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Pitman, N.J.

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Regular Communications Second Tuesdays (Except July & August)

21st Masonic District  Grand Lodge of New Jersey

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An email list of current members is being compiled. All those on the list will receive an electronic version of this newsletter. If you are happy with that and wish to be taken off paper mailings, please email us at pitmanmasons@gmail.com and make your request known. You will be saving the lodge money by doing so.

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

GLI: March 24th, Clarksboro Lodge, opening at 7PM. All Lodge officers are expected to attend.

Brethren,

The temple will not be completed until the living stones, the members, are there. As we make new Master Masons, the temple will be filled with the perfect ashlar of Masonry. This will complete the glorification of the temple.

As we now enter the month of March we are finalizing details for our monthly all you can eat country breakfast. We will discuss some of these at the March 8th meeting. We have already arrived at the conclusion that the cost will increase and we need firm commitments of manpower for the breakfast to begin again. We have not raised the price for many years, but are now overwhelmed by cost factors beyond our control.

We will also discuss and vote on the budget for this year. Copies will be available at the meeting.

Brother Lypka will do a presentation on the Shroud of Turin. It should be most informative.

Until then be safe and take care of your brothers.

Fraternal Greetings
Brian M Kane

Attest: Michael Paris, Secretary

Future District Dates for 2022

DLI's

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

Lodge dues are now due. As of this mailing there are still 25% of our members who have not paid their dues for this year. This increases our budget deficit to over \$7000. 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.

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
Stanger 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 improve our skills for any upcoming degree work or DLI's. Please make an effort to attend.

Lodge Events

March 8th, Regular Communication. Presentation on the Shroud of Turin by Brother Keith Lypka. 7:30 opening.

March 24th, GLI with the 22nd District at Clarksboro Lodge, opening at 7PM.

March 29th: FC Degree on Bro. Sirr Ransom. 7:30 opening.

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 March

Name	Raised	Years
Raymond Angelini	03-29-1983	39
Kyle Beemer	03-02-2013	9
Fred W. Beeson	03-27-1973	49
Harles W. Bowers III	03-29-1983	39
John R. Burd	03-19-2005	17
James E. Cassidy	03-12-1968	54
Tony Celeste	03-29-2011	11
Len E. Clark	03-19-2005	17
Richard G. Dantine Jr.	03-29-2011	11
Alan A. Davis	03-23-1973	49
Scott B. Gant	03-19-2005	17
Gregory E. Geiger	03-29-2017	5
Raymond W. Geiger	03-19-2005	17
Mark J. Haines	03-28-1995	27
Eric L. Henderson	03-02-2013	9
William R. Hunt	03-29-2006	16
Godfrey L. Joyner Jr.	03-19-2005	17
Brian T. Kelley	03-27-1984	38
John R. Kelley III	03-27-1984	38
Wayne E. Leap	03-26-1985	37
Raymond R. Martin	03-25-1986	36
Gregory Meranshain	03-01-2005	17
William C. Pennell	03-19-2005	17
Darin M. Peters	03-29-2017	5
James R. Peterson	03-25-1969	53
Roy Lewis Rambo	03-25-1969	53
William J. Riiff	03-19-2005	17
Robert B. Schaefer	03-23-2004	18
Craig J. Shute	03-26-2002	20
Richard Sowers	03-23-1984	38
Sebastiano A. Tomarchio	03-23-2004	18

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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