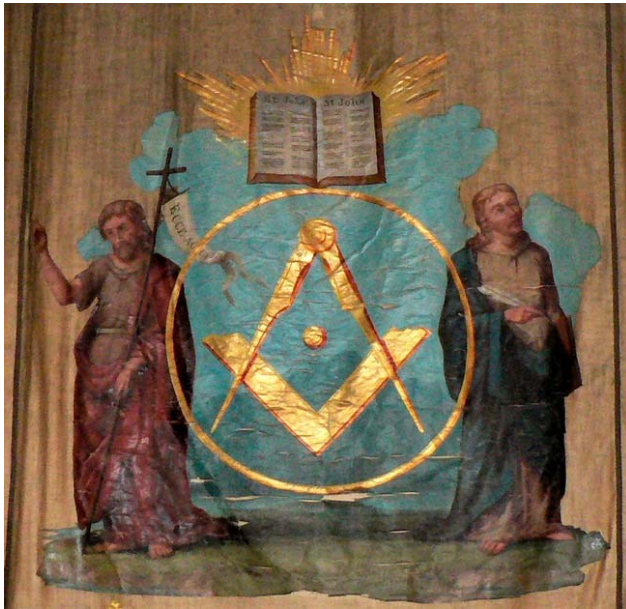


# THE ATHELSTANIAN



## ATHELSTANE LODGE

**No. 839**

**FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS  
INSTITUTED 1902**

Naurashank Temple  
2 South Middletown Road  
Pearl River, NY 10965

Communications 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays  
Mailing Address: 18 Buena Vista Rd. Suffern, NY 10901

June 2013

**M.:W.: James E. Sullivan**  
**Grand Master of Masons**  
**in the State of New York**

**R.:W.: John Cola**  
**District Deputy Grand Master**  
**for the Orange-Rockland District**

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**2232nd STATED COMMUNICATION**

Tuesday, June 4, 2013 at 7:30 PM

You and your Masonic friends are cordially and fraternally invited to attend the 2232nd Stated Communication of Athelstane Lodge No 839, F & A M to be held in the Pearl River Masonic Temple on Tuesday evening, June 4, 2013 at 7:30 PM. Our usual social hour and dinner preceding the meeting will start at 6:30 PM.

The program for this evening will feature a very significant milestone in our lodge's charitable efforts ... the \$5,000 final installment on a \$60,000 commitment Athelstane Lodge made 13 years ago toward the purchase of a confocal microscope used in single cardiac cell research at the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory in Utica. Accepting this check will be RW Arthur Fisch, Vice President of the Cardiac Research Institute at the MMRL. Brother Fisch will give us a summary of the latest advances in the research studies being conducted at MMRL.

To complement this program, our own Brother W.: Louis M. Irizarry, III will give a basic review of CPR. Lou is a trained EMT and Past President of the Pearl River Ambulance Corps. Should prove to be a very interesting evening. Do plan to join us.

Time: Dinner 6:30 p.m.; Lodge Opens at 7:30 p.m.  
Location: Pearl River Masonic Temple  
Attire: Business Attire

**2233rd STATED COMMUNICATION**

Tuesday, June 18, 2013

You and your Ladies are **invited to join us for our Annual Awards Dinner to be held at:**

**CASA MIA MANOR HOUSE**  
**Route 303, Blauvelt, NY**

**please see ad in this Trestleboard of full details.**

Time: Reception at 6:30 p.m.; Dinner ay 7:30 p.m.  
Location: Casa Mia Manor House, Blauvelt, NY  
Attire: Business Attire



## **WORK ON THE TRESTLEBOARD**

### **AWAITING REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE**

Mr. Richard Cespuglio, proposed by Bro. Michael Olmo, 05/23/12  
Mr. Mecene J. Jourdain, proposed by Bro. Michael Olmo, 07/21/12  
Mr. Jonathan Kaufman, proposed by W.: Jay Helfgott, 08/10/12  
Mr. Yitchak Langsam, proposed by Bro. Michael Olmo, 06/14/12  
Mr. Alan DeJesus Santiago, proposed by R.: W.: Ron Steiner, 12/04/12  
Mr. Moshe Surkis, proposed by Bro. Michael Olmo, 06/14/12  
Mr. James Thomas Tribble, proposed by Bro. Seth Lee, 12/04/12

### **AWAITING DEGREE OF ENTERED APPRENTICE**

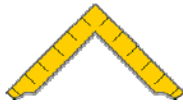
Mr. Mark A. Persaud; Elected 12/04/12

### **AWAITING DEGREE OF FELLOWCRAFT**

Bro. Daniel Edwin Badillo; Initiated 02/05/13  
Bro. Mihail Bajdechi; Initiated 03/20/12  
Bro. Edward Lawrence Jones, Jr.; Initiated 10/16/12  
Bro. Pablo Sandoval; Initiated 10/16/12

### **AWAITING THE SUBLIME DEGREE OF MASTER MASON**

Bro. Daniel Daneshrad; Passed 03/19/13  
Bro. Eric Mateyka; Passed 01/11/11  
Bro. Daniel E. Mateyka; Passed 11/16/10  
Bro. Roy Rizzotti; Passed 04/17/12



## FROM THE EAST

My Brothers:

I am very humbled and proud to be writing to you as Master of Athelstane Lodge. This Lodge has a great history and tradition which I promise to continue to the best of my ability during my term. I want to congratulate W.: Howard Whitman on two masterful years at the helm, and I thank him for putting me in a position to succeed him. I also want to congratulate all of the Brothers who were installed as officers on Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. I thank you all for accepting your positions and I know together we will make a great team. Many thanks to R.:W.: Lou Irizarry II for serving as the Installing Master on the 21<sup>st</sup> and W.: Alec Mulgrew for serving as Installing Marshal. Last but not least, I want to thank our Ye Old Scribe himself the R.:W.: Ron Steiner for accompanying me to the District Investiture on Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>.

The Masonic year is quickly drawing to a close as summer is upon us, but we have two more events we hope to see you at. Our next regular communication will be Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> when we will be presenting the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory with a special donation which culminates a multi-year commitment to their confocal microscope. We will be joined by a representative of the MMRL and get to hear about the good work they have done and continue to do with Athelstane's support. On Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm, we'll be holding our year-end party and awards dinner at the Casa Mia Manor House in Blauvelt, NY (see full ad inside Trestleboard). We will be presenting anniversary pins and some other very special awards. It promises to be a great evening. The subsidized cost for the Brothers is \$37.50/person, \$75/couple. I am asking that you please get your reservations and checks in ASAP to our R.:W.: Secretary so we can prepare accordingly.

Looking ahead to September, I am look forward to a new Masonic year full of good programs, good ritual and, above all, good fellowship. For those Brothers who have not gotten the opportunity to come to Lodge as of late, I want to tell you that we miss you and look forward to seeing you very soon.

Best wishes to all our Brethren for a Happy Father's Day and a wonderful start to the summer season.

Faternally,

W.: Douglas Ward

# ATHELSTANE LODGE No. 839 F & AM

ANNUAL AWARDS NIGHT AND DINNER

Tuesday, June 18, 2013

at

*Casa Mia Manor House*

Blauvelt, New York

Gala Reception

Sumptuous Buffet and Dinner

Reception at 6:30 p.m.

Dinner at 7:30 p.m.

The Lodge is subsidizing the cost:

Member and Guest \$75 per couple

Members Only \$37.50

Paid reservations in advance required

Please send your check payable to "Athelstane Lodge" to

Ronald J. Steiner

18 Buena Vista Road

Suffern, New York 10901-1730

For further information

Call: 845.354.4192

e-mail: [nysmason@aol.com](mailto:nysmason@aol.com)

# THE FUTURE

- May 30th**            **MASONIC SAFETY ID PROGRAM, 6 pm- 8:30pm**  
Kakiat School - Monsey, NY  
**We need Volunteers!**  
Please contact R.:W.: Bruce Klein at [bdkesq1@aol.com](mailto:bdkesq1@aol.com)  
or 845-642-5559
- June 1st**            **EA Degree @ Tappan Zee Lodge, 6pm**
- June 4th**            **Regular Lodge Meeting**
- June 18th**           **ANNUAL ATHELSTANE AWARDS NIGHT & DINNER**  
Casa Mia Manor House - Blauvelt, NY  
Subsidized cost for Brothers is \$37.50 per Person, \$75.00 per couple
- June 21st - 23rd**   **SAINT JOHN'S DAY 2013**  
Masonic Care Community - Utica, NY

## FROM DE OLD SCRIBE ...

### FROM THE SECRETARY'S MAILBAG ...

A new Masonic season is upon us and we all wish our incoming Master, **W.: DOUGLAS WARD**, our Wardens and Officers great success in their planning and programs for the coming year. And well deserved Grand Honors for our outgoing Master W.: **HOWARD WHITMAN**, and his team for a great two years just concluded.

Please note the information published in this Trestleboard on our Annual Year End Dinner Party and Awards Nite scheduled for June 18th at the CASA MIA MANOR HOUSE in Blauvelt. Please send your check payable to Athelstane Lodge to the Secretary now to confirm your reservation and seating. We need paid confirmed reservation in advance.

### SAD TIDINGS ...

It is with a profound sense of sorrow that we record the passing of a long time cherished Athelstane Lodge Brother W.: **RICHARD H. FASSBERG** on May 11, 2103 in Florida. W.: Brother Fassberg had entered into Hospice Care in Florida a few weeks before his demise. There was a Funeral Service in Florida and a graveside Masonic Service is planned when his cremains are brought back north. We will advise you at that time.

W.: RICHARD H. FASSBERG

Born        Jan 31, 1933

Initiated   Feb 1, 1968

Passed     Mar 21, 1968

Raised     Apr 18, 1968

*(From Ye Olde Scribe ... , Continued)*

He laid down his working tools of life on May 11, 2013 in his 80th year ... a Mason 45 Years.

Cards or letters of condolence can be sent to his wife, Ronnie at their home in Florida:

Mrs Richard Fassberg  
1925 Southwest Autumnwood Way  
Palm City, FL 34990 - 7749

Please keep Ronnie and the family in your thoughts and prayers.

**UNDER THE WEATHER ...**

Brother **MAL BLOTTNER** was diagnosed with mild pneumonia of the left lung and was unable to attend our last meeting. Hope by this time Mal is completely recovered.

**GOOD LUCK ...**

To Brother **BOB CARMEN** who relocated from the Masonic Care Community in Utica to a new home in Virginia. We wish Brother Bob good health and a long life to enjoy in his new surroundings:

Robert Carmen  
20900 Runnymede Terrace  
Ashburn, VA 20147

And a change of address for W.: **ANTHONY URBINATO** , who now resides at:

3225 S. Pecos  
Apt # 123  
Las Vegas, NV 89121

Wishing you good fortune and good health and a long life Anthony !

**GLAD TIDINGS ... VERY GLAD TIDINGS !!!**

A bright new pink star is shining on the **IRIZARRY** family tree as RW **LOU IRIZARRY, II** and **WANDA** joyfully welcomed baby **IVELISSE ANTONIA SOLER** born to daughter **WALLESKA** and husband **ALEX SOLER** on May 23rd. Mother and Daughter and Grandma and Grandpa are all doing well, thank you. Ditto Uncle **LOU III** and **REBECCA!** Mozel Tov from the entire Athelstane Lodge family !!! Break out the champagne and cigars ... and let's celebrate.

*(From Ye Olde Scribe ... , Continued)*

**REMINDER PLEASE ...**

There are still about two dozen Brothers delinquent in payment of their 2013 Dues ... and regretfully a handful still owe for 2012 (although one of our Past Master's paid their Grand Lodge assessment). We will be sending one more request for payment before we must take steps to drop them from our rolls for non-payment of dues.

If you do not have a current Dues card, please contact the Secretary now. If there are financial reasons for your distress, please let us know so we can be helpful.

**REMEMBER ...**

THERE IS MORE TO BEING AN ATEHLSTANE LODGE BROTHER THAN SIMPLY PAYING DUES.

Looking forward to seeing you at our June 18th Year End Awards Dinner.

*Ron*

Ron Steiner  
R.: W.: Ronald J. Steiner  
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W.: Alexander Mulgrew 2012- 2015	R.: W.: Joel Rosenwasser 2011 - 2014	Br. Richard Schwartz D.S.A. 2013 - 2016
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## Past Masters

Howard Whitman	2011-13 Gerald P. Rickard	1983 Jay Helfgott	affl.
Ronald Pomerance, DSA	2010-11 Harold N. Eder *	1981 R.: W.: Daniel E. Jonas	affl.
Alexander Mulgrew	2009-10 Barry Ronner	1980-82 Benjamin Kotzker	affl.
Thomas Sassone	2008-09 Eugene Foadare, DSA *	1979 George Liberis	affl.
R.: W.: David Richards	2007-08 R.: W.: Marvin R. Gess	1979 Nathan Metlitz	affl.
Louis M. Irizarry III	2006-07 R.: W.: Giles M. Purvis	1977 Alvin M. Russell	affl.
R.: W.: Bruce Klein	2005-06 Norman J. Greenberg *	1976 Stuart Sindell	affl.
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Harry E. Kramer	2001-02 Erwin L. Robbins	1973-74 M.: W.: Carl J. Fitje	Hon.
R.: W.: Peter J. D. Dedel	1999-01 Leonard J. Plotch *	1972 R.: W.: Charles Antzelevitch	Hon.
Harry E. Kramer *	1999-00 Henry Morris	1972, 1985 R.: W.: Robert Blanke	Hon.
Thomas P. Walden *	1997-98 R.: W.: Eugene W. Erickson	1971 R.: W.: Hon. Benjamin Gilman	Hon.
R.: W.: C.F. William Maurer III	1997-99 Charles K. Dunlop *	1969 R.: W.: Albert E. Mealey	Hon.
R.: W.: Joel Rosenwasser	1993-95 Allan P. Oster, DSA	1969 R.: W.: Norman E. Moon	Hon.
R.: W.: Mel Birnbaum	1992, 1995-97 Henry Chait *	1967	
Anthony Uribinato	1987-88, 1990 Murray Kaplowitz *	1965 * Tappan Zec Lodge No. 1125	
George Bielski	1986, 1989, 1992 Robert Maidman *	1958	
V.: W.: Scott A. Klein *	1984, 1992-94 Irwin W. Clements	affl.	
	1998-99		