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### HONORARY MEMBERS

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# **COMMITTEES**

### STRATEGIC PLANNING

George Heflich, John Lawler, Richard Tom

### **FINANCE**

Richard Tom, Michael Maldonado, Ed Honchen

### **INVESTIGATIONS**

Daniel Lukowiak, John Lawler, Alberto Garcia, Robert Rountree

### MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Will Sikora, Daniel Yang, Delton Diaz

### RITUAL INSTRUCTION

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### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Kyle Wadleigh, Daniel Lukowiak

### **HALL USE**

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"Liberty, when it begins to take root, is a plant of rapid growth"

- Br. George Washington

"Words are...the most powerful drug used by mankind"

-Br. Rudyard Kipling





"The only thing we have to fear, is fear itself"

-Br. Franklin Delano Roosevelt

### LIVING PAST MASTERS

Robert G. Handy - 1965 Richard S. Kondak - 1967 Edward Honchen, PGC - 1970 Anthony Restivo - 1975/79 Richard Kacvinski - 1977 Donald J. Testa - 1981 Rich Petermann, PDDGM -1983/96 Eugene D. Fucetola - 1984\* Carl Steinmetz, PGC - 1988 Richard Goldrick, PGC - 1999 Neil Henning - 2001 Nigel A. Duguid-2002 George H. Heflich Jr., PDDGM - 2003 Dale Weingarten - 2004@/05 Rowland Francis, PJGD - 2005\*/08\* Langdon Wagner Jr. - 2006 Anthony Santiago - 2007 Wayne Petermann - 2008 Franklin Suco - 2009 Dalton Mejia, PDRI - 2010 Jose E. Villalta, PDDGM - 2011/14 Girard Lukowiak - 2012/13 Erick Andersen - 2015 Joel Finnerty - 2016 Javier Osorio - 2017 Michael Diaz - 2018/19 Raul Maldonado - 2020

### LODGE TRUSTEES

R.W. George Heflich	2020
W.B. Jerry Lukowiak	
W.B. Joel Finnerty	2022

Every 3rd Tuesday we open our doors to the Red Cross. Let's donate to save a life. See you there. Brother!

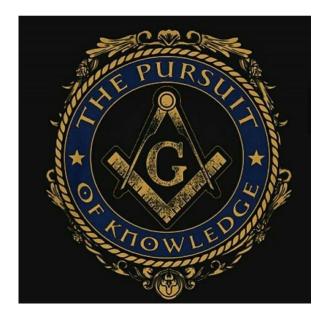


# NUTLEY LODGE NO. 25

FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS



# **AUGUST 2020**



Stated Communications held on the First and Third Mondays The Gavel sounds at 7 PM

175 Chestnut Street Nutley, New Jersey 07110 (973) 235-9629

https://www.Nutley25.org/

# The Benefits of Symbolism

Brothers,

As Masons we are taught a basic understanding of symbolism. On it's surface it is a simple language, a beautiful mixture of shapes and images meant to convey wisdom and provoke thought. But what if these symbols could actually benefit our lives?

I don't intend to discuss the various meanings behind each symbol, or the countless philosophical treasures that lay within. I would like to instead highlight the tangible value that can be attained by peeling back their layers.

In the Blue Lodge we are introduced to historical symbols at every step of our journey. We receive beautiful lectures packed with introspective themes and messages. But how can we use them in day to day life? The following two steps will deliver what you seek: Investigation and Contemplation.

Before diving deep into esoteric meanings, it is always best to investigate and build a foundation for the symbol in question. What is its origin? What is its Masonic meaning? Do other societies use it? We can read the thoughts of other minds and accept their interpretation if we'd like, but the real value comes from contemplating the symbols ourselves.

As Masons we know the value of quiet contemplation. The act itself is important for mental and physical wellbeing. With a calm mind, we can think about a symbol. We can reflect on what we already know. We can ask ourselves how a symbol interconnects with others. Is this symbol feminine or masculine, etc. Question every aspect that comes to mind. In time we will find our own meanings.

In modern society we tend to overlook the importance of mental wellbeing. Through investigation and contemplation we can both exercise and relax our minds, a health regimen for our brains. We will also gain the added benefit of Masonic knowledge and wisdom.

Br. Kyle P. Wadleigh Sr. Senior Deacon of the Lodge

# MASTER'S NOTES

# ALL Brothers can attend our virtual meetings, its easy!

### August 3rd - FC Proficiencies/ Balloting

An emergent communication so that our Fellowcrafts can finally perform their FC proficiencies. They have patiently studied throughout this trying time and are prepared for this final step before their MM Degree.

We will also be voting on reinstatement for three more bothers!

At Lodge 6:30 Sharp

### **August 10th - Temple Association Meeting**

We will meet at the Temple to discuss fund raising and the next stages

of our building renovation.

Come join us for dinner, meeting to follow.

At Lodge 6:30 Sharp



### <u>August 17th - Historic Alpha Lodge</u> <u>Presentation</u>

W.B. Jonathan Davis of Alpha Lodge will be giving his address over Zoom on the fascinating history, tribulations and victories of our own Alpha Lodge. This will prove to be a very interesting meeting!!

Zoom 7:00 Sharp

Meeting ID: 885 3519 9439



## August 18th - The Third Eye

This will be our second monthly thought provoking discussion-group meeting. The topic will be **The After Life.** 

# OFFICERS

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# **AUGUST'S BIRTHDAYS**

### **Br. Junior Deacon Delton Diaz**

4 Years!

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY BROTHER!



### CANDIDATES IN WAITING

### **Petition Pending**

Mr. Joseph Thomas Finnerty
Financial Consultant
North Caldwell, NJ

### **Awaiting Re-Instatement**

Br. Randal Ellis

Br. Christopher Lichanski Br. Konrad Roslonek

### Awaiting The Fellowcraft Degree

Br. Alex R. Blocker Br. Luis Sanchez

### Awaiting The Master Mason Degree

Br. Damian De Fazio

Br. Matthew Louis De Fede

**Br. Christian Lopez** 

Br. Yasin Salem

Br. Ian T. Smith

**Br. Oscar Torres** 

At Lodge 6:30 Sharp