

THE ATHELSTANIAN



ATHELSTANE LODGE No. 839

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June 2010

M.:W.: Vincent Libone
Grand Master of Masons

R.:W.: Louis M. Irizarry II
District Deputy Grand Master

May 24, 2010

Brethren:

2168TH STATED COMMUNICATION

Tuesday, June 1, 2010 @ 7:30 p.m.

Officers Dress: Business Attire

Place: Masonic Temple, Pearl River, NY

Business: "George Washington's Other Apron" a presentation by R.:W.: C.F. William Maurer III;balloting on candidates; Entered Apprentice "walk through".

Time: Dinner at 6:30 p.m.; Lodge Opens at 7:30 p.m.

2169TH STATED COMMUNICATION

Tuesday, June 15, 2010 @ 6:00 p.m.

Officers Dress: Business Attire

Place: daNina Italian Restaurant, Suffern, NY

Business: Annual Awards Dinner

Time: Cocktails at 6:30 p.m.; Dinner at 7:30 p.m.

On The Cover

Detail of Bronze Door, N.Y. Grand Lodge Executive Offices

A detail of one of the square and compasses adorning the bronze doors (the right hand door) leading to the Executive Offices of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, Masonic Hall, 17th Floor.



Work on the Trestleboard

Awaiting Report of Investigation Committee

Major Frank Letizuia	proposed by Bro William Schroeder	04/02/08
Mr. Michael B. Seidenfrau	proposed by Bro. Howard Whitman	07/10/08
Mr. Robert E. Lysiak, Jr.	proposed by Bro. Howard Whitman	09/15/08
Mr. Seth Patrick Lee	proposed by Bro. Duncan R. Lee II	10/20/09
Mr. Michael Albert Olno	proposed by Bro. Richard M. Butts, Jr.	10/23/09
Cantor Seth Jay Geffen	proposed by W.: David Richards	09/11/09
Mr. Anthony John Barbato	proposed by R.:W.: Mel Birnbaum	11/21/09
Mr. Martin B. Lieberman	proposed by R.:W.: Joel Rosenwasser	10/01/09

Awaiting First Degree

Mr. Andrew Jersey	Elected 04/15/08
Mr. Brian Michael Gonzalez	Elected 04/06/10

Awaiting Second Degree

Bro. Joseph Chapley	Initiated 11/28/06
Bro. James T. Shanahan	Initiated 01/20/09
Bro. Daniel E. Mateyka	Initiated 11/17/09
Bro. Eric M. Mateyka	Initiated 11/17/09
Bro. Dennis T.P. O'Connor, Jr.	Initiated 11/17/09



JAWONIO GOLF OUTING

The 22nd Annual Jawonio Golf Outing will be held on **Monday, June 7, 2010** at Dellwood Country Club in New City. For more information call (845) 708-2000 ext 1329.

Jawonio is asking for hands-on assistance with this outing. We are looking for about a half-dozen volunteers to help with registration, etc. on that day. Please notify R.:W.: Ron Steiner if you can help.

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Athelstane Lodge *2010 Awards Dinner*



DATE: Tuesday, June 15th
TIME: Reception 6:30 PM; Dinner and Program 7:30 PM
PLACE: da Nina Restaurant in Suffern at One Lafayette Avenue (Route 59)
COST: Special Subsidized pricing ... \$60 per couple payable in advance by check to:

Athelstane Lodge No. 839

Please RSVP to R.:W.: Ron Steiner by June 1st. Mail checks to:
18 Buena Vista Road, Suffern, NY 10901-1730.

We will be marking some very special Masonic Birthdays with the presentation of appropriate Grand Lodge Years of Service Awards, and for a few very deserving Brothers of ours, we will award their 50 Year - 55 Year - 60 Year Grand Lodge certificates and pins.

Also, we will honor Worshipful Tom Sassone and Worshipful Alec Mulgrew with their Past Master's Aprons; and in addition we will present Worshipful Brother Al Oster with the Grand Lodge Dedicated Service Award for his many years of service to our Lodge, and a long overdue Purple Apron to our own Right Worshipful Bruce Klein, Grand Lodge Commissioner of Appeals.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 1 George Washington's Other Apron—a presentation by Bill Maurer
June 15 Annual Awards Dinner
June 22 Officers and Committees Meeting
June 25 - 27 St. John's Day Weekend at Masonic Care Community (Utica, NY)

FALL SCHEDULE (A WORK IN PROGRESS)

September 7 Welcome Back Meeting
October 2 Apron Presentation for Louis M. Irizarry II
October 5 Entered Apprentice Degree
November 16 The Lost Symbol - a presentation by Bro. Pastor Marc Isaacs
December 7 Holiday Dinner

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Glad Tidings

Moze! Tov to **W.: LOUIS M. IRIZARRY III** and his lovely bride **REBECCA**, who tied the matrimonial knot May 16th in a double ring ceremony at the New York Country Club in New Hempstead. And congrats to the parents including our own **R.:W.: LOU II** and **WANDA**. May the happy couple enjoy a long and healthy and happy life together filled with much love! They are off on a honeymoon cruise in the Caribbean.

Bro. MAL BLOTNER, DSA, has completed 3 months of medical treatments including chemotherapy and immunotherapy and his doctor's have given him a thumbs up indicating that he is making good progress. Although Mal faces three more months of treatments at a minimum, his voice is strong, he sounds great and he is very optimistic. He hope to see his Brothers of Athelstane at one of our upcoming meetings. In the meantime, please keep our good Brother Mal and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Congratulations to **JILLIAN RICHARDS** daughter of our own **W.: DAVID RICHARDS** and his wife **SALLY ... on her graduation from SUNY Oneonta. Jillian was a proud recipient of a LINDENBERG SCHOLARSHIP** and we all wish her well as she continues her studies at Columbia University Teacher's College this fall

Congratulations also to **COURTNEY LAURA STEWART**, beautiful daughter of **Bro. RONALD STEWART** and his wife **SHERRI**. Courtney is graduating Mahopac HS and entering SUNY Oswego this fall. Her very proud grandparents beaming in the wings are **JOAN** and **R.:W.: RON STEINER**.

Congratulations to **R.:W.: Louis M. Irizarry II** on his appointment as District Deputy Grand Master of the Orange Rockland District.

Sad Tidings

The Lodge has just learned that **Bro. Irving Fass** was called to the Great Architect on Friday, January 15, 2010 in Boynton Beach, FL. Bro. Irving was a Mason for 47 years. Cards and letters of condolence may be sent to Mrs. Estelle Fass, 12671 Coral Lakes Drive, Boynton Beach, FL 33437.

R.:W.: Glen L. Weinberg laid down his working tools on Friday, May 21, 2010, following a long battle with complications from Alzheimer's Disease. A Masonic Service was held on Sunday, May 23rd in Fairlawn, NJ. R.:W.: Glen was a Mason for 35 years. In those years R.:W.: Glen served the craft as master of Tappan Zee Lodge No. 1125, Grand sword Bearer in 1998-1999, and member of the Grand Lodge Committee for the George Washington Historic Site at Tappan and the Masonic Student Assistance Training Program (MSAT).

Tax deductible memorial contributions in R.:W.: Glen's name may be made to the Masonic Brotherhood Fund and mailed to Athelstane Lodge c/o 18 Buena Vista Road, Suffern, NY 10901-1730.

Cards and letters of condolence can be mailed to Sandy Weinberg, Wanaque Reserve, 6109 Warren's Way, Wanaque, NJ 07465-1656.

2010 Installation of Officers



Master-elect, Ronald V. Pomerance, being presented for installation by Installing Marshall R.:W.: Ronald J. Steiner.



Newly installed Master of Athelstane Lodge No. 839
W.: Ronald V. Pomerance and his wife Marion.

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The Master's Station

This being my first trestleboard , it is with humbleness and humility that I express my gratitude to all the brethren of Athelstane for the honor and confidence you have placed upon me. I pledge for myself and the entire line of officers that we will do our best for the betterment of the fraternity.

I would be remiss if I did not express my heartfelt appreciation to our most recent master W.: Alec Mulgrew, to our own "Lou 2", to R.: W.: Ron Steiner and to all those others who rendered their sagely advice and guidance and assisted and participated in the installation ceremony.

The coming year promises to be busy and exciting. We have several candidates awaiting various degrees, all of which must be conferred at the earliest time.

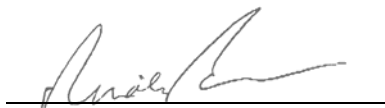
In addition we have a number of items of entertainment which will be exciting and, even educational. On June 1st R.: W.: Bill Maurer will tell us about "George Washington's Other Apron". On Saturday, October 2nd, we will honor our own "Lou 2" with the apron presentation for his new post of DDGM. Best of luck and God Speed. In the fall Bro. Pastor Marc Isaacs will talk about "The Lost Symbol", the most recent of the Dan Brown Books and filled with Masonry. After the Holiday Party, and in the new year, January finds us celebrating Robert Burns birthday and on February 15th, we will be entertained with a presentation of "Rendezvous with Treason" the breathtaking re-enactment of the true story of the attempt by Benedict Arnold to sell the secrets of the West Point defenses to Major Andre, which history tells us could have had disastrous results for the Colonists.

Interspersed with several degree nights, this promises to be a very busy and hopefully entertaining and fulfilling year.

We seek only the cooperation, active participation and attendance by all the brotherhood.

Don't forget the Award Dinner, June 15th, at DaNina's in Suffern. Please get your money in by June 1st to R.:W.: Ron Steiner.

God Bless America.



Ronald V. Pomerance, Master

Officers 2010-2011

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Trustees

R.: W.: Martin Lindenberg R.: W.: Joel Rosenwasser Br. Richard Schwartz D.S.A.

Past Masters

Alexander Mulgrew	2009-10	Eugene Folandare, DSA *	1979	R.: W.: Harry Sky	affl.
Thomas Sassone	2008-09	R.: W.: Marvin R. Gess	1979	Jay Hellgott	affl.
David Richards	2007-08	R.: W.: Giles M. Purvis	1977	George Liberis	affl.
Louis M. Irizarry III	2006-07	Norman J. Greenberg *	1976	Nathan Metlitz	affl.
R.: W.: Bruce Klein	2005-06	R.: W.: Harold J. Dresdale *	1976	M.: W.: Carl J. Fitje	Hon.
R.: W.: Louis M. Irizarry II	2003-05	R.: W.: Martin Lindenberg	1975	R.: W.: Charles Antzelevitch	Hon.
Harry F. Anderson	2002-03	Sander A. Lelkowitz *	1974	R.: W.: Hon. Benjamin Gilman	Hon.
Harry E. Kramer	2001-02	Erwin L. Robbins	1973-74	R.: W.: Albert E. Mealey	Hon.
R.: W.: Peter J. D. Dedel	1999-01	Leonard J. Plotch *	1972	R.: W.: Norman E. Moon	Hon.
Harry E. Kramer *	1999-00	Henry Morris	1972, 1985		
Thomas P. Walden *	1997-98	R.: W.: Eugene W. Erickson	1971	* Tappan Zee Lodge No. 1125	
R.: W.: C.F. William Maurer III	1997-99	Charles K. Dunlop *	1969		
R.: W.: Glen L. Weinberg *	1994-97	Allan P. Oster, D.S.A.	1969		
R.: W.: Joel Rosenwasser	1993-95	Henry Chait *	1967		
R.: W.: Mel Birnbaum	1992, 1995-97	Murray Kaplowitz *	1965		
Anthony Urbinato	1987-88, 1990	Robert Maidman *	1958		
George Bielski	1986, 1989, 1992	M.: W.: Neil I. Bidnick			affl.
V.: W.: Scott A. Klein *	1984, 1992-94	R.: W.: Robert Blanke			affl.
	1998-99	R.: W.: Daniel E. Jonas			affl.
Richard H. Fassberg	1984, 1991	R.: W.: Ronald J. Steiner			affl.
Gerald P. Rickard	1983	Alvin M. Russell			affl.
Harold N. Eder *	1981	Stuart Sindell			affl.
Barry Ronner	1980-82	Arthur S. Vener			affl.