

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

- Trestleboard -

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**Grand Master of Masons of New Jersey
M.W. Robert V. Monacelli**



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MARCH 11, 1903**

MEETS SECOND MONDAY
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**American Red Cross
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Medford Masonic Lodge

**Thank you for the countless Blood Drives
You have sponsored on our behalf, during the COVID Crisis.**

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Message from the East



“Ok Mugsy, you’re gotten’ da third degree!” How many times have you heard that line in an old movie? And they generally don’t mean that old Mugsy gets to be made a Mason. Speaking of the third degree, how and when did the concept of the three degrees in Masonic tradition develop? Our Lodges are filled with many uses of the symbolic number “3”, often referred to as the “perfect number”. Three major and three minor lights, three or more required to form a lodge, three stations, three ambulations, three principle supports, three moveable and three immoveable jewels and of course the three degrees. There are even a few more if you think about it. But let’s look at just the three degrees for now

Albert Mackey tells us that prior to 1717 there was only one degree, the Entered Apprentice. Fellow Craft and Master Mason degrees did not appear before 1721 and were not fully implemented until 1738. Ultimately each degree was meant to symbolize a new step of knowledge. Thus one worked up from each level of understanding to the pinnacle of knowledge, the third degree. Later the symbolic connotations of youth, manhood and old age were added to the journey to reach the sublime degree of Master Mason.

The third degree is sublime and every Mason remembers that special moment for life. It also shows the charity of the Lodge to the newly raised brother. Always a special moment and I always look forward to our next.

And now you know the rest of the story, and can also feel bad for poor old Mugsy.

Fraternally,
Larry Vernamonti WM

“The establishment of our new government seemed the last great experiment for promoting human happiness by reasonable compact in civil society.” –Bro G. Washington 1790

“Toilet paper too thin, newspapers too fat.”- Bro. W. Churchill


Calendar of Events



Dates to Remember — February 2021

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location
			DLI's cancelled until further notice	
Monday	8th	7:30 PM	Regular Communication Dinner/Fraternal Networking 6:30 pm / Open 7:30 pm Dress Officers: Formal / Masons: Business	Medford Lodge 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055

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<https://youtu.be/Hx-WliihfoM>

If you haven't registered and checked your information next, please do so at your earliest opportunity.

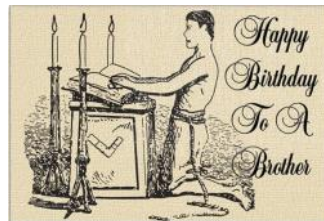
Dues for 2021, \$146.00, are now due and payable.
Please remit to the Secretary.
Thank you

Medford Lodge No. 178



February Masonic Birthdays

Robert E Barral	63	Russel T. Carvin DB	46	Albert E. Freeman	46
Herman Kruckner III	64	Robert C Narozanick	62	Edward A Penberthy	53
Theodore B Wells Jr DB	39	T Frederick Small III	37	Theodore B Wells III	33
Peter M DeStefano PM	24	Richard N Chandler	24	Conrad W Domkiewicz PM	19
James B Campbell Jr	13	William D Campbell	13	William J Sawyer	10
Richard L Weldon	5	Anthony S Cannistraci	5	John A Farrace	5
Joshua D Diamond	5	Steven D Zumwalde	5		



Making Good Men Better

In waiting for Ballot	Paul D Pierce Sr.
In waiting for Master Mason Degree	Brother Michael Bratelli
	Brother Michael Chadwick
In waiting for Master Mason Exam	Brother Daniel Espenshied

Notes from the WM



Greetings Brethren,

Greetings to all our brothers.

Hoping that this Trestleboard finds all our brothers and their families well. We are already halfway through winter!

As before, we are still forbidden by Grand Lodge decree from having more than ten in the Lodge and may not hold or rehearse degree work in the lodge with more than ten. As soon as we hear this has been changed I will post it on the app and send all an email.

Pleased to announce, we have started a lodge non-fiction book club that meets every 4th Wednesday evening at brothers home on a rotating basis. The first book selected is "Winning the Future" by Newt Gingrich. More details are on the app. Please give me a call or text if interested.

On January 20th we had a fantastic blood drive exceeding 150% of goal thanks to the efforts of brothers Rick Young and Kip Duffy. Both their planning and onsite efforts were well done and helpful to the Red Cross.

RW Jeremiah Phillips has produced our Trestleboard for many years and has passed the baton onto WB Rick Young. I want to thank RW Phillips for uncountable hours putting everything together and welcome WB Young who has been helping me with my Trestleboard chores every month.

RW Russ Bauer has relocated to North Carolina and we are very sorry to see him go. He has given so much to our Lodge over the years and we wish him well. WB Dan Obrien has agreed to assume his place as ritual instructor and WB George Wigginton will serve on the by-laws committee.

If you would like to become more involved in the Lodge there are openings on most of the committees listed here in this Trestleboard. Please consider joining one by reaching out to the committee chairman or myself. There is also always the possibility of officer positions as they become available.

I look forward to someday again seeing you in the Lodge with our brethren. Please free to contact me with any concerns. Remember: Keep clam, stay sane, stay healthy and carry on.

Fraternally,

Larry

Officers & Committees



2021 Medford Lodge Officers

<p>Worshipful Master F Lawrence Vernamonti</p> <p>Senior Warden John A Quintana</p> <p>Junior Warden Rigil Abellanos</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 Joshua Diamond</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 William "Bill" Crozier</p> <p>Ritual Committee WB David Carvin, PM WB Daniel E O'Brien RW Jeremiah Phillips</p> <p>Relief Committee WM F L Vernamonti</p>	<p>By-Laws WB David Carvin, PM WB George Wigginton</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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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, 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 (DMT)
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)
Ronald Gervasoni	1994 (S)	Jeremiah H. Phillips, PJGD	2016
William B. Watson	1995	Jonathan Murray	2017
Dennis J. Coloski	1996	Daniel O'Brien	2018
Charles F. Markelwith	1996 (D)	Frederick C. Young Jr.	2019
Allan D. Kline	1997	F Lawrence Vernamonti	2020
John T. Kubit	1998		
Richard D. Dolbec	1999 (EXP)		

(+) = Affiliated

(DMT) = Demitted

(D) = Dual

(S) = Suspended

(EXP) = Expelled

In Memoriam — 2021

DB Robert D Hanold Sr. January 12th, 2021



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
Harold S. Farrow	1952	Jerry S Albrecht	2005
Charles N. Parker	1953	Thomas Wright II, PJGD	2007

Technology



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: [Android - Play Store](#)
iTunes - AVAILABLE NOW ON Play Store



Demolay & Rainbow



DeMolay New Jersey

New Jersey Rainbow



"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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No More Paper Dues Cards 1 time exception in 2021 only for members who are 80 years or Older without smart phone or Computer

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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
Attest:

Handwritten signature of John S. Ryan in black ink.

John S Ryan. Grand Secretary

Handwritten signature of Robert V. Monacelli in blue ink.

Robert V. Monacelli, Grand Master
Of Masons for the State of New Jersey

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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 (13th) day of January, 2021, that I exercise my authority as Grand Master of Masons for the State of New Jersey to proclaim posthumously Officer Brian David Sicknick an "Honorary Mason".

SO ORDERED

Robert V. Monacelli
Grand Master

Attest:

John S. Ryan, Grand Secretary

Online Mentoring Session

Creating Excitement in Freemasonry



Dear Brother: Due to Covid-19 restrictions on gatherings, we are offering an online Mentoring Session for all new members. This program is designed to provide you with information about the degrees, and hopefully inspire and invigorate you to seek more masonic Light. Every attendee will also receive instructions on how to obtain the degree review materials available from the Grand Lodge website.

To register for these exciting workshops please register using the following links:

EA workshop: [https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0pfu2vrj0jGdbz_MiY3JF_xlyHiU7oGqY-](https://zoom.us/join/https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0pfu2vrj0jGdbz_MiY3JF_xlyHiU7oGqY-)

FC workshop: [https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwlfu2srz0pH9DeJPLY2Xksr5b9ssrho3_c](https://zoom.us/join/https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwlfu2srz0pH9DeJPLY2Xksr5b9ssrho3_c)

MM workshop: [https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJlJsdO6pqjMqHtFpf-drijKmPXQcv0hvGi5Ry](https://zoom.us/join/https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJlJsdO6pqjMqHtFpf-drijKmPXQcv0hvGi5Ry)

You will need to provide your full name, GL ID#, lodge name & no., degree level, email, and cell phone. For security reasons, we will verify your status with your lodge secretary, and then you will be sent a secure link to the zoom training.

If you wish to attend more than one workshop (and you are most welcome to do so), you will need to register for each one separately due to security reasons. Obviously, you will only be able to register for the degrees that you have already received.

Each participant will be required to wear headphones to avoid others from listening in since we will be discussing details of the degrees.

Event details:

Location: Zoom online meeting

Date: **Saturday, February 6, 2021**

Times:

- 8:50am – Attendees login
- 9:00-9:50am – EA Workshop
- 9:50am – logoff and break
- 10:00-10:50am – FC Workshop
- 10:50am – logoff and break
- 11:00am-12:15pm – MM Workshop and closing

Registration Fee: **There is no registration fee to the participants, nor to their Lodge.**

Should you have any further questions, please feel free to contact either of the following:

WB Dave Blew at dave.blew@gmail.com, 609-456-8973 cell

WB Jonathan Dershowitz at jadershny@gmail.com, 917-608-7520 cell

We look forward to seeing you soon!!!

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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