

SECRETARY'S REPORT 2009			
		Regular	Dual
Starting Membership		159	13
	Raised	13	0
	Affiliated	0	2
	Restored	0	0
Total Additions		13	2
DEDUCTIONS			
	Suspended	1	0
	Dimit / Withdrawn	0	1
	Deceased	4	0
Total Deductions		5	1
Total Members (12/31/2009)		167	14
TOTAL			181

CASH RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS			
Beginning Cash Balance			\$ 65,948.49
RECEIPTS			
Dues	29,745.75		
Fees - App, Home, Init	3,705.00		
Donations	176.00		
Interest Income	478.38		
Misc. Receipts	3,802.17		
TOTAL RECEIPTS			\$ 37,907.30
Total Receipts & Cash			\$ 103,855.79
DISBURSEMENTS			
Charitable Contributions	6,540.00	Includes GL Assessments	
Gifts / Honorariums	1,559.86	Includes gift to Worshipful Master	
Officer Stipends	650.00		
Rent Donation	15,000		
Cost of Meetings	7,969.95	Includes Grand Lodge rooms	
Postage	1,018.03		
Grand Lodge per capita	1,825.50		
Insurance	688.00		
Printing / Sec Expense	1,707.38		
Miscellaneous	411.00		
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS			\$ 37,369.72
ENDING CASH BALANCE			\$ 66,486.07
Investments (Janus Fund)			\$ 25,000.00
Ending Balance Net Worth			\$ 91,486.07



CANDIDATES FOR INITIATION OR ADVANCEMENT

Mr. WILLIAM C. BENDER (37)
 14 GASKIN AVE., SPOTSWOOD, NJ
 OCCUPATION - HVAC MECH. ENCON MECHANICAL
 RECOMMENDERS - JAMES SMITH, WB BRIAN WHARY
 COMMITTEE - **TO BE ASSIGNED**

Mr. PAUL ERIC MOHLMAN (40)
 284 WATER ST., PERTH AMBOY, NJ
 OCCUPATION - PROJECT MGR., BILTMORE G.C.
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 RICHARD REBNICKY
 COMMITTEE: WB ANDY LICHTER, DON PETERSON, WB JAMES FEALY

APPLICATIONS FOR DUAL MEMBERSHIP

RW BRO. LEONARD MANDELBLATT
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 MEMBER: PALESTINE No. 111
 OCCUPATION - RETIRED

AWAITING ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE

MR. JOHN P. BENDER
 MR. ANTHONY DELANO
 MR. CATALIN LASCU
 MR. ANTHONY MURRO
 MR. RICHARD R. REBNICKY

AWAITING FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE

BRO. EA ERIC BARKER HAAS

AWAITING MASTER MASON DEGREE

BRO. FC ADAM G. ZENZER

PENDING MASTER MASON EXAMINATION

BRO. THOMAS C. JANUSZKIEWCZ
 BRO. BRIAN BOYD
 BRO. ALBERTO MENDOZA
 BRO. AARON S. PRESUTTO

MM EXAMINATIONS ARE REQUIRED WITHIN 6 MONTHS OF DEGREE OTHERWISE BROTHER IS SUBJECT TO AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION



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W.B. Kevin W. Whary.....**Historian**
Rolando Font.....**Proxy G.L.**

TEAM WORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK TRUSTEES

RW John L. Kratzer, W.B. David Blakey, WB Andrea M. Lichter
DISTINGUISHED WHITE APRON AWARDS
 Brother Norman F. Hoover
 Brother John Peter York
 Brother Charles E. Sicknick

GRAND MASTER OF MASONS FOR THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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Philo Lodge

No. 243

Free & Accepted Masons

Constituted May 2, 1923

Maat is the Egyptian Goddess of Harmony and Justice

MARCH - APRIL
AD 2010 AL 6010
Regular Communication
 Second & Fourth Tuesday of Each Month
 Except July & August

Masonic Temple
 120 Old Bridge Turnpike
 South River, NJ 08882
 (732) 254-9867
<http://www.philolodge.net>

LIGHT FROM THE EAST

Dear Brethren,

Harmony is defined as the simultaneous use of pitches, tones or notes, the study of which involves chords, their construction and progressions, as well as the principals that govern them.

We find the importance of Harmony reiterated at each opening and closing of Lodge, when the Senior Warden says "*Peace and Harmony being the strength and support of all institutions, especially this of ours.*"

What might we learn from this simple phrase that we have heard so many times spoken in our ritual? What does it mean for us as men and Masons, and how can the perfect teachings of music help us bring this important Masonic Fundamental into practice in Lodge and in our daily lives?

When last we talked about the role of vibrations in music, we found that each of us vibrates on a specific frequency. Like the striking of a tuning fork, when we are in "*tune*" with our brothers, peace and Harmony abound, because we are all working off the same "*sheet of music.*" We all vibrate at a harmonious rate with each other.

When unfortunate situations sometimes put us out of tune or at odds with others, the laws of Harmony remain in play, however, tension is introduced into the overall feel or vibratory rate. To the discerning Mason, something just feels amiss.

The laws of Harmony dictate that this tension must be resolved, so as to restore the overall harmonious vibratory character of the whole. We know from listening to music that an unresolved musical composition feels incomplete. It begs for resolution and completion.

In Proverbs 6, we are instructed in the importance of Harmony among brothers. If we take the time to read, we find that there are six things displeasing to TGAOTU. The seventh thing is said to be an abomination to Him, and must be clearly avoided "*He that soweth discord among brethren.*"

One way we may be able to reduce tension and bring about resolution is to do so in a manner that does not introduce further disharmony or tension, as that tension will also need resolution. And so on... and so on.

In the Fellowcraft Charge, we are instructed not to "*palliate nor to aggravate the offenses of our brothers.*" This is a good first step, and a means toward avoiding an endless cycle of tension.

And so my brothers, maybe we can all learn something from the Holy Bible as well as our own Fellowcraft Charge, and that is that some amount of circumspection may be in order for each of us regarding our dealings with all of our brethren, not just the ones that vibrate happily along with us.

Fraternally,

Brian G. Whary,
Worshipful Master 2010



DESIGNS UPON THE TRESTLEBOARD

Saturday March 6th..... 11:00 AM - 3 PM
Master Mason's Lodge

Our recently Raised Master Masons and aspiring Fellowcraft Masons are encouraged to come out to and work with the Brothers to paint our front service bar. A great opportunity for fellowship and to work with your Brothers on your proficiency.

Monday March 8th 7:00 PM
Officer's Ritual Rehearsal for EA Degree
Officer attendance mandatory

Tuesday March 9th7:30 PM
Entered Apprentice Degree
Come and assist in bringing candidates from darkness to light.
Officer's dress - FORMAL

Wednesday March 10th7:30 PM
DISTRICT LODGE OF INSTRUCTION - Union Lodge
Officers attendance is required

Tuesday March 23rd 7:30 PM
Regular Business Meeting
Officers Attendance required



Sunday March 28 8AM - 1 PM
DELUXE COUNTRY BREAKFAST
WITH THE
EASTER BUNNY
Come and have your child's photo
with the nice Easter Rabbit and
have a fine all you can eat
breakfast.

Go ahead, make my Day !

Saturday April 3rd11:00 AM - 3 PM
Entered Apprentice Lodge

Our new EAs are encouraged to come out to work with the FC and MM to clean up the Lodge and work on their proficiency.

Monday April 12th7.00 PM
Officer's Ritual Rehearsal - Fellowcraft Degree
Officers Attendance required

Tuesday April 13th7.30 PM
Fellowcraft Degree
Officers Attendance required, dress formal

Wednesday April 14th7:00 PM
DISTRICT LODGE OF INSTRUCTION - St. Stephens
Officers attendance is required

Tuesday April 27th7.30 PM
Regular Business Meeting - CANCELED
Lodge does not meet due to
223rd Annual Grand Lodge Communication

Tuesday April 27th 10 AM - 4 PM
MASTER'S GOLF TOURNAMENT
Brigantine Golf Links, Brigantine NJ
Outsmart the check-in rush and watch the
Worshipful Master break windows and injure old ladies at
our Annual Masters Golf Tournament.
Round of golf with cart, \$50 , Laughs, priceless

Tuesday April 27th - Thursday April 29th
223RD ANNUAL GRAND LODGE COMMUNICATION
Bally's Hotel, Atlantic City NJ
Please review proposed legislation changes in the
NJ Freemason or download at
<http://www.newjerseygrandlodge.org/>
No off-site voting this year
For room reservations, contact Bally's Hotel @
1-800-345-7253 and mention Masonic Group.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM THE GRAND MASTER EDICT

In recognition of the challenges facing brethren who are not computer-literate or do not have computer access to cast ballots for elected Grand Lodge and Charity Foundation candidates, the costs involved for Internet based balloting that in the past have proven excessive considering the low number of voters who have participated in that option, and in acknowledgment of the positive experience of attending the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge in person to sit side by side as brethren dwelling in harmony, the provisions of section 3, part 3(e) of the Grand Lodge By-laws are hereby suspended. There will be no off site balloting this year.

By order of:
William H. Berman
MW William H. Berman
Grand Master

Attest:
Larry S. Plasket
MW Larry S. Plasket, PGM
Grand Secretary

GRAND LODGE BANQUET AT THE 223RD ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

Place: Ocean Ballroom, 6th Floor, Bally's Park Place Hotel & Casino
Date: **Wednesday, 28 April 2010**
Time: Social Hour - 6:00 P.M. (Cash Bar) Dinner - 7:00 P.M.
Menu: Chicken or Seafood or Beef
Price: \$ 45.00 Per Person
Entertainment
For tickets, please forward your check made payable to the Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of New Jersey for the number of tickets needed and the meal choice, along with a SASE, to the Grand Secretary's Office, 1114 Oxmead Road, Burlington, NJ 08016.
The DEADLINE for reservations is Friday, 19 March 2010. Tables of 10 can be reserved. **We must have the name and meal choice of every person**



CALLED TO THE LODGE ON HIGH

Bro. Phillip G. Foust Jr. - January 14, 2010

LEVEL CLUB CORNER

Tuesday March 16th.....8.00 PM
Level Club Meeting
Tuesday April 20th8.00 PM
Level Club Meeting

LEVEL CLUB CONTACTS

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GRAND LODGE EVENTS

Grand Lodge Alcoholic Beverage Policy for Lodges
Please read it online at our website at
<http://www.philolodge.net/documents/AlcoholicBeveragePolicy.pdf>

Friday March 5..... 6:00 PM
UNITY TABLE LODGE 2010
Social - 6PM, Dinner / Table Lodge - 7PM
Fellowship Hall, Burlington NJ
\$35pp all inclusive
Open to all ladies of Master Masons and Appendant bodies.
Send SASE with payment to GL of NJ by 2/26 to
GL of NJ, 1114 Oxmead Rd, Burlington NJ

Saturday March 20th..... 6:00 PM
CHAIRMAN'S BALL

Fellowship Center, 1114 Oxmead Rd., Burlington, N.J.
Break out your platform shoes and leisure suits and celebrate the 70's at this year's Gala Disco Cruise, the theme of the 2010 Chairman's Ball. Black tie attire. 70's style clothing is encouraged. Dancing to The Kenny I Orchestra until 11 P.M.
There will also be an opportunity to win a cruise for two that evening. \$20 strips of tickets will be sold and the winner will be drawn that evening. There will be no pre-selling of tickets so you have to attend to have the chance to win the cruise.
All profits from the Ball and the cruise raffle will go to the Masonic Home of New Jersey.
This event is always a sellout so send your check for \$130 per person, payable to "Masonic Charity Foundation of NJ," to Charity Foundation Development Office, 902 Jacksonville Rd., Burlington, N.J., 08016 as soon as possible.
Tables for a group often people can be reserved by calling 609 239-3940. Tickets can also be charged to your credit card by calling the same phone number.

Sunday March 28..... 4:00 PM
Masonic Family Hockey Game
Trenton Devils vs Elmira Jackals
Sovereign Bank Arena, Trenton NJ
Tickets \$15.00 lower level behind net, \$18.00 club level
Benefit Hero Scholarship Fund
Send SASE with payment to GL of NJ
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