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

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Grand Master of Masons of New Jersey M.W. David L. Tucker



CONSTITUTED MARCH 11, 1903

MEETS SECOND MONDAY (EXCEPT JULY & AUGUST)

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Look forward to seeing you at February's Meetings!!!

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Message from the East



Greetings Brethren,



As we approach our first Entered Apprentice
Degree of the year, I ask that you take a moment and reflect
on what you yourself had experienced that night. Although it
may be a distant memory for some, it really isn't too hard to
imagine oneself in a candidate's place. As you may observe
the degree progress, you may recall to your mind how you
once felt while being guided around our lodge. The curiousness of the questions being asked on your behalf, and what it
was all supposed to mean. It is a unique memory. Unique in a
way that It is a memory that is shared by all those who have
gone that way before.

It is those faltering steps that were so very important to what makes us Freemasons. It is a shared experience that spans

across numerous generations, Lodges, and nationalities. It is something that we can identify and relate to with any of the Fraternity. It binds us together. It instills us with the foundations of Morality, Brotherly Love, and Charity. And it is on that foundation, that we were made a Mason. Conveying the degree should not only be about the making of a new Mason. It should also be a time to remind and renew ourselves of those principles. To guide and elevate the ones who may come after us, and to support and love the ones who came before.

And if all else, I hope you, as well as our future Brethren, will remember the first order each newly initiated brother was given by the Worshipful Master.

Thus, may we ever walk, act, and conduct ourselves as such before God and man.

Fraternally, WM Rigil Abellanosa

Calendar of Events



Dates to Remember - February 2023

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location	
Tuesday	7th	6:30 PM	19th District—District Lodge of Instruction Dinner 6:30pm DLI 7:00pm Officers: Mandatory All Others Welcome Dress: Business	Mount Moriah Lodge 121 Farnsworth Avenue Bordentown, NJ 08505	
Monday	13th	6:30 PM	Medford Regular Communication Dinner 6:30pm / Lodge opens 7:30pm Dress Officers: Formal / Masons: Business Dinner Catered by Femmina - Bro. Franco Coppola	Medford Lodge 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055	
Monday	20th	6:30 PM	Officer Rehearsal EA Rehearsal All Officers Encouraged to Attend. All Master Masons Welcome	Medford Lodge 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055	
Monday	27th	6:00 PM	Emergent Meeting: EA Degree Dinner 6:00pm / Lodge opens 7:30pm Dress Officers: Formal / Masons: Business Dinner Catered by Femmina - Bro. Franco Coppola	Medford Lodge 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055	

This is a link to all the 19th District Upcoming Events
http://www.19thdistrictnj.org/19th-district-events/

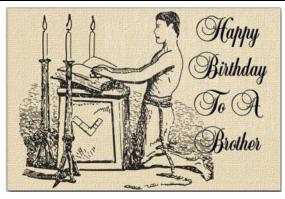
Lodge Dues: You can now pay your dues on PayPal 2023 Dues are \$158 full membership/ \$85 Dual / \$73 Senior Members DUES LINK

Medford Lodge No. 178



Masonic Birthdays

Brother	Raised	Years	Brother	Raised	Years
William Dewey Campbell	2/25/2008	15	Albert E Freeman II	2/10/1975	48
James Brian Campbell, Jr	2/25/2008	15	Herman Kruckner, III	2/15/1957	66
Anthony S. Cannistraci	2/22/2016	7	Edward A Penberthy	2/12/1968	55
Russell T Carvin Jr.	2/10/1975	48	William John Sawyer	2/10/2011	12
Richard N Chandler	2/24/1997	26	T. Frederick Small	2/3/1984	39
Peter M DeStefano	2/24/1997	26	Theodore B Wells III	2/28/1988	35
Joshua D. Diamond	2/22/2016	7	Theodore B Wells Jr., DB	2/15/82	41
Conrad W Dombkiewicz	2/11/2002	21	Richard L. Weldon	2/22/16	7
John A. Farrace	2/22/2016	7	Steven D. Zumwalde	2/25/2016	7





Making Good Men Better			
PETITION FOR MEMBERSHIP:			
In Waiting to Receive the EA Degree:	Mr. Joseph Vazquez Mr. Skyler J. Whitney Mr. Keith Egan Mr. Robert Foster Mr. Phillip A. DiCarlo		
In Waiting to Receive the FC Degree:			
In Waiting to Receive the MM Degree:			
Master Mason Exam	Brother Vincent J. Pichini III		

Notes From The Worshipful Master



Notes from the Worshipful Master.



The new year has brought what will hopefully be a very busy year. Medford had a very strong showing at January's DLI. Thank you to the officers and members who

came out to represent Medford, and help pack Central Lodge to capacity.

RW Richard Labaw has reached out to all lodges and asked to identify our Lodge's DeMolay Representative. If you are interested in helping Medford #178 support DeMolay, please reach out to myself or to the Lodge Secretary, RW Howard Black.



At our regular meeting on the 13th Br. Chris Abbott from

the Masonic Charity Foundation will be making a presentation on the History of the Masonic Home. Hopefully soon we may visit in person when we can once again assist in the Wheelchair Push.

WB Larry Vernamonti has invited all interested to the Lodge Club Meeting on February 15th. They will begin reading "The Greatest Generation Speaks" by Tom Brokaw. Please reach out to WB Vernamonti if you have any questions.

Later this month we will be conveying the Entered Apprentice Degree to a full class of five candidates. I hope to see you on February 27th to help Initiate our soon to be Brethren.

Fraternally Yours,

Rigil Kent Abellanosa, WM 2023

Notes From The Worshipful Master



Notes from the Senior Warden:

Did you know...



Born in 1911, Leonard Franklin Slye, was a singer and actor. Prior to his first movie role he auditioned for the Midnight Frolic radio show. This was at the encouragement of his sister Mary. He was shy and was not comfortable with the idea. The day after the audition he was

asked to join The Rocky Mountaineers a local country music group. He would be in several bands until the Sons of the Pioneers in 1934. The Sons of the Pioneers would continue to perform replacing members when they retired or passed away. He would appear with them or they would be his backup group until his passing in 1998.

In 1932 he acquired a palomino colt called "Golden Cloud" which he renamed. Shortly after acquiring the palomino, he went on tour and met his first wife, Grace Arline. The couple would have three children together. Unfortunately Grace would pass away due to complications from child birth in 1946.



In 1940 he signed a new contract with the studio he worked with, Republic Pictures. In the clause he would have the right to his name, likeness and voice for merchandising. He would be second only to Walt Disney in regard to the amount of merchandise that bore his name and likeness.

He would meet his second wife, Dale Evans, while making a movie in 1944. Shortly after Grace Arline's passing Evans and Leonard would fall in love and be married just a year later. Leonard, Evans and the palomino appeared together regularly in Movies and Public appearances.

Brother Leonard Franklin Slye "Roy Rogers" was raised to Master Mason in 1946 at Hollywood Lodge No. 355.

Source: http://www.masonrytoday.com, Roy Rogers, November 5, 2022

Hugh C.

SW Hugh Christine

Notes From The Worshipful Master



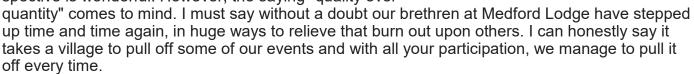
Notes from the Junior Warden.



Masonry has and will always be a volunteer organization. In such organizations the amount of work necessary to keep it running and progressing forward is insurmountable. Over the past few years, it has become evident in my eyes and Brother

Christine our SW has mentioned it to me countless times that there is a core group or masons in each lodge who shoulder the majority of this burden. Brethren, this leads to what we call in the Nursing profession "burn out". It takes place in all professions, whether in the form of emotional, physical or mental. It places stressors on our family life, on our loved ones, on our time and on our health.

Medford lodge has been blessed in the past with multiple candidate classes. Which from a dues and numbers perspective is wonderful. However, the saying "quality over



So, in the simplest of ways, I appreciate everything you do for us by saying "Thank you". I have hope that this message encourages others to volunteer their time for the benefit of our craft.



JW Rudy Hatala



Officers & Committees



2023 Medford Lodge Officers

Worshipful Master

WM Rigil Abellanosa

Senior Warden

Hugh Christine

Junior Warden

Rudolph "Rudy" Hatala

Treasurer

WB Daniel O'Brien

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RW Howard Black III, PGMar

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Senior / Junior Deacon

Joseph "Kip" Duffy Michael Chadwick

Senior / Junior Master of Ceremonies

George Massey Todd Cottle

Senior / Junior Steward

Bharat Mehta Andrew Hobson

Chaplain

Thomas Beamer

Marshal

John Farrace

Tyler

J. Gary Hicks, PM

Historian

WB J Edward Hunt, PM

Proxy to Grand Lodge

Joseph "Kip" Duffy

Committees

Lodge Trustees

RW Jeremiah Phillips (1)

Harry Srolovitz (2)

Joseph F. Alter (3)

Temple Trustees

WB Frederick C. Young Jr., PM (1)

WB Larry Vernamonti, PM (2)

WB John Ellor, PM (3)

Sickness & Distress

WB Larry Vernamonti

Rudy Hatala

RW Jeremiah Phillips

Audit Committee

DB Russ Carvin Jr.

William "Bill" Crozier

Ritual Committee

WB David Carvin, PM

WB Daniel O'Brien

RW Jeremiah Phillips

Relief Committee

WB Larry Vernamonti

By-Laws

WB David Carvin, PM

WB George Wigginton

Hospitality Committee

WB John Quintana

RW Jeremiah Phillips

Franco Coppola, Stewards

Educator & 1st Responder Scholarship

Kip Duffy

Grand Lodge & District Info

Most Worshipful David L. Tucker Grand Master of Masons of the State of New Jersey

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Masonic Outreach Hotline 800-792-8690 (NJ Only) All others call 609-387-1333



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District Ritual Instructor of the 19th Masonic District RW Steven E. Martin 17 Devonshire Drive Westampton, NJ 08060 609-440-5269 (c) semartin5016@gmail.com



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 Calvin Walters Robert S. Middleton, PGC Richard A. Godin Ralph H. Berringer J. Edward Hunt John F. Hall, PGC , PDGI Alfred D. "Gov" Gilmour Frederick L. Schmidt Howard I. Black 3 rd , PGMar David B. Stoneback Richard B. Lechner Owen D. Brennan, PGSB William B. Watson	1966 (+) 1974 1977, 79 1980 1980 (D) 1981 1982 (D) 1985 1986 1987 1989 1990 1990 (+) 1995	Conrad Dombkiewicz Joseph W. Keresztury Jr. David M. Carvin Roy A. Winter, DRI Joseph A. Knecht Mark K. Crosby Edwin A. Michaloski Daniel L. Nemcek Russell A. Bauer, PGC Robert Shestack Jeremiah H. Phillips, PJGD Jonathan Murray Ralph H. Baron Daniel O'Brien	2008 1976, 2009 (DMT) 2010, 14 2010, 14 (D) 2014 (D) 2011 2012 2013 2015 2016 (D) 2016 2017 2017 (D) 2018
Charles F. Markelwith Allan D. Kline John T. Kubit Richard D. Dolbec Borys I. Umyn George J. Wigginton Jr Stephen C. Sweeney Peter M. DeStefano William J. Ward, Jr. A. John Ellor	1996 (D) 1997 (DMT) 1998 1999 (EXP) 2000 2001 2002 2004 2005 (A) 2006 (D)	F. Lawrence Vernamonti John A. Quintana	2020, 2021 2022

(+) = Affiliated (DMT) = Demitted (D) = Dual (S) = Suspended (EXP) = Expelled

In Memoriam — 2023





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, PGC	1955, 64	Thomas Wright II, PJGD	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 PGC	1958, 62		
Alfred E. Darnell	1909-10	Kenneth G. Rexon (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	Francis R. Mitchell, PGM	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			
Clinton H. Cowperthwait, PSGS	1924, 47		1970		
Charles F. Clymer	1925	Thomas J. Fitzgerald (+)	1970		
George M. Hiles	1926	Oscar Cahall	1971		
Francis Mickle	1927	Carl P. Rehor	1972		
William C. Griscom	1928, 39	William H. Moffett (+)	1972		
Lawrence G. Mingin	1929	John D. Cooper	1973		
Garfield Alloway	1930	Richard B. Snavely (+)	1974		
Harvey Hiles	1931	Ernest L. Seth	1975		
Karl G.J. Bingemann	1932	Frederick D. Domako (D)	1977		
Charles H. Leeds	1933	C. William Cornelssen	1978		
Ralph E. Curry	1934	Wilheml Launhardt (+)	1980		
Fred R. Boyd	1935	Paul D. Garlanger PDDGM (+)	1981		
Robert N. Henderson	1936	Russell C.S. Williams	1982		
Edwin M. Johnson	1941-44	Orrin Dillabough	1982 (D)		
George W. Otto (+)	1941	Joseph W. Siatkowski	1983		
George Korradi (+)	1942	V. James Minerva	1984		
Harry T. McNeill	1945-46	Edwin E. Wood III, PSGM	1988		
Edwin Holzschuher	1948	Howard I. Black 2 nd , PJGS	1991		
Joseph E. Bealer Jr	1949	Frederick H. Tillwick	1992		
E. Lester Small	1950-51	Ronald L. Hodge	1993		
Harold S. Farrow	1952	William E. Stockum	2003		
Charles N. Parker	1953	Robert E. Seufert	2003-04 (A)		
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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.

Mason of the Month

Medford Lodge #178 Mason of the Month





Right Worshipful Brother Jeremiah Phillips

Where were you born?

I was born in Fairfield, California. My father was in the Airforce and therefore we did a lot of traveling when I was a child. My father was stationed to Maguire in 1993 and he retired here and this where I call him here in New Jersey.

What was your current / last occupation?

I have been called by others a serial entrepreneur. My passion is in real estate as I have been a residential mortgage loan officer since I was 18 years old and that has allowed me to see a lot of other occupations and talk to people from all walks of life. I also have an audio/video business I started in 2010.

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

If I could meet any person, it would be Jeff Bezos. A self-made man that was able to grow and have the vision he had. I would love to bend his ear on decisions he made in life to put himself in that position. I am sure he is very interesting person to know and at the same time as grounded as someone can be in his current life.

Mason of the Month



What is your favorite quote?

"Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice, and MOST of all, love of what you are doing." -Pele

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

Something most brothers don't know is my passion for collecting cards. From baseball to football. As a kid I saw this as a creative way to be organized, always organizing into teams, sets and coming up with check lists. It has only grown in my adult years looking for those rarer cards and staying organized.

What keeps you engaged and active with the lodge?

The brothers of our lodge are what keeps me engaged. Sounds cliche but the people I have met with all different professions and different skill sets. It never senses to surprise me what someone can do or how interesting they are.



SPRING SHOOTOUT MEDFORD LODGE #178



Saturday, April 29th, 2023 @ 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 (556/223)- 20 Rounds at targets 60 yards 30-30 Lever Action (Cowboy) - 5 Rounds at target 60 yards ⇒Lunch included (Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Salad and sides) ⇒ Medford Lodge Gift (TBD)



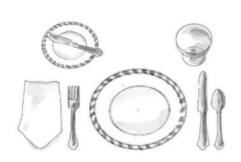
Additional Ammo will be Available for Purchase during the event!

For more information contact: John Farrace- jafarrace@gmail.com Rudy Hatala- rudolphhatala@gmail.com, 609-280-8887 Or WM Rigil Abellanosa- rigil.abellanosa@gmail.com

Payment Due on or before April 22nd, 2023 to Rudy Hatala
Please submit cash directly or make check payable to: "Medford Lodge #178"
Rudolph Hatala
130 Knox Blvd
Marlton NJ, 08053

Purchase Your Tickets here at this <u>Paypal Link</u>







You are cordially invited to attend

Medford Chapter #287's Annual Table Chapter

Saturday, February 4, 2023 6 pm

\$35/person includes tomato basil soup, salad, penne ala vodka, chicken francaise, roasted potatoes, vegetable, and dessert

RSVP by January 27, 2022

Nancy Ellor nellor3@gmail.com 609-440-7080

Mail checks to: Sue Wells

129 S. Main St., Medford, NJ 08055

19th District Beefsteak



EDFORD LOD

Re-Dedication Ceremony





Joint trip by Mt. Zion #135 & Theodore Roosevelt #219 of the 10th District and Caesarea #64 & Matawan #192 of the 17th District

2/20/2023 @ 7AM Fellowship Hall, 1114 Omead Ave, Burlington, NJ for Breakfast and to pickup your box lunch. Choice of Tuna, Ham and Cheese or Turkey and Cheese.

Bus leaves for Alexandria, VA at 9AM

Bus arrives at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial 12 noon. Make sure you register with the GWMNM https://gwmemorial.org/2023

Parade to the George Washington

Masonic National Memorial starts at 1:00PM

Re-dedication of the cornerstone at 3:30PM

Dinner at Gadsby's Tavern at 5:30PM
Bus departs from Gadsby's at 7:30PM
Bus arrives at Fellowship Hall at 10:30PM

Cost is \$120.00 per person. All are invited not just Masons, we need a final head count and payment by Friday, February 3rd, 2023. For Question and Reservations:

Call, Text, or Email

WB Charles Gibardi at 732-221-0198, glarc198@icloud.com
Or
WB Ciro De Los Reyes at 908-902-9872, cdelosr@aol.com

Grand Master Trip

In the event of the election of RW David L. Tuck as Grand Master of Masons for the State of New



you are invited to join him and First Lady Karen on a trip to one of the greatest cities on earth!

Leave: Monday, July 17

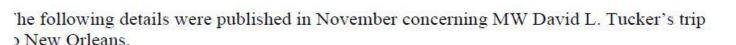
Return: Saturday, July 22, 2023

Flights will be available from both Philadelphia and Newark.

To join the list please contact:

RW Bruce Golway at:

bruce.c.golway@gmail.com



rom Newark (\$925.00 per person):

uly 17 Leave 12:30 PM arrive 2:39 PM in New Orleans

uly 22 Leave 3:06 PM arrive 7:21 PM in Newark

rom Philadelphia (\$995,00/person):

uly 17 Leave 8:20 AM arrive 10:22 AM in New Orleans

uly 22 Leave 1:55 PM arrive 5:50 PM in Philadelphia

lost includes round trip airfare, transfers to and from airport to hotel and five nights odging (double occupancy) at the Crowne Plaza French Quarter.

deposit of \$250.00 per person is required to secure you place for the trip.

lease contact Sharon at Action Travel at 609-561-0443 to make your reservation. Please nention "Masonic Trip" when you call. You will need to provide your full name, including niddle initial, and date of birth to reserve your airfare. If you provide your email, Sharon vill provide links to events and attractions for your review.

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.



Find out more about us-

The Grand Lodge of New Jersey www.newjerseygrandlodge.org



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