



Constituted 1912

Pitman, N.J.

September 2023

Regular Communications Second Tuesdays (Except July & August)

21st Masonic District-Grand Lodge of New Jersey

www.pitmanmasons.org

Pitman Lodge #197
Free and Accepted Masons
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District Lodge Meetings

Mantua: Second Thursday of the month.

Pennsgrove-Excelsior: First Wednesday of the month.

Clarksboro: First Monday of the month.

Williamstown #166: First and third Tuesday of the month.

Woodstown: The first Tuesday of the month.

Pitman #197: The second Tuesday of the month

DLI's

September 28th, 2023 Williamstown Lodge

October 26th, 2023 Pitman

November 30th, 2023 Clarksboro

Lodge Reservation Donations

Masonic organizations: \$110

Members of Pitman Lodge: \$250

Non-members with Masonic affiliation: \$300

Non-members: \$350

My Dear Brothers,

I hope all of you have had a great summer. I would like to thank all who came out to work our chicken BBQ. I would like to send a special thank to Brother Jack Carini for his donation of tomatoes and corn.

The Nature of Freemasonry.

Edwin Booth, a Mason, and Shakespearean actor once said, "In all my research and in all close analysis of the masterpieces to make those plays appear real on the mimic stage, so magnificent as the legend of Hiram. It is substance without shadow-the manifest destiny of life which requires no picture and scarcely a word to make a lasting impression upon all who can understand. To be a Worshipful Master, and to throw my whole soul into that work, with the candidate for my audience and the lodge for my stage, would be a greater personal distinction than to receive the plaudits people in the theater of the world".
Compiled by Alphonse Cersa.

I look forward to seeing you at our September meeting.

Fraternal Greetings
Keith M. Lypka WM
Attest: Michael Paris, Secretary

Lodge Dues 2023

Lodge dues are now due. As of now we have 18 members who have not paid their dues for this year. This increases our budget deficit. It is imperative that you make your dues payment in order for the lodge to function. If you are in financial distress please contact the secretary and discuss a solution. Thanks to all.

Please use the link
to PayPal if this
would be an easier
way to pay your
dues.



Pitman Lodge 2023 Officers

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Lodge Trustees

Matthew Johnson.....856-417-3591
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Vacant

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Grand Lodge Officers

Grandmaster of the State of New Jersey

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RW **Thomas G. Rathof**

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Sick and Distressed Brothers

If you know of any sick and distressed brothers, or anyone that has passed, please contact our Grand Chaplin

R.W. Larry J. McKelvey Jr. GC. **609-420-1163**

Living Past Masters

Sharp, Jay H.	1971#	Henry, Frederick B.	2000#
Davis, Alan A.	1976#	Anderson, Allen S.	2003
Thomas, Kenneth W	1978	Fuscia Jr., Russel E.	2005#
Kier, James R.	1981	DiNovi, Joseph A.	2007
Morris, Donald G.	1981#	Thomas, Kenneth W.	2008
Coblentz, William W.	1982	Thomas, Kenneth W.	2009
DiNovi, Joseph A.	1984	Sanders, Keith S.	2011
Schubert, Joseph E.	1984#	Nesbit, Robert Scott	2012
Cooper, Danny L.	1989	Fuscia Jr., Russel E.	2013
Stowman, Robert A.	1990	Marek, Peter A.	2016
Leap, Wayne E.	1991	Paris, Michael	2017
Eckenroth, Richard L.	1993	Thomas, Kenneth W.	2018
Marker, David W.	1994	Thomas, Kenneth W.	2019
Dillon, Douglas F.	1997#	Baehr, Vincent L.	2020
Stanger Jr., Hiram	1998	Baehr, Vincent L.	2021
DiNovi, Joseph A.	1999	Brian M. Kane	2022
Bradley, Theodore K.	2000		

Lodge Events

Sept. 9th, All You Can Eat Breakfast.

Sept. 12th, Regular Communication at 7:30, Dinner 6:30

Sept. 16th, Pitman Craft Fair fundraiser. 5AM to 2PM

Please come out and help. Commerce Ave.

Sept. 25th, Monday, FC Degree on 4 brothers.

Sept. 28th, DLI, Williamstown Lodge, start time 7PM.

Future dates:

Oct. 23rd, 2023: Blood Drive at Pitman Lodge.

Lodge dues for 2023 are due. If you haven't paid your dues yet please do so. If there is a financial reason that makes this a problem for you please contact the Secretary for a solution. Please pay promptly. Thank you.

You may also pay through the PayPal link on the webpage and printed in this paper.

Mission Statement of the Grand Lodge
Of New Jersey

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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September Masonic Birthdays

Name	Raised	Years
Michael Zippilli	7-21-2007	16
Alan K. Schuler	8-3-1977	46
Bernard Michael Borelli	9-25-1984	39
Jack C. Carini	9-10-2013	10
John J. Deserable	9-28-1976	47
Joseph J. Eminson	9-27-1963	60
Jaison A. Harris	9-14-2002	21
James S. MacFarlane	9-21-1993	30
Thomas J. Mackin	9-24-1985	38
Robert W. Mick Jr.	9-24-1985	38
Robert Scott Nesbit	9-19-2006	17
Jacob T. Scholz	9-29-2015	8
Jay H. Sharp	9-16-1959	64
Alfio R. Sorbello	9-15-2009	14
Harry R. Winkler	9-24-1985	38



Official Visits of the District Deputy

May 1, 2023	Clarksboro #87
May 2, 2023	Woodstown #138
April 5, 2023	Penns Grove Excelsior #54
June 13, 2023	Pitman #197
June 8, 2023	Mantua #95
June 20, 2023	Williamstown #166

District Lodges of Instruction

April 27, 2023	@ Mantua #95
May 25, 2023	@ Pennsgrove #54
June 29, 2023	@ Clarksboro
September 28, 2023	@ Williamstown #166
October 26, 2023	@ Pitman #197
November 30, 2023	@ Clarksboro- This is a regular DLI Thanksgiving conflict****

There will be 2 mandatory dates for qualification. PM only Oct-Nov

Annual Feasts of Saints John (Installations)

December 4, 2023 Official Visit @ Clarksboro Lodge # 87
December 5, 2023 Official Visit @ Woodstown Lodge # 138
December 6, 2023 Official Visit @ Penns Grove Excelsior Lodge # 54
December 12, 2023 Official Visit @ Pitman Lodge # 197
December 14, 2023 Official Visit @ Mantua Lodge # 95
December 19, 2023 Official Visit @ Williamstown Lodge # 166