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

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# Grand Master of Masons of New Jersey M.W. J. Eugene Margroff





Medford Memorial Day Parade 2025

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# Memorial Day Parade - 2025

# **Message from the East**



Greetings Brethren,

On being brought to light the newly initiated Entered Apprentice's attention is directed to the three great lights of Masonry. However, they are impossible to view with-

out the assistance of the representatives of the three lesser lights to illuminate them. We learn through ritual that the three lesser lights are always to be lit when the lodge is at labor, and to be extinguished when the lodge is closed and the altar is has been tended. No where in masonic education, ritual or protocol does it tell us why there are three lesser lights. Why are they placed in a triangle form before the altar? These questions piqued my curiosity and I had to research this topic.



"While many religions of many ages and peoples have conceived of Divinity as a trinity, the figure three as a symbol of God is far older than any trinitarian doctrine. It comes from the triangle, which is the first possible figure made up of straight lines which

is without either beginning or ending. One line, or two lines have ends. They start and finish. The triangle, like the square or the five or more-sided figure, has no loose ends." There is no hiding that Freemasonry holds the number "3" with the utmost and highest regards which is evident by the countless examples of it in our ritual. The 3 degrees, 3 steps to the middle chamber, 3 great lights, 3 Grand Masters, 3 great pillars of masonry, 3 primary orders of architecture, 3 distinct knocks on the door of the lodge, 3 principal officers of the lodge, 3 stages of life (youth, manhood and age) and 3 principal supports of masonry. Even the great philosopher Pythagoras postulated the importance of the number 3. .Most revere this number to be the first perfect number.

Brother Albert Mackey stated that sun worship played a prominent part in the early religions of the ancients. It was introduced into our mysteries not as a material idolatry, but as a means of expressing an idea of restoration to life from death, drawn from the daily reappearance in the east of the solar orb after its nightly disappearance in the west. So, it is by no far stretch of the imagination the ancients felt the sun needed a partner and thus when the sun sleeps the moon was attentive and present to govern the night. Since the sun was represented by man and the moon by woman then of course they needed a child which was Mercury, the closestplanet to the sun. However, over the ages the Worshipful Master has been substituted for Mercury. Thus, we now have the sun, the moon, and the Worshipful Master of the Lodge.

As the Worshipful Master is charged with imparting intellectual light to his lodge. He is like the sun who emits light from within, to dispense energy and create life within the lodge. The moon is unable to create light and thus reflects that which was received by the sun to the brethren. By this symbolism the master may also use the sun and moon as his general counsel. Thus, the brethren shall never fail if keeping their hearts and minds within these two boundaries.

> Fraternally, WM Rudy Hatala

<u>The Lesser Lights – The Square Magazine</u> <u>LESSER-LIGHTS-1.pdf (themasoniclight.com)</u> <u>The Three Lesser Lights - by Darren Allatt (substack.com)</u> <u>The Three Lesser Lights — Southern California Research Lodge (theresearchlodge.com)</u>



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# **Calendar of Events**

## Dates to Remember



| Day      | Date          | Time     | Event   | Location  |
|----------|---------------|----------|---|---|
| Tuesday  | 3rd           | 6:15 PM  | <b>19th District—District Lodge of Instruction</b><br>Dinner 6:15pm DLI 7:00pm<br>Officers: Mandatory All Others Welcome<br>Dress: Business   | <b>Beverly Riverside</b><br>621 Chester Avenue,<br>Riverside, NJ 08075  |
| Monday   | 9th           | 6:00 PM  | <b>Regular Communication</b><br>Dinner/Fraternal Networking 6:30 pm / Open 7:30 pm<br>Dress For All: <b>Hawaiian Shirts</b><br>Dinner Catered by Femmina - Bro. Franco Coppola          | <b>Medford Lodge</b><br>25 Bank Street<br>Medford, NJ 08055             |
| Monday   | 19th          | 6:30 PM  | <b>Ritual Practice</b><br>All Lodge Officers Encouraged to be there<br>All Master Masons Welcome  | <b>Medford Lodge</b><br>25 Bank Street<br>Medford, NJ 08055             |
| Sunday   | 15th          | 9:45 AM  | Wheel Chair Push<br>Meet at the Burlington Village Cafeteria<br>Gather at 9:45am / 10:15 Get Residents<br>10:45 Service   | <b>Masonic Village</b><br>902 Jacksonville Road<br>Burlington, NJ 08016 |
| Monday   | 23rd          | 6:00 PM  | Emergent Communication— EA Degree<br>Dinner/Fraternal Networking 6:00 pm / Open 7:00 pm<br>Dress Officers: Formal / Masons: Business<br>Dinner Catered by Femmina - Bro. Franco Coppola | <b>Medford Lodge</b><br>25 Bank Street<br>Medford, NJ 08055             |
| Saturday | AUGUST<br>9th | 12:00 PM | <b>Medford Lodge Summer BBQ</b><br>This is a Potluck Style BBQ<br>See Flyer for BBQ information and RSVP  | <b>RW Phillips Home</b><br>740 Kresson Road<br>Cherry Hill, NJ 08003    |

## 2025 Dues are now due and payable

## Link to Pay Total \$161

Includes Grand Lodge Assessment of \$76.00

# Medford Lodge No. 178



| Masonic Birthdays           |         |  |                    |                        |       |
|-----------------------------|---------|--|--------------------|------------------------|-------|
| Brother                     | Years   | Brother  | Years              | Brother                | Years |
| Jeffrey D. Aaron            | 19      | Stephen David Fuller   | 16                 | Robert D. Turner       | 67    |
| Jayson G Abadia             | 6       | Robert Gadsby  | 8                  | Kenneth Wallach        | 30    |
| Rigil Kent Abellanosa       | 13      | Thomas Giangiulio  | 31                 | Calvin J Walters       | 57    |
| Michael Angermeier          | 6       | John David Jarrell   | 12                 | Skyler Whitney         | 2     |
| Richard A Barden            | 49      | Thomas Anton Jereb   | 6                  | Ryan R. Wilno          | 7     |
| Ralph A. Baron, PM          | 17      | Allan Kline, PM  | 33                 |                        |       |
| Thomas W Beamer             | 12      | Gilbert J Lattiere   | 22                 |                        |       |
| Howard I. Black 3rd, PGMar  | 42      | John F Mifka   | 22                 |                        |       |
| Edward Morris Blankley      | 13      | Michael Braddock Miller  | 17                 |                        |       |
| Michael P Bray              | 37      | Kent Douglas Neiswender  | 6                  |                        |       |
| Owen D Brennan, PGSB        | 40      | Jonathan W Parrish   | 26                 |                        |       |
| Phil Ashley Brownridge      | 15      | John Anthony Quintana, PM  | 15                 | July Birthdays         |       |
| John M. Colucci             | 14      | Salvatore Russomanno   | 18                 | Hugh Frank Christine   | 10    |
| William John Crowe          | 13      | Alexander L Samuelian  | 42                 | Daniel Patrick Deegan  | 10    |
| Michael J Dariano           | 8       | Samuel V Samuelian Jr.   | 42                 | Rudolph Nicolas Hatala | 10    |
| Andrew Drysdale Jr.         | 44      | George P Scelso, DB  | 21                 | Jonathan Phillips      | 12    |
| Keith Egan                  | 2       | Brad T. Skiles   | 27                 | Jesse H. Roberts       | 29    |
| Robert W Emenecker Sr.      | 48      | Richard H Stahl Sr.  | 21                 | Dylan Andrew Wallach   | 10    |
| Robert Foster               | 2       | Stephen C Sweeney, PM  | 30                 |                        |       |
|                             | l       | Making Good Men  | Bette              | •                      |       |
| n Waiting to Receive the EA | Degree: | Mr. Marc Andrew Tous<br>6 Blackhawk Ct, Medfo<br>Self-Employed Artisan<br>Mr. Nicholas Andrew V<br>142 Hickory St, Mt. Hol | ord NJ<br>Vaszkiew | icz Age 30             |       |

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## **Notes From The Worshipful Master**



Notes from the Worshipful Master:

Brethren June is packed with events Masonic home wheelchair push, Memorial Day parade and BBQ, and The MTG Game night. Thank you all for your attendance and continued participation in Medford Lodge events. If you are interested in any particular events please see me and lets see what we can come up with because other brethren may be interested in your ideas for events as well.

Our June regular meeting will be Hawaiian shirt night and again we will have 3 presentations, one by brother Don Elfreth of NJ Lore, one by RW Mattes on the "Do's and Don'ts of language and gesturing" and a third by NJ DeMolay and the possibility of opening a chapter at Medford Lodge again.



The summer is approaching fast and as such comes our yearly summer maintenance projects. The past few years there has been a skeleton crew assisting in upgrading and maintaining the building. I was hoping to have the assistance of several masons this year to make light work of these projects. Please contact me if you are interested in helping.

Lastly, with 2 new candidates in the pipeline we will be holding summer practices to prepare for the upcoming degrees and GLI. Remember when you were going through our degrees, the work it took to make the degree nights a great experience for you. Let's give the candidates the same experience.



# Notes From The Senior Warden



Notes from the Senior Warden.



#### Brethren

June of 1776 included important events that would change the entire course of world history, and those events were facilitated by many Freemasons.

On June 7<sup>th</sup>, Brother Richard Henry Lee of Virginia (pictured here; Hiram Lodge No. 59, Westmoreland County) proposed to the Continental Congress a resolution calling for a Declaration of Independence from England.

#### His resolution read, in part:

These United colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent states; that they are absolved



pendent states; that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain is, and ought to be, totally dissolved.



On June 11<sup>th</sup>, the Continental Congress formed a committee to draft a Declaration of Independence from Britain. Named to the committee were Virginian Thomas Jefferson, John Adams of Massachusetts, Brother Benjamin Franklin of Pennsylvania, Brother Robert Livingston of New York, and Brother Roger Sherman of Massachusetts.

The resolution from Virginia, after much spirited debate that lasted several weeks in the hot Philadelphia summer of 1776, was finally adopted by the Continental

Congress on July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

A year later, also in June, the French solider Brother Marquis de Lafayette landed in the United States to aid the former colonies against Great Britain.

Michael Chadwick

Michael Chadwick, Senior Warden

Sources:

http://www.themasonictrowel.com/articles/history/other\_files/masonic\_events\_history.htm

## **Notes From The Senior Warden**





Brethren,

Greetings from the South! As a follow up to May's Memorial day article, I want to present to the Fraternity's legacy in forging our Nation's Military. Masons played a much bigger role than you may have realized in our nation's military.

Notes from the Junior Warden.

Brother George Washington was the first Commander in Chief of the American forces. Thiry-three of the men Washington picked to serve as General Officers under him were Freemasons, as were Founding Fathers: Alexander Hamilton, Benjamin Franklin, Paul Revere, and John Hancock. And the miliary connection is especially strong – each of the Armed Services was either founded or profoundly shaped by a Mason.

Commodore John Paul Jones – the father of the United States Navy, was a Freemason.

Baron Friedrick Von Steuben – A Prussian Freemason who joined Washington at Valley Forge, is considered by many to be the founder of the U.S. Army as an effective and disciplined fighting force.

Samuel Nicholas – who created the U.S. Marine Corps, was a Freemason.

General Henry "Hap" Arnold – who was with the Air Force in its infancy and developed it into a separate branch of the Armed Services, was a Freemason.

William F. Reynolds – the first officer of the U.S. Coast Guard to become an Admiral, was a Freemason.

Many Masons have had outstanding military records. To list a few: General Omar Bradley Admiral Richard Byrd General Mark Wayne Clark General Doolittle General George C. Marshall General Douglas MacArthur Audie Murphy – the most decorated soldier in the Second World War Eddie Rickenbacker – leading American Ace of the First World War General John J. Pershing John Glenn Buzz Aldrin (and eleven other astronauts) General Walter Boomer

It is worth noting that two hundred twenty-four of the men who have been awarded the **Congressional Medal of Honor** were **members of the Fraternity** (to date our nation has awarded 3,528 CMH).

Is it a coincidence that Masons and the Military have these traits in common: Honor, Integrity, and Trust? I think not. These values are prevalent in both the Military and the Fraternity. Just like you trusted your Brother In Arms to have your back on the battlefield, we trust our Brothers to have ours in our daily lives.

Lastly, I want to give a big shout out to RW Jeffery Alexander for providing me with the document used for this article.

George Massey

George Massey, Junior Warden Sources:<sup>1</sup>The Short Talk Bulletin, Vol. 82, May 2004, No. 5; <u>The Military and Freemasonry</u>.



# **Officers & Committees**



## **2025 Medford Lodge Officers**

Worshipful Master

Rudolph "Rudy" Hatala

#### Senior Warden

Michael Chadwick

#### Junior Warden

George Massey

#### Treasurer

WB Daniel O'Brien 25 Bank Street, Medford, NJ 08055 Email: Treasurer.Medford178@gmail.com

#### Secretary

RW Howard Black III, PGMar 25 Bank Street, Medford, NJ 08055 Email: <u>secretarymedford178@gmail.com</u>

#### Senior / Junior Deacon Robert Foster Andrew Hobson

#### Senior / Junior Master of Ceremonies

Keith Egan Richard J Weldon

## Senior / Junior Steward

Norton Druger WB Rigil Abellanosa

> Chaplain Thomas Beamer

Marshal WB George Wigginton

> **Tyler** J. Gary Hicks, PM

Historian WB J Edward Hunt, PM

Proxy to Grand Lodge Robert Foster

#### Committees

#### Audit Committee

William "Bill" Crozier Michael DiCroce

#### **Ritual Committee**

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

#### **Relief Committee**

WB Larry Vernamonti WM Rudy Hatala WB George Wigginton

#### **By-Laws**

WB David Carvin WB Larry Vernamonti WB Rigil Abellanosa

Hospitality Committee RW Jeremiah Phillips Franco Coppola

Stewards

Educator & 1st Responder Scholarship TBD

#### Lodge Trustees

WB Larry Vernamonti, PM (3) WB David Carvin (2) RW Jeremiah Phillips (1)

#### **Temple Trustees**

WB George Wigginton (3) WB Rigil Abellanosa, PM (2) WB John Ellor, PM (1)

#### Sickness & Distress

WB Larry Vernamonti WB Rick Young

# **Grand Lodge & District Info**

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District Ritual Instructor of the 19th Masonic District RW Steven E. Martin 25 Bank Street Medford, NJ 08055 609-440-5269 (c) semartin5016@gmail.com



#### 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

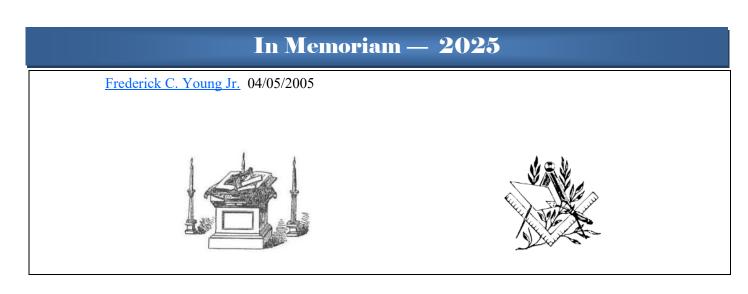
Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 121 Farnsworth Avenue, Bordentown, NJ 08505

# **Past Masters**



# In Honor of our Living Past Masters

| Calvin Walters<br>Robert S. Middleton, <b>PGC</b><br>Richard A. Godin<br>Ralph H. Berringer<br>J. Edward Hunt<br>Frederick L. Schmidt<br>Howard I. Black 3 <sup>rd</sup> , <b>PGMar</b><br>Richard B. Lechner<br>Owen D. Brennan, <b>PGSB</b><br>William B. Watson<br>Dennis J. Coloski<br>Allan D. Kline<br>John T. Kubit<br>George J. Wigginton Jr<br>Stephen C. Sweeney<br>Raymond W. Taylor, Sr, <b>PGC</b><br>Peter M. DeStefano<br>J. Gary Hicks<br>William J. Ward, Jr. | 1974<br>1977, 79<br>1980<br>1980 ( <b>D</b> )<br>1981<br>1986<br>1987<br>1990<br>1990 (+)<br>1995<br>1996<br>1997 (+)<br>1998<br>2001<br>2002<br>2003<br>2004<br>2004 (+)<br>2005 ( <b>A</b> ) | Mark K. Crosby<br>Edwin A. Michaloski<br>Daniel L. Nemcek<br>Russell A. Bauer, <b>PGC</b><br>Robert Shestack<br>Jeremiah H. Phillips, <b>PJGD</b><br>Jonathan Murray<br>Ralph H. Baron<br>Daniel O'Brien<br>F. Lawrence Vernamonti<br>John A. Quintana<br>Rigil Abellanosa<br>Hugh Christine | 2011 (DMT)<br>2012<br>2013<br>2015<br>2016 (D)<br>2016<br>2017 (DMT)<br>2017 (D)<br>2018<br>2020, 2021<br>2022<br>2023<br>2024 |
|--|--|--|--|
| Peter M. DeStefano   | 2004   |  |  |
| William J. Ward, Jr.   | 2005 (A)   |  |  |
| A. John Ellor  | 2006 ( <b>D</b> )  |  |  |
| Conrad Dombkiewicz   | 2008   |  |  |
| Joseph W. Keresztury Jr.   | 1976, 2009 (DMT)   |  |  |
| David M. Carvin  | 2010, 14   |  |  |
| Roy A. Winter, <b>PDRI</b>   | 2010, 14 (+)   |  |  |
| Joseph A. Knecht   | 2014 <b>(D)</b>  |  |  |
| (+) = Affiliated (DMT) = Der   | nitted (D) =   | Dual (S) = Suspended   | (EXP) = Expelled   |



# **Past Masters**



# In Memory of our Deceased Past Masters

| Frank A. Braddock             | 1903        | Norman R. DeLong                              | 1954            | Ronald L. Hodge               | 1993                |
|-------------------------------|-------------|---|-----------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Samuel A. Garwood             | 1904        | Henry Emenecker Sr, PGC                       | 1955, 64        | Borys I. Umyn                 | 2000                |
| William D. Cowperthwait       | 1904, 40    | A. Robert Merrion                             | 1956            | William E. Stockum            | 2000                |
| J. Maurice Garwood            | 1905-06     | Jerald Carey                                  | 1957, 63        | Robert E. Seufert             | 2003-04 (A)         |
| Harry Brick                   | 1907, 37-38 | Harold E. Easlick PGC                         | 1958, 62        | Jerry Albrecht                | 2003-04 (A)<br>2005 |
| Alfred E. Darnell             | 1909-10     | Kenneth G. Rexon (D)                          | 1958, 80        | Thomas Wright II, <b>PJGD</b> | 2003                |
| Carlton J. Garwood            | 1911        | Dean W. Cramer (+)                            | 1958            | -                             | 2007                |
| Charles J. Hollingshead       | 1912        | Gordon L. Beeler                              | 1959            | Frederick C. Young Jr.        | 2019                |
| 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, PSGS | 1924, 47    | Thomas J. Fitzgerald (+)                      | 1970            |                               |                     |
| Charles F. Clymer             | 1925        | Oscar Cahall                                  | 1970<br>1971    |                               |                     |
| George M. Hiles               | 1926        |   |                 |                               |                     |
| 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 <b>(D)</b> |                               |                     |
| George W. Otto (+)            | 1941        | John F. Hall, PGC, PDGI                       | 1982 <b>(D)</b> |                               |                     |
| George Korradi (+)            | 1942        | Joseph W. Siatkowski                          | 1983            |                               |                     |
| Harry T. McNeill              | 1945-46     | V. James Minerva                              | 1984            |                               |                     |
| Edwin Holzschuher             | 1948        | Alfred D. "Gov" Gilmour                       | 1985            |                               |                     |
| Joseph E. Bealer Jr           | 1949        | Edwin E. Wood III, <b>PSGM</b>                | 1988            |                               |                     |
| E. Lester Small               | 1950-51     | David B. Stoneback                            | 1989            |                               |                     |
| Harold S. Farrow              | 1952        | Howard I. Black 2 <sup>nd</sup> , <b>PJGS</b> | 1991            |                               |                     |
| Charles N. Parker             | 1953        | Frederick H. Tillwick                         | 1992            |                               |                     |

# **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.



<u>For more information on these organizations</u> for your son, daughter, grandchild, niece, nephew or neighbor, please call or email me.

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

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



Medford Lodge #178 is continuing to collect toys for the Toys-For-Tots program throughout this year. It is important that we care for children in our community all year long and not just during the holiday season. Our goal is to fill our container multiple times which will help bring joy to children all year long.

The next time you are in a store, buy a toy and bring it, unwrapped, to the Lodge. Let's be the difference for a deserving child. Information on the program is available at <u>https://www.toysfortots.org</u>.

# **Mason of the Month**

# MEDFORD LODGE #178



MASON OF THE MONTH JUNE 2025



#### WB DAVE CARVIN SR.

Where were you born? Riverside New Jersey

What is your current or last occupation? Director of Machine Tool technology

If you could meet any person (dead or alive), who would it be? Felix Wankel inventor of the Wankel engine.

What is your favorite quote? "If it does not make sense it is political "

Are there any random facts you can share about yourself with the brethren? I have owned a car, 1968 Mercury Cougar, for 39 years, look to restore it and get it back on the road

What do you enjoy most about being a Mason? Meeting new Masons and visiting new lodges

Rev Dated: 12/28/2024

# Mt. Laurel High Twelve Club





My Brother

I would like to take a minute to introduce you to one of the most EXCITING CLUBS in Masonry. The secret, HIGH TWELVE INTERNATIONAL. What's the secret?

#### NO FORMAL RITUAL MEETINGS ARE ANYTIME ANY DAY ANY WHERE GUESTS OR WIVES ARE WELCOME

I'm sure you have great memories of: sharing fellowship with your brothers, helping the local youth groups like Rainbow Girls and DeMolay Assisting your Blue Lodge with their projects, that is what we are about. We also support the Wolcott Foundation at George Washington University.

Currently we have five clubs in New Jersey and GROWING. Nelson Craig, Masonic Village at Burlington, Mt. Laurel, North Jersey and the newly chartered Jersey Travelers. They would love to see you at their next meeting. Bring your wife or guest if you like, all are welcome.

If there is not a club in your area and you would like to form one we are glad to help. Contact our International Secretary Thomas A. Brotherton III at secretary@high12.org.

Take time to visit our web site at High12.org, it is full of information and a great video by Ernest Borgnine (remember Mc Hales Navy?).

Thanks for your time and we look forward seeing you at our next meeting. High Twelve is not just another appendant body, it's a body that the Future of Masonry is DEPENDENT Upon,

### FAMILY, FELLOWSHIP, FUTURE

| Club Information         | Meeting Place and<br>Time                 | Contact Information                     |
|--------------------------|---|---|
| # 073 Nelson W. Craig    | Lamp Post Diner<br>1378 Little Gloucester | John Zioance, President<br>609.206.0878 |
| Cherry Hill, NJ          | Rd  |   |
|                          | Gloucester Twnshp NJ                      | Joseph A. Dinovi, Secretary             |
| Chartered: July 15, 1946 | 08012                                     | 609.670.7214<br>wa2gfk@hotmail.com      |
|                          | 1st & 3rd Monday's @<br>12:00 Noon        |   |

#### State of New Jersey - Independent Clubs



Brethren and families,

The Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey is excited to share some important changes for our 2025 scholarship program.

- <u>Expanded Eligibility</u>. For the first time, nieces and nephews of living or deceased Master Masons in good standing will be eligible.
- <u>New Scholarships available.</u> Scholarship offerings will be expanded to include students attending a 2-year College, Trade, or Technical school.
- <u>Simplified Application Process.</u> One application form (via Google Forms) will cover all nine MCF Scholarships.

See the attached flyer for more details or contact Scholarship Coordinator Karla Lippincott at 609-239-3830 or <u>kpl@njmasonic.org</u> for more information.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely and fraternally,

The Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey

https://tinyurl.com/mcfscholarship25



# **Grand Lodge Scholarships**

\$4,000



## The Masonic Charity Foundation of New Je offers these scholarships to students interested in pursuing higher education.

For the single application for all scholarships, visit tinyurl.com/mcfscholarship2 All completed applications must be postmarked by May 30, 2025.

#### 2-Year College, Trade/Technical School 4-Year College/University

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#### Burk-Townley Scholarship

financial need required

(\$1,000 per year for up to 4 years) For Graduating High School Seniors in Any Major – 1 Available GPA: B or 3.0 Must be relative of NJ Mason\*;

Serewitch Family DeMolay Scholarship \$20,000

(85,000 per year for up to 4 years) For Graduating NJ High School Seniors in Any Major – 1 Available GPA: C+ or 2.2 over last 2 years Active NJ DeMolay, financial need, swimming activity required

# Sol & Reba SerewitchScholarship\$5,000

(\$5,000 for 1 year)

For Graduating NJ High School Seniors in Any Major – 1 Available GPA: C or 2.2 over last 2 years

Must be relative of NJ Mason\*; financial need required

#### 4-Year College/University

#### Asbury Jordan Lodge Scholarship \$4,000

(\$1,000 per year for 4 years) For Graduating High School Seniors in Any Major – 1 Available GPA: B or 3.0 over last 2 years Relative of NJ Mason preferred\*; financial need required In honor of Christian Mogensen and John D. Post

#### Chairman of the Board Scholarship \$10,000

(\$2,500 per year for 4 years) For Graduating High School Seniors in Any Major – 3 Available GPA: B or 3.0 Must be relative of NJ Mason\*

# John H. Critchley, Sr. & Emma F. Critchley

Scholarship\$4,000(\$1,000 per year for 4 years)For Graduating High School Seniorsin Engineering or Related Sciences –1 AvailableGPA: B or 3.0Unmarried sons or grandsons of NJ Mason\*

#### Culver DeMolay Scholarship



(\$1,000 per year for 4 years) For Graduating NJ High School Seniors in Any Major – 3 Available GPA: B or 3.0 over last 2 years Active DeMolay preferred

#### Patterson Engineering Scholarship \$16,000

(\$4,000 per year for 4 years) For Graduating NJ High School Seniors in Engineering – 3 Available GPA: C+ or 2.5 over last 2 years

#### Taylor Scholarship

\$4,000

(\$1,000 per year for 4 years) For Graduating High School Seniors in Any Major – 2 Available GPA: B or 3.0

Must be relative of NJ Mason\*

Must perform up to 30 hours of community service at Masonic Village

#### The Grand Lodge of New Jersey offers these scholarships. For an application, visit www.newjerseygrandlodge.org

#### Scholarship

#### \$4,

(\$2,000 per year for 2 years) For High School Graduates – 2 Available

Must be relative of NJ Mason

GPA: C+ or 2.5 over last 2 years

#### \$4,000

Scholarship\$4,000(\$2,000 per year for 2 years)For College Graduates – 2 AvailableGPA: B+ or 3.25 over last 2 yearsMust be relative of NJ Mason



\*The applicant must be the child, step-child, niece, nephew, grandchild or step-grandchild of a living or deceased Master Mason in good standing in a Masonic Lodge of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

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# **Medford Lodge BBQ**

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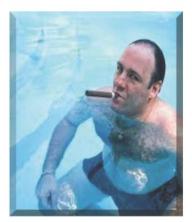


At t 740

At the home of our PM Jeremiah Phillips 740 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill NJ,08003

Date: Saturday, August 9th, 2024 1:00 PM until ???

Come join us for Food, Fun, and Friendship. Family, Friends, all are Welcome







RSVP by 8/1 or earlier to: Bro. Rudy Hatala (609-280-8887), rudolphhatala@gmail.com Bro. Thom Slaterbeck (609) 694-4625 tslaterbeck@mac.com Food Sign up is done on the App or a Signup Sheet in Lodge. We are in need of Side Dishes and Desserts. The Lodge will provide the main meal (burgers, hotdogs and chicken).





# COME JOIN MEDFORD CHAPTER #287 OE

# AT A FALL WREATH MAKING PARTY!



Tuesday, September 9, 2025, 7 pm

Medford Masonic Lodge 25 Bank Street, Medford

Cost: \$55 (includes all materials and light refreshments)

RSVP BY AUGUST 19 Anita Cole, Worthy Matron <u>un-cole-a@juno.com</u> 856-905-7177 Checks payable to Medford Chapter #287 Sorry, no refunds due to the cost of the materials. **OUR MISSION STATEMENT** 

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