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FROM THE EDITOR

Brethren,

It gives me no pleasure to observe the obvious, but we are still in the middle of a virulent pandemic that has killed (at the time of this mid-August writing) nearly three-quarters of a million people worldwide — over 160,000 in this country alone, including nearly 16,000 in New Jersey — and we are nowhere near out of the woods. Although things vastly improved temporarily in New Jersey after the initial flare-up, in July and August we suffered a resurgence, both nationally and locally, owing primarily to a lack of intelligent leadership in Washington and to individual idiocy, such as too many people’s insistence on congregating at private gatherings and in bars without masking and taking other proper precautions. While there is hope for a vaccine as we approach the end of the year, and some optimistic findings regarding the possibility of partial innate immunity based on previous exposure to other corona viruses, we are still in danger of preventing herd immunity through herd stupidity. It may be many months yet before it will be truly safe to hold indoor in-person gatherings. Even with precautions, every indoor meeting is another opportunity for the virus to spread. Wherever people gather, the virus attends as well.

Nevertheless, it looks like some lodges will be returning to in-person meetings in September. Under present state mandated attendance restrictions, it is inevitable that some, perhaps many brethren will be deprived of their right to attend meetings, have their voices heard, and vote on important matters. Frankly, I find this entirely unacceptable — and not only because I am a member of the “at-risk” population who will not be attending any indoor in-person meetings for the foreseeable future. Personally, I think returning to meetings in our temples is premature, potentially foolish, and unfair to those who cannot prudently attend. I urge every lodge to carefully consider their policies, and each and every one of you to make a prudent choice based on your individual circumstances. Stay home if you should, show respect for tested and proven science, ignore those who propagate ignorance and quackery, and WEAR A MASK wherever you go! Be smart, stay safe!

It being a very uncertain month, I have provided the best calendar I can. **You should consider every event tentative**, or at the very least subject to all the state-mandated attendance limitations, social distancing, and masking requirements. I trust that every lodge is doing what it can to make our temples safe and sanitary, but no one can account for the individual health of those who may enter our buildings. I repeat, wherever people gather, the virus attends as well.

On a happier note, I hope you will notice a new look to the 18th District Light this month — nothing drastic — just some layout and design changes that are intended to make it more readable and give it a slightly more professional look. I hope you like it.

Until I can once again safely see you around the District,

Dave

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

— Thomas Paine



MASONS AT THE BATTLE OF GETTYSBURG

by Bro. Sheldon A. Munn (reprinted and reformatted from [MasonicWorld.com](https://www.masonicworld.com);

https://www.masonicworld.com/education/files/artjul02/masons_at_the_battle_of_gettysbu.htm)

Bro. Sheldon A. Munn (a member of Lafayette Lodge #194, Selins Grove, PA) is a student of the Civil War, particularly the Battle of Gettysburg. Bro Munn gives many lectures as well as writing on the Civil War and is a licensed Battlefield Guide at Gettysburg.

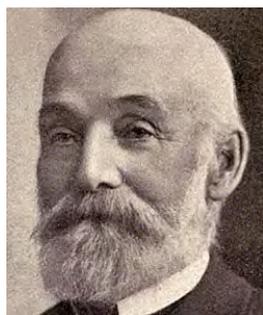
The Battle of Gettysburg was fought in the hot, sticky days of July 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 1863. Confederate General Robert E. Lee had brought his 70,000 soldiers northward for food and supplies; to relieve Virginia from the ravages of war; to influence the powerful northern Peace Party to stop the war; and to gain Confederate recognition and support from Britain and France. Lee also was looking for an opportunity to defeat the Union Army away from its base in Washington, D.C.

Twenty-seven months before the Battle of Gettysburg, the first shots of the war between the states were fired between Masons. Confederate Brigadier General P.G.T. Beauregard fired on Union Major Robert Anderson, defending Fort Sumter in Charleston, South Carolina. Beauregard was a Mason and Knight Templar from New Orleans, Louisiana. Anderson was a Mason from Trenton, New Jersey.



Gen. Beauregard

As the war began with shots fired between Masonic brothers, so did the greatest battle of the war. It was in the morning hours of July 1, 1863, when Lieutenant Marcellus Jones fired the first shot that began the Battle of Gettysburg. Jones, a carpenter and a Mason from Wheaton, Illinois, used a Sharps 52-caliber breech-loading rifle, invented and manufactured by Christian Sharps, a Mason from Philadelphia. The shot that Jones fired was directed at Confederate troops led by Brigadier General Henry Heth, a Mason from Rocky Mountain Lodge (see sidebar) in the Utah Territory.



Lt. Marcellus Jones

Later that morning, Union Brigadier General Solomon Meredith, a Mason from Indiana, and Colonel Lucius Fairchild, a Mason from Wisconsin, met and held the Confederates on the bloodied fields and woods between Herr's Ridge and the Seminary for over 8 hours. Among those attacking Meredith's legendary Iron Brigade and Fairchild's hard-fighting 2nd Wisconsin Infantry regiment was Confederate Colonel James Connor, a Past Master of Landmark Lodge in Charleston, South Carolina. Colonel Henry Morrow of the 24th Michigan was with Meredith's Iron Brigade. During the furious

ROCKY MOUNTAIN LODGE

Although Rocky Mountain Lodge surrendered its charter due to the war, over two hundred Masonic Lodges were created during the war. An even more unusual circumstance unfolds when we learn that John C. Robinson, a Union Brigadier General and immediate Past Master of the Rocky Mountain Lodge, was heavily involved in the first days fighting at Gettysburg. The desperate fighting that day also involved Confederate Major General Henry Heth. Henry Heth had been John Robinson's Senior Warden in the Rocky Mountain Lodge.

fighting, Morrow was struck in the head by a Confederate bullet. Later, a Confederate surgeon, identifying himself as a Mason, decided that Morrow’s scalp wound was “too serious” for him to be marched away as a prisoner-of-war. This act of Masonic compassion probably saved Morrow’s life.

56TH PENNSYLVANIA VOLUNTEERS

The regiment was organized at Camp Curtin, in the fall of 1861. The men composing it were from various sections of the State, but principally from Philadelphia, and the counties of Indiana, Centre, Luzerne, Schuylkill, Susquehanna, and Wayne.

The regiment’s storied history included action in multiple campaigns including at Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, and Spotsylvania.



The very first regimental volley of the battle was fired by the men of the 56th Pennsylvania Volunteers, led by Colonel John W. Hofmann, a Mason from Norristown, Pennsylvania. Before the first days battle ended, Hofmann’s bloodied regiment would be forced from the fields north of the Chambersburg Road by a gallant charge led by Major William Cox, commander of the 2nd North Carolina infantry. William Cox was a Mason from Raleigh, North Carolina. He was wounded eleven times during the war and would later become a Brigadier General. Cox also became a Congressman and served as the Grand Master of North Carolina for four years.

Early in the evening of the 2nd day’s battle, on the ridge north of Devil’s Den, Union Major General Winfield Hancock told Colonel Edward Cross, “Today you’ll earn your star,” meaning that Cross would win his promotion to Brigadier General for his brilliant service over the past two years. Colonel Cross, a Mason from New Hampshire, had received twelve wounds during his heroic service, however his thirteenth wound would be fatal and he was killed leading his brigade against the attacking Confederates led by Brigadier General George Thomas Anderson, a Mason from Atlanta, Georgia.

According to Lieutenant General James Longstreet, Commander of the Confederate First Corps, the most gallant charge of the entire war was led by Brigadier General William Barksdale, a Mason from Jackson, Mississippi. When Longstreet ordered him forward, Barksdale was on the front line. It was in

that position, after forcing the Union lines to collapse and retreat, that he was shot — mortally wounded — wearing a clean white linen shirt fastened with Masonic studs.

Barksdale’s courageous charge was directed at the bloody Peach Orchard, defended in part by the men of the 2nd New Hampshire regiment (Co. B) led by Captain Thomas Hubbard, a Mason from Concord, New Hampshire. Hubbard was killed on the battlefield and was buried by Confederate Masons.

Consider the significance of this act, when soldiers in the midst of a major battle, take the time and care to bury an enemy soldier! Unusual in every sense of the word, but not so unusual when you consider that it happened between Masons.

While the entire southern end of the battlefield erupted with savage fighting at the Peach Orchard, the Wheatfield, and Devil's Den, a hero was born on the rocky, wooded southern slope of Little Round Top. Colonel Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain, formerly a language professor at Bowdoin College in Maine, was in command of the 20th Maine Infantry defending the critical Union left flank. The determined Confederates launched attack after attack against Chamberlain's shattered line. The gallant defenders held their position heroically despite their fearful losses. Running out of ammunition, and without reinforcements, Chamberlain knew that the next Confederate attack would destroy his line and cause the loss of the Federal armies strong defensive position. It was then that Chamberlain, a man schooled in religion and language, ordered his men to fix bayonets and charge the attacking Confederates in a swinging barn-door like maneuver. His unorthodox attack shocked the Rebels, causing them to scatter in hurried retreat. Chamberlain was a Mason, a member of United Lodge in Brunswick, Maine. He would receive a Congressional Medal of Honor in recognition of his courage and heroism at Gettysburg.



Col. Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain

While Chamberlain was gallantly defending the southern end of the Union's fish-hook shaped line, another Mason was desperately trying to overrun the Union army on the opposite end of that line on Culp's Hill. John Brown Gordon, a successful businessman and lawyer from Georgia, had fought with brilliance throughout the two years prior to Gettysburg. Gordon had been severely wounded nine-months earlier at the Battle of Antietam (September 17, 1862). A bullet hole in his hat had saved him from drowning in his own blood as he lay unconscious on the battle field. Gordon was a man of extraordinary compassion and care — a trait taught at our fraternity's holy altars. During Gordon's attack on the first day, which resulted in the Confederates forcing the Union Army to retreat from their position in the fields north of Gettysburg, Union Brigadier General Francis Barlow was severely wounded. A Confederate bullet paralyzed his arms and legs. When Gordon, in the midst of his attack, saw Barlow, he dismounted, gave Barlow water from his canteen and saw that he was cared for. Another instance where a Mason's compassion and care for his brother transcended the hostility normally found between enemies.



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The Battle of Gettysburg was culminated in an attack the likes of which the world had never seen, nor would ever see again. It was on the afternoon of July 3rd, following a two-hour cannonade of volcanic proportions, that three Confederate Generals, all Virginia Masons, led the attack that has become known as Pickett's Charge. Correctly named Longstreet's Assault, Major General George Pickett, Brigadier General James Kemper and Brigadier General Lewis Armistead led their 12,000 men across the mile-long rolling fields to crash against the

center of the Union line near the clump of trees that became the “High Water Mark of the Confederacy.”

As the Confederate tide swept closer to the Union line, a sergeant in the 14th Virginia Infantry came upon some Union skirmishers huddled in the tall wheat, who had been cut off from their retreat. The Virginians would have been fully justified in killing the Union soldiers.



Pickett's Charge (artist's rendering)

Union defense line, he shouted, “Give ‘em the cold steel boys!” Holding his black hat on the tip of his sword to guide his men, since all his color-bearers had been killed, he led his 150 Virginians amidst the swirling tide of blue-coats. Placing his hand on a hot, smoking Union cannon barrel, he claimed it his, in the name of the Old Dominion. Instantly he was struck by two bullets and fell, giving the sign of distress, “. . . as the son of a widow.” At the same time, Major General Winfield Scott Hancock, the general commanding the Union troops defending the line at the center of the Confederate attack saw his old friend and Masonic brother fall. Hancock, a member of Charity Lodge in Norristown, Pennsylvania, who was severely wounded at the same time, ordered his chief of staff, Captain Henry Harrison Bingham, a Mason from Philadelphia, to go to Armistead’s aid. Bingham had Armistead taken to the 11th Corps field hospital where he received the best medical care possible.

[Ed. Note: This incident inspired the famous “Friend to Friend” Masonic monument at the Gettysburg battlefield.]

They were the enemy! But the sergeant recognized a Masonic sign — the sign of distress— thrown by one of the Yankees and ordered his men to pass them by. Wasn’t it fortunate that the Virginia Sergeant, Drewry B. Easley, was a Mason — a member of South Boston Lodge, in Halifax County, Virginia.

Brigadier General Lewis Armistead was the only officer to pierce the Union line. As Armistead crossed the low stone wall that formed the front of the



When Armistead died, Hancock saw that his personal belongings were handled according to his wishes. The Armistead-Hancock story is most unusual, especially when you consider that they were, in fact, enemies. But it is not unusual when you consider that they were Masons. Again we witness the power of brotherly love, care and concern ... transcending the most severe hatred and hostility associated with battle.

The Battle of Gettysburg was fought between 70,000 Confederates and 93,000 Union soldiers. Over 50,000 men became casualties in those three terrible days. The Confederate Army would retreat back into Virginia and the war would continue for another eighteen months.

The war began with shots fired between Masonic brothers. The greatest battle of that war was started with shots fired between Masonic brothers. How do you suppose the war ended?

Come with me, to that chill, damp, Easter Sunday morning on April 9, 1865, in Appomattox, Virginia, when over 112,000 well-fed and well-equipped federal soldiers surrounded the 26,765 starving, ragged Confederates — all that remained of the once invincible Army of Northern Virginia. It was a time for the Yankee's to shout and cheer! It was a time to celebrate. It was the end of the war — the bloodiest, in American casualties, that the world had ever seen or would ever see again. 618,000 men became casualties. But, the killing years were finally over! No one would have disputed the Yankee's right to scream, shout and cheer. But when Confederate General John Gordon brought his battle hardened Stonewall Brigade on the field to lay down their guns and furl their tattered flags, Union General Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain ordered his men to give their former enemies a full military salute. It was an honorable and heartfelt act. It was the first act to heal the wounds of a nation and that greeting was given by a Mason! It was an act that uplifted the spirits of every man present. But then what would you have expected? Remember that both Joshua Chamberlain and John Gordon were Masons, representing a brotherhood that was never divided, now dedicated to a nation indivisible.



Salute of Honor by Mort Kunstler

Let us take pride from the heritage of dedication and heroism demonstrated by our gallant brothers who advanced the principles of freedom, liberty and justice. And let us share that pride with all Americans to the advancement of our fraternity and the good of America. ❖

LOCAL CRAFT BREWERIES—PART I

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

It's safe to say that the timing of this article is not ideal, what with the pandemic and all. But, I started planning it for September quite some time ago, and there didn't seem much point in waiting. There's no doubt that beer, wine, and spirits are popular subjects among Masons. So, I offer the following stroll through the local hops scene in hopes that circumstances will permit us to spend some of the time leading up to Oktoberfest sampling what our local brew pubs have to offer. The list is not comprehensive, and this is only Part I, but if you don't spot a personal favorite below, send me an e-mail, and I'll try to include it in a future article.

King's Road Brewing Company — 131 Kings Highway East, Haddonfield



King's Road Brewing Company is a brewery and tasting room located in the heart of downtown Haddonfield offering a variety of year-round standards, as well as some unique seasonal beers and limited releases, that provide newcomers and beer connoisseurs alike an opportunity to try something different each time they visit. King's Road Brewing Company was originally founded in 2016 by five long-time Haddonfield residents and takes its name, King's Road, from the brewery's address on King's Highway or The King's Road, which was built in 1681 by the Colonial Assembly, connecting Burlington City through Haddonfield and continuing on to Salem. The brewery utilizes the latest equipment and technologies to brew their hand-crafted beers, staying small enough to allow for creativity and innovation in what they produce. Patrons can enjoy pints or flights of hand-crafted ales in the tasting room, or grab a growler of their favorite beer to go, and take it to one of the many BYOB restaurants in the borough. King's Road is a popular spot with the Brothers of Rising Sun Lodge, being just down the road from the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, and many of the Brothers have their mug club mugs hanging just above the bar.

Lunacy Brewing Company — 1500 Kings Highway, Haddon Heights (back of building)



What can four guys do when they get their friends and family together to support the idea of starting a little microbrewery tucked away in the back of an old print shop? The very thought is lunacy. And so Lunacy Brewing Company was born from the minds of Ed Gledhill, Mike Lees, Rick Lees, and Jay Macrina. This little secret beer oasis combines the founders' love of craft beer with a friendly, social, casual gathering of people from all over and from all walks of life. Enjoy a Rocket Peanut Butter Stout as you make new friends while enjoying an atmosphere that's more like hanging out at a friend's house than sitting in a bar. Like lawn games? They've got them. With only a 1.5 barrel brew system, Lunacy may be small, but their brews have huge flavor. At Lunacy Brewing, there's no sports playing on the TV and no loud bands to talk over; just good beer, good people, and good times.

Tonewood Brewing — 215 West Clinton Ave., Oaklyn



Tonewood Brewing opened up in 2015 and has been brewing well-received beer since then.

Tonewood’s *Freshies*, a relatively low 5% ABV, is golden yellow and has a pleasant hop aroma with hints of citrus. It is almost cloudy/hazy à la Northeast/New England style Pale Ales, but not quite. The nose doesn’t lie; this beer presents a big hop presence, almost as much as an IPA. Lots of hops on the first taste and all the way through. Among Tonewood’s other offerings are *Fuego* (including a double-dry-hopped version), *Poolside*, *Improv*, *Headspace*, *Honor Wagon*, *Bierspace*, and *Midnight Marauder*.

Devil’s Creek Brewery — 1 Powell Lane (at Haddon Ave.), Collingswood



Devil’s Creek Brewery, Collingswood’s first brewery is a 10 BBL brewery with the capacity to brew 1000 barrels/year. Owner Kathy prides herself in building a lot of the brewery herself with her original partner. From constructing the brewhouse to putting up the reclaimed wood wall, they worked tirelessly over the better part of a year getting everything ready for their grand opening in May 2016. The result is a 900-square-foot tast-

ing room with unique light fixtures, a corrugated metal bar, a pallet-wood wall adorned with their rendition of the Jersey Devil (their namesake) and many other rustic and vintage features. The tasting room also includes a 19-foot bar, made from reclaimed wood. Devil’s Creek always has twelve beers on tap, ranging in styles from Kolsch to Russian Imperial Stout. They are known for their seasonal beers, including Sweet Potato Pie, Cordially Yours Chocolate Cherry Stout, Caramel Apple Brown, and Belgian and dark beers, which were a huge success at a recent Great American Beer Fest. Bringin’ Da Heat, a Belgian Dark Strong Ale brewed with three peppers including Habanero, won a Silver Medal. This 8.6% beer is rich and full-bodied with notes of chocolate and finishes with a strong heat presence.

Red, White & Brew Beer Co. — 100 West Merchant St., Audubon



The Red White and Brew Beer Company was founded in 2016 with the stated goal of providing the citizens of Camden and Gloucester counties with high quality craft beer. Their extensive list of brews includes *Checks and Balances*, *Paul’s Midnight Ride*, *Rosie’s Red Ale*, *Wittelsbach Loop-hole*, *Give Me Liberty*, *Crimson King*, *Man in Black*, *Nilla Nilla*, and more, for a total of nineteen. One of their best rated is *Summer of ‘76*, an American Wheat brew, light, with a bready mal base and just the right amount of American Northwest Hops, weighing in at 6.8% ABV.

Look for Part II next month. We’ll start off with Flying Fish, then start roaming a bit further afield to check out some craft breweries slightly farther away. See you then! ♦

CRAFTSMANSHIP

by WB Martin Bogardus, Collingswood-Cloud Lodge No. 101

*Without craftsmanship, inspiration is a mere reed shaken in the wind.
- Bro. Johannes Brahms (1833–1897), German Composer*

As an ardent collector of WW1 and WW2 Trench Art (e.g., corseted brass vases, cigarette lighters), I was looking for a vintage “Trench Art” style Scottish Rite Masonic lamp. Unable to find such a lamp, I decided to try to put one together with parts that I had picked up over the years at various flea markets and yard sales. The base of the lamp would be a WW2 1944 Navy 40mm MK2 brass shell, and I had a Scottish Rite pin and tie clip that hailed from the late 1930s. An old vintage Tiffany style lampshade completed the parts list and “voila!”

I have always enjoyed indulging my creative side by breathing new life into objects that other folks feel have outlived their usefulness. I’ve been dealing with many and varied woodworking/metalworking projects for over 30 years. There is something quite satisfying in building a



Lamp base embellished with Scottish Rite pin and tie clip

unique item with your own two hands, something that can’t be duplicated or purchased in a store.



The completed Lamp

With a little bit of imagination, we can breathe new life into objects that are lying around the house — or the lodge. The aging infrastructure of our fraternity tends to leave many furnishings and items of lodge paraphernalia in need of restoration or repair. There is a pressing need for our lodges to focus on a long neglected aspect of Freemasonry — Craftsmanship. As our Craft has grown and prospered, following in the footsteps of Hiram Abiff, ultimately transforming itself from an Operative guild into a Philosophical Order, the concept of craftsmanship has remained central to the Fraternity. But with the many modern demands made upon our time, it has become a challenge for members to practice the “operative” side of the Craft.

Not everyone has the necessary skills, to be sure. For myself, I am always happy when I can create a lasting reminder of my connection to Freemasonry, and in this case, the Scottish Rite. I urge any Mason with modest craftsman’s skills to look around his lodge and find a way to put those skills to use. 

MASONIC PROFILE: Robert Anderson

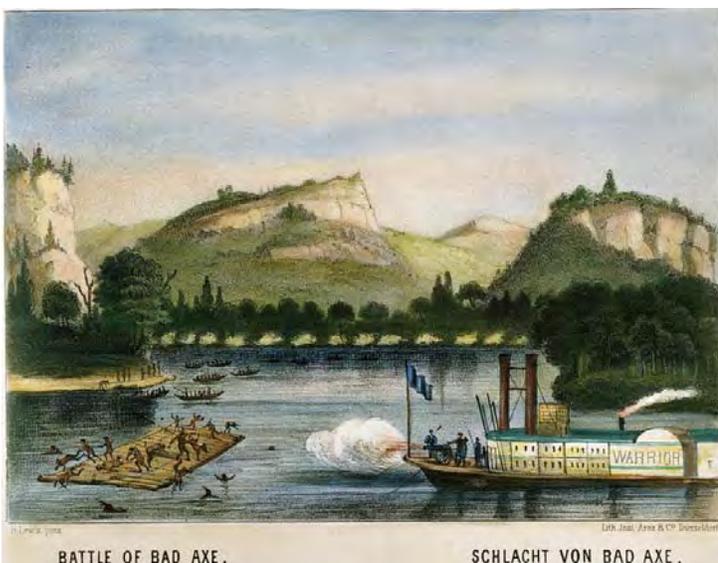
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The first shots of the American Civil War were fired between Masons. On April 12, 1861, aware of President Lincoln's intent to resupply Fort Sumter, near Charleston, South Carolina, Confederate Brigadier General P.G.T. Beauregard bombarded the Fort, which was under the command of Union Major Robert Anderson. Beauregard was a Mason and a Knight Templar from New Orleans, Louisiana. Anderson was a Mason from Trenton, New Jersey.

Anderson was born in 1805 at "Soldier's Retreat," his family's estate near Louisville, Kentucky, into a very prominent family line. His father, Richard Clough Anderson Sr., had served in the Continental Army as an aide-de-camp to the Marquis de Lafayette during the American Revolution, while his mother, Sarah Marshall, was a cousin of John Marshall, the fourth Chief Justice of the United States. Other relatives included Charles Anderson, a Governor of Ohio, along with other high-ranking politicians and war heroes. Such connections inspired Anderson to a military career. He graduated from West Point in 1825 with full honors, fifth in his class of thirty-seven, receiving a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the 3rd Regiment of Artillery. He briefly served as a secretary to his brother, who was U.S. Minister to Gran Columbia, was assigned to artillery school at the Fortress Monroe Artillery School, then returned to West Point as an artillery instructor. A few of his students included future USA & CSA military leaders such as William Tecumseh Sherman (USA), Jubal Early (CSA), Braxton Bragg (USA), George Meade (USA) and Joseph Hooker (USA). P.G.T. Beauregard (CSA), who would later begin the Civil War with his attack upon Anderson at Fort Sumter, was not only a student, but served at one time as Anderson's assistant.



Robert Anderson
May 15, 1861



Anderson was promoted to First Lieutenant in 1833. His first war experience was commanding volunteers in the Blackhawk War in Illinois. At the Battle of Bad Axe, he saved an infant Indian who had been in his mother's arms as she was wounded by

a bullet – a bullet that had also wounded the child. He reported being disgusted by the images of suffering he saw all around him. In 1837 he fought in the Seminole Wars, where he came down with an unidentified fever that recurred throughout the rest of his life. In 1839 he translated a French manual on artillery, which was used to drastically improve U.S. military weapons and later would greatly increase their chances for victory in the Mexican War. He was promoted to Captain in October of 1841.



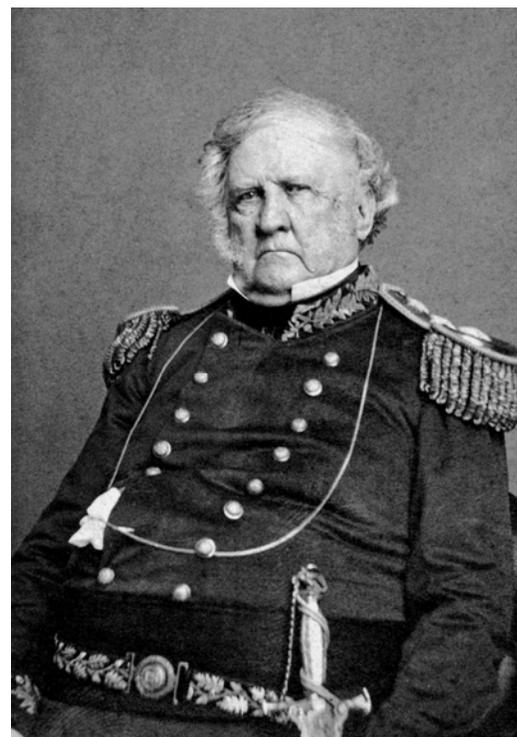
Eliza Clinch

In 1842 Anderson married Eliza Clinch; General Winfield Scott stood in as her father. In the Mexican War, Scott asked Anderson to serve on his staff but Anderson declined, opting instead to be in the field, though he could have excluded himself altogether due to his health. In the war he participated in the Siege of Vera Cruz, the Battle of Cerro Gordo, the Skirmish of Amazoque, and the Battle of Molino del Rey, where he was severely wounded while assaulting enemy fortifications, praised for his bravery, and rewarded with a brevet promotion to Major. Halfway through the war he had written to his wife that no scheme could be more absurd than the act of war to settle national difficulties; it was simply “killing each other to find out who is in the right.”

After the Mexican war Anderson served in various roles. From 1855 to 1859, in declining health and probably also due to his connections to General Winfield Scott, Anderson was assigned to the light duty of inspecting the iron beams produced in a mill in Trenton, New Jersey for

Federal construction projects. While residing in Trenton, Anderson became a Freemason, a member of Mercer Lodge No. 50. He eventually received a permanent promotion to Major of the 1st Regiment of Artillery in the Regular Army on October 5, 1857. In 1860 he spent an ironic Summer and Fall on a commission with Jefferson Davis, future president of the Confederacy, to examine the West Point curriculum and discipline system.

At age 57 Anderson could have retired, but he received orders from General Scott to proceed to Fort Moultrie in South Carolina. Fort Moultrie would be evacuated eventually and Anderson would move to Fort Sumter against a backdrop of strong talk of secession and a lot of political maneuvering. The Southern states were maneuvering things into place in anticipation of a political move, while the Buchanan administration, though aware of these machinations, chose to do nothing. Anderson was known to support slavery, and because he was from Kentucky most assumed he would have Southern sympathies and take the



General Winfield Scott

southern side in the event of secession. Many professional military men would eventually have to make that decision — to follow their heart’s allegiance to home state and way of life, or their duty to country and union. The South counted on Anderson, but when the war broke out at Fort Sumter, Anderson chose to the Union. Nevertheless, Beauregard held him in such high esteem that he treated Anderson and his troops with great civility and care at the battle. Jefferson Davis, in his later memoirs, would speak very highly of Anderson and his actions at Fort Sumter.

Anderson liked to say that he lived by his “father’s religion and General Washington’s politics.” He needed only three documents to guide his path: The Ten Commandments, the Constitution, and the book of army regulations. When he abandoned Fort Sumter he took the U.S. flag that had once hung there proudly to New York with him. For this he was considered a national hero.

After Robert E. Lee's surrender at Appomattox and the effective conclusion of the war, at the behest of Secretary of War Edwin Stanton, Anderson returned to Charleston in uniform. Four years after lowering the 33-star flag in surrender, Anderson raised it in triumph over the recaptured but badly battered Fort Sumter. Only hours after the ceremony of April 14, 1865, John Wilkes Booth assassinated President Lincoln. Anderson died in Nice, France, seeking a cure for his ailments. He was interred at West Point Cemetery. 🗿



The Attack on Fort Sumter

18TH DISTRICT LODGE COMMUNICATIONS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

MASONIC HOME VISITATIONS

SUNDAY

LODGE

January 5	USS New Jersey
January 19	Lazarus
February 2	Collingswood-Cloud
February 9	Laurel
February 16	Audubon-Parkside, Campana de Libertad & Merchantville
February 23	Mozart
March 1	Rising Sun
March 15	USS New Jersey
March 29	Lazarus
April 12	Collingswood-Cloud & Laurel
April 19	Campana de Libertad & Merchantville
April 26	Audubon-Parkside & Mozart
May 3	Rising Sun
May 17	USS New Jersey
May 31	Lazarus
June 21	Collingswood-Cloud & Laurel
June 28	Campana de Libertad & Merchantville
July 5	Audubon-Parkside & Mozart
July 12	Rising Sun
July 26	USS New Jersey
August 9	Lazarus
August 30	Collingswood-Cloud & Laurel
September 6	Campana de Libertad & Merchantville
September 13	Audubon-Parkside & Mozart
September 20	Rising Sun
October 4	USS New Jersey
October 18	Lazarus
November 1	Laurel
November 8	Campana de Libertad, Collingswood- Cloud & Merchantville
November 15	Mozart
November 22	Audubon-Parkside & Rising Sun
December 6	USS New Jersey

Suspended

2020 DLI/GLI Schedule

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

Wednesday

Lodge/Location

January 8

Audubon-Parkside No. 218
(@ Audubon Temple)

February 12

Collingswood-Cloud No. 101
(@ Audubon Temple)

March 11

Laurel No. 237
(@ Laurel Temple)

April 8

Lazarus No. 303
(@ Haddonfield Temple)

May 13

Mozart No. 121
(@ Audubon Temple)

June 11

GLI @ Beverly-Riverside #107
(621 S. Chester Ave., Beverly, NJ 08075)

(Thursday)

Tentative

September 9

Rising Sun No. 15
(@ Haddonfield Temple)

October 14

USS New Jersey No. 62
(@ Merchantville Temple)

November 11

Qualification Teams
(@ Merchantville Temple)

September Calendar

https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=5l3hgs9net006u7qph4neeo08%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FNew_York

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 MZ Crusade Commandery	2 RS	3	4 LL	5
6		7 CC	8 TENTATIVE M&W 6:45pm DLI @RS 7:30pm	9	10 MV	11 MV Wine & Paint Night
12	13	14 Van Hook Council	15	16 OES #140	17 LL MV	18
19	20	21 AP US	22 LB	23	24 Zerubbabel Chapter RA	25 Scottish Rite Dinner
26	27	28 Teddy Bear Golf Classic (see flyers)	29 18th Dist. Gold Token Night	30	<p>BLUE — District Blue Lodges BLACK — District/GL matters RED — Special Events & Holidays VIOLET — Appendant Bodies</p>	
						26 18th Dist. 1-day Class 9am-5pm
						Blood Drive coming up on October 17



MASONIC VILLAGE VISITATIONS

Suspended
 Sunday, September 6 — Liberty Bell & Merchantville
 Sunday, September 13 — Audubon-Parkside & Court
 Sunday, September 20 — Rising Sun



- AP = Audubon-Parkside LL = Laurel MZ = Mozart
- CC = Collingswood-Cloud LZ = Lazarus RS = Rising Sun
- LB = Campana de Libertad MV = Merchantville 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, event cancellations, nor for accepting reservations. For information or reservations for an event, please follow the instructions given in the event flyer.

Traveling (at a social distance)



It's What We Do



Rising Sun Lodge

First Friday

HAPPY HOUR

September 11, 2020

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Stay Safe! Stay Sober! Stay Sober!

Donations Accepted
BYO to Stay Sober! Encouraged



***SUSPENDED PENDING
PANDEMIC DEVELOPMENTS.
WE HOPE TO BE BACK SOON!***

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

Look for us in 2021

A Joint Presentation of Rising Sun
and Collingswood-Cloud Lodges

Masonic Film
Series



Curated for 2020
by WB Don Elfreth

SECRETS OF THE PARTHENON

Thursday, March 19
Haddonfield Masonic Temple

6:30 pm — Dinner (BYOB)
7:00 pm — DVD
8:00 pm — Discussion

Watch Your 18th District Light For details!

Discovered at the turn of the 20th century, an unprecedented amount of metal salvaged from a two thousand year old Roman shipwreck turned out to be a truly extraordinary treasure — the world's most complete. Join us as we follow the incredible detective work that painstakingly determined the origin of this ancient Greek device, the Antikythera Mechanism — an amazingly sophisticated astronomical calculator, eclipse predictor, unrivaled until the era of modern science and believed to be from the workshop of Archimedes.

A Joint Project of Collingswood-Cloud Lodge No. 101 and Rising Sun Lodge No. 15
Curated for 2020 by WB Don Elfreth

THE ANTIKYTHERA MECHANISM

Thursday, March 19
Haddonfield Masonic Temple

6:30 pm — Dinner (BYOB)
7:00 pm — DVD
8:00 pm — Discussion

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MARCH

MAY

GALILEO'S Battle of the Heavens

Thursday, July 16
Haddonfield Masonic Temple

6:00 pm — Dinner (BYOB)
6:30 pm — DVD
8:00 pm — Discussion

Join us in exploring the story of the father of modern science as he struggles to get Church authorities to accept the truth of his astonishing discoveries alongside his closest confidante — his illegitimate daughter, Sister Maria Celeste, as revealed in Vera Rubin's bestselling book, Galileo's Daughter. Simon Callow portrays Galileo in key moments from his life: his pioneering telescopic observations of the Moon and planets, his revolutionary experiments with falling objects, and his fateful trial for heresy before the Inquisition.

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Sir Isaac Newton

the Light

Thursday, Sept 17
Haddonfield Masonic Temple

6:30 pm — Dinner (BYOB)
7:00 pm — DVD
8:30 pm — Discussion

Explore with us two sides of one of the greatest scientific minds the world has ever known as we look first at the scientist in *The Gravity of Creation* and then at the alchemist and mystic in *Newton's Dark Secrets*. Prepare to be surprised by what you never knew about the man responsible for *The Principia*, the theory of gravity, Newtonian mechanics, and calculus.

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Thursday, Nov. 19th
Haddonfield Masonic Temple

6:00 pm — Dinner (BYOB)
7:00 pm — DVD
8:00 pm — Discussion

On a perfectly still August morning in 1911, the first American ski jumper fled off a natural ski jump near the mountain village of Innsbruck, Austria, leaving a record in the snow. When the open jump was reached, 1911 had opened 20 miles above the earth. It was the beginning of a sport that would spread to hundreds of ski resorts throughout the world. Join us as we follow the incredible detective work that painstakingly determined the origin of this ancient Greek device, the Antikythera Mechanism — an amazingly sophisticated astronomical calculator, eclipse predictor, unrivaled until the era of modern science and believed to be from the workshop of Archimedes.

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JULY

SEPTEMBER

NOVEMBER

21

21A

Back by popular demand

The Ladies of Merchantville Lodge #119

bring you *The Loaded Brushes*

Let's Get Loaded, Creatively



Wine & Paint night 2020!

Each person paints their own 16" x 20"
Canvas from these two choices

\$35 per Person

Light refreshments and tableware will be provided but

BYOB & Snacks

For more information or to RSVP for pay at the door
Email Shawn Roberts at sroberts@merchantvillelodge.org

Or **Call\Text Jenn Roberts at 856-419-7758**

All proceeds will benefit our Christmas Food Drive

RSVP Online: theloadedbrushesn.com

Advanced ticket purchase is preferred by Thursday, 9/9/2020

Seating is limited

You do not need a PayPal account

PayPal now accepts all major credit\debit cards



When: Saturday, September 12th, 2020 from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Where: Merchantville Masonic Temple

6926 Park Ave, Pennsauken, NJ 08109

Weather permitting and due to COVID-19 restrictions and concerns

This will be an outdoor event

If still required by law, please bring a face covering to wear while not at your station

Thank you for your support!!



Re: 20th Annual Teddy Bear Classic Golf Outing: Ramblewood Country Club

Dear Friends of the Children's Dyslexia Centers of New Jersey,

On Monday, September 28th 2020, we will be holding the 20th Annual Teddy Bear Golf Classic. This outing is the largest fund raiser held on behalf of the Children's Dyslexia Centers of New Jersey. Each year the tournament has exceeded the previous year's contribution to this phenomenal charity, and it is your sponsorships which makes this success possible. It has been successful because it is supported Statewide by generous Freemasons of New Jersey!

New Jersey's Learning Centers for Children is the only program of its kind. We teach children with dyslexia to read and do it for a nominal registration fee. Dyslexia is an inherited disorder in the brain that affects a child's ability to read and comprehend the written language. Dyslexia is best treated by a one on one approach using all the child's cognitive senses and is cost prohibitive for the public-school systems to treat in this manner. Over the years we have taught hundreds of children afflicted with dyslexia and have also trained over three hundred teachers throughout our school systems to both recognize and help educate students with this disorder.

We request your support in helping us making the lives of these at-risk children and their families better and providing them the opportunity to achieve everything for which they hope and strive. Please assist us by purchasing a sponsorship at our tournament.

Platinum-\$5,000 (Includes all the days amenities for (4) golfers plus proper signage for the event. TITANIUM - \$2,500(Includes all the days amenities for (2) golfers plus proper signage. GOLD- \$1,000; SILVER-\$500; BRONZE - \$150 (May purchase more than one). LUNCH SPONSOR - \$2,000, BEVERAGE SPONSOR - \$1,500. CLOSEST TO THE PIN-\$750. Tee sponsors-\$100. All sponsors will be recognized at the event.

I thank you for your anticipated support!

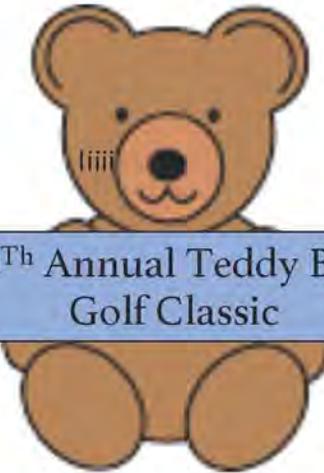
Most Appreciatively Yours,

George Niessner (Golf Chair)

Name, as you would like to see it, for Hole Sponsorship: _____

Please make check payable to: Children's Dyslexia Centers of New Jersey
The Children's Dyslexia Centers of New Jersey is a 501(c) 3 Tax exempt Charity.

For the benefit of
The Children's Dyslexia Centers
Of New Jersey



20th Annual Teddy Bear
Golf Classic

Monday, September 28th, 2020

Ramblewood Country Club

200 Country club Pkwy, Mount Laurel, New Jersey

11:00 AM: Registration Tee Gifts, Putting warm-up area

12:00 AM: Lunch BBQ lunch, Soft Drinks, Beer

1:00 PM: Shotgun Tee-off Best Ball Scramble format. Ladies &
seniors over 65 may play from the forward Tees

After Golf hydration station, keg and cash bar

Dinner Buffett dinner, prizes and awards

The Price of Golf Participation has been reduced this year to \$140 per golfer and the field will be limited to 100 players to keep the Play Moving! Ladies are most Welcome

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

OTHERS IN FOURSOME (Names and Email)

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

SPONSORSHIPS: HOLE SPONSORS: Platinum-\$5,000 (Includes all the days amenities for (4) golfers plus proper signage for the event. **TITANIUM - \$2,500**(Includes all the days amenities for (2) golfers plus proper signage. **GOLD- \$1,000; SILVER-\$500; BRONZE - \$150** (May purchase more than one). **LUNCH SPONSOR - \$2,000, BEVERAGE SPONSOR - \$1,500. CLOSEST TO THE PIN-\$750. Tee sponsors-\$100.** All sponsors will be recognized at the event.

NAME _____ COMPANY _____

ADDRESS _____ EMAIL _____

PHONE _____ Please put information that you wish on signage on the back

Make Checks payable to: *The Children's Dyslexia Centers of New Jersey*

Contact Info: George Niessner, 39 Montclair Rd, Medford, NJ 08055. Geown@comcast.net
609-230-5702. Use this contact Info. for all forms or questions.

Looking Forward



Upcoming Events

Mozart Lodge #121 presents on Zoom



Saturday October 10, 2020 | 7pm

\$25 for admission & 1 game packet

\$5 for each additional game packet

\$1 per 50 / 50 ticket

Includes:

**10 Games | Giveaways
50 / 50 Raffle | Entertainment**

Winners receives
Amazon Gift
Cards

contact Keith for more info...

Mozart121.Bingo@gmail.com





American Red Cross



**Find out
about the
Red Cross
Covid-19
Safety
Protocols**

rcblood.org/3bFdfPZ

18TH MASONIC DISTRICT OF NJ BLOOD DRIVE

Make your appointment at:

redcrossblood.org

Use Sponsor Code: 18th Masonic

**Merchantville Masonic Temple
6926 Park Avenue
Pennsauken, NJ**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17
9 AM TO 2 PM**

Save time on the day of the donation
& visit redcrossblood.org/rapidpass

redcrossblood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS



Regular Communication Monday, October 19, 2020

Our Speaker for the Evening

Brother Mike Perry

Junior Deacon of Mantua Lodge No. 95

Program Director

Garden State Council, BSA

will speak on the

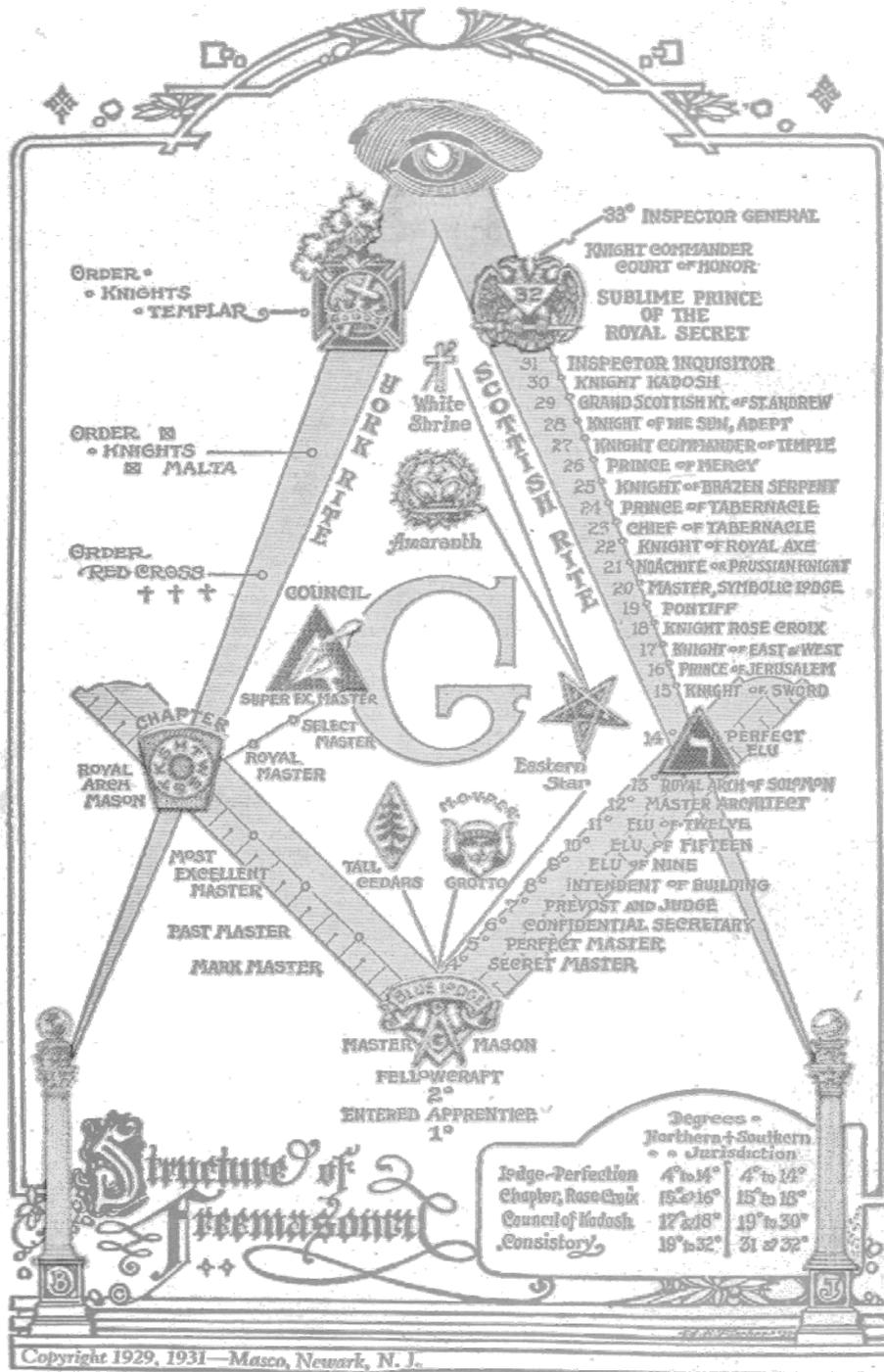
Masonic Origins of the Order of the Arrow

The movements of Scouting and Freemasonry have been aligned for the entire history of Scouting. Every American founder of the BSA was also a Freemason! Scouting's Honor Society, the Order of the Arrow is no different. There are intriguing stories from the earliest days of the Order of the Arrow to today that will forever link it with Freemasonry.

We look forward to seeing you!

ATTENDANCE may be limited by pandemic restrictions. Please contact Secretary Gregory DellaPia at secdellapia@gmail.com or 609-330-5440 for more information.

G.L. and Appendant Bodies





The Grand Lodge of NEW JERSEY

The Annual Communication Has Been Rescheduled for
Tuesday, November 10TH
One Day Session Only

Installation of Grand Lodge Officers to follow

* Subject to change based on changes to State & Local Covid guidelines

Save The Date

Thursday, November 12TH
Grand Master's Reception
Shadowbrook, Shrewsbury
RSVP Details to follow

**Past Masters Must Register to vote Off-Site
by emailing your
Full Name,
Email Address,
Lodge Name & Number
and Membership ID**

to

GLNJVOTING@GMAIL.COM

NOTE: If you are not sure you will be able to or feel safe attending you can register for offsite balloting and still vote in Atlantic City from a smart phone, tablet, or computer as long as you have access to your email.

Masters & Wardens may Vote Off-Site this year by dispensation and will be given specific instructions

The Registration Deadline for Off-Site voting has been extended to a later date to be determined. Please register now - don't wait!

[Past Masters Click HERE for detailed instructions on Off-Site Voting](#)

MEET THE
★
CANDIDATES
NIGHT

**NORTH JERSEY
PAST MASTERS
CANDIDATES NIGHT**

**October 6, 2020
The Venetian, Garfield**

MEET THE
★
CANDIDATES
NIGHT

**CENTRAL JERSEY
MASONIC ASSOCIATION
CANDIDATES NIGHT**

**September 30, 2020
Shadowbrook at Shrewsbury**

MEET THE
★
CANDIDATES
NIGHT

**SOUTH JERSEY
PAST MASTERS
CANDIDATES NIGHT**

**October 13, 2020
Indian Springs**



The Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey offers these scholarships to students interested in pursuing higher education.

For complete details about each scholarship's eligibility requirements, or for an application, visit www.njmasonic.org or www.newjerseygrandlodge.org

Completed applications must be postmarked by February 19, 2021.

Chairman of the Board Scholarship **\$10,000**

(\$2,500 per year for 4 years)

For Graduating High School Seniors in Any Major – 3 Available

GPA: B or 3.0 | SAT: 1290 | ACT: 27

Must be relative of NJ Mason*

Taylor Scholarship **\$4,000**

(\$1,000 per year for 4 years)

For Graduating NJ High School Seniors in Any Major – 2 Available

GPA: B or 3.0 | SAT: 1090 | ACT: 21

Must be relative of NJ Mason*

Must perform 30 hours of community service each summer prior to fall semester

Patterson Engineering Scholarship **\$16,000**

(\$4,000 per year for 4 years)

For Graduating NJ High School Seniors in Engineering – 2 Available

GPA: C+ or 2.5** | SAT: 930 | ACT: 17

Relative of NJ Mason preferred*, not required

Emphasis on teacher recommendation and student's statement

Culver DeMolay Scholarship **\$4,000**

(\$1,000 per year for 4 years)

For Graduating NJ High School Seniors in Any Major – 3 Available

GPA: B or 3.0** | SAT: 1090 | ACT: 21

Active DeMolay preferred

Serewitch DeMolay Scholarship **\$20,000**

(\$5,000 per year for 4 years)

For Graduating NJ High School Seniors in Any Major – 1 Available

GPA: C+ or 2.2** | SAT: 960 | ACT: 18

Active DeMolay required

Emphasis on teacher recommendation and student's statement

Asbury Jordan Lodge Scholarship **\$4,000**

(\$1,000 per year for 4 years)

For Graduating High School Seniors in Any Major – 1 Available

GPA: B or 3.0** | SAT: 1030 | ACT: 20

Relative of NJ Mason preferred*, not required

Available Scholarship in honor of Christian Mogensen and John D. Post

William Mayer Memorial Scholarship **\$4,000**

(\$2,000 per year for 2 years)

For Graduating High School Seniors in Any Major – 2 Available

GPA: C or 2.0** | SAT: N/A

Must be relative of NJ Mason*

Scholarship for an Associate's Degree Sponsored by the Grand Lodge of NJ

William Mayer Memorial Scholarship **\$4,000**

(\$2,000 per year for 2 years)

For 4-Year College Student – 2 Available

GPA: C or 2.0** | SAT: N/A

Must be relative of NJ Mason*

Scholarship for an Graduate Degree Sponsored by the Grand Lodge of NJ

Sol & Reba Serewitch Scholarship **\$5,000**

(\$5,000 for 1 year)

For Graduating NJ High School Seniors in Any Major – 1 Available

GPA: C or 2.2** | SAT: 960 | ACT: 18

Must be relative of NJ Mason*

Burk-Townley Scholarship **\$4,000**

(\$1,000 per year for 4 years)

For Graduating High School Seniors in Any Major – 1 Available

GPA: B or 3.0 | SAT: 1290 | ACT: 27

Must be relative of NJ Mason*

Arline Dauthaler & John H. Critchley Scholarship **\$4,000**

(\$1,000 per year for 4 years)

For Graduating High School Seniors in Engineering or Related Sciences – 1 Available

GPA: B or 3.0 | SAT: 1090 | ACT: 21

Unmarried sons or grandsons of NJ Mason*

**The applicant must be the child, step-child, grandchild or step-grandchild of a living or deceased Master Mason in good standing in a Masonic Lodge of the Grand Lodge of NJ. **Over last two years.*



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

All Master Masons are welcome at our meetings!

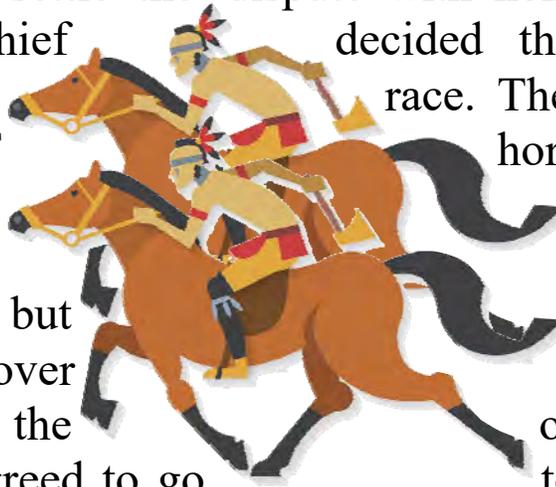
Entertainment

Puzzle Pages



HOW TO CHOOSE A CHIEF

An old native-American chieftain was very ill and knew he was nearing the end. Each of his two sons were brave and accomplished warriors, and each felt that he should be the one to inherit the title and become the new chief of the tribe. To settle the dispute with honor and without further conflict, the old Chief decided that the sons would compete in a horse race. The rules were simple. The owner of the LAST horse to cross the finish line would become the new chief. On the day of the race, the two braves raced away from the starting line, but then began riding a wandering course all over the countryside each trying to lose to the other. After many exhausting hours, they agreed to go to the tribe's Shaman for advice. He gave them his advice, upon which they raced to the horses and rode like mad for the finish line. What advice did the Shaman give them that finally sent them dashing to complete the race?



THE WINEMAKER'S LEGACY

The deceased owner of a winery had left behind 21 barrels that had been used to produce the vineyard's finest wine. Seven of the barrels were still full, seven were only half full, and seven barrels were empty. In his Last Will and Testament he stated that each of his three adult children should receive an equal number of full barrels, an equal number of half-full barrels, and an equal number of empty barrels. With nothing else but the barrels available, how were the three children to evenly divide the barrels?



Answers on next page

MASONIC CRYPTOQUOTE

K V V A N N M S L S V R T N N D Z K R

P B E N C B G B J , P Z N C M F L U

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Y K E N R Z N N T P S P Z N R Y B F H Z P N A .

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Puzzle Solutions

HOW TO CHOOSE A CHIEF

He told them to mount each other's horse and complete the race, as the rule was that the OWNER, not the rider, of the LAST horse would become chief. Thus, each took the other's horse and tried to beat their own horse to the finish. The tribe showed the greatest wisdom of all — they made the Shaman the new chief!

THE WINEMAKER'S LEGACY

Each of two half-full barrels is dumped into each of two other half-full barrels. This results in nine full barrels, three half-full barrels, and nine empty barrels. Each child gets three full barrels, one half-full barrel, and three empty barrels.

MASONIC CRYPTOQUOTE

— GEORGE WASHINGTON

LIKE SHEEP TO THE SLAUGHTER.

AND SILENT WE MAY BE LED,

TAKEN AWAY, THEN DUMB

IF FREEDOM OF SPEECH IS