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Pitman, N.J.

February 2022

Regular Communications Second Tuesdays (Except July & August)

21st Masonic District 🏴 *Grand Lodge of New Jersey*

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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: First and third Tuesday of the month.
Woodstown: The first Tuesday of the month.
Pitman: The second Tuesday of the month
DLI- Feb. 24, 2022 Pitman Lodge, opens 7PM

Brethren,

As we are now or moving forward in our Lodge we are going to be doing more ritual and degree work. Participation is very important not just for officers but members also. It is imperative that all officers and brothers who can, come out to our practices, which are held every Sunday at 7PM.

It is always nice when the candidates see the sidelines have a lot of members present. I know in these times it is difficult but it is appreciated. We only get out of Freemasonry what we put into it. I am looking forward to seeing all and so are the new brothers. So let's support our lodge and the brethren. Standby for notice of the start up of our All You Can Eat Country Breakfast.

Fraternal Greetings
Brian M Kane

Attest: Michael Paris, Secretary

District Dates for 2022

DLI's

Feb. 24,2022 Pitman #197

March 24,2022 Clarksboro #87(GLI with 22nd District)

April 28, 2022 Penns Grove Excelsior #54

May 26, 2022 Mantua #95

June 23, 2022 Woodstown #138

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Lodge News

Work on the kitchen is just about completed or will be around the time of this mailing. We hope to start the Country Breakfast back up, and also to start utilizing the banquet hall again. It has been a long time coming and we would be remiss in not thanking Brother Bob Schaefer for all the work and long hours he has put in to see this remodel completed.

Living Past Masters

Wigglesworth, Kenneth	1961#	Henry, Frederick B.	2000#
Sharp, Jay H.	1971#	Anderson, Allen S.	2003
Lang, Harry E	1975	Fuscia Jr., Russel E.	2005#
Davis, Alan A.	1976#	DiNovi, Joseph A.	2007
Thomas, Kenneth W	1978	Thomas, Kenneth W.	2008
KIER, James R.	1981	Thomas, Kenneth W.	2009
Morris, Donald G.	1981#	Sanders, Keith S.	2011
Coblentz, William W.	1982	Nesbit, Robert Scott	2012
DiNovi, Joseph A.	1984	Fuscia Jr., Russel E.	2013
Schubert, Joseph E.	1984#	Polonsky, Arthur A.	2015
Cooper, Danny L.	1989	Marek, Peter A.	2016
Stowman, Robert A.	1990	Paris, Michael	2017
Leap, Wayne E.	1991	Thomas, Kenneth W.	2018
Eckenroth, Richard L.	1993	Thomas, Kenneth W.	2019
Marker, David W.	1994	Baehr, Vincent L.	2020
Dillon, Douglas F.	1997#	Baehr, Vincent L.	2021
Stranger Jr., Hiram	1998		
DiNovi, Joseph A.	1999		
Bradley, Theodore K.	2000		

Practice !!

Brethren, we have a practice every Sunday at 7PM. There we go over ritual work and hone our skills for any upcoming degree work or DLI's. Please make an effort to attend.

Please check with the officers for the holiday practice schedule.

Lodge Events

February 8th: Regular communication and EA degree on 2 candidates.

February 24th: DLI at Pitman Lodge, start time is 7PM.

Around the District

February 1st: Woodstown is having an FC degree. Dinner 630.

February 2nd: Moses Gomez will speak about Masonic retention and membership at Pennsgrove Lodge.

February 15th: Williamstown, Gold Collar Degree. MM 2nd section.

February 19th: Mantua Lodge hoagie sale.

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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Masonic Birthdays in January

Name	Raised	Years
Frederick J. Bergmann	2/23/1959	63
David S. Burgin	2/28/1992	30
Ronald K. Butcher	2/16/2016	6
William W. Coblentz	2/22/1977	45
Richard C. Dott	2/27/1990	32
Dennis P. Foster	2/26/1980	42
Bruce L. Johnson	2/15/1972	50
David F. Liddle	2/26/1980	42
Nicolas C. Lowe	2/23/2010	12
Glynn C. Wells	2/21/1957	65

GLASSBORO FOREST #1 TALL CEDARS OF LEBONANON
LADIES NIGHT
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 12, 2022
STARCROSS FIRE DEPARTMENT
4231 TUCKAHOE ROAD
WILLIAMSTOWN, NJ 08094
(GPS- TUCKAHOE RD AT BIRCH AVE, FRANKLIN TWP, NJ)
7 PM TO 11PM, \$30 PER PERSON
Catered Buffet Dinner with Wine and Beer included
Music and Dancing provided
Dynamic Entertainment
Contact WB James Earle- (856) 845-1216, RW Russell Fuscia- (856) 297-0005
Bro. Keith Lypka- (856) 361-4625

Dues for 2022

At our September meeting we voted a passed a motion to raise the dues to \$150 for the coming year. This increase was due to the increase in costs to run the lodge and serve the members. Grand Lodge assessment this year is going up to \$66.50.

The new dues structure is still a deficit budget. So while we have raised the dues for 2022 we are still running below our operating costs. As you know most costs have gone up in the last year. Gas, electric, maintenance, and food costs are rising.

We are trying to hold down costs. Many other lodges charge \$180 to \$200 per year. In an effort to make it easier on you to pay your dues you can now use PayPal and charge it to your credit card. Just follow the link on the webpage:

www.pitmanmasons.org

Or

Use the QR code below on your mobile device.



_In the past year we have made many improvements in the lodge. We have two large screen TV's that we use for presentations and degree work. We are in the final phase of completing the kitchen and expansion project.

As always our officers are working to improve the experience of being a Mason. We need your help and support in making it so.

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