

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

- Trestleboard -

June 2020

Grand Master of Masons of New Jersey

M.W. Gregory J. Scott



**CONSTITUTED
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MEETS SECOND MONDAY
(EXCEPT JULY & AUGUST)

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Masonic Village Caravan

Message from the East



Greetings Brethren,

Darkness and Light are recurring themes in Masonry. From the first hoodwink through each degree of initiating, passing and raising, to the last closing of a regular communication, the symbolism of darkness followed by light is a central theme in Masonry.

As our lodges are about to go dark for the summer (after being in near darkness since March) I thought we could consider the meaning of darkness this month and look at light when we open in September.

Darkness has long been a symbol of ignorance, as a contrast to light being a symbol of knowledge. “Darkness was upon the face of the deep...God said let there be light, and there was light.” Since the beginning darkness has naturally preceded and is then later displaced by light. We are first hoodwinked because as Albert Mackey has pointed out, “...the aspirant was always shrouded in darkness, as a preparatory step to the reception of the full light of knowledge.” Thus in darkness we are prepared to receive and appreciate light as we advance with each degree till at last we have received all the light that can be imparted in a lodge of master masons.

Of course we are never in total darkness nor in total light but, we always strive to receive as much light as we can. As in so much of life, the journey is the reward. Leaving the dark behind is the goal. Let us hope we can all leave the current darkness behind soon and enjoy the light of regular lodge meetings in the fall.

Have a great summer while you enjoy the light of sunshine with your family and friends.

Fraternally,
F. Lawrence Vernamonti

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Masonic Birthdays

Brother	Years	Brother	Years	Brother	Years
Jayson G Abadia	1	Robert W Emenecker	41	Richard H Stahl	16
Rigil Kent Abellanosa	6	Stephen David Fuller	9	Stephen C Sweeney	25
Michael Angermeier	8	William J Hosbach Sr.	42	Borys I Umyn	25
Richard A Barden	44	John David Jarrell	8	Kenneth Wallach	25
Thomas William Beamer	7	Thomas Anton Jareb	1	Calvin J Walters	52
Howard I. Black 3rd, PGMar	37	Gilbert J Lattiere	17	John A Wisnoski	16
Edward Morris Blankley	8	Thomas J McCreight	29	Stephen J Woods Jr.	1
Michael P Bray	32	John F Mifka	17	Frederick Charles Young	10
Owen D Brennan, PGSB	35	Michael Braddock Miller	12	July Birthdays	
Phil Ashley Brownridge	10	Kent Douglas Neiswender	1	Hugh Frank Christine	5
Michael H Bunks	32	Jonathan W Parrish	21	Daniel Patrick Deegan	5
William John Crowe	8	John Anthony Quintana	10	G. Bruce Eveland	24
Michael J Dariano	3	Alexander L Samuelian	37	Rudolph Nicolas Hatala	5
Andrew Drysdale Jr.	39	Samuel V Samuelian Jr.	37	Jesse H. Roberts	24
Joseph F Duffy IV	3	George P Scelso, DB	16	Dylan Andrew Wallach	5

Making Good Men Better

To Be Balloted On:	Bro. Michael P. Edmondson for Dual Membership
In Waiting to Receive the Fellowcraft Degree:	Brother Matthew Edward Schneider
In Waiting to Receive their Master Mason Degree	Bro. Michael A Brattelli
	Bro. Michael Alexander Chadwick
In Waiting to Receive their Master Mason Exam	Brother Daniel Richard Espenshied
	Brother Peter Roger DeStefano



Notes from the Worshipful Master:



Greetings to all our brothers.
Hoping that his Trestleboard finds all bothers and their families well.

Maybe it's me but the Masonic year has gone by in a blur. Hard to remember all the regular communications and great programs we had. Oh that's right, we didn't have them as we were shut down during the great covid panic of 2020. Well maybe next year. Like me, I'm sure many of you were hoping we would at least get one meeting in or some activity like a shoot in but it was not meant to be.

Hopefully we will reopen in the fall and make up for lost time. If we continue to study our ritual, we will hit the ground with both feet running in the fall. Once we hear there is some hope of opening again we can immediately implement prior plans for activities which are currently forbidden and make up for lost time. All the programs and activities we have planned are not forgotten and we should be able to enjoy them in the future.

Keep clam, stay healthy and carry on.

Fraternally

Larry

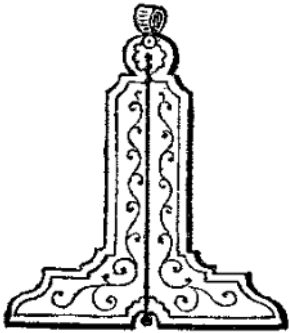
Notes From The Senior Warden



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Greetings Brethren,

Mozart reportedly wrote music specifically for the Lodge, music intended for the public but built on Masonic themes, and music composed for other purposes but adapted, either by himself or others, for Masonic use.



One of his works, the "Gesellenreise (Fellow Craft's Journey)" was first performed on April 16, 1785 for the Fellowcraft Degree of Mozart's father, Leopold.

Here is a beautiful verse from this work for our reflection:

"You, who now are risen higher
unto Wisdom's high abode,
Know, it is the noblest road.
Only spirit without blight
May approach the source of Light."

Thank you to: <http://www.glbet-el.org/masonictexte/mozart.htm>

John Quintana

[This is a link to all the 19th District Upcoming Events](http://www.19thdistrictnj.org/19th-district-events/)
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Officers & Committees



2020 Medford Lodge Officers

<p>Worshipful Master F Lawrence Vernamonti</p> <p>Senior Warden John A Quintana</p> <p>Junior Warden Rigil Abellanosa</p> <p>Treasurer WB Daniel O'Brien Email: Treasurer.Medford178@gmail.com</p> <p>Secretary WB David Carvin, Sr. (609) 261-2411 25 Bank Street, Medford, NJ 08055 Email: David.CarvinSr@gmail.com</p>	<p>Senior / Junior Deacon Hugh Christine Rudy Hatala</p> <p>Senior / Junior Master of Ceremonies Joseph "Kip" Duffy Harry Mayer</p> <p>Senior / Junior Steward Jay Keesler Stephen Towell</p> <p>Chaplain Thomas Beamer</p> <p>Marshal John Farrace</p> <p>Tyler J. Gary Hicks, PM</p> <p>Historian WB J Edward Hunt, PM</p> <p>Proxy to Grand Lodge Hugh Christine</p>
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Committees

<p>Lodge Trustees Harry Srolovitz (1) Joseph F. Alter (2) RW Jeremiah Phillips (3)</p> <p>Temple Trustees WB George Wigginton, PM (1) WB John Ellor, PM (2) WB Frederick C. Young Jr., PM (3)</p> <p>Sickness & Distress RW Howard I Black, 2nd WM Larry Vernamonti Rudy Hatala</p>	<p>Audit Committee WB Daniel Nemcek DB Russ Carvin Jr William "Bill" Crozier</p> <p>Ritual Committee WB David Carvin, PM RW Russ Bauer, GC RW Jeremiah Phillips</p> <p>Relief Committee WM Larry Vernamonti</p>	<p>By-Laws WB David Carvin, PM WB Russ Bauer, GC</p> <p>Hospitality Committee John Quintana RW Jeremiah Phillips Franco Coppola Stewards</p> <p>Educator & 1st Responder Scholarship Kip Duffy</p>
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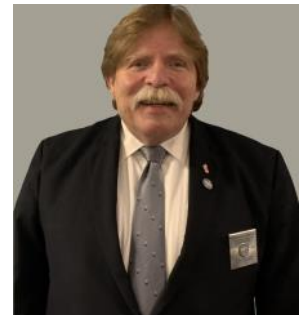
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Lodges of the 19th District

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, Southampton, NJ 08088

Maple Shade Moorestown #281

Meets 3rd Tuesday
15 North Fellowship Road, Maple Shade, NJ 08052

Medford Lodge #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

Past Masters



In Honor of our Living Past Masters

Richard S. Dellmyer	1966 (+)	Borys I. Umyn	2000
Calvin Walters	1974	George J. Wigginton Jr	2001
Frederick H. Beals III	1976 (DMT)	Stephen C. Sweeney	2002
Robert S. Middleton, PGC	1977, 79	Peter M. DeStefano	2004
Frederick D. Domako	1977 (D)	William J. Ward, Jr.	2005 (A)
Richard A. Godin	1980	Jerry S. Albrecht	2005
Ralph H. Berringer	1980 (D)	A. John Ellor	2006 (D)
J. Edward Hunt	1981	Conrad Dombkiewicz	2008
John F. Hall, PGC, PDGI	1982 (D)	Joseph W. Keresztury Jr.	1976, 2009 (D)
Wayne Hartman	1983 (D)	David M. Carvin	2010, 14
Alfred D. "Gov" Gilmour	1985	Roy A. Winter, DRI	2010, 14 (D)
Frederick L. Schmidt	1986	Joseph A. Knecht	2014 (D)
Howard I. Black 3 rd , PGMar	1987	Mark K. Crosby	2011
David B. Stoneback	1989	Edwin A. Michaloski	2012
Richard B. Lechner	1990	Daniel L. Nemcek	2013
Owen D. Brennan, PGSB	1990 (+)	Russell A. Bauer, PGC	2015
Howard I. Black 2 nd , PJGS	1991	Robert Shestack	2016 (D)
Mark Birnbaum	1993 (D, S)	Jeremiah H. Phillips, PJGD	2016
Ronald Gervasoni	1994 (S)	Jonathan Murray	2017
William B. Watson	1995	John Bradshaw, PSGD	2017, 2019 (D)
Dennis J. Coloski	1996	Daniel O'Brien	2018
Charles F. Markelwith	1996 (D)	Frederick C. Young Jr.	2019
Allan D. Kline	1997		
John T. Kubit	1998		
Richard D. Dolbec	1999 (EXP)		

(+) = Affiliated

(DMT) = Demitted

(D) = Dual

(S) = Suspended

(EXP) = Expelled

In Memoriam — 2020

[William "Bill" K. Stauts 12/31/2019](#)



Past Masters



In Memory of our Deceased Past Masters

Frank A. Braddock	1903	Norman R. DeLong	1954
Samuel A. Garwood	1904	Henry Emenecker Sr, PGC	1955, 64
William D. Cowperthwait	1904, 40	A. Robert Merrion	1956
J. Maurice Garwood	1905-06	Jerald Carey	1957, 63
Harry Brick	1907, 37-38	Harold E. Easlick PGC	1958, 62
Alfred E. Darnell	1909-10	Kenneth G. Rixon (D)	1958, 80
Carlton J. Garwood	1911	Dean W. Cramer (+)	1958
Charles J. Hollingshead	1912	Gordon L. Beeler	1959
Wilbert F. Branin	1913	Herbert M. Hays	1960
C. Edgar Haines	1914	George D. Richer Jr	1961
Albert F. Kirby	1915	Fred A. Sharkey III	1965
Isaac E. Ballinger	1916	David C. Morton	1966
E. P. Warner	1917	Richard S. Dellmyer (+)	1966
S. Thackara Haines	1918	George W. Beisley	1967-68
Fred W. Branin	1919	William L. Springman	1969
Charles H. Griscom	1920	Arnold Earle (+)	1969
Henry S. Lippincott	1921	Benjamin J. Amadio	1970
Eckard J. Ballinger	1922	Benjamin J. Amadio	1970
Clinton H. Cowperthwait, PSGS	1924, 47	Thomas J. Fitzgerald (+)	1970
Charles F. Clymer	1925	Oscar Cahall	1971
George M. Hiles	1926	Carl P. Rehor	1972
Francis Mickle	1927	William H. Moffett (+)	1972
William C. Griscom	1928, 39	John D. Cooper	1973
Lawrence G. Mingin	1929	Richard B. Snavely (+)	1974
Garfield Alloway	1930	Ernest L. Seth	1975
Harvey Hiles	1931	Frederick D. Domako (D)	1977
Karl G.J. Bingemann	1932	C. William Cornelssen	1978
Charles H. Leeds	1933	Wilheml Launhardt (+)	1980
Ralph E. Curry	1934	Paul D. Garlanger PDDGM (+)	1981
Fred R. Boyd	1935	Russell C.S. Williams	1982
Robert N. Henderson	1936	Orrin Dillabough	1982 (D)
Edwin M. Johnson	1941-44	Joseph W. Siatkowski	1983
George W. Otto (+)	1941	V. James Minerva	1984
George Korradi (+)	1942	Edwin E. Wood III, PSGM	1988
Harry T. McNeill	1945-46	Frederick H. Tillwick	1992
Edwin Holzschuher	1948	Ronald L. Hodge	1993
Joseph E. Bealer Jr	1949	William E. Stockum	2003
E. Lester Small	1950-51	Robert E. Seufert	2003-04 (A)
Harold S. Farrow	1952	Thomas Wright II, PJGD	2007
Charles N. Parker	1953		

Demolay & Rainbow



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"In a world too often seen through a screen, DeMolay and Rainbow reminds us there are other choices".

Members of DeMolay (12-21) and Rainbow (11-20) develop civic awareness through community service projects, personal responsibility by planning and executing their own activities, and gain self-confidence through leadership and public speaking.



For more information on these organizations for your son, daughter, grandchild, niece, nephew or neighbor, please call or email me.

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ASK ONE**

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19th District at the Masonic Village



May 19, 2020

19th Masonic District
Mr. Robert K. Boulton
205 Lippincott Avenue
Riverton, NJ 08077

Dear Brother Boulton:

Thank you for your recent gift of a catered lunch for Masonic Village at Burlington team members on May 19, 2020. Your help reflects the true meaning of philanthropy and is very much appreciated. Thank you for standing behind the dedicated team members who help to make the Masonic Village at Burlington a safe haven for our elders.

With warm regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chris".

Christopher S. Abbott, M.T., CFP®
Director of Development

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Bob -
Many thanks to you
and the brethren of the
19th District for the
lunch as well as for
the Parade of Support.
Both the team and
the residents really
appreciate the show
of support!

OUR 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.



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