

Pitman Lodge #197  
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Pitman Lodge officers meet every Sunday at 7 PM for practice.

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#### District Events

January 12 Regular Communication 7:30 PM

January 28 DLI at Penns-Grove Lodge 7PM

\* All lodge meetings are to be conducted using Covid restrictions ordered by edict of the Grand Master until further notice. Please check with your lodge officers for ongoing details.

“Integrity is doing the right thing, even when no one is watching”. – C.S. Lewis  
Brethren,

Masonry teaches us to walk uprightly and virtuously square our actions, even when no one is watching. We strive to make good men better; to make them men of good character and integrity. We should take the advice of Marcus Aurelius, Roman emperor, 161 – 180 AD, when he said:

“Waste no more time arguing about what a good man should be. Be one.”

Almost 2000 years later, it still holds true, even when no one is watching. We are always in the presence of the Grand Architect. What is in a man’s soul, his integrity, is known but to himself and God. We can put on a display for others to see, but, our inner most being is known unto Him. Masonry implores one to become a better person than he was, to do the right thing, even when no one is watching. John C. Maxwell, an author and pastor, reminds us that:

“Image is what people think we are. Integrity is what we really are.”

Who are you? Who am I? We are all rough ashlar, yet, we, as Masons, strive to become better men, assist our fellow brethren when needed or requested, and be a role model for others. The beauty and strength of our fraternity is that once you are initiated Entered Apprentice, you gain countless brothers who are there to offer what is required by you on your journey to become a better man. There is promise in our doctrine which we can utilize on our journey of transition, from rough to (almost) perfect ashlar. As Masons we can find support from and for our brothers; it is a good position in which to find oneself.

Masons make the world a better place. That is our image; our integrity is that we make good men better. As stated by Ill. David A. Glattly, SGC, AASR, NMJ, “Integrity would lead us to a life of clear conscience and that of role models to our fellow man.” He invites us to, “envision a world where more men...lived up to our core values.” The world would be a better place. I find myself in agreement when he says:

“...we need more Freemasons in the world.”

So I invite you, my brethren, to get up, get moving, and get involved. We become better men when we are in the company of good men. Your presence is noticed and your absence is heartfelt. We can look forward to the New Year, working together, in the quarry, to improve our stations and that of others. Let us all try to be a good example for others to follow, let our works and deeds speak for themselves. Because, “we need more Freemasons in the world.” With brotherly love, I remain your humble servant.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

Vincent L. Baehr, WM

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**Winner of the 70 inch TV raffle**

**Tom Rathoff of Clarksboro lodge #87**

Living Past Masters

Wigglesworth, Kenneth	1961
Sharp, Jay H.	1971#
Lang, Harry E	1975
Davis, Alan A.	1976#
Thomas, Kenneth W	1978
KIER, James R.	1981
Morris, Donald G.	1981#
Coblentz, William W.	1982
DiNovi, Joseph A.	1984
Schubert, Joseph E.	1984#
Martin, Fredrick H.	1986
Cooper, Danny L.	1989
Stowman, Robert A.	1990
Leap, Wayne E.	1991
Collier Jr., John Clark	1992
Sowers, Richard	1992#
Eckenroth, Richard L.	1993
Marker, David W.	1994
Dillon, Douglas F.	1997#

Stranger Jr., Hiram	1998
DiNovi, Joseph A.	1999
Bradley, Theodore B.	2000
Henry, Frederick B.	2000#
Anderson, Allen S.	2003
Fuscia Jr., Russel E.	2005#
DiNovi, Joseph A.	2007
Thomas, Kenneth W.	2008
Thomas, Kenneth W.	2009
Sanders, Keith S.	2011
Nesbit, Robert Scott	2012
Fuscia Jr., Russel E.	2013
Polonsky, Arthur A.	2015
Marek, Peter A.	2016
Paris, Michael	2017
Thomas, Kenneth W.	2018
Thomas, Kenneth W.	2019
Baehr, Vincent L.	2020

**Lodge Events**

January 12, 2021: Regular Communication.

Only 10 members may attend according to the Governor’s orders. The individuals who are asked to be there are Worshipful Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, Senior and Junior Deacons, Treasurer, Secretary, Chaplin, Tyler, District Deputy Grand Master and District Ritual Instructor.

January 28, 2021: District Lodge of Instruction. To be held at Penns-Grove Lodge if restrictions allow. 7 PM start time.

Brothers who entered the Lodge on High in 2020

	EA	FC	MM	Deceased
Black, George Stanley	9/16/1952	10/21/1952	11/20/1952	04-07-2020
Ford Jr, Robert Abraham	6/14/1982	10/26/1982	11/30/1982	12-03-2020
Groff, Raymond Wayne	4/24/1962	6/26/1962	9/25/1962	11-10-2020
Keeper, Fred K	10/15/1952	11/19/1952	1/21/1953	09-16-2020
Morgan, Richard Clark	6/20/1967	11/21/1967	1/16/1968	02-07-2020
Ross, Emmett William	4/22/1986	3/19/2005	3/19/2005	05-14-2020
Stansfield Jr, Charles Arthur	12/12/1958	2/6/1959	3/13/1959	05-14-2020

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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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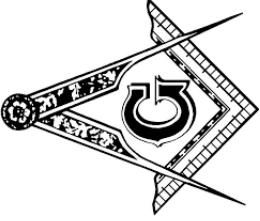
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2021 Lodge membership cards are now available online.  
You may obtain one and view all your information at:  
<https://nj.grandviewsystems/users/signin>

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Masonic Birthdays for January

	Raised	Years
William Albert Datz	01-28-1986	35
Jozsef Leopold Dekovacs	01-26-2010	11
John Estelow Frie	01-17-1984	37
Kent Stephen Johnson	01-30-1968	53
Ronald Edward Kayser	01-17-1984	37
Harry Elbert Lang	01-16-1968	53
Raymond Scott MacDowel	01-28-1986	35
Peter Alfred Marek	01-26-2010	11
Anthony Joseph Martin	01-28-1992	29
Richard Scott Martin	01-28-1992	29
Joseph William Miller	01-25-1966	55
Michael James Paris Jr.	01-08-2013	8
Ralph Stewart Polhamus	01-28-1992	29
Arthur A Polonsky	01-28-2008	13
Jeffery C Scholz	01-13-1984	37
Mark J. Silverstein	01-18-1978	43
Richard Sowers	01-28-1966	55
Philip D. Tartaglione	01-24-1998	23



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