

THE ATHELSTANIAN



ATHELSTANE LODGE No. 839

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Naurashank Temple
2 South Middletown Road
Pearl River, NY 10965

Communications each 1st and 3rd Tuesday
Mailing Address: 18 Buena Vista Rd. Suffern, NY 10901

March 2009

Brethren:

You are cordially invited to attend the:

2142nd Stated Communication

Tuesday, March 3, 2009

Officers Dress: Business Attire

Place: Naurashank Temple, Pearl River, NY

Business: Regular business meeting,

Program: Predatory Lending and Mortgage Modification

The Lodge will open at 6:00pm with collation starting at 6:30pm and business beginning at 7:30pm. A talk will be given by mortgage expert Mr. Glenn Hall regarding predatory lending and mortgage modification.

2143rd Stated Communication

Tuesday, March 17, 2009

Officers Dress: Business Attire

Place: Naurashank Temple, Pearl River, NY

Business: Regular Business Meeting

Program: Bankruptcy Reform

The Lodge will open at 6:00pm with collation starting at 6:30pm followed by business at 7:30pm. A talk will be given by Hon. Scott B. Ugell, Clarkstown Town Justice, regarding reform of the bankruptcy laws.

ORDMA Dinner Dance

Saturday, March 14, 2009

Place: Brookside Manor, 2257 Goshen Turnpike, Middletown

Business: Honoring R.W. Harold Jones & Right Worthy Marie Sager

Cocktail starts at 6:30pm. Cost is \$58.00 pp. The Lodge will cover one-half the cost. RSVP with R.W. Ronald Steiner. A check covering one-half the cost must be paid in advance.

United Hospice of Rockland - Blood Drive

Monday, March 16, 2009

Place: United Hospice of Rockland; 11 Stokum Lane, New City

Time: 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm

We are partnering with United Hospice of Rockland in running this blood drive. **We are in need of volunteers and donors.** Please RSVP for both to Br. Alec Mulgrew at (845) 639-4664, (914) 643-2957 or amulgrew@mulgrewsassoc.com.

AWAITING BALLOT FOR AFFILIATION – DUAL MEMBERSHIP
Brother Manuel Norat

AWAITING REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE AND BALLOT

Mr. Michael J. Joy: proposed by RW Mel Birnbaum 1/27/09
Major Frank Letizuia: proposed by Bro. William Schroeder 4/2/08
Mr. Robert E. Lysiak, Jr.: proposed by Bro. Howard Whitman 9/15/08
Mr. Dennis T.P. O'Connor, Jr.: proposed by Bro. Jose Cardona 1/21/09
Mr. Michael B. Seidenfrau: proposed by Bro. Howard Whitman 7/10/08

AWAITING FIRST DEGREE

Mr. Andrew Jersey, Elected 4/15/08
Mr. Daniel E. Mateyka, Elected 11/4/08
Mr. Eric M. Mateyka, Elected 1/6/09

AWAITING SECOND DEGREE

Bro. Joseph Chapley, Initiated 11/28/06
Bro. Roy Richard Powell, Initiated 2/5/08
Bro. James T. Shanahan, Initiated 1/20/09

AWAITING THIRD DEGREE

Bro. Christopher J. Considine, Passed 3/7/06
Bro. Douglas Ward, Passed 2/17/09
Bro. Frank P. Sparaco, Passed 2/6/07

THE FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE





CELEBRATING WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY IN GRAND STYLE !!!

Knickerbocker Chapter No 13 of National Sojourners, Inc., celebrated Washington's Birthday with its annual traditional luncheon at the Old '76 House in Tappan, NY. There were some 40 Brothers ladies and guests present. The occasion was highlighted by the obligation of four new members into National Sojourners, a Masonic organization of former military men. Following these ceremonies all present attended the annual Washington's Birthday celebration at the DeWint House - George Washington HQ Historic Site in Tappan owned by the Grand Lodge of NY.

Shown here, (left to right) are Knickerbocker President Major CF William Maurer (RW and Past Master of Athelstane Lodge No 839 Pearl River, NY), WO2 Raul Echevarra (Master of West Point Lodge No 877), Bro Herbert A. Bloom (member of Consolidated Lodge No 31, NYC), UCCM Tomas Lavinski (RW Grand Director of Ceremonies, Delaware Lodge No 561, Callicoon, NY) and LTC (ret) Jack Moore (West Point Lodge No 877).



CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- 03/03/2009 Predatory Lending and Mortgage Modification
- 03/14/2009 ORDMA Dinner Dance
- 03/17/2009 Bankruptcy Reform by Ho. Scott B. Ugell
- 03/26/2009 Grand Lecturer's Convention
- 03/27/2009 Safety ID Program at Jawanio
- 04/07/2009 DeMolay Ritual
- 04/21/2009 3rd Degree
- 05/05/2009 Brother Bring a Friend Night (Open)
- 05/19/2009 Election of Officers
- 06/02/2009 Installation of Officers
- 06/16/2009 End of Year Party (Open)



Safety ID Program

Friday, March 27 2009

Place: Jawanio; 260 North Little Tor Road, New City
Business: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. We anticipate processing approximately 130 people. The program will begin at 12:00pm and end at 4:00pm. Please notify Br. Gebbia of your expected attendance.

The Master's Station

Congratulations to Brother Douglas Ward upon his passing to the degree of Fellowcraft. Br. Ron Pomerance sat in the East and conferred the degree in an exemplary manner. Br. Alec Mulgrew took the role of Senior Warden and presented the Working Tools. Br. Howard Bleiwas was Junior Warden. Br. John Gebbia was the Senior Deacon who also did an excellent job with Br. Richard Butts as Jr. Deacon. W. Nate Metlitz was the Marshall. Bros. Howard Whitman and Richard Schwartz were the Stewards with Bros. Shannon Heithcock and Robert Trow as Senior and Junior Masters of Ceremonies. V.W. Scott Klein was Tiler. R.W. Joel Rossenwasser gave the Middle Chamber lecture flawlessly. Q&A were performed by Bros. Ron Steiner and John Gebbia. I gave the charge. Thank you to all the officers for the excellent work that evening.

GRAND LECTURER'S CONVENTION

The G.L.C. program this year will be the opening of the Lodge. Athelstane is assigned the role of Jr. Deacon. V.W. Scott A. Klein has been instrumental in organizing the Convention in the recent past years. It has always been a wonderful night of learning and fellowship. It is open to all Brothers, but it is a duty of the Lodge Officers to attend. I urge all Brothers to set aside the night; you will not be disappointed.

Sickness and Distress

Happy to report R.W. Bruce Klein is back on his feet after his successful appendectomy by Br. Dr. George Liberis.

On a sad note, Br. Bob Carmen's wife, Sydelle, was forced to undergo open-heart surgery when the operation to install a pacemaker was unsuccessful. Please keep the Carmen family in your prayers.

Br. Mal Blotner is feeling under the weather. Please keep Br. Mal in you thoughts and prayers

Reminder: If you haven't done so already, please consider getting the Trestleboard by email rather than by regular mail. The savings will be allocated for Charity use. Please e-mail a note stating you want to participate. My e-mail is tomsassone@optonline.net.


Thomas Sassone, Master

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Br. Richard Schwartz D.S.A

Past Masters

David Richards	2007-08	R.W. Giles M. Purvis	1977	Jay Helfgott	affl.
Louis M. Irizarry III	2006-07	Norman J. Greenberg *	1976	George Liberis	affl.
R.W. Bruce Klein	2005-06	R.W. Harold J. Dresdale	1976	Nate Metlitz	affl.
R.W. Louis M. Irizarry II	2003-05	R.W. Martin Lindenberg	1975	M.W. Carl J. Fitje	Hon.
Harry F. Anderson	2002-03	Sander A. Lefkowitz *	1974	R.W. Charles Antzelevitch	Hon.
Harry E. Kramer	2001-02	Erwin L. Robbins	1973-74	R.W. Hon. Benjamin Gilman	Hon.
R.W. Peter J. D. Dedel	1999-01	Leonard J. Plotch *	1972	R.W. Albert E. Mealey	Hon.
Harry E. Kramer *	1999-00	Henry Morris	1972, 1985	R.W. Norman E. Moon	Hon.
Thomas P. Walden *	1997-98	R.W. Eugene W. Erickson	1971		
R.W. C.F. William Maurer III	1997-99	Charles K. Dunlop *	1969	* Tappan Zee Lodge No. 1125	
R.W. Glen L. Weinberg *	1994-97	Allen P. Oster	1969		
R.W. Joel Rosenwasser	1993-95	Henry Chait *	1967		
R.W. Mel Birnbaum	1992, 1995-97	Morton Baron	1967		
Anthony Urbinato	1987-88, 1990	Murray Kaplowitz *	1965		
George Bielski	1986, 1989, 1992	Robert Maidman *	1958		
V.W. Scott A. Klein *	1984, 1992-94	M.W. Neil I. Bidnick	affl.		
	1998-99	R.W. Robert Blanke	affl.		
Richard H. Fassberg	1984, 1991	R.W. Daniel E. Jonas	affl.		
Gerald P. Rickard	1983	R.W. Ronald J. Steiner	affl.		
Harold N. Eder *	1981	Alvin M. Russell	affl.		
Barry Ronner	1980-82	Stuart Sindell	affl.		
Eugene Foladare, DSA *	1979	Arthur S. Vener	affl.		
R.W. Marvin R. Gess	1979	Harry Sky	affl.		