

Central #44

Meets 3rd Wednesday
23 Plum Street, South Hampton, NJ 08088

Covenant #161

Meets 1st Friday
1007 Highland Avenue, Palmyra, NJ 08065

Maple Shade Moorestown #281

Meets 1st Thursday
15 North Fellowship Road, Maple Shade, NJ 08052

Medford #178

Meets 2nd Monday
25 Bank Street, Medford, NJ 08055

Mount Holly #14

Meets 3rd Monday
15 Garden Street, Mount Holly, NJ 08060

Mount Moriah #28

Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday's
121 Farnsworth Avenue, Bordentown, NJ 08505

Pemberton Pyramid #92

Meets 4th Tuesday (Except Dec) & April 2nd Tuesday
122 Hanover Street, Pemberton, NJ 08068

Past Masters



In Honor of our Living Past Masters

Richard S. Dellmyer	1966 (+)	John T. Kubit	1998
Calvin Walters	1974	Richard D. Dolbec	1999 (EXP)
Frederick H. Beals III	1976 (DMT)	Borys I. Umyn	2000
Robert S. Middleton, PGC	1977, 79	George J. Wigginton Jr	2001
Frederick D. Domako	1977 (D)	Stephen C. Sweeney	2002
C. William Cornelssen	1978	Robert E. Seufert	2003-04 (A)
Richard A. Godin	1980	John Bradshaw, PSGD	2004, 08 (D)
Ralph H. Berringer	1980 (D)	Peter M. DeStefano	2004
J. Edward Hunt	1981	William J. Ward, Jr.	2005 (A)
John F. Hall, PGC, PDGI	1982 (D)	Jerry S. Albrecht	2005
Orrin Dillabough	1982 (D)	A. John Ellor	2006 (D)
Wayne Hartman	1983 (D)	Conrad Dombkiewicz	2008
Alfred D. "Gov" Gilmour	1985	Joseph W. Keresztury Jr.	1976, 2009 (D)
Frederick L. Schmidt	1986	David M. Carvin	2010, 14
Howard I. Black 3 rd , PGMar	1987	Roy A. Winter, SGS	2010, 14 (D)
David B. Stoneback	1989	Mark K. Crosby	2011
Richard B. Lechner	1990	Edwin A. Michaloski	2012
Owen D. Brennan, PGSB	1990 (+)	Daniel L. Nemcek	2013
Howard I. Black 2 nd , PJGS	1991	Russell A. Bauer, PGC	2015
Mark Birnbaum	1993 (D, S)	Jeremiah H. Phillips	2016
Ronald Gervasoni	1994 (S)	Jonathan Murray	2017
William B. Watson	1995		
Dennis J. Coloski	1996		
Charles F. Markelwith	1996 (D)		
Allan D. Kline	1997 (DMT)		

(+) = Affiliated

(DMT) = Demitted

(D) = Dual

(S) = Suspended

(EXP) = Expelled

In Memoriam — 2018



Past Masters



In Memory of our Deceased Past Masters

Frank A. Braddock	1903	Harold S. Farrow	1952
Samuel A. Garwood	1904	Charles N. Parker	1953
J. Maurice Garwood	1905-06	Norman R. DeLong	1954
Harry Brick	1907, 37-38	Henry Emenecker Sr, PGC	1955, 64
William D. Cowperthwait	1904, 40	A. Robert Merrion	1956
Alfred E. Darnell	1909-10	Jerald Carey	1957, 63
Carlton J. Garwood	1911	Harold E. Easlick PGC	1958, 62
Charles J. Hollingshead	1912	Dean W. Cramer (+)	1958
Wilbert F. Branin	1913	Kenneth G. Rexon (D)	1958, 80
C. Edgar Haines	1914	Gordon L. Beeler	1959
Albert F. Kirby	1915	Herbert M. Hays	1960
Isaac E. Ballinger	1916	George D. Richer Jr	1961
E. P. Warner	1917	Fred A. Sharkey III	1965
S. Thackara Haines	1918	David C. Morton	1966
Fred W. Branin	1919	Richard S. Dellmyer (+)	1966
Charles H. Griscom	1920	George W. Beisley	1967-68
Henry S. Lippincott	1921	William L. Springman	1969
Eckard J. Ballinger	1922	Arnold Earle (+)	1969
Clinton H. Cowperthwait, PSGS	1924, 47	Benjamin J. Amadio	1970
Charles F. Clymer	1925	Thomas J. Fitzgerald (+)	1970
George M. Hiles	1926	Oscar Cahall	1971
Francis Mickle	1927	Carl P. Rehor	1972
William C. Griscom	1928, 39	William H. Moffett (+)	1972
Lawrence G. Mingin	1929	John D. Cooper	1973
Garfield Alloway	1930	Richard B. Snavely (+)	1974
Harvey Hiles	1931	Ernest L. Seth	1975
Karl G.J. Bingemann	1932	Frederick D. Domako (D)	1977
Charles H. Leeds	1933	Wilhelm Launhardt (+)	1980
Ralph E. Curry	1934	Paul D. Garlanger PDDGM (+)	1981
Fred R. Boyd	1935	Russell C.S. Williams	1982
Robert N. Henderson	1936	Joseph W. Siatkowski	1983
Edwin M. Johnson	1941-44	V. James Minerva	1984
George W. Otto (+)	1941	Edwin E. Wood III, PSGM	1988
George Korradi (+)	1942	Frederick H. Tillwick	1992
Harry T. McNeill	1945-46	Ronald L. Hodge	1993
Edwin Holzschuher	1948	William E. Stockum	2003
Joseph E. Bealer Jr	1949	Thomas Wright II, PJGD	2007
E. Lester Small	1950-51		

(+) = Affiliated

(**D**) = DUAL





Medford Lodge App

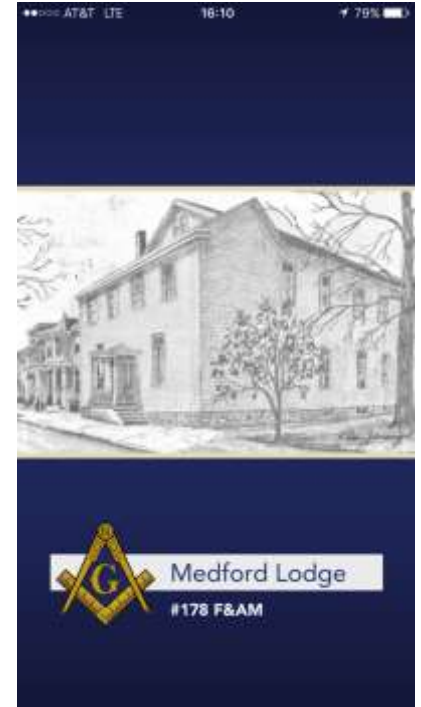
In regards to technology, it is exciting that we, like many organizations, can make use of up-to-date, convenient tools that can benefit our fraternity in an easy to use way. The new Medford Lodge #178 app will allow for just that!

To download and use the Medford Lodge #178 app, you can visit Play Store or iTunes store to download- just search Medford Lodge #178

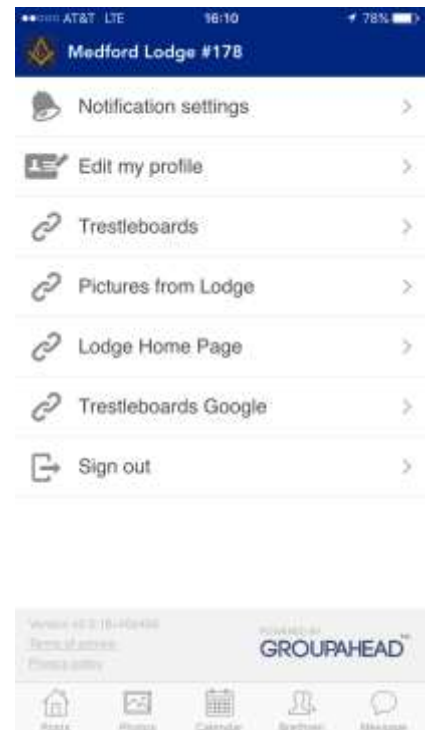
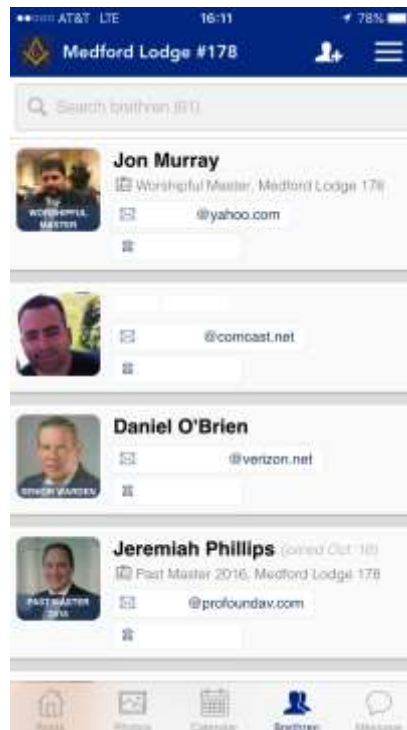
Once you download the app at your app store you will be able to:

- View up-to-date calendar information for lodge events, to allow members to plan to attend lodge events
- Use the messaging feature to communicate with other lodge members, and join private and public chats for individual members or Committee groups
- Access members' contact information
- View and upload photos from lodge events

Additionally, the app will also have links to our monthly Trestleboards so you can view them when you're on the go!



Here is the link to download: [Non-Apple](#) - [iTunes Store](#)





At our Installation on December 11, 2017, MW Francis Mitchell celebrated his 50th Installation as the Installing Master for Medford Lodge. In honor of the event the Lodge's Past Master presented him a plaque with the names of every WM of Medford Lodge he installed.



Congratulations to Brothers Hugh Christine and Rudy Hatala were awarded the David Brearley Award.

They were presented with the award at our annual installation by RW Brother Kevin Bunting, DDGM.

[For our new Brothers Here is a link to the David Brearley Award Application!!!](#)

SAVE THE DATE: Table Chapter with Eastern Star

This will be the **third year** for our Annual Table Chapter with our very own Medford Chapter of Eastern Star!

Don't miss is— this is a great opportunity to bring out your significant other and have some fun.

February 24th 6:00pm Dinner

More Info to Come. Please contact Brother Larry Vernamonti for more information

vernamontil@gmail.com



POLAR BEAR PLUNGE

SEASIDE HEIGHTS - 02/24/18 (25 YEARS 1994 - 2018)

(Benefiting the New Jersey Special Olympics)

Location: 63 Grant Ave, Seaside Heights, 08751
At The Boardwalk & Beach Registration 9am-12:30pm

TEAM Meeting Place: Harmony Temple, 110 Route 37W, Toms River, NJ
08754
(Exit 82 GSP, across from Community Hospital)

Time: 9am-10:00am Breakfast

10:00am Bus ride to Seaside Heights, a 10 min ride.
(You can take your own car if you want too)

12:30pm Staging-Look for our Masonic Flag on the boardwalk and beach
to plunge with us.

1:00pm PLUNGE Water Temperature 36- 38 Degrees

Register or donate to a plunger online at: www.plungeseaside.org

Register Under New Jersey Freemason Team Name: Hiram On Ice

Need Info, Contact? WB Aditya Thaker adityathaker@gmail.com, 609-233-0265,
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WB Denis Johnson dsv4185@gmail.com 732- 278-6286



Saturday

January 27, 2018

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the
Historic Trenton
Masonic Temple

Admission:

\$20 per Person
Master Masons Only

RSVP BY:

January 24

Seating is limited to the
first 300 to register

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Check Payable to
"Grand Lodge of
New Jersey"
And mail to
Mohamad Yatim
18 Clydesdale Rd
Scotch Plains, NJ 07076

Dress Code:

Business Casual
(Pants & Collared Shirt
– No Jeans)

Grand Lodge of NJ 2018 Winter Seminar

Saturday, January 27TH

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

\$20 per person

at the Historic Trenton Masonic Temple
100 Barrack Street, Trenton, New Jersey

Tickets Available on The Grand Lodge Website

www.NewJerseyGrandLodge.com

From England: Brother Ric Berman

– Foundations, The Prestonian Lecture

Bro. Berman is the 2016 UGLE's Prestonian Lecturer. In continuation of our celebration of the 300th anniversary of the founding of the premier Grand Lodge in England, Bro. Berman will explore the evolution of Freemasonry from the mid-fourteenth century through to the creation of the first Grand Lodge in 1717. Bro. Berman challenges old Masonic myths, explains the interconnections between Freemasonry, Grand Lodge and Britain's new Hanoverian government, and outlines how and why its leaders positioned the Craft as a bastion against the Jacobite followers of James Stuart - 'the king over the water'.

From New York: R.W. Piers Vaughan

– The Journey in Esoteric Societies

R.W. Vaughan is a Mason of 40 years' standing and has served in various leadership positions in the Fraternity. A few years ago he decided to use the skills acquired lecturing around the United States and across the world and began a new career in his retirement as an author. His first project was a new Royal Arch Monitor called the Capitular Development Course, now used across the States and several other countries. His next endeavor was Renaissance Man & Mason, a collection of talks given over the past 20 years. Most recently he has published a translation of Louis-Claude de Saint-Martin's book Of Errors & Truth. His lecture is entitled "The Journey in Esoteric Societies".

From New Jersey: R.W. Michael S. Neuberger

– 12 Guilty Men: A lesson in repentance

R.W. Neuberger is the current Grand Historian of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey. R.W. Neuberger is an outstanding speaker who travels around the state presenting various thought provoking lectures on Masonic philosophies and ideas. His lecture entitled "12 guilty Men, a lesson in repentance" will focus on the guilt of the 12 walking craftsmen. What was their crime? Who are the ruffians that they seek? Can repentance wash away the stain of sin? Is there such a thing as being beyond redemption? How do the three monotheistic faiths practice repentance?

From Massachusetts: Sis. Michelle Snyder

– Symbolology: Leadership & Power

Symbologist Michelle Snyder and White Knight Studio present: Symbolology: Leadership and Power, a unique and enlightening presentation on the mysterious world of symbols. Humankind attaches associations to objects such as a crown and scepter, a gavel, or a prophet's staff. Depictions of powerful or divine persons, whether in religious iconography or cultural imagery, include attributes - objects which help to identify the person or their status. These symbols of power and leadership have developed over millennia and evolve with the cultures that use them. When we follow these symbols back in context of time and place, their origins reveal to us meanings long forgotten.

For More Information, Please Contact:

R.W. Mohamad A. Yatim, P.G.H. at mayatim@hotmail.com or at (484) 995-3337

This event is brought to you by the Grand Lodge of New Jersey
Masonic Education and Services Committee



FAMILY NIGHT



vs.



Wells Fargo Center - Philadelphia, PA

Saturday, January 20 @ 1pm, Doors Open at 12:30pm

**SEE THE FREEMASON HONOR GUARD CEREMONY,
STOP BY THE FREEMASON MEMBERSHIP TABLE, AND
WATCH THE FLYERS WITH FELLOW NJ, PA, AND DE
MASON FAMILIES**

TICKETS IN SECTION 222/222A: \$65 /GROUP RATE

All tickets are available at will call window

**Tickets can be ordered by credit card or check through
The Grand Lodge of New Jersey, 100 Barrack Street,
Trenton, NJ 08608-2008, 609-239-3950**

(Last date to order tickets January 5, 2018)





39th Annual Brotherhood Night

Hosted by The Grand Lodge of Delaware

Friday, March 23, 2018

NUR Shrine Temple

198 S. DuPont Highway
New Castle, DE 19720-4149

**TICKETS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW JERSEY
(609) 239-3950**

Social Hour: 5:30 PM

Dinner: 6:30 PM

\$40.00

**TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD AFTER
FEBRUARY 23, 2018**



DEMOLAY

NEW JERSEY

HELP US SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT DEMOLAY

THE MASONIC FAMILY'S PREMIERE YOUTH ORGANIZATION FOR YOUNG MEN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 12 AND 21.

OUR GOAL IS TO HELP SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT DEMOLAY TO ALL NJ FREEMASONS, ENCOURAGING YOU TO RECOMMEND A YOUNG MAN TO MEMBERSHIP. YOUR SON, GRANDSON, RELATIVE, FRIEND, OR ANY YOUNG MAN RECOMMENDED BY YOU IS ELIGIBLE TO JOIN DEMOLAY.

DEMOLAY ACCEPTS MEMBERSHIP FROM ALL YOUNG MEN OF GOOD MORAL CHARACTER, FROM ALL FAITH TRADITIONS.

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WHEN CORRESPONDING, INCLUDE YOUR NAME,
YOUR LODGE, THE NAMES OF THE YOUNG MEN
YOU ARE RECOMMENDING, AS WELL AS A PHONE
NUMBER TO CONTACT FOR FOLLOW UP.

FOR A YOUNG MAN, MEMBERSHIP IN DEMOLAY IS AN HONOR,
AKIN TO THE HONOR WE ALL FEEL AS MASTER MASONS.
WHY NOT SHARE THIS WITH THOSE CLOSEST TO YOU?

NJDEMOLAY.ORG/HOW-TO-JOIN



Medford Lodge



From Left to Right:

- RW Howard I Black III**
- MW Francis Mitchell**
- RW Howard I Black II**
- WM Daniel O'Brien**
- RW Hank Fratz**
- WB David Carvin**

This year's Installation Team for:
WM Daniel O'Brien

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