

# The Journal of the 18th Masonic District

## 18th District Light

Masonic Light, Happenings and Events  
From Around the District

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Collingswood-Cloud #101  
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# From the Editor

**B**rethren:

I hope everyone had a great, safe, happy, and productive summer! But September is upon us, and that means Masonry is back in full swing. A couple of noteworthy items for the coming month . . . **Lazarus Lodge's** September meeting conflicts with the Labor Day holiday, so it has been moved to Saturday morning, **AUGUST 31st**. Watch for their Trestleboard for the starting time. We have another **18TH DISTRICT BLOOD DRIVE** on Saturday, September 21st, at Merchantville Temple. See the flyer within for details. And of course, we have a joint 18th, 21st and 22nd District **GL RECEPTION** in honor of our own **RW DAVID LANE** (and others), on Wednesday, September 25th.

If that's not enough for you, don't worry — the calendar is jam-packed with meetings, programs, degrees and social events. So welcome back, and I'll see you around the District!

*Dave*

**ON THE COVER:** Members of 18th District Lodges, OES #140, and the Shrine line up behind the 18th District banner on the steps of Haddonfield Masonic Temple for a group photo before marching in Haddonfield's Independence Day Parade. See the story *Summer Round-up* in this issue.



## THE TRAVELING GAVEL



Possession of the Traveling Gavel is the 18<sup>th</sup> District's symbol of honor for Lodges that fulfill the spirit of Masonic Travel. The Gavel, along with its accompanying logbook, remains with the Lodge last able to capture it until claimed by another Lodge under these rules.

A Worshipful Master and any other four (or more) Master Masons from his Lodge may claim the Gavel by visiting the current Gavel-holders for any regular or emergent communication. The claimants must all be present from the Opening through the Closing of the Lodge. In the case of competing claims, the Gavel shall go to the visiting Lodge with the largest contingent. If still tied on that basis, the Master of the host Lodge shall decide the tie by coin flip.

Once claimed the new Gavel holders should record their claim in the logbook, and report it to the Deputy and the 18th District Light at the first opportunity. The Gavel should be prominently displayed in the East during all communications until claimed by another Lodge.

**HAPPY TRAVELING!**

*The world is my country, all mankind are my brethren, and to do good is my religion.*

— Thomas Paine





# 18<sup>th</sup> Masonic District

## American Red Cross Blood Drive @ Merchantville Masonic Temple



**September 21, 2019 9am-2pm**  
**6926 Park Ave- Pennsauken, NJ**

**MAKE AN APPOINTMENT ONLINE: [SIGN UP!](#)**

Or sign up at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and use sponsor  
code: **18th Masonic**

**Come and give blood and receive a free haircut coupon  
from Sport Clips via email!**

Save time on the day of the donation and visit [www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass](http://www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass)

**Any Masonic Brother that donates a pint of blood will receive a certificate for up  
to \$25 off a lodge event at any lodge in the 18th District. Some restrictions  
apply. Please call the lodge for a list of eligible events. Only one certificate can  
be redeemed at a time.**

Area hospital patients are counting on you!  
Don't forget to **HYDRATE** and please **remember your ID.**



# Summer Round-up

## AUDUBON-PARKSIDE

On June 30th, Audubon-Parkside Lodge #218 hosted a recruiting event for Audubon's local Cub Scout Pack, which was reconstituted in the summer of 2018. Audubon-Parkside also hosted the Pack's first Pinewood Derby on Saturday, February 2nd, earlier this year, and is proud to be growing the partnership.



The Cub Scouts entertained potential new scouts with an ice cream and movie event. More than ten gallons of ice cream were consumed at the "Ice Cream Social" in A-P's downstairs dining hall, while the movie *Aladdin* was shown upstairs in the lodge room. For those who may not know, Audubon Temple is a converted movie theater. The screening of *Aladdin* was (we think) the first showing of a commercial film in the facility since the 1950s!

## INDEPENDENCE DAY

This year saw the fifth consecutive 18th District group march in Haddonfield's July 4th Parade. The event has grown each year since it was inspired by RW Ben Parvey, of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, who got a group of brothers to dress as some of the fourteen Masonic U.S. Presidents and lead the District march in 2015. This year's participation included members of nearly all the lodges in the 18th District, along with Haddonfield Chapter #140 OES. The Shrine, who also appears in the parade annually, joined us for the group photo (above) on the steps of Haddonfield Masonic Temple.



In addition to the "march" by those fit enough to hoof the length of Kings Highway from the lodge to Haddonfield Memorial High School, WB Lou Benucci, Worshipful Master of Mozart



Lodge No. 121, provided fitting transportation for the ladies of the Eastern Star and others unable to make the journey on foot. WB Lou's microbus was patriotically festooned with appropriate bunting and, what is more, was "properly clothed" as a member of the Masonic contingent. Take a close look at the spare tire mounted on the front of the bus!



After the parade, everyone returned to Haddonfield Temple for a good old All-American backyard cookout hosted by Rising Sun and Lazarus Lodge No. 303. Most of the food credit goes to Lazarus Lodge, which provide the grill, the meats, and handled the cooking, under a tent set up in the parking lot by WM Tim Boyle of Rising Sun, and also to our OES #140 Sisters, who provided side salads and handled things in the dining hall, where most of the revelers went to escape the heat of the day, sit down, and "dine" in air-conditioned comfort.

It was another grand success for the District, and we look forward to continued participation and growth of the event for years to come.

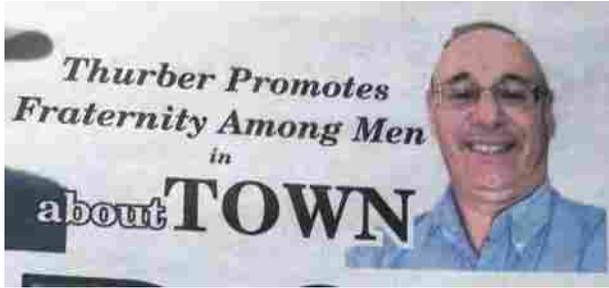
## RISING SUN

**B**arely more than a week after the parade, Rising Sun Lodge No. 15 held its traditional Open House during Haddonfield's Annual Crafts & Fine Art Festival. With thousands of people walking the streets of downtown Haddonfield, closed to vehicular traffic and lined instead with vendor booths displaying every kind of art and craft imaginable, Rising Sun opens its doors to the community as one of a few key rest stops located around town. Providing lavatory facilities, tours of the building, hundreds of bottles of water handed out gratis to hot and thirsty passers-by, and watering facilities for pets as well, Rising Sun is the beneficiary of dozens of expressions of thanks by appreciative residents, vendors, and visitors — and typically ends up with several new prospective Freemasons as a result.



**A handmade & carved wooden bowl purchased by the Editor at the Haddonfield Crafts & Fine Arts Festival, fashioned by the artist Woody Quigley of "Artistry in Wood," one of nearly 200 craftsmen with work displayed at the Festival**

**IN THE NEWS — WB TOM THURBER**



**W**orshipful Brother Tom Thurber, Worshipful Master of Audubon-Parkside #218, was interviewed for an August issue of **The Retrospect** newspaper on the topic of promoting fraternity among men. As an ambassador for Freemasonry, and for Audubon-Parkside Lodge in particular, Tom was able to put a very positive view of the

fraternity in the public eye — a kind of publicity that we don’t see much anymore, even in our local papers. Tom was able to highlight Audubon-Parkside’s involvement in community and charitable activities, including Audubon Little League, the Cub Scouts, Luke’s Place, National Night Out, and Audubon Day, among others, as well as the lodge’s plans for future endeavors and activities. Congratulations, Tom, on a great job!

**U.S.S. NEW JERSEY—A NIGHT AT THE RACES**

USS New Jersey Lodge No. 62’s annual summer fund-raiser on behalf of Semper Fido has become a fixture in the 18th District, attracting more than three hundred attendees every year and raising thousands of dollars to help train and pair rescue dogs with veterans who have been wounded in action or are suffering from PTSD. Many veterans who benefit from the love of these noble animals credit them with saving their psychological lives and enabling them to return to a more normal existence. And, of course, the dog is saved from life in a shelter or worse. It is truly a symbiotic relationship that benefits both.



This year’s event, held on August 17th, once again at the Magnolia Community Center, was an attendance record setter with more than 360 people taking part in the festivities. The \$20 price included a great BBQ buffet and soft drinks (BYOB for those so inclined), DJ’d music, and door prizes. In addition to the gate, a great deal of the money raised comes from the revelers purchasing “play” money to bet on video-taped horse races, hoping to win tickets that can be used to win prizes in raffles. This year’s 50/50 drawing was also a record setter with the winner taking home a whopping \$1355, a 58% increase over last year’s pool. All this goes together to make one of the most outstanding 18th District Events of the year, and really shows off Masons in action for charity — raising between sixteen and seventeen thousand dollars this year. Congratulations to USS New Jersey Lodge, which has created a great event for a great cause! 🎲

# Women in Freemasonry?

by WB David A. Frankel, Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, 18th District Light Editor

If you were made a Mason in New Jersey, you were taught that women are not made Masons. Indeed, that concept is one of the fundamental principles to which we all agree when we take our oaths as Masons. In the latest issue of *Philaethes* (Vol 72, No. 2), R. Stephen Doan's article, ***Gender, Race, Religion, and Secrecy***, posits that in the current climate of sensitivity and intolerance for all things related to questions of discrimination, this exclusion of women poses at least a litigatory, if not an existential threat to Freemasonry as we know it. He references political and judicial views often expressed today that would enact civil rights legislation applicable to membership in private associations such as ours.

According to Albert Mackey, "The law which excludes women from initiation into Masonry is not contained in the precise words in any of the Old Constitutions ..." Mackey goes on, however to say that such exclusion is *implied* in the wording of many old regulations and explains his own reasoning for why women do not belong in a system of Speculative Freemasonry. Nevertheless, if you have read widely in Freemasonic literature, you have no doubt encountered tales of women who, sometimes inexplicably, seem to have been initiated into the secrets of the Fraternity, possessing all the necessary information to prove themselves Freemasons.

In *House Undivided*, Allen E. Roberts recounts the American Civil War tale of a company of the First Iowa Regiment sent, in August 1861, to guard a railroad bridge at Mozeille Mills, Missouri. The bridge was attacked by guerillas, but the Federal company drove them off and pursued them, capturing three of their number, including a Irish lad of about sixteen years. All three were sentenced to be executed by a "drum-head court-martial." As the prisoners were about to be executed, a girl of about eighteen entered the Federal camp to plead for the life of the Irish boy, her younger brother. She flung herself upon him, interposing her body between him and the firing squad. As she struggled with the soldiers who tried to remove her, she tore one of their sleeves to reveal a Masonic pin hidden beneath the soldier's uniform. She tore herself free, again stood between her brother and pointed rifles, and calmly gave the grand hailing sign. The captain, after conferring with a select group of officers, postponed the execution until the next day. That evening the girl was examined thoroughly by Masonic members of the company and reportedly found to have passed the three degrees of Freemasonry. It may not surprise that during the night the girl and her brother mysteriously escaped.

In the Masonic Services Association booklet, *The Truth is Stranger than Fiction*, by Alphonse Cerza, the author relates the story of Maria Desraimes, a woman initiated in a French

lodge in 1881. She organized the Lodge Le Droits Humains, in Paris in 1898, for women only, which led to the formation of other such lodges in France, Switzerland, England, and elsewhere. In 1920, a constitution was adopted by this “international Order of Co-Masonry.” In the United States the organization operates out of Larkspur, Colorado, and has issued charters to lodges in many states.

The same MSA booklet contains a report attributed to Bro. Charles Futoran, who reported in 1966 that on a visit to London, while searching for an Eastern Star meeting his wife could attend, he encountered a female Mason. She showed him the apron in which she had taken her degrees, which were recorded thereon, and told him quite pointedly that since the men would not allow ladies in their meetings, they did not allow men to visit, and that only his wife could attend. Upon learning that the wife was a member of the Eastern Star, but not a Freemason, she was also refused attendance.

This writer has encountered many other such stories, but lacking proper citations, I will not include them here.

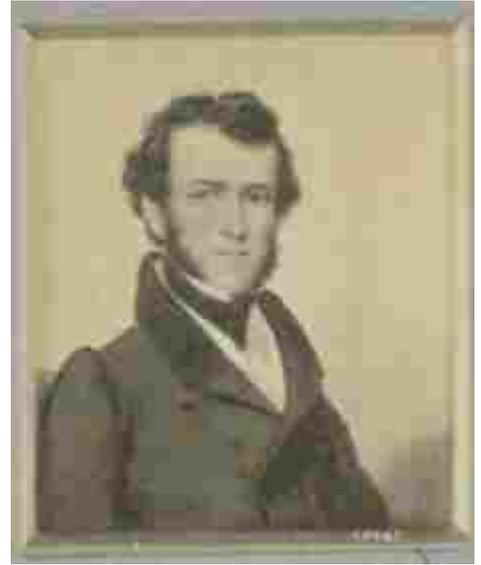
**D**oan’s *Philalethes* article, the intent of which seems to be to provide us with a “defense” against discrimination charges, goes on to say that if someone should ask why there are no women in Freemasonry, we should respond as follows:

“Women can be and are Masons. There are three streams in American Masonry. We all belong to lodges for men only. There also Masonic lodges in America for women only, such as those under the Women’s Grand Lodge of California in Los Angeles and the Women’s Grand Lodge of Belgium with lodges in New York City, Washington, D.C., and Los Angeles. There are Masonic lodges in America with both men and women as members. The Grand Orient of France has lodges in the United States, and each of its lodges has the freedom to choose all-male or mixed gender membership. The George Washington Union and Le Droit Humain have mixed gender memberships. While it is true that most lodges in America admit men only and that most American Masons are men, the Los Angeles lodge under the Women’s Grand Lodge of Belgium attracts women from around the country as members. In the United Kingdom, by contrast, there are about 4,700 female Freemasons in two obediences: the Order of Women Freemasons (OWF) and the Honourable Fraternity of Ancient Freemasons (HFAF).”

Doan then provides a rather lengthy (and somewhat tortured) justification for why male only lodges do not admit women. But it is not this article’s intention to either agree or disagree, only to inform. Many Masons may still have no knowledge of the extensiveness of female Masonry. This author did not. So I present this here to educate, enlighten, and provoke thought. 

# Masonic Profile: Samuel Witham Stockton

**S**amuel Witham Stockton was an American lawyer, diplomat, and public servant. Like his brother, Richard, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, he as a Freemason, a member of Trenton Lodge No. 5, in Trenton, New Jersey.



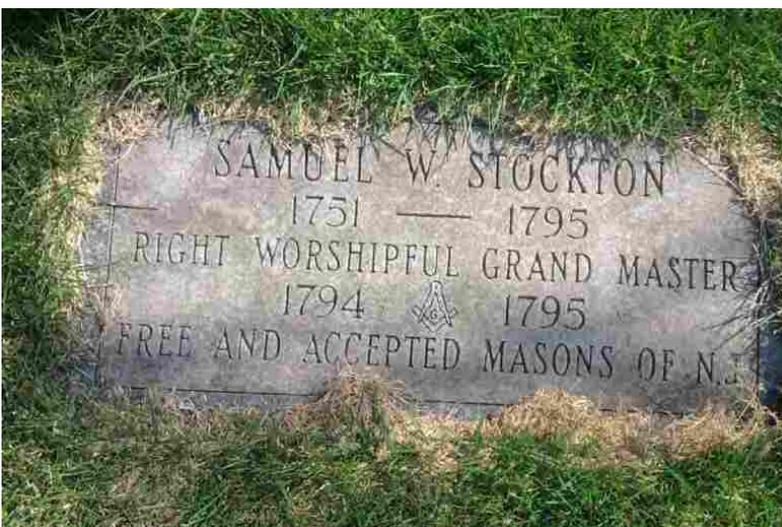
Samuel was the youngest brother of Richard, and the youngest of eight children born to John and Abigail Stockton. He was born on February 4, 1751, at Morven, the Stockton family estate in Princeton

He studied law at the College of New Jersey, which was originally located in Newark, but was later brought to Princeton and renamed Princeton University on the strength of the efforts and land donations of his father John. Samuel received a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1767 and a Master of Arts degree in 1770. In 1775 he continued his legal education in London, and was still abroad at the start of the Revolutionary War.

Remaining in Europe, he served as secretary to William Lee, a position he held in 1777 when the Continental Congress appointed Lee commissioner at the Courts of Vienna and Berlin in an ultimately unsuccessful attempt to win war support from Austria and Prussia. In 1778 Samuel played a key role in negotiating the secret treaty between the United States and the Dutch Republic. When the treaty was discovered by the British, it sparked the Fourth Anglo-Dutch War.

Stockton finally returned to New Jersey in 1779.

He unsuccessfully ran for secretary of the House of Representatives when the 1st United States Congress was organized in 1789. In 1792 he was an Alderman of Trenton, and in 1794 he was named Secretary of State of New Jersey, after the death of Bowes Reed, serving until his own death in 1795, at the age of 44, after being thrown from his carriage in an accident at Trenton. ❖



# 2019 DLI/GLI Schedule

18th District MW&PM Association at 6:45pm before DLI at 7:30pm

## Wednesday

## Lodge/Location

**January 23**

(4th Wednesday)

**Audubon-Parkside No. 218**

(@ Audubon Temple)

**February 13**

**Collingswood-Cloud No. 101**

(@ Audubon Temple)

**March 13**

**Laurel No. 237**

(@ Laurel Temple)

**April 10**

**Lazarus No. 303**

(@ Haddonfield Temple)

**May 8**

**Mozart No. 121**

(@ Audubon Temple)

**Tues., June 11**

(joint GLI w/19th)

**Merchantville No. 119**

(@ Merchantville Temple)

**September 11**

**Rising Sun No. 15**

(@ Haddonfield Temple)

**October 9**

**USS New Jersey No. 62**

(@ Merchantville Temple)

**November 13**

**Qualification Teams**

(Location TBD)

# 2019 18th District Masonic Village Visits

## SUNDAY

## LODGE

January 6	Mozart
January 13	Merchantville
January 20	Rising Sun
February 3	USS New Jersey
February 17	Lazarus
March 10	Collingswood-Cloud
March 17	Audubon-Parkside & Laurel
March 24	Merchantville
March 31	Mozart
April 7	Rising Sun
April 21	USS New Jersey
May 5	Lazarus
June 2	Laurel
June 9	Merchantville
June 16	Mozart
June 23	Rising Sun
June 30	Collingswood-Cloud
July 7	Audubon-Parkside & USS New Jersey
July 21	Lazarus
August 18	Laurel
August 25	Merchantville
<b>September 1</b>	<b>Mozart</b>
<b>September 8</b>	<b>Rising Sun</b>
<b>September 22</b>	<b>USS New Jersey</b>
October 6	Lazarus
October 20	Collingswood-Cloud
October 27	Audubon-Parkside
November 3	Laurel
November 10	Merchantville
November 17	Mozart
November 24	Rising Sun
December 8	USS New Jersey
December 22	Audubon-Parkside & Lazarus

**Communications of 18th District Lodges**

**AUDUBON-PARKSIDE LODGE No. 218**  
3rd Monday @ Audubon Temple  
305 East Atlantic Avenue  
Audubon, NJ 08106

**COLLINGSWOOD-CLOUD LODGE No. 101**  
2nd Tuesday @ Audubon Temple  
305 East Atlantic Avenue  
Audubon, NJ 08106

**LAUREL LODGE No. 237**  
1st & 3rd Friday @ Laurel Temple  
Atlantic Avenue and Stone Road  
Laurel Springs, NJ 08021

**LAZARUS LODGE No. 303**  
1st Monday @ Haddonfield Temple  
16 East Kings Highway  
Haddonfield, NJ 08033

**LOGIA CAMPANA DE LIBERTAD No. 376**  
4th Tuesday @ Merchantville  
6926 Park Avenue  
Merchantville, NJ 08109



**MERCHANTVILLE LODGE No. 119**  
2nd & 3rd Friday @ Merchantville Temple  
6926 Park Avenue  
Merchantville, NJ 08109

**MOZART LODGE No. 121**  
1st Tuesday @ Audubon Temple  
305 East Atlantic Avenue  
Audubon, NJ 08106

**RISING SUN LODGE No. 15**  
1st & 3rd Wednesday @ Haddonfield Temple  
16 East Kings Highway  
Haddonfield, NJ 08033

**USS NEW JERSEY LODGE No. 62**  
3rd Monday @ Merchantville Temple  
6926 Park Avenue  
Merchantville, NJ 08109

**RECENT TRAVELS  
OF THE  
TRAVELING GAVEL**

Moved to  
**LAUREL** on  
November 10, 2017

**NEW RULES  
TOOK EFFECT**  
January 1, 2019

Moved to  
**MERCHANTVILLE** on  
January 4, 2019

Moved to  
**RISING SUN** on  
January 18, 2019

Moved to  
**USS NEW JERSEY** on  
February 6, 2019

Moved to  
**MERCHANTVILLE** on  
March 18, 2019

**WHO'S NEXT?**

# September Calendar

[https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=5l3hgs9net006u7qph4neeoo08%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FNew\\_York](https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=5l3hgs9net006u7qph4neeoo08%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FNew_York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 MZ Masonic Village Visit	2 	3 MZ Program: <i>Jack the Ripper</i> (see flyer) Crusade Commandery	4 RS Program: <i>The Sextant</i> (see flyer)	5	6 RS Happy Hr LL OES #201	7
8 RS Masonic Village Visit	9 Van Hook Council	10 CC	11 M&W DLI @ RS	12 Masonic Film Series: <i>The Lost Symbol Decoded</i> (see flyer)	13 MV Progm: <i>The American Legion</i>	14 LORE LZ Crab Feast OES GC/GL MM Night
15	16 Hi-12 AP US Program: <i>MCF &amp; GL Outreach</i>	17 MZ	18 RS MM° (see flyer)	19 OES #140	20 LL MV EA°	21 18 <sup>th</sup> District BLOOD DRIVE (see flyer)
22 US Masonic Village Visit	23	24 CC FC° LB	25 Joint Reception Dave Lane et al. (see flyer)	26 Zerubbabel RA	27 Scottish Rite Dinner	28 LL BBQ (see flyer) MV "Let's Get Loaded" (see flyer)
29	30	<b>LABOR DAY NOTE: Due to a conflict with the holiday, Lazarus' 9/2 meeting has been rescheduled to Saturday morning, August 31st, 9am (pending dispensation).</b>				



## MASONIC VILLAGE VISITATIONS

Sunday, September 1 — Mozart  
 Sunday, September 8 — Rising Sun  
 Sunday, September 22 — USS New Jersey



AP = Audubon-Parkside  
 CC = Collingswood-Cloud  
 LB = Liberty Bell

LL = Laurel  
 LZ = Lazarus  
 MV = Merchantville

MZ = Mozart  
 RS = Rising Sun  
 US = USSNJ

# This Month's 18th District Events

The following pages are intended to promote Masonic events and are offered as a courtesy by the 18th District Light to the event sponsors. The 18th District Light is not responsible for the accuracy of the information, cancellations, nor for accepting reservations. For information or reservations for an event, please follow the instructions given in the event flyer.

## *Traveling*



*It's What We Do*

# JACK THE RIPPER

Debunking the  
Freemason Myth

Tuesday, September 3rd

7:30 | PM

Presented by

Eugene Padalino

— and —

Brought to you by  
Mozart 121 Lodge





# *Rising Sun Lodge*

No. 15 F&AM

**Please join us for our Regular  
September Communication  
Wednesday, September 4, 2019**



**Be our guest at 6:30 pm for**

***Build your own Taco Night!***



***We provide the fixin's — You provide the creativity***

***Beverages & Dessert included***

**RSVP to JW Mark Friedrich**

**markfriedrich54@gmail.com -or- (856)571-4117**

**Lodge Opens at 7:30 pm**

***Featuring a presentation by***

***W:M Timothy Boyle***

***The Sextant***



# *Rising Sun Lodge*

## **MONTHLY**

# **HAPPY HOUR**

## **OPEN TO ALL!**

## **Friday, Sept. 6, 2019**

### **Starts at 5:00 pm**

### **Stay as long as you want!**

### **\$5.00 donation requested**

### **BYO to SHARE encouraged**

*Join us to kickoff your Friday night or  
stick around to schmooze with Brothers  
and Prospective Members!*

For further information or to let us know you're coming:  
Jeff Earnhart at [jearnha@gmail.com](mailto:jearnha@gmail.com) OR (856) 834-6854

# DECODED

## DAN BROWN'S LOST SYMBOL

Tony Robinson investigates the historical accuracy of Dan Brown's novel in this roller coaster ride of hopes, alternately dashed and raised, as he examines Masonic influence, both past and present, and delves into Masonic rituals and secrets in search of hidden truths about Freemasonry.

**OPEN TO ALL — PLEASE JOIN US**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2019**

**HADDONFIELD MASONIC TEMPLE**

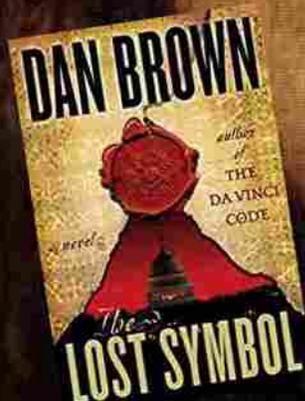
**16 KINGS HIGHWAY EAST**

**HADDONFIELD, NJ**

**LIGHT REFRESHMENTS**

**WILL BE SERVED AT 6:30 PM**

**MOVIE STARTS AT 7:00 PM**



Presented by  
Collingswood-Cloud  
& Rising Sun Lodges



# CRAB FEAST!

**Saturday, September 14, 2019 • 6pm to 10pm**

**Pennsauken Country Club 3800 Haddonfield Rd., Pennsauken, NJ**



**Open to  
ALL!**

**\$65.00  
donation**

**Beer &  
Wine  
included**

***All you can Eat!  
Dungeness & Snow Crabs  
and Chicken Wings***

***Silent Auction, 50/50 \$Drawing\$, Door Prizes  
TONS OF FUN FOR EVERYONE!***

**SUPPORTING LAZARUS LODGE  
No. 303, F. & A.M. and its Charities**

**For Information or Reservations Please Contact:**

**Bro. Mark Friedrich • (856) 571-4117 • markfriedrich54@gmail.com**



# *Rising Sun Lodge*

No. 15 F&AM

**Please join us on**  
***Wednesday, September 18, 2019***  
**for conferral of the**  
***Master Mason Degree***

**Be our guest for dinner @ 6:30 pm**  
***Prepared by Bro. Al Burger and RSL Team Food!***

## *MENU*

**Tossed Salad**

**Spaghetti & Sauce, Meatballs (all beef), Italian Sausage**

**Italian Bread / Garlic Bread**

**Dessert to follow Lodge Communication**

**Dinner is gratis, but we need to know how much to prepare!**  
**Please respond by Friday, September 13th.**

**RSVP to JW Mark Friedrich**

***markfriedrich54@gmail.com -or- (856)571-4117***

**Lodge Opens at 7:30 pm**

***Conferral of the Degree***  
***shall commence promptly***  
***after the Opening***



# 18<sup>th</sup> Masonic District

## American Red Cross Blood Drive @ Merchantville Masonic Temple



**September 21, 2019 9am-2pm**  
**6926 Park Ave- Pennsauken, NJ**

**MAKE AN APPOINTMENT ONLINE: [SIGN UP!](#)**

Or sign up at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and use sponsor  
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**Come and give blood and receive a free haircut coupon  
from Sport Clips via email!**

Save time on the day of the donation and visit [www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass](http://www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass)

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to \$25 off a lodge event at any lodge in the 18th District. Some restrictions  
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be redeemed at a time.**

Area hospital patients are counting on you!  
Don't forget to **HYDRATE** and please **remember your ID.**



# The 18th, 21st & 22nd Masonic Districts

## PRESENT

AN OFFICIAL VISIT

of

**MOST WORSHIPFUL GREGORY J. SCOTT  
GRAND MASTER OF MASONS  
OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

and OPEN RECEPTION for:

**RIGHT WORSHIPFUL DAVID J. LANE, SR.**

*GRAND CHAPLAIN • 18th Masonic District*

**RIGHT WORSHIPFUL ROGER I. THOMAS**

*GRAND CHAPLAIN • 21st Masonic District*

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*DISTRICT RITUAL INSTRUCTOR • 21st Masonic District*

**RIGHT WORSHIPFUL ROBERT L. MORGAN**

*DISTRICT RITUAL INSTRUCTOR • 22nd Masonic District*

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2019**



**AULETTO  
CATERERS**

1849 COOPER STREET  
ALMONESSON, NJ 08096  
[www.auletto.com](http://www.auletto.com)

**SOCIAL HOUR WILL BE AT 5:00PM DINNER WILL FOLLOW AT 6:15PM  
RECEPTION TO FOLLOW DINNER**

**COST OF TICKETS FOR DINNER WILL BE \$50.00 PER PERSON**

***Tickets will be sold online ONLY at: <http://www.mantualodge.com>***

**NO TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR**

**TICKET DEADLINE WILL BE SEPTEMBER 15, 2019**

For questions and concerns, please contact RW George R. Bruynell, PGC, Cell: (609) 420-6064,  
Email: [MasonicReception@Gmail.com](mailto:MasonicReception@Gmail.com)

We hope that you will be able to join us to receive our Grand Master on his Official Visit to the 18<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>  
& 22<sup>nd</sup> Masonic Districts, and honor these fine Masons who have served our Craft faithfully and well.

**Fraternally Yours, The Reception Committee**

# Laurel Lodge

*says*



*It's  
BBQ  
Time!*

**Saturday, September 28th**  
at Laurel Lodge • 4pm 'til the fun runs out

Burgers / Dogs/ BYOB  
Fellowship and Relaxation

Cost \$10.00 pp

RSVP to WM Ed Bohi at [reeltherapy35@aol.com](mailto:reeltherapy35@aol.com)



**Come Join the Ladies of Merchantville Lodge #119  
for a fun night of Painting with The Loaded Brushes**



**Each person paints their own 16" x 20" Canvas**

**When: Saturday, Sept. 28th, 6:30-9:00pm**

**Cost: \$35 per person**

**Where: The Lodge, 6926 Park Ave., Pennsauken**

**\*Light refreshments are included! But .....BYOB.**



**All proceeds go to our Christmas Food Basket drive!**



**For More Info Email: [merchantvillelodge@gmail.com](mailto:merchantvillelodge@gmail.com)**

**or Call Cathleen Martin @ 609.556.8607**

**Advanced Ticket purchase is preferred by 9/26/19, seating is limited.**

**Purchase tickets at [www.theloadedbrushesnjs.com](http://www.theloadedbrushesnjs.com)**

**You do not need a Pay-Pal account, Pay-Pal now accepts all forms of credit cards.**

# Looking Forward



# Upcoming Events

SPECIAL MEMORIAL EDITION

WM Timothy Boyle

and

Rising Sun Lodge No. 15

PRESENT the

# AMERICAN CIVIL WAR

North-South Fusion Cuisine  
Masonic Table Lodge

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

Social 5:45 pm - 6:45 pm

Officers Open Lodge at 6:30 pm

Table Lodge commences at 7:00 pm

RSVP to JW Mark Friedrich: [markfriedrich54@gmail.com](mailto:markfriedrich54@gmail.com) or 856-571-4117

NOT LATER than September 24, 2019

## Menu

(Subject to change; All courses accompanied by appropriate Wine pairings & Southern Corn Bread; Non-alcoholic beverages will also be provided)

**Salad:** Grilled Georgia Peach Salad

**Soup:** Manhattan Clam Chowder

**Fish Course:** Southern Brook Trout fried in butter

**Intermezzo:** Orange Sherbet

**Entrée:** Delmonico Steak & Potatoes w/rice & asparagus

**Cheese Course:** Cheese & Nuts

**Dessert:** Mary Todd Lincoln's White Cake



*Rising Sun Lodge*  
No. 15, F&AM

**Invites you to join us for another  
Masonic Open House**

during  
**Haddonfield's Fall Festival**



**Saturday, October 12, 2019**  
**10am to 4pm**

ALSO PARTICIPATING

Lazarus Lodge No. 303

Order of the Eastern Star - Haddonfield Chapter No. 140

**Building Tours,  
Refreshments,  
and Much More!**

**16 Kings Hwy East  
Haddonfield  
(Near the PATCO  
Station end of  
downtown)**



**PAINT  
A  
PUMPKIN**

*Pick One Out, Paint It,  
Take it Home!*



# YOU'RE INVITED TO THE FIRST EVER!



## NJ OES Grand Chapter & Grand Lodge of NJ

### Master Mason Night

Where the Grand Chapter of New Jersey will honor MW Gregory J. Scott and all Master Masons of New Jersey



Saturday, September 14, 2019

Social Hour 5 pm — Dinner 6 pm

Masonic Fellowship Hall - 1114 Oxmead Rd., Burlington, NJ 08016



Buffet dinner: Meatloaf, Baked Chicken (*whole chicken cut in small pieces, on bone*), Mashed Potatoes,  
Fresh Vegetables, Salad, Breads/Rolls, Dessert, Soda/water/coffee. Cash Bar

#### Guest Speaker:

*Ret. Brigadier General and formerly with Homeland Security, Stephen J. Hines*

**Open to all Master Masons, Members of Eastern Star, as well as family and friends of Freemasonry**

*Attire: Business Casual*

RSVP by: Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup>

Make checks payable to: **Grand Chapter Voluntary Donations 2019-20** Subscription: \$30.00 per person

Send check to: Jeannette Wallace, RWGC  
10 Northwood Drive, Vineland, NJ 08360  
856-696-8838/609-319-9241

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Name # of people attending

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Title Lodge/Chapter & District

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Phone Email



*Any special dietary restrictions must be submitted with this reservation  
Please list additional Guest(s) and info on back of this form  
Tables of Eight to Ten can be reserved by sending reservations in together*



# Junior Grand Warden's Reception



Durand Lodge #179

Cordially invites you

To attend the Official Visit of

**Most Worshipful Gregory J. Scott,**  
**Grand Master of Masons of the State of New Jersey**  
**Chairman, Masonic Charity Foundation**  
for the Open Reception in Honor of  
**R.W. Gary J. Olsen,**  
**Junior Grand Warden**

Saturday, October 5, 2019

Fellowship Center

1114 Oxmead Road

Burlington, NJ 08018

Social Hour 4:00 PM, Reception 5:00 PM, Dinner 6:30 PM

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**Mail To: RW Butch Elliott, 38 Main St. - Flanders, NJ 07836**

Questions? Contact RW Butch Elliott at (201) 390-3416

Deadline: September 27, 2019

Checks Payable to: "Durand Lodge #179"      *No tickets will be issued*

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ Reservations @ \$60 each      Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Please write the names of any additional attendees included in this reservation on the back of this form.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



# *Grand Lodge of New Jersey*

## *Masonic Leadership Conference*

The Masonic Leadership Conference  
is an Educational Opportunity offered by  
The Grand Lodge of New Jersey  
for its member lodges and their membership.  
Items discussed will include Lodge Leadership, Finance,  
Law, Outreach, Ritual, Trestleboard, Planning for your  
year, Officer Responsibility to name some areas covered.

## **SAVE THE DATE**

*October 25th to 27th, 2019*

- Registration will be from 1:00 - 7:00 PM on **Friday, October 25th, 2019**
- Dinner will be served on Friday, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM
- Program begins at 7:45 PM
- You will be leaving by noon on **Sunday, October 27th, 2019**

**You need only to bring your personal effects, medications, etc.**  
All else will be provided for you, including meals, towels and linens.



## 2019 Leadership Masonic Leadership Conference Registration

*Please Print All Information and return to R.W. Andrew Churney by 10/5/19*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Name: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Name on Badge: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size: (S, M, L,XL,XXL,3XL,4XL): \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Attended Before: \_\_\_\_\_ Past Master: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Yes / No) (Yes / No)

Current Lodge Office: \_\_\_\_\_ Office Scheduled Next Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Dietary Requirement: \_\_\_\_\_ **Must be a LODGE check only \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **#** \_\_\_\_\_

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### *Internal Information Only*

Attendee Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Please Return to: R.W. Andrew Churney

Room Assignment: \_\_\_\_\_ 100 Barrack Street

Group Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Trenton, NJ 08608

Lodge Check No: \_\_\_\_\_ email: [achurney@njmasonic.org](mailto:achurney@njmasonic.org)  
cell 609-267-2639

# New Jersey Lodge of Masonic Research and Education



## Are you an “Information Mason?”

- Are you looking for more “light” in Masonry?
- Do you seek the challenges of Masonic scholarship?
- Do you enjoy crafting and presenting your own work?
- Do you appreciate the fellowship of like-minded brothers?
- If so, you are already an “Information Mason” in your heart, so . . . Why not make it official?!



Join the New Jersey Lodge of Masonic Research and Education No. 1786 and add a new dimension to your Masonic activities.

The purpose of the New Jersey Lodge of Masonic Research and Education is to foster the education of the Craft at large through prepared research and open discussion of topics concerning Masonic history, symbolism, philosophy, and current events.

Our lodge meets on the second Saturdays of March, June, September and December at Hightstown-Apollo Lodge No. 41, 535 North Main Street, Hightstown.

To learn more, visit our website at <http://njlore1786.org> or contact Bro. Martin Bogardus at [mbb08021@comcast.net](mailto:mbb08021@comcast.net)

**All Master Masons are welcome at our meetings!**

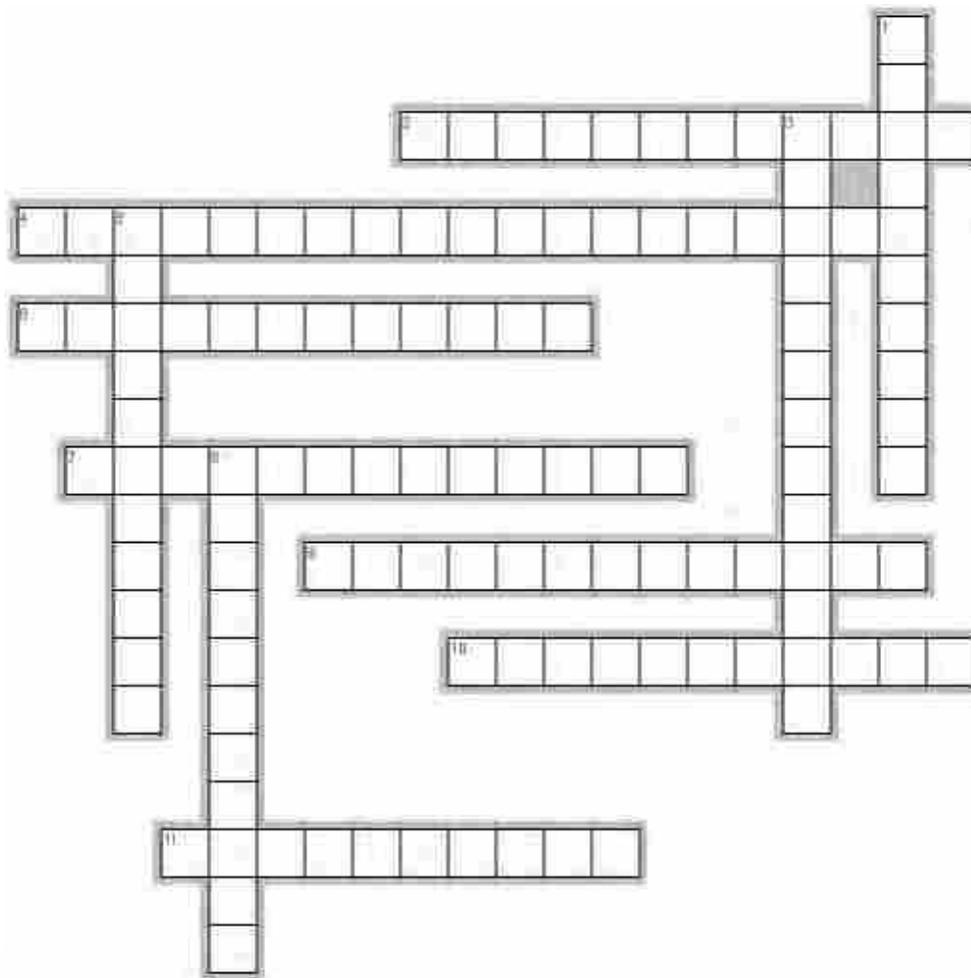
Entertainment

# Puzzle Pages



# NJ Grand Lodge Reading List

Some time ago, the Grand Lodge Education and Services Committee issued a recommended reading list. All the answers in the puzzle below are based on items on that list. Most of the answers have multiple words, but spaces are ignored for the purpose of filling in the puzzle grid.



## Across

2. A novel originally in Portuguese by Paul Coelho
4. Originally published in 1723 in a London Newspaper
6. Author of The Builders
7. A guide to all things Masonic in NJ by our own Grand Lodge
9. A collection of Masonic parables by Claudy
10. A Masonic guide by Laurence Dermott

11. Author of The Initiatic Experience

## Down

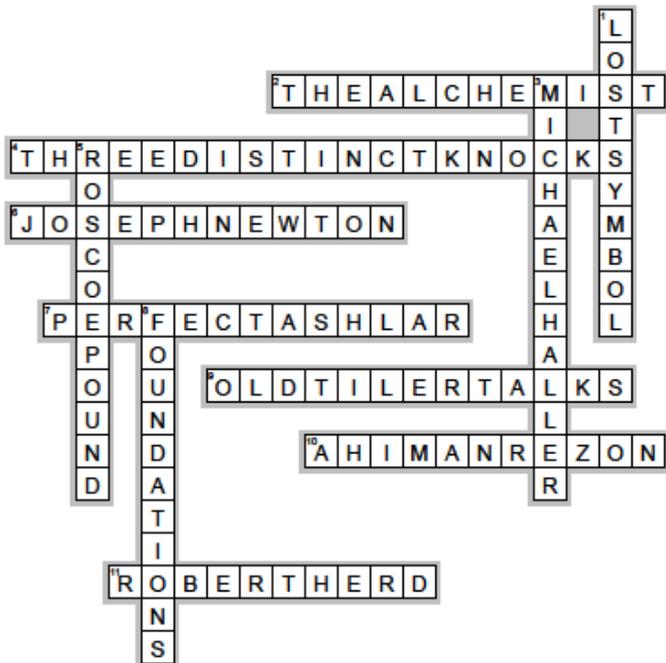
1. A Robert Langdon adventure
3. Author of The Better Angels of Our Nature
5. The author of five lectures on The Philosophy of Freemasonry
8. Ric Berman explores the evolution of freemasonry

# Masonic Cryptoquote

BXX AKM ABHK AWUOBHKU,  
 RSO ABDDWKT AKM EWMT JSO  
 BRJSO OZKA UJJKD.  
 — DKT UHKXOJM

## Puzzle Solutions

### GRAND LODGE READING LIST



### MASONIC CRYPTOQUOTE

— RED SKELTON  
 ABOUT THEM SOONER.  
 BUT MARRIED MEN FIND OUT  
 ALL MEN MAKE MISTAKES,

