

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



Trestleboard

June 2022 / AL 6022

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M.W. Robert V. Monacelli



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**The Lodge had a great presentation from
Omar Morris**

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Message from the East



Greetings Brethren,

In the May 2022 Trestle Board, I addressed some possible responses to the question, "What is a Mason?" By coincidence, I found responses to similar and related questions made by the famous composer, Franz Liszt. In 1841, Liszt was a candidate for initiation at a Masonic Lodge in Germany. As part of his examination, Liszt was asked to answer three main questions, which I believe you may find interesting and revealing about Freemasonry then and now.

Liszt was first asked to answer the question: What is the Purpose of Man in Life?

He provided the following response: "The purpose of Man is to aim at any possible perfection in Truth, Virtue, and Beauty, thereby – as far as his limitations permit – seeking a union with his creator."



Franz Liszt was then asked: What do you expect from Freemasonry for your soul, your heart, and your material happiness?

He responded: "I believe and hope to enter into a union of good and just men, uniting in the preparation of these aims. I believe that my mind will find nourishment, and fraternal hands will give support in dangers and difficulties."

Finally, Liszt was asked: What can Freemasonry expect from you?"

Liszt responded: "The Order will always find me ready to take part in all good causes by words and deeds, and to attend the worthy meetings. The order, in whose deep wisdom I respectfully believe, will find in me, in all which agrees with my religious and political opinions, in all which is not contrary to my honor and conscience, a willing neophyte and obedient member."

These quotes come from *Ars Quatuor Coronatorum*, London: Quatuor Coronati Lodge, No. 2076, 2011. <https://www.quatuorcoronati.com>

Brethren, how would you respond to those three questions? Please feel free to provide me with your responses so that I can include them at our next Trestle Board.

Fraternally,
WM John Quintana

Calendar of Events



Dates to Remember — June 2022

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location
Thursday	2nd	2:00 PM	Medford Lodge Blood Drive 2:00pm— 7:00pm	Medford Lodge 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055
Tuesday	7th	6:00 PM	Open District Lodge of Instruction Family Invited Dinner 6:00pm Picnic Style - DLI Opens 7:15pm Officer Expected to Attend / Master Mason Encouraged Dress: Business	Burlington Lodge 2308 Mt. Holly Road Burlington, NJ
Monday	13th	6:30 PM	Regular Communication— Official Visit Dinner/Fraternal Networking 6:30 pm / Open 7:30 pm Dress Officers: Hawaiian / Masons: Hawaiian Dinner Catered by Femmina - Bro. Franco Coppola	Medford Lodge 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055
Thursday	30th	5:00 PM	19th & 15th District Open Reception Cost \$55/per person—See flyer attached RW Phillips taking names for Medford Tables Please text or email for reservations Cell# 609-760-9234	Crescent Shrine 700 Highland Ave Westampton, NJ 08060

Medford Lodge Work Days We need your help!!

Powerwashing the building, Replace ceiling tiles, Paint the grid, We need to remove everything from the dinning hall for paint, Sure up the back fence, Moving furniture, rearranging the dinning hall and possible clean and organize the kitchen.

With this in mind I have marked a few weekends that we could possible get together to do some work. The work can also be done during the week after work. I just can't work around 15 schedules. That would have to be a last minute thing.

The dates I was thinking are as follows.

July 9-10, July 16-17, August 20-21

Thanks
Rudy

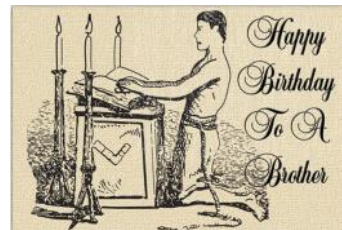
Please email rudolphhatala@gmail.com if you are able to help!

Medford Lodge No. 178



Masonic Birthdays

Brother	Years	Brother	Years	Brother	Years
Jeffrey D. Aaron	16	Joseph F Duffy IV	3	Brad T. Skiles	24
Jayson G Abadia	3	Robert W Emenecker Sr.	45	Richard H Stahl	18
Rigil Kent Abellanosa	10	Stephen David Fuller	13	Stephen C Sweeney, PM	27
Michael Angermeier	3	Thomas Giangiulio	29	Robert D. Turner	64
Richard A Barden	46	John David Jarrell	9	Boris I Umyn, PM	29
Ralph A. Bason, PM	14	Thomas Anton Jereb	3	Kenneth Wallach	27
Thomas W Beamer	9	Gilbert J Lattiere	19	Calvin J Walters	54
Howard I. Black 3rd, PGMar	39	Peter J. McKeon	15	Ryan R. Wilno	4
Edward Morris Blankley	10	John F Mifka	19	John A Wisnoski	20
Michael P Bray	34	Michael Braddock Miller	14	Frederick Charles Young	14
Owen D Brennan, PGSB	37	Kent Douglas Neiswender	3	July Birthdays	
Phil Ashley Brownridge	12	Jonathan W Parrish	23	Hugh Frank Christine	7
Michael H Bunks	34	Paul D. Pierce	1	Daniel Patrick Deegan	7
John M. Colucci	11	John Anthony Quintana	12	G. Bruce Eveland	26
William John Crowe	10	Alexander L Samuelian	39	Rudolph Nicolas Hatala	7
Michael J Dariano	5	Samuel V Samuelian Jr.	39	Jesse H. Roberts	26
Andrew Drysdale Jr.	41	George P Scelso, DB	18	Dylan Andrew Wallach	7



Making Good Men Better

<u>PETITION FOR MEMBERSHIP:</u>	Mr. Andrew W. Hobson, age 31, Maple Shade, New Jersey Employed by Canon Inc.
<u>In Waiting to Receive the EA Degree:</u>	Mr. Vincent J. Pichini III
<u>In Waiting to Receive the FC Degree:</u>	
<u>In Waiting to Receive the MM Degree:</u>	

Notes From The Worshipful Master



Notes from the Worshipful Master:



My Dear Brothers,

I would like to thank RW Br. Omar Morris for his very interesting and helpful presentation on mentoring. A quick take away from the presentation is a commitment to keep all candidates fully updated on the progress of their applications for initiation into the Lodge and on the outcomes of any votes taken regarding their applications for initiation and membership. Building early and respectful relationships with all candidates will likely lead to enduring and successful participants in Medford Lodge.

Please support the **Medford Lodge/Red Cross Blood Drive!**

Thursday, June 2, 2022, 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

Open DLI Tuesday, June 7, 2022, at Burlington Lodge. Family members are invited. Picnic Style Dinner at 6 PM and program starts at 7:15 PM. Dress is Masonic casual.

It must be Spring! Eastern Star Indoor Yard Sale – Saturday June 11, 2022, 8 AM to 12 Noon.

Our Regular Communication occurs on Monday, June 13, 2022, where we welcome RW Br. Richard F. LaBaw, Jr., DDGM and RW Br. Steve Martin, DDRI, for the Official Visit to Medford Lodge. We will also be joined by RW Br. Mark Magee, who will talk on “The Plumbline, not just for Fellowcrafts.” Hope to see you in your **Hawaiian shirts!** Dinner starts at 6 PM and the Meeting starts at **7 PM.**

Once again, I want to express my appreciation and thanks to all the officers for their dedication to Medford Lodge and for all their hard work. They also will be busy working on ritual throughout the summer months!

Continue working towards your perfect Ashlar!

John Q.



Officers & Committees



2022 Medford Lodge

Worshipful Master

John A Quintana
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Rigil Abellanos

Junior Warden

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 Srolovitz (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 (+)	A. John Ellor	2006 (D)
Calvin Walters	1974	Conrad Dombkiewicz	2008
Robert S. Middleton, PGC	1977, 79	Joseph W. Keresztury Jr.	1976, 2009 (DMT)
Richard A. Godin	1980	David M. Carvin	2010, 14
Ralph H. Berringer	1980 (D)	Roy A. Winter, DRI	2010, 14 (D)
J. Edward Hunt	1981	Joseph A. Knecht	2014 (D)
John F. Hall, PGC, PDGI	1982 (D)	Mark K. Crosby	2011
Alfred D. "Gov" Gilmour	1985	Edwin A. Michaloski	2012
Frederick L. Schmidt	1986	Daniel L. Nemcek	2013
Howard I. Black 3 rd , PGMar	1987	Russell A. Bauer, PGC	2015
David B. Stoneback	1989	Robert Shestack	2016 (D)
Richard B. Lechner	1990	Jeremiah H. Phillips, PJGD	2016
Owen D. Brennan, PGSB	1990 (+)	Jonathan Murray	2017
William B. Watson	1995	Ralph H. Baron	2017 (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		
William J. Ward, Jr.	2005 (A)		
Jerry S. Albrecht	2005		

(+) = Affiliated

(DMT) = Demitted

(D) = Dual

(S) = Suspended

(EXP) = Expelled

In Memoriam — 2022

Gerald A "Jerry" Mountford
December 6th, 2021

RW Howard I. Black 2nd, PJGS
May 25th, 2022

MW Brother Francis R. Mitchell, Past Grand Master
May 21st, 2022



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	Howard I. Black 2 nd , PJGS	1991
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



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.

RW Rick LaBaw (609-902-7516) rflabawjr@comcast.net

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 #178

Mason of the Month

(June 2022)



Brother Thomas Jereb

Where were you born?

I was born in Philadelphia and moved to Cherry Hill when I was six years old. When I was 23, I set out on my own and bought a house in Lumberton. After five years there, my wife, my newborn son (Mason) and I moved to Williamstown.

What was your current / last occupation?

I am currently a Desktop Engineer for Holman Automotive. Over the last 95+ years, what started as a run of the mill car dealership has turned into quite the conglomerate of all things fleet management and it has been very rewarding for my family and I. Before that, I worked for Advanced Micro Computer Systems and NRG Energy in their IT department.

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

Bruce Lee. I've always admired his philosophy on life and messages of personal growth. To spend an afternoon just getting his thoughts about the world today would be



a great day indeed. His movies were pretty awesome too.

What is your favorite quote?

"Empty your mind.

Be formless, shapeless, like water.

You put water into a cup; it becomes the cup.

You put it into a teapot; it becomes the teapot.

You put water into a bottle; it becomes the bottle.

Now water can flow, or it can crash!

Be water, my friend." - Bruce Lee

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

I've been into Martial Arts for the majority of my life. It was a great way to channel my "extra energy" as a kid and I learned a lot about self-control and self-discipline; two things I will be working hard to instill in my son.

My wife and I are avid roller skaters - we actually met at The Palace in Philadelphia and the first dance at our wedding reception was on roller skates. I've been skating for about 30 years now and it's a great way to stay in shape.

I have also played Roller Derby for the Philadelphia Hooligans. Before the pandemic, we were placed 8th in the world. Looking forward to the league starting back up again and getting back into it.

What keeps you engaged and active with the lodge?

The mystery and esoteric nature is what originally pulled me into the craft. Growing up, my father was always very interested and that interest was passed on to me. Not being an actual traveling man meant the extent of his knowledge was found between the covers of Dan Brown books. Naturally, when I was brought into the light I could feel him with me. To this day, I believe the open installation that he was able to attend may have been one of the best afternoons of his adult life. Since his passing last August and my move to Williamstown, it has been difficult to come to our regular communications. However I do plan on working on a schedule that will allow me to visit more. I do miss you all.



The Grand Lodge of NJ

Presents

Gentlemen of the White Apron: "Freemasonry in the American Civil War"



By **MW Michael Halleran**

Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kansas 2014

Author of "The Better Angels of our Nature"

Join us on **Saturday, July 30th** 2022 at
the Fellowship Center located @
1114 Oxmead Road, Burlington Township, NJ 08016

To register, please email:
GLCIVLWAR@Gmail.com

Registration is at 9 AM. The lecture begins at 10 AM.
\$20 for lunch served at 12 noon. 1 PM set up for cannon shooting.

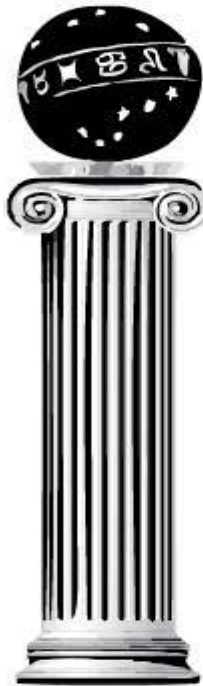
19th & 15th District Reception



The 19th and 15th District Reception on June 30th, 2022

The Official Visit of MW Robert V. Monacelli at the open Reception of the 19th and 15th Masonic Districts

Please join us for the open Reception of the 19th and 15th Masonic Districts honoring:



19th District

RW Henry J. Haughey, Aid to the Grand Master (Burlington Lodge #32)
RW Jose G. Gonzalez, Grand Chaplain (Mount Moriah Lodge #28)
RW Steven E. Martin, District Ritual Instructor-19 (Mount Holly Lodge #14)
RW Richard F. LaBaw Jr, District Deputy Grand Master-19 (Mount Moriah Lodge #28)

15th District

RW Michael Pylypiak, Senior Grand Steward (Gothic-Fraternal Lodge #270)
RW James J. Hauck, Grand Chaplain (Hightstown-Apollo Lodge #41)
RW Frank R. Klapinski, Grand Chaplain (Trenton Cyrus Lodge #5)
RW Alexander Bragat, District Ritual Instructor-15 (Hightstown-Apollo Lodge #41)
RW John F. Pownall, District Deputy Grand Master-15 (Mercer Lodge #50)



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

Location:
Crescent Shrine
700 Highland Drive
Westampton, NJ 08060

Cost \$55 a person

Scan the QR Code below to purchase tickets



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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