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



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MEETS SECOND MONDAY
(EXCEPT JULY & AUGUST)

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**The Lodge had a visit from
Martha Washington at the last meeting**

Message from the East



Greetings Brethren,

I would like to offer some thoughts primarily for discussion and not as deep insight. I find the teaching that “Freemasonry is a progressive science” especially thought provoking. Dr. Albert Gallatin Mackey offered his opinions on this subject in his 1924 edition of the Encyclopedia of Freemasonry. He indicates that our landmarks are not changeable but every science undergoes changes, including Freemasonry. Freemasonry like any science is constantly growing and advancing.

The process of gaining knowledge involves a “Big K” and a “little k.” Let me explain, the “Big K” is ultimate knowledge, the ideal knowing that we all strive towards through deep thought and scientific research. In other words, what we accept as current knowledge is really “little k”, which at best is an approximation of True Knowledge or “Big K.” True Knowledge by definition is multifaceted and of great depth and breath. It is so complex, in fact, that we barely scratch its surface.

However slow our progress, each “little k” step brings us closer towards the “Big K.” Those “little k” steps are not insignificant and can have a huge impact on science, on technology, on Masonry, and on our lives. Every advance we make in “little k” is a step closer to True Knowledge or “Big K.”

The process I am describing can in part explain the connection between the “G” of Geometry and the “G” of Deity. By learning geometry, we gain knowledge or “little k” in mathematics and in the process, we get a glimpse into the complexity of things. Through continued effort we move ever closer to True Knowledge or “Big K.” So, by extension, our attempts to understand the depth of Masonry and the universe through mathematics and science brings us closer to True or ultimate Knowledge, which in reality is the “G” or Deity.

A more profound view indicates that nature or the universe displays a formal geometric and numerological order, which is evidence of a “G” or Deity. The proof of the 47th problem of Euclid can then be considered a confirmation of the existence of “G” or Deity.

Fraternally,
WM John Quintana

Calendar of Events



Dates to Remember — April 2022

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location
Tuesday	5th	6:30 PM	District Lodge of Instruction Dinner 6:30pm - DLI Opens 7:15pm Officer Expected to Attend / Master Mason Encouraged Dress: Business	Central Lodge 23 Plum Street Southampton, NJ 08088
Saturday	9th	6:00 PM	OES Table Chapter Please call Anita Cole for Reservations by 4/2/2022 856-905-7177	Medford Lodge 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055
Monday	11th	6:30 PM	Regular Communication— Presentation from Members of Masonic Lodge of Research and Education (LORE) Dinner/Fraternal Networking 6:30 pm / Open 7:30 pm Dress Officers: Formal / Masons: Business Dinner Catered by Femmina - Bro. Franco Coppola	Medford Lodge 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055
Thursday	28th	5:00 PM	Grand Lodge of Instruction—18th & 19th District 5:00 Fellowship 5:30 Dinner 6:45 GLI Dress Officers: Formal / Masons: Business	Burlington Lodge #32 2308 Mt. Holly Road Burlington, NJ 08016
Saturday	30th	10am— Noon	Medford Lodge #178 Shoot Open to all friends and family of Masonry See flyer for all information	South Jersey Shooting Club 840 Piney Hollow Road Winslow Township, NJ

CHARITY RAISE:

WE ARE LOOKING AT RAISING FUNDS FOR OUR
CHARITY ACCOUNT.

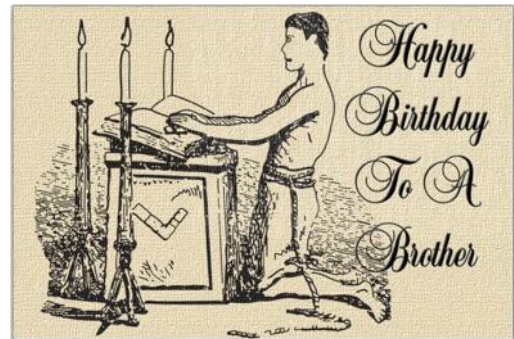
Our JW Hugh Christine and RW Jeremiah Phillips have GRACIOUSLY agreed to help with this fund by matching the first \$1000 each. That is 2X each dollar raised. Please send in checks to the secretary and make sure to let him know it is a donation for this cause.

Medford Lodge No. 178



Masonic Birthdays

Brother	Years	Brother	Years
Joseph F Alter	11	Daniel C Newman	36
Bradley H Denn	23	Carl G Nielsen	24
Paul K Dunlap	23	Lewis C Pinkerton	55
Michael John Ferry Jr	4	Dean K Rainier	35
Wayne R Hunter Sr.	26	Frank G Schafer	26
Gerald P Johnson	35	John F Smith	32
Wayne H Krentz	26	Lawrence Stevenson	26
Andrew James Littrell	8	David B Stoneback	37
George William Massey III	4	Warren A Zelko	26
Francis R. Mitchell, PGM GIE	63		



Making Good Men Better

PETITION FOR MEMBERSHIP:	Mr. Vincent J. Pichini III of Richland, NJ Works at Archway Programs as Social Worker

Notes From The Worshipful Master



Notes from the Worshipful Master:



My Dear Brothers,

Our sincere thanks to Ms. Alisa Dupuy for her wonderful portrayal of Martha Washington. Ms. Dupuy, in great detail, gave us a glimpse into George Washington, husband and family man. Martha Washington joined her husband at Valley Forge and offered him support and as much normalcy as possible to his life. It is said that at Valley Forge on February 22, 1778, Martha baked George a cake to celebrate his birthday, which we now continue celebrating on President's Day.

Our thanks to Brother Hatala and all those who contributed to the success of the recent food drive benefitting the Wiley Food Pantry.

The 19th District DLI will be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at Old Town Hall, 23 Plum Street, Southampton Township, NJ. Dinner at 6:30 PM, meeting starts at 7:15 PM.

The Eastern Star will hold their Annual Table Chapter on Saturday, April 9, 2022, at 6 PM. Please call Anita Cole at (856) 905-7177 by April 2, 2022, to confirm.

Save this date – Saturday, April 30th from 10 AM to 12 Noon for the Medford Lodge Shoot at South Jersey Shooting Club, 840 Piney Hollow Road, Winslow Township, NJ.

For our April 11, 2022 Regular Communication, we will have a visit from members of the Masonic Lodge of Research and Education (LORE). The members will exemplify one of their meetings so we can experience what they do and learn.

John Q.



Officers & Committees



2022 Medford Lodge

Worshipful Master

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Hugh Christine

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Rudy Hatala
 Joseph "Kip" Duffy

Senior / Junior Master of Ceremonies

Michael Chadwick
 Joshua Diamond

Senior / Junior Steward

Anthony Canistraci
 Bharat Mehta

Chaplain

Thomas Beamer

Marshal

George Massey

Tyler

J. Gary Hicks, PM

Historian

WB J Edward Hunt, PM

Proxy to Grand Lodge

Rudy Hatala

Committees

Lodge Trustees

Joseph F. Alter (1)
 RW Jeremiah Phillips (2)
 Harry Srolowitz (3)

Temple Trustees

WB John Ellor, PM (1)
 WB Frederick C. Young Jr., PM (2)
 WM Larry Vernamonti (3)

Sickness & Distress

RW Howard I Black, 2nd
 WM Larry Vernamonti
 Rudy Hatala

Audit Committee

WB Daniel Nemcek
 DB Russ Carvin Jr
 William "Bill" Crozier

Ritual Committee

WB David Carvin, PM
 WB Daniel E O'Brien
 RW Jeremiah Phillips

Relief Committee

WM F L Vernamonti

By-Laws

WB David Carvin, PM
 WB George Wigginton

Hospitality Committee

Hugh Christine
 RW Jeremiah Phillips
 Franco Coppola Stewards

Educator & 1st Responder Scholarship

Joseph "Kip" Duffy



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 (+)	William J. Ward, Jr.	2005 (A)
Calvin Walters	1974	Jerry S. Albrecht	2005
Robert S. Middleton, PGC	1977, 79	A. John Ellor	2006 (D)
Richard A. Godin	1980	Conrad Dombkiewicz	2008
Ralph H. Berringer	1980 (D)	Joseph W. Keresztury Jr.	1976, 2009 (DMT)
J. Edward Hunt	1981	David M. Carvin	2010, 14
John F. Hall, PGC, PDGI	1982 (D)	Roy A. Winter, DRI	2010, 14 (D)
Wayne Hartman	1983 (D)	Joseph A. Knecht	2014 (D)
Alfred D. "Gov" Gilmour	1985	Mark K. Crosby	2011
Frederick L. Schmidt	1986	Edwin A. Michaloski	2012
Howard I. Black 3 rd , PGMar	1987	Daniel L. Nemcek	2013
David B. Stoneback	1989	Russell A. Bauer, PGC	2015
Richard B. Lechner	1990	Robert Shestack	2016 (D)
Owen D. Brennan, PGSB	1990 (+)	Jeremiah H. Phillips, PJGD	2016
Howard I. Black 2 nd , PJGS	1991	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 (DMT)	F. Lawrence Vernamonti	2020, 2021
John T. Kubit	1998	John A. Quintana	2022
Richard D. Dolbec	1999 (EXP)		
Borys I. Umyn	2000		
George J. Wigginton Jr	2001		
Stephen C. Sweeney	2002		
Peter M. DeStefano	2004		

(+) = Affiliated

(DMT) = Demitted

(D) = Dual

(S) = Suspended

(EXP) = Expelled

In Memoriam — 2022

[Gerald A "Jerry" Mountford](#)
[December 6th, 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	Thomas J. Fitzgerald (+)	1970
Clinton H. Cowperthwait, PSGS	1924, 47	Oscar Cahall	1971
Charles F. Clymer	1925	Carl P. Rehor	1972
George M. Hiles	1926	William H. Moffett (+)	1972
Francis Mickle	1927	John D. Cooper	1973
William C. Griscom	1928, 39	Richard B. Snavely (+)	1974
Lawrence G. Mingin	1929	Ernest L. Seth	1975
Garfield Alloway	1930	Frederick D. Domako (D)	1977
Harvey Hiles	1931	C. William Cornelssen	1978
Karl G.J. Bingemann	1932	Wilhelm Launhardt (+)	1980
Charles H. Leeds	1933	Paul D. Garlanger PDDGM (+)	1981
Ralph E. Curry	1934	Russell C.S. Williams	1982
Fred R. Boyd	1935	Orrin Dillabough	1982 (D)
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	Robert E. Seufert	2003-04 (A)
E. Lester Small	1950-51	Thomas Wright II, PJGD	2007
Harold S. Farrow	1952		
Charles N. Parker	1953		

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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MEDFORD LODGE #178

Mason of the Month

(April 2022)



Brother Bharat Mehta

Where were you born?

I was born in a small village in India. When I was 5 years old we immigrated to Canada, where I lived in Montreal and Toronto, then finally settling down in Edison New Jersey, where I grew up and where I remained until I got married and moved to Robbinsville where I remain to the present.

What was your current / last occupation?

My current occupation? Well, I'm a glorified maid, cook, and caretaker to the clan I call my family. Prior to that, I worked for 25 years in the financial services arena as, sales coordinator, product development, product manager, and institutional sales. Finally, for the last 10 years I have owned and operated my own pizzeria / restaurant.



If you could meet any person (dead or alive), who would it be?

Mahatma Gandhi. I loved hearing my great grandfather tell us stories about that era and the journeys of freedom fighters during the early parts of the revolution. I also would love the opportunity to rekindle all those memories with both my great grandfather and his brother as well.

What is your favorite quote?

"There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work, and learning from failure," Colin Powell.

Are there any random facts you can share about yourself with the brethren?

When I was a young lad growing up, I loved professional wrestling and I met some of the greats, Ivan Koloff "the Russian Bear", Pedro Morales, The Fabulous One Don Muraco, and Ric Flair.

This is my one of many claims to fame, when I was 14 years old, I visited my cousin in Tampa, Florida. I always liked taking the early bird flight and, on this occasion, I was flying Piedmont Airlines. I checked in and at that time you can escort someone all the way to the gate area.

The guy in front of me had long bleached white hair and was keeping to himself. He turns around and the first thing out of my mouth was the famous "who?" We started talking and, how the conversation shifted, I don't know but my cousin said, "Look at him, he is a bum, where is the million-dollar robe, airline, fine chicks; he is flying a cheap ass airline." Well, my cousin decided to take it to the next level and that's when literally the "feces" hit the fan, when he says, "wrestling is fake." I have to say that with the level of instigation that my cousin was dishing out, Ric Flair didn't get too crazy but, if we were alone, we surely would have gotten our asses kicked. Flair just walked away until we started boarding the plane; I got my beautiful window seat and found out that his seat was next to mine. Flair suddenly got up like he saw a mouse and asked for his seat to be changed. Throughout the entire flight, Flair could only wish the flight would end as quickly as possible. He deplaned in Charlotte, NC and I went my way and he ran away from me so quick that he wouldn't even give me an autograph!

What keeps you engaged and active with the lodge?

There is camaraderie and a bond from the first day I walked into the lodge. It is very rare and difficult thing to find. It is a good feeling knowing that if anything were to happen to you, the brothers are there.



Junior Grand Warden's Reception

Clifton Lodge No. 203

Cordially invites you to attend the official visit of

M.W. Robert V. Monacelli

Grand Master of Masons for the State of New Jersey
and Masonic Charity Foundation Chairman

and reception in honor of

R.W. Leonard Vander Horn

Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey
and Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee

Saturday, April 23rd, 2022

Fellowship Center 1114 Oxmead Road, Burlington, NJ 08016

Social Hour 5:00 pm Dinner 6:00 pm Reception 7:30 pm



Mail To: R.W. William Anderson 3 Middle Lane East, Port Murray, NJ 07865

Questions? Contact R.W. Bill Anderson @ (201) 522-6374 **Deadline:** April 8, 2022

Checks made payable to: "Clifton Lodge No. 203" *No tickets will be issued*

I would like _____ Reservations @ \$70 per person Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Please write the names of any additional guest/attendees that are part of this reservation on the back of this form

Name: _____ Guest: _____

District: _____ Lodge: _____ Title: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Medford Lodge Spring Shoot



SPRING SHOOTOUT

MEDFORD LODGE #178

Saturday, April 30th, 2022 @ 10am

at

South Jersey Shooting Club

840 Piney Hollow Rd, Winslow Township, NJ 08043



OPEN TO ALL FRIENDS & FAMILY

Cost is \$65/per person

Payment Due in Advance

Every Shooter Gets:

⇒ **3 Shooting Stations included:**

9mm Handgun - 50 rounds at steel from 15 yards

AR Rifle (556)- 20 Rounds at targets 60 yards

Mosin/Dragunov Rifle (7.62x39)- 5 Rounds at target 60 yards

⇒ Lunch included (Hamburgers, hotdogs, salad and sides)

⇒ Medford Lodge Gift (TBD)



Additional Ammo will be Available for Purchase during the event!

For more information contact: John Farrace- jafarrace@gmail.com

Rudy Hatala- rudolphhatala@gmail.com, 609-280-8887

Or WM John Quintana- john@johnquintana.com

Payment Due on or before April 23rd, 2022 to Rudy Hatala

Please submit cash directly or make check payable to: "Medford Lodge #178"

Rudolph Hatala
130 Knox Blvd
Marlton NJ, 08053

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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