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### From the East

Greetings from the East:

I want to thank W. Chris Andrick and Bro. Shawn Wright for putting the family night together. We all had a great time. At our next stated meeting, we will be having Bro. Mike Benetto do his E.A giveback, and upon completion of this, we will hold a called meeting on Oct. 21st to pass Bro. Mike to Fellowcraft.

On Thursday Oct. 9th we will have the Big Red Bus at Pearl of the West for another blood drive from 330 to 6 pm. Please make every effort to donate by going to <a href="mailto:oneblood.org">oneblood.org</a> to schedule an appointment or just

show up as walk ins are welcome.

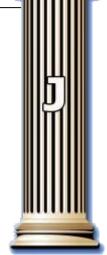
As we approach the holiday season, it is important to remember to donate to Metropolitan Ministries by placing non-perishable food items into the

big blue barrel in the Lobby. I would like to make a donation to Met. Min for Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Please know that folks are hungry yearround, and we as a Lodge can make a big impact on those who are food-insecure.

Lastly, the Order of the Eastern Star will be hosting a Hoe Down on Saturday, October 4th, from 430-8 pm. Hot dogs and burgers will be served, along with dancing to a live DJ. Cost is \$15.00, and you don't have to be a Mason or a member of OES.

Respectfully and Fraternally

W. Craig Franklin Worshipful Master



### From the West

Greetings from the West:

Happy Fall Brethren,

The weather may be cooling off, but the lodge is heating up! Congratulations to our newest Entered Apprentices—Brothers Alvarez Roxbury, Robert Hall, and Dwayne Flatt. Welcome to the Fraternity and Family. Later this month, we'll be conferring a Fellow Craft Degree, with at least one Brother being passed. I hope to see the South side of the lodge full in support. It's also that time of year when we need to start planning for next year. If you're interested in sitting in one of the chairs or serving on a committee, please reach out to WM Craig, JW Shawn, Secretary Scott, or me. Remember: the lodge is only as strong as the Brothers who step up behind the scenes. Speaking of which—thank you, Brother Phil Holly, for clearing out and organizing the preparation room. Since this is a candidate's first impression of the lodge on initiation night, it's essential that we present our best foot forward.

Be on the lookout for Trunk or Treat information! We're working on having a table (or tables) downtown this year instead of in the Pearl parking lot. A reminder to all: Thursdays are not just for catechism and degree practice—they're also for fellowship. We often have potential candidates visiting on these nights. Let's continue to show them the warmth, hospitality, and brotherhood that define who we are. After all, there's no better way to demonstrate that we're the right lodge for them.

Respectfully and Fraternally,

Bro. Senior Warden Ken Leonard

"I hope I shall possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man."

- Brother George Washington.



### From the South

Greetings from the South:

September has come and gone, and October is here. We welcomed three new Brothers to our amazing Fraternity. Congratulations to Brothers Dwayne Flatt, Alvarez Roxbury, and Robert Hall. Your journey has just begun, and you are surrounded by many Brothers who are here to help with anything you need.

We had a great turnout for our family night of bingo and games. Thank you to everyone who came out and enjoyed themselves, as well as helped cook and clean. Your generosity is much

appreciated. This month, we will be having a Fellowcraft degree on the 21st. Come out and support our Brother Mike Benetto as we pass him to the degree of Fellowcraft.

Remember, Brothers, we have our catechism every Thursday for practice as well as fellowship. Dinner is at 6, and studying to follow. Come on out and join us.

Respectfully and Fraternally, Bro. Shawn Wright Junior Warden Respectfully and Fraternally,



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## **IN MEMORIAM-2024** PETITIONS Phillip Reed Three Degrees of Freemasonry William David Hart **Dual Membership** Plural Membership **IN MEMORIAM-2025 David Brischler** Gary Joiner Finley "Gabe" Gable

### **Honorary Perpetual Members and Friends**

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#### October ANNIVERSARIES Years Date Brother's Name

42 Years 10/17/1983—Charles Keay

42 Years 10/24/1983—Roger Smith 39 Years 10/13/1986—Claude Stewart 38 Years 10/12/1987-Morton Said 35 Years 10/20/1990—Wayne George 32 Years 10/18/1993—Salvatore Grillo 19 Years 10/13/2006—Robert Lippman 18 Years 10/29/2007—Jason Connors 18 Years 10/29/2007—Benjamin Villa 18 Years 10/29/2007—Bradley Watson 16 Years 10/12/2009—Wayne Johnson, Jr. 10 Years 10/10/2015—Shawn Abel 10 Years 10/10/2015—Seneca Beal 10 Years 10/10/2015—Roberto Hernandez 10 Years 10/10/2015—Sammer Radwan 08 Years 10/10/2015—Sammer Radwan 08 Years 10/03/2017—Brian Reapp 06 Years 10/12/2019—Gerald Fultz 06 Years 10/12/2019—Brian Signore 06 Years 10/12/2019—Glenn Valcarcel

04 Years 10/02/2021—Gregory Yurcus

#### October BIRTHDAYS **Date Brother's Name**

-George "Ray" Vance 10/05—David Lawrence 10/06—Justin Crook 10/08—Donald Peyton 10/09—Charles Geiniman 10/11—Matthew Montano 10/12—Ira Bennett 10/13—William Belcher 10/15—Kiran Kumar 10/20—Wayne George 10/28—Steven Kober 10/31—Paul Craft

#### **DISTRICT 14 MASTERS AND WARDENS ASSOCIATION**

Monthly meeting will be held at Paul Revere Lodge on Wednesday, October 15th. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm and the meeting will start at 7:00 pm. Come out and see what is happening throughout our District and what events are coming up in other lodges.

					October 2025
2025 OFFICERS				Past Masters of Pearl of the West No. 146	
Worshipful Master Craig Franklin	(860) 729-3819	Junior Steward W∴ Dan Anger	(727) 645-3844	1922 / 1924 C.A. Tansill	1989 Paul Schatzel 1990 Paul Craft
Senior Warden Kenneth Leonard	(727) 237-8413	Marshal RW∴ Dave Lawrence, PDDGM		1923 J.G. Snell 1925 H.C. Remling -NP 1926 / 1939 M.L. Bailev	1990 Faul Graft 1991 / 1993 Baxter Holland 1992 Herman J. Schaefer
Junior Warden Shawn Wright	(813) 778-2399	<u>Tyler</u> Phil Holly		1927 / 1928 C.W. Barnett 1929 Edward Y. Wilkes	1994 Keith A. Richard 1995 Barry W. Breland
Treasurer RW∴Creg Bell, PDDGM	(727) 243-2468	<u>Musician</u> John Nagy		1930 Fred Shaw -NP 1931 / 1932 / 1946 M.A. Fullington	1996 Gary Dobraski 1997 Shawn D. Borth
Secretary RW∴ Scott Mitchell, PDDGM	(727) 514-4341	<u>Historian</u> RW∴Creg Bell, PDDGM	(727) 243-2468	1934 / 1941 E.P. Scofield 1935 George Hollbrook -NP	1998 Charlie T. Cox 1999 R∴ W∴ William Petrey
<u>Chaplain</u> Robert Adams	(727) 787-4574	Lodge Instructor RW∴ Ray Vance, PDDGM	(727) 514-3181	1936 G.S. Holbrook -NP 1937 / 1940 R.W. Huddleston 1938 G.L. McKay	2000 Lawrence H. Ruby 2001 Bryce K. Smith
Senior Deacon Ray Lindstrom	(813) 495-1803			1942 / 1949 G.A. Dame 1943 C. Jones	2002 Harold Banter, Jr. 2003 Luke DeRoberts 2004 David Brischler
Junior Deacon Matthew Dasinger	(727) 251-0738			1944 / 1945 P.G. Mayer 1947 W. Long	2004 David Brischler 2005 / 2006 Judson A. Hiscutt 2007 Jon Kueny
Senior Steward Chris Andrick	(727) 212-8031			1948 E.J. Harrison -NP 1950 / 1953 R:. W:. H.K. Richmond	2008 Glenn Clarke 2009 / 2016 R∴ W∴ Ray Vance
2025 COMMITTEEMEN				1951 F.B. Riley -NP 1952 / 1954 Malond Mott	2010 Milton "Ray" Trahan 2011 R∴ H∴ Bradley Watson
BOARD OF RELIEF W∴ Craig Franklin *	(860) 729-3819	RITUAL RW∴ Creg Bell, PDDGM*	(727) 243-2468	1955 Carl Hatcher 1956 William Morgan -NP	2012 R∴ H∴ Richard Sikes 2013 R∴ W∴ Scott Mitchell
Kenneth Leonard Shawn Wright	(727) 237-8413 (813) 778-2399	RW.: Scott Mitchell, PDDGM RW.: Dave Lawrence, PDDGM	(727) 514-6008 (803) 410-2422	1957 Russell Barford	2013 K.: W.: Scott Witterleif 2014 Henry Eichner
RW∴ Creg Bell, PDDGM RW∴ Scott Mitchell, PDDGM	(727) 243-2468 (727) 514-6008	RW.: Ray Vance, PDDGM	(727) 514-3181	1958 Francis Jones 1959 Albert Cliffe -NP	2015 R∴ W∴ Creg Bell 2017 Dan Anger
CHARITY		PUBLICITY AND INTERNET  W∴ Craig Franklin *	(860) 729-3819	1960 E. Thonneson	2018 Anthony Straquadine
W∴ Craig Franklin * Kenneth Leonard Shawn Wright	(860) 729-3819 (727) 237-8413 (813) 778-2399	Matthew Montano REFRESHMENTS	(727) 534-8272	1961 Donald Sommer -NP 1962 Ralph Taylor -NP	2019 Shawn Abel 2020 Seneca "Ponytail" Beal
RW∴ Creg Bell, PDDGM RW∴ Scott Mitchell, PDDGM	(727) 243-2468 (727) 514-6008	Shawn Wright * Kenneth Leonard Matthew Montano	(813) 778-2399 (727) 237-8413 (727) 534-8272	1963 D.C. McClearen -NP 1964 Fred Smith	2021 Bruce Reinartsen 2022 R∴ W∴ David Lawrence
FINANCE	(707) 007 0440	W∴ Larry Spector, PM	(317) 908-6304	1965 W.A. North	2023 Jacob Carter
Kenneth Leonard * W∴ Craig Franklin *	(727) 237-8413 (860) 729-3819	VIGILANCE		1966 W.A. North 1967 Joseph McMath	2024 Glenn Valcarcel
W∴ Glenn Valcarcel, PM	(732) 778-5314	Shawn Wright * Kenneth Leonard	(813) 778-2399 (727) 237-8413	1968 J.P McAllister -NP	
Shawn Wright RW∴ Creg Bell, PDDGM	(813) 778-2399 (727) 243-2468	W∴ Craig Franklin	(860) 729-3819	1969 W.C. Calkins -NP	
RW∴ Scott Mitchell, PDDGM	(727) 514-6008	CATECHISM INSTRUCTORS		1970 / 1971 Roger E. Michels	
RW∴ Dave Lawrence, PDDGM Fred Fleet	(803) 410-2422 (727) 810-9013	W∴ Glenn Valcarcel *			
LODGE PROPERTY	(12.) 0.0 00.0	Shawn Wright Kenneth Leonard	(813) 778-2399 (727) 237-8413	1973 Norman R. Wakefield -NP	
W∴ Craig Franklin *	(860) 729-3819	Phillip Holly	(727) 271-2242	1974 Gary Joiner 1975 K.M. Olson	
W∴ Glenn Valcarcel, PM Kenneth Leonard	(732) 778-5314	W∴ Jon Kueny, PM RW∴ Ray Vance, PDDGM	(727) 742-5381 (727) 514-3181	1976 Lynn McLarty	
Phillip Holly	(727) 237-8413 (727) 271-2242	VISITATION	, , , , , , , ,	1977 Perry A. North	
RW∴ Creg Bell, PDDGM	(727) 243-2468	W∴ Craig Franklin *	(860) 729-3819	1978 D.W. Prescott	
PETITIONS		W∴ Glenn Valcarcel * Robert Adams	(732) 778-5314 (727) 787-4574	1979 Jed Pittman -NP	
RW∴ Scott Mitchell, PDDGM *	(727) 514-6008	W∴ Jon Kueny, PM	(727) 742-5381	1980 Gene Ore	
W.: Craig Franklin W.: Glenn Valcarcel, PM	(860) 729-3819 (732) 778-5314	INVESTIGATION		1981 George Morgan	
Kenneth Leonard	(727) 237-8413	Shawn Wright *	(813) 778-2399	1982 Joseph W. Blum	
RW∴ Creg Bell, PDDGM	(727) 243-2468	ACACIA AND FUNERAL		1983 George Justin -NP 1984 Michael Helsel	
MASONIC EDUCATION		Robert Adams * W∴ Jon Kueny, PM	(727) 787-4574 (727) 742-5381	1985 J.A. Thompson	
RW∴ Dave Lawrence, PDDGM * Kenneth Leonard	(803) 410-2422 (727) 237-8413	RW∴ Ray Vance, PDDGM	(727) 514-3181	1986 Seth B. Willets	
John Nagy	(12.720.0410	Events	, ,	1987 Ronald C. Newton	
MENTOR		W∴ Glenn Valcarcel *	(732) 778-5314	1988 R∴ W∴ Angelo Rossello	
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Fred Fleet Phillip Holly

\* Denotes Chairman

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RW∴ Scott Mitchell, PDDGM
W∴ Ken Snow, PM

your dues. These contributions help keep our Lodge running smoothly from maintaining our building to supporting our charitable efforts and fellowship activities.

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As of today, 40 of our 176 members have not yet paid their 2025 dues. Final dues notices have recently been mailed to those who are still outstanding. Please note that 2025 dues must be paid before December 27th to avoid suspension. To those who have already taken care of their 2025 dues thank you for your prompt support and dedication to the Lodge.

We understand that life sometimes brings unexpected challenges. If assistance is needed, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Secretary or Worshipful Master. Quiet arrangements can always be made, and your Lodge stands ready to support you as a Brother. If anyone wishes to

discreetly assist another by covering their dues, please contact the Secretary to make arrangements.

Master will review any comments, and will seek to improve on the suggestions.

For those seeking a permanent solution, Perpetual Memberships are also available. By investing twenty times the current annual dues, a Brother may obtain a Perpetual Membership and never have to pay dues again. This option not only secures your standing in the Lodge for life but also provides lasting support for the future of our fraternity. Please let me know if you require additional information about Perpetual Memberships. As the District 14 Chairman for Perpetual Membership, I can help.

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In closing, paying dues on time is more than a financial obligation — it's a way we each show our commitment to the Craft and to one another. Thank you for helping us keep our Lodge strong, united, and welcoming to all.

Respectfully and Fraternally,

RW Scott Mitchell, PDDGM Secretary