



*Constituted 1912*

*Pitman, N.J.*

**December 2024**

Regular meetings, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month.  
(except July and August).

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**Mission Statement of the Grand Lodge Of New Jersey**

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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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## **Lodge Events**

Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Clarksboro Lodge Feast of Saints John and Installation.  
Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>: Woodstown Lodge Feast of Saints John and Installation.  
Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>: Pennsgrove Excelsior Lodge Feast of Saints John and Installation.  
Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>: Pitman Lodge Feast of Saints John and Installation.  
Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>: Mantua Lodge Feast of Saints John and Installation.  
Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>: Breakfast with Santa at Pitman Lodge. \$10 adults, \$5 Children. 8-11AM.  
Dec 17<sup>th</sup>: Williamstown Lodge Feast of Saints John and Installation.

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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.

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## **Lodge Reservation Donations**

Masonic organizations: \$110  
Members of Pitman Lodge: \$250  
Non-members with Masonic affiliation: \$300  
Non-members: \$350

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## **In Memorium**

### Deceased Brethren in 2024

	Raised	Deceased
Charles "Chick" Bowers	3/29/1983	6/8/2024
Paul R. Martin	11/28/1975	10/23/2024
Kyle Beemer	3/2/2013	11/12/2024

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**Brethren all,**

As I write this last message as your Worshipful Master, I hope you had a good Thanksgiving celebration with your family and friends. It is a time of reflection and thankfulness for all that we have, especially our friends, and family.

We now move forward into the Holidays when we celebrate with friends, brothers, and family. It is not just about the gifts under the tree, but about traditions: hope, love, caring, and charity.

A time to practice our Masonic traditions of looking out for our brothers, and making all Brothers and people better, with compassion for others. To look after them and offer a helping hand to the less fortunate, to assist them as far as their necessities may seem to require or ability to give will permit. In these trying times, we all need compassion and understanding.

Finally, I want to challenge all brothers of Pitman Lodge. Take time out your schedule to attend the meetings once a month. Come on out to renew old friendships and make new ones. Come on out and support the Worshipful Master and officers of the Lodge. I also would like to congratulate the new Worshipful Master, Michael Paris Jr. and his officers. I would like to thank all for your support through the year as your Worshipful Master.

From my home to yours,

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**

Fraternally, RW Kenneth W. Thomas, Worshipful Master

Attest: Michael Paris, Secretary

**Masonic Birthdays for December**

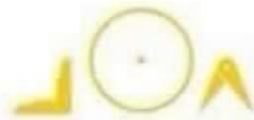
Allen S. Anderson      raised 12-12-1998

Ralph E. Owen          raised 12-2-1960

Gordon K. Stark        raised 12-12-1998

# 21 SIGNS THAT YOU'RE A FREEMASON

1. You're grandmother is hundreds of years old.
2. You don't like to go counter-clockwise.
3. The words regular and irregular mean something else.
4. You're grandmother is just one year old.
5. You tailgate to see if the bumper sticker is Masonic.
6. The car ahead of you has a Square and Compass sticker. You honk three times and sincerely wonder why the driver is giving you an odd look.
7. Your children have biblical names.
8. You have a fondness for furniture made of acacia.
9. Your children have the names of Greek gods and goddesses.
10. You love and hate Dan Brown.
11. One more fish stick and you will go crazy.
12. <E< vE<L< J< ><J<L< >F< >E< J<O<L<G<F<O<M<O<F< >N<G<v
13. You check to see if the refined gentleman at the bus station is wearing a Masonic ring.
14. You knock at people's doors and wait for them to return the knock.
15. You spend time scrutinizing old buildings looking for symbols of the Craft.
16. Your English have improved tremendously, albeit your penchance for old English is rather confusing to your friends and family.
17. Your favourite chair at your family's dining room is situated in the east.
18. Your wife or housemates are curious with what you do in the bathroom.
19. You Google historical figures and notable celebrities to see if they're Freemasons.
20. You do not talk about politics and religion but eagerly await the closing of the lodge so you can talk about politics and religion.
21. You laugh everytime you see goats.



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

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## Living Past Masters

Sharp, Jay H.	1976
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#
Cooper, Danny L.	1989
Stowman, Robert A.	1990
Leap, Wayne E.	1991
Eckenroth, Richard L.	1993
Marker, David W.	1994
Dillon, Douglas F.	1997#
Stanger Jr., Hiram	1998
DiNovi, Joseph A.	1999
Bradley, Theodore K.	2000
Henry, Frederick B.	2000#
Anderson, Allen S.	2003
DiNovi, Joseph A.	2007
Thomas, Kenneth W.	2008
Thomas, Kenneth W.	2009
Sanders, Keith S.	2011
Nesbit, Robert Scott	2012
Marek, Peter A.	2016
Paris, Michael	2017
Thomas, Kenneth W.	2018
Thomas, Kenneth W.	2019
Baehr, Vincent L.	2020
Baehr, Vincent L.	2021
Brian M. Kane	2022
Keith M. Lypka	2023
Thomas, Kenneth W.	2024

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Lodge Dues 2024, 2025: Your dues are now due if you have not paid as of yet. Dues are \$150 for 2024. Dues for 2025 are also \$150 and may be paid using the same QR code. Notices will be mailed out towards the end of November.  
<https://www.paypal.com/ncp/payment/62F6ALWNXHDSQ>

