

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



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October 2022 / AL 6022

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



**CONSTITUTED**  
**MARCH 11, 1903**

MEETS SECOND MONDAY  
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**Congrats to our newest EA Brothers!!!**

# Message from the East



Greetings Brethren,  
Prince Hall

I am pleased to present a brief history of Prince Hall Masons. My primary source for this piece comes directly from “princehall.org.” My goal here is not to present a scholarly overview or review but merely to provide a brief introduction derived from a reputable source. PrinceHall.org is a publication of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge in Massachusetts.

According to this source, on March 6, 1775 “Prince Hall and 14 men of color were made masons in Lodge #144 of the Irish Registry attached to the 38<sup>th</sup> British Foot Infantry at Castle William Island in Boston Harbor, Massachusetts.”

However, due to the “conflict between England and America,” the British Foot Infantry “left Boston, along with its lodge.” Prior to the lodge leaving, however, its worshipful master “gave them a ‘permit’ to meet as a lodge and bury their dead in manner and form” but they were not allowed to “do any ‘masonic work’ or to take on new members.”

It was under this arrangement that “African Lodge was organized on July 3, 1776 with Prince Hall as the worshipful master.” Then on March 2, 1784, African Lodge #1 petitioned the Grand Lodge of England “for a warrant” and on September 29, 1784, they received a charter as African Lodge #459, “the first lodge of Blacks in America.” This lodge grew and in 1791, “Worshipful Master Prince Hall was appointed a Provincial Grand Master” and “out of this grew the first Black Provincial Grand Lodge.”

In 1797, Prince Hall “organized a lodge in Philadelphia and one in Rhode Island. In December 1808, “one year after the death of Prince Hall, lodges in Boston, Philadelphia, and Providence “met in a general assembly of the craft and organized African Grand Lodge,” which is also known as “African Grand Lodge #1.”

In 1847, this Grand Lodge was renamed “Prince Hall Grand Lodge” and it has grown to “some 5,000 lodges and 47 grand lodges.” The Grand Lodge of NJ and the Prince Hall Grand Lodge formally recognize one another.

Prince Hall, the man, was born in the 1730’s but his exact birthday is unknown. He was “enslaved by William Hall, a leather worker.” In the Spring of 1770, Prince Hall was freed and established his own leather shop in Boston. During the Revolutionary War, Prince Hall “used his skills to support the Patriot Army.” Prince Hall died in Boston, MA on December 4, 1807.

Of special interest, on October 8, 2022, there will be a “Unity Reunion with Prince Hall at the Scottish Rite Valley of Central Jersey in Bordentown, starting at 9 AM and “Prince Hall will be doing one of their degrees.”

Fraternally,  
*WM John Quintana*

# Calendar of Events



## Dates to Remember - October 2022

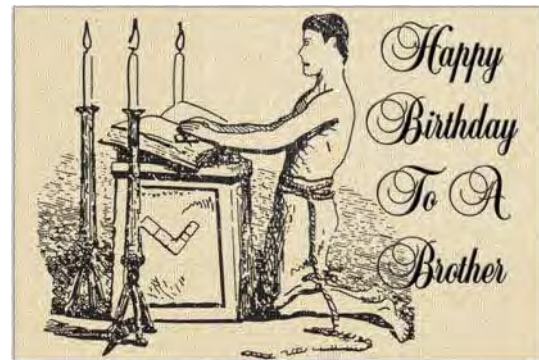
Day	Date	Time	Event	Location
Tuesday	3rd	6:30 PM	<b>19th District—District Lodge of Instruction</b> Dinner 6:30pm DLI 7:15pm All Welcome Dress: Business	<b>Mount Holly Lodge</b> 15 Garden Street Mt. Holly, NJ 08060
Monday	10th	6:00 PM	<b>Medford &amp; Central Joint Table Lodge</b> 7 Course Meal—Tickets \$50.00 Each Looking for Volunteers to Help <a href="#">Get Tickets Here!</a> Dress Officers: Formal / Masons: Business Dinner Catered by Femmina - Bro. Franco Coppola	<b>Medford Lodge</b> 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055
Monday	17th	6:00 PM	<b>Emergent Communication: Fellowcraft Degree</b> Dinner/Fraternal Networking 6:00 pm / Open 7:00 pm Dress Officers: Formal / Masons: Business	<b>Medford Lodge</b> 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055
Tuesday	28th	2:00 PM	<b>Blood Drive</b> All welcome to join and help. Please sign up to give blood	<b>Medford Lodge</b> 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055

# Medford Lodge No. 178



## October Masonic Birthdays

Brother	Years	Brother	Years	Brother	Years
Philip S. Aronow	25	Lawrence R Erisman	20	Leonard Schachner	61
Patrick L Barcello	36	William T Jones III	35	Matthew E. Schneider	2
Michael R Beringer	22	Donald S. Morrison	15	Gregory A. Shadman	4
David M Carvin, PM	22	Edward G. Parks	4	Charles J Westen	65
Norton Druger	2	Michael L. Redner	22	Michael H Wigginton	20



## Making Good Men Better

<b><u>PETITION FOR MEMBERSHIP:</u></b>	<p><b>Mr. Robert Foster</b>, Registered Nurse REF Homecare, Medford, NJ  <b>Mr. Joseph Vazquez</b>, Staff Sergeant, US Army, Medford, NJ  <b>Mr. Skyler J. Whitney</b>, IT Professional, Presbyterian Health, Medford, NJ  <b>Mr. Keith Egan</b>, State Investigator, NJ Real Estate Commission, Shamong</p> <p><b>Dual Membership:</b> Bro. Stephen J. Lorenz, Retired, Medford, NJ</p> <p><b>Affiliation for Membership:</b> Bro. Jonathan L. Phillips, Pilot for Frontier Airlines, Medford, NJ</p>
<b><u>In Waiting to Receive the EA Degree:</u></b>	
<b><u>In Waiting to Receive the FC Degree:</u></b>	<p><b>Brother Vincent J. Pichini III</b></p> <p><b>Brother Andrew W. Hobson</b></p>
<b><u>In Waiting to Receive the MM Degree:</u></b>	

## Notes From The Worshipful Master



### *Notes from the Worshipful Master:*



My Dear Brothers,

**Congratulations to our newest Entered Apprentices!**

October will be a busy month at Medford Lodge!

**On October 10, Medford and Central Lodges Table Lodge** at 6:30 pm at Medford Lodge. [Please click here for tickets.](#) Tickets are limited!!!

On October 17, we will have a Fellowcraft Degree. Dinner is at 6 pm and the degree starts at 7 pm. Please support our two youngest brothers.

On October 28, we will have the Medford Lodge Blood Drive from 2 pm to 7 pm.

Continue working towards your perfect Ashlar!

*John Q.*

**MEDFORD LODGE #178**  
**FREE & ACCEPTED**  
**MASONS**

**MedfordLodge178.com**

**TO BE ONE,  
ASK ONE**

MEETS SECOND MONDAY (EXCEPT JULY & AUGUST) CONSTITUTED MARCH 11, 1903

# Officers & Committees



## 2022 Medford Lodge

### Worshipful Master

John A Quintana  
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### Senior Warden

Rigil Abellanos

### Junior Warden

Hugh Christine

### Treasurer

WB Daniel O'Brien

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### Secretary

RW HowardBlack III PGM

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### Senior / Junior Deacon

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, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 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

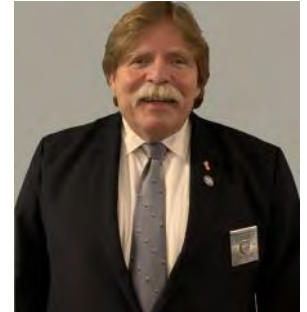
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**Grand Master of Masons of the State of New Jersey**  
The Grand Lodge of New Jersey  
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## Lodges of the 19th District

### **Beverly Riverside #107**

Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday  
621 Chester Avenue, Riverside, NJ 08075

### **Burlington #32**

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday  
2308 Mt Holly Rd, Burlington, NJ 08016

### **Central #44**

Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday  
23 Plum Street, Southampton, NJ 08088

### **Maple Shade Moorestown #281**

Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday  
15 North Fellowship Road, Maple Shade, NJ 08052

### **Medford Lodge #178**

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday  
25 Bank Street, Medford, NJ 08055

### **Mount Holly #14**

Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday  
15 Garden Street, Mount Holly, NJ 08060

### **Mount Moriah #28**

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

# Past Masters



## In Honor of our Living Past Masters

Richard S. Dellmyer	1966 (+)	Conrad Dombkiewicz	2008
Calvin Walters	1974	Joseph W. Keresztury Jr.	1976, 2009 (DMT)
Robert S. Middleton, <b>PGC</b>	1977, 79	David M. Carvin	2010, 14
Richard A. Godin	1980	Roy A. Winter, <b>DRI</b>	2010, 14 (D)
Ralph H. Berringer	1980 (D)	Joseph A. Knecht	2014 (D)
J. Edward Hunt	1981	Mark K. Crosby	2011
John F. Hall, <b>PGC, PDGI</b>	1982 (D)	Edwin A. Michaloski	2012
Alfred D. "Gov" Gilmour	1985	Daniel L. Nemcek	2013
Frederick L. Schmidt	1986	Russell A. Bauer, <b>PGC</b>	2015
Howard I. Black 3 <sup>rd</sup> , <b>PGMar</b>	1987	Robert Shestack	2016 (D)
David B. Stoneback	1989	Jeremiah H. Phillips, <b>PJGD</b>	2016
Richard B. Lechner	1990	Jonathan Murray	2017
Owen D. Brennan, <b>PGSB</b>	1990 (+)	Ralph H. Baron	2017 (D)
William B. Watson	1995	Daniel O'Brien	2018
Dennis J. Coloski	1996	Frederick C. Young Jr.	2019
Charles F. Markelwith	1996 (D)	F. Lawrence Vernamonti	2020, 2021
Allan D. Kline	1997 (DMT)	John A. Quintana	2022
John T. Kubit	1998		
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)		
A. John Ellor	2006 (D)		

(+) = Affiliated

(DMT) = Demitted

(D) = Dual

(S) = Suspended

(EXP) = Expelled

## In Memoriam — 2022

[Gerald A "Jerry" Mountford](#)  
[December 6th, 2021](#)

[MW Brother Francis R. Mitchell, Past Grand Master](#)  
[May 21st, 2022](#)

[RW Howard I. Black 2<sup>nd</sup>, PJGS](#)  
[May 25th, 2022](#)





# Past Masters



## In Memory of our Deceased Past Masters

Frank A. Braddock	1903	Norman R. DeLong	1954	Jerry Albrecht	2005
Samuel A. Garwood	1904	Henry Emenecker Sr, <b>PGC</b>	1955, 64	Thomas Wright II, <b>PJGD</b>	2007
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 <b>PGC</b>	1958, 62		
Alfred E. Darnell	1909-10	Kenneth G. Rixon ( <b>D</b> )	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	Francis R. Mitchell, <b>PGM</b>	1966		
Fred W. Branin	1919	George W. Beisley	1967-68		
Charles H. Griscom	1920	William L. Springman	1969		
Henry S. Lippincott	1921	Arnold Earle (+)	1969		
Eckard J. Ballinger	1922	Benjamin J. Amadio	1970		
Clinton H. Cowperthwait, <b>PSGS</b>	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 ( <b>D</b> )	1977		
Karl G.J. Bingemann	1932	C. William Cornelssen	1978		
Charles H. Leeds	1933	Wilheml Launhardt (+)	1980		
Ralph E. Curry	1934	Paul D. Garlanger <b>PDDGM</b> (+)	1981		
Fred R. Boyd	1935	Russell C.S. Williams	1982		
Robert N. Henderson	1936	Orrin Dillabough	1982 ( <b>D</b> )		
Edwin M. Johnson	1941-44	Joseph W. Siatkowski	1983		
George W. Otto (+)	1941	V. James Minerva	1984		
George Korradi (+)	1942	Edwin E. Wood III, <b>PSGM</b>	1988		
Harry T. McNeill	1945-46	Howard I. Black 2 <sup>nd</sup> , <b>PJGS</b>	1991		
Edwin Holzschuher	1948	Frederick H. Tillwick	1992		
Joseph E. Bealer Jr	1949	Ronald L. Hodge	1993		
E. Lester Small	1950-51	William E. Stockum	2003		
Harold S. Farrow	1952	Robert E. Seufert	2003-04 ( <b>A</b> )		
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](mailto: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.

# October 2022—Mason of the Month

## Medford Lodge #178

### Mason of the Month

(October 2022)



### Brother Michael Ferry

#### **Where were you born?**

I was born in Voorhees New Jersey but moved to Florida with my family at the age of 13 where I suffered the oppressive heat and miserable humidity for 6 years until I moved back to southern New Jersey in 2010.

#### **What was your current / last occupation?**

I work for the largest beer wholesaler in New Jersey, where we provide every bar, restaurant and liquor store in the lower 8 counties (Cape May to Mercer) roughly  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the beer consumed in those counties.

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

Jesus. Regardless of any individual's thoughts or feelings, this man changed the world as we know it and shaped every square inch of the world we currently experience today.



**What is your favorite quote?**

*"All I know, is that I know nothing" -Socrates.*

In order for an individual to learn, grow or progress, he must first be aware of his own ignorance.

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

Only that I love classic rock (and like any self-aware human being, acknowledge the Beatles were the best to ever do it, have done or will ever do it), nature, travelling to national parks, hiking, skiing, foraging for wild gourmet mushrooms, and enjoying craft beer. Actually, any beer.

**What keeps you engaged and active with the lodge?**

Knowing that you can always get out what you put into the craft. You are free to explore at your own discretion, learn at your own pace, and turn over any stone of freemasonry that *you* choose to.



## FUN SHOOT FUNDRAISER



Come out and join **Burlington County Shrine Club** for our

# 3 ROUND FUN SHOOT

Saturday October 8th 2022 10am till we are done

Rain date is Sunday Oct 9<sup>th</sup>



**LOCATION** : Pine Belt Sportsmans Club.

377 Stokes Rd, Shamong, NJ 08088

**COST** :\$40.00 PER 75 SHOT ROUND ROBIN

rounds include 1<sup>st</sup> – FUNSHOOT- 2<sup>ST</sup> - WOBBLE 3<sup>ND</sup> -

Straight Trap –**Shooters must play all 3 rounds** Shoot as many rounds as you want. Rounds will be scored. Food and drinks provided- 50/50. Open to everyone. Don't have a shotgun? No problem. We can provide one.

**Prizes of Amazon gift cards awarded to the top 3 shooters.**

Adults-1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$75 2<sup>nd</sup> \$50 3<sup>rd</sup> \$25 Kids 13-16 \$25 under 12 yrs \$25

WOBBLE- Pigeons wobble FUNSHOOT- different color Pigeons

**Ammo Available for sale. We will have a range office on site for everyone's safety.**

Contact: Noble Charlie Markelwith 609-304-4922

[cmarkelwith@yahoo.com](mailto:cmarkelwith@yahoo.com) OR Noble Andy Horne Sr 609-213-3257

[tiebear@comcast.net](mailto:tiebear@comcast.net)

To benefit Burlington County Shrine Club. Help us do what we do.

# Joint Table Lodge—October 5th



## 6TH ANNUAL JOINT TABLE LODGE CENTRAL LODGE #44 & MEDFORD LODGE #178

Monday, October 10th, 2022

Social Hour from 6pm-7pm  
Table Lodge: 7pm Sharp

Food provided by:  
**Bro. Frank Coppola of LaFemmina**



Traditional seven courses and seven toasts

Seating is very limited and reserved to the first 60 reservations.  
**Closed Table Lodge**



**RESERVE YOUR SPOT NOW!**

**TICKETS HERE!!!**

**RSVP by 10/5/2022**

**Guest Speaker: RW David Tucker**



**Cost is \$50 in Advance**

Use [this link](#) or mail in your payments to:  
Medford Lodge #178 Attn: Table Lodge Reservations  
25 Bank Street, Medford, NJ 08055

Checks made payable to "Medford Lodge #178"

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## 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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