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Winter 2011



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# GRAND MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren.

Recently an article in the Northern Light magazine had an article outlining a conversation between the Sovereign Grand Commander and young Masons at the Tavern in Cambridge Massachusetts. With the permission the Northern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite I have included that article in our publication. This article talks about how we need to change our ways in order to attract and maintain new young members. It gives a lot of food for thought. Just a few weeks ago a front page story from the Wall Street Journal put us in a bad

light, the jest of which basically said we were a bunch of stogy old men very set in our ways. While we cannot and will not change our ritual, we are attempting to adapt to today's membership. Our lodges have setup electronic means of communicating with our brothers, approximately a third of the Trestleboards are delivered to my email address. We have streamlined our communications from the Grand Lodge office by notifying the lodge secretaries of important upcoming events. Many Lodges have websites, with relevant information regarding Lodge activities and online Trestleboards. While we encourage Lodge information online we also ensure that individual privacies are maintained by removing addresses and telephone numbers. Many prospective members search the internet for Masonic information and Lodges in their area. The lodges with the outstanding internet websites usually win the new members. We held a Square and Compasses day on October 15th, this is a day when we hold an open house to show off our fraternity, while successful in some areas of the state other areas did not see many inquiries from the general public.



This past weekend Merchantville Lodge held a Master Mason degree at the George Washington Masonic Memorial which was well attended by over 100 New Jersey Masons. With the help Colonel Jack E. Lecher, Jr., of the United States Army, I had the distinct honor of laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery. A great honor, was afforded the Masons of New Jersey by allowing the Worshipful Master of Merchantville Lodge and I to actual place the wreath on the stand before the monument which is only afforded

to very few individuals. This was a very special day for Freemasonry.

This past weekend I and 130 New Jersey Masons attended our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Masonic Leadership Conference at the Patten Campus of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania's Masonic Center. This was the 9th conference I have attended; each conference surpasses the previous one with training for one hundred future leaders of our craft chosen by lodges throughout the state. The training sessions ran from early morning until late at night and it was quite an exhausting weekend for all attendees. Many innovative ideas have come out of the conferences, for future Worshipful Masters and their lodges.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

MW William L. Morris, Jr.

**Grand Master** 

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Ernest Utsch III

# SENIOR GRAND WARDEN'S MESSAGE—



On Saturday October 22, 2011 Merchantville Lodge had a Master Mason Degree at the George Washington Memorial in Alexandra VA, exemplified by the Past Grand Masters with Merchantville Officers assisting. Prior to the degree, we were to visit Arlington National Cemetery. During our visit we

witnessed the changing of the guard and four of us were able to participate in placing a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers where the unknown remains of Soldiers from WWI, WWII and the Vietnam War remain at rest from their labors fighting for the very freedoms we take for granted. On the tomb is engraved "Here Rests in Honored Glory an American Soldier Known but to God".

The Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, the Worshipful Master of Merchantville Lodge and I were given this honor, an opportunity of a lifetime. A moment reserved for Presidents and high level dignitaries and now Masons. It did not dawn on me until I walked away

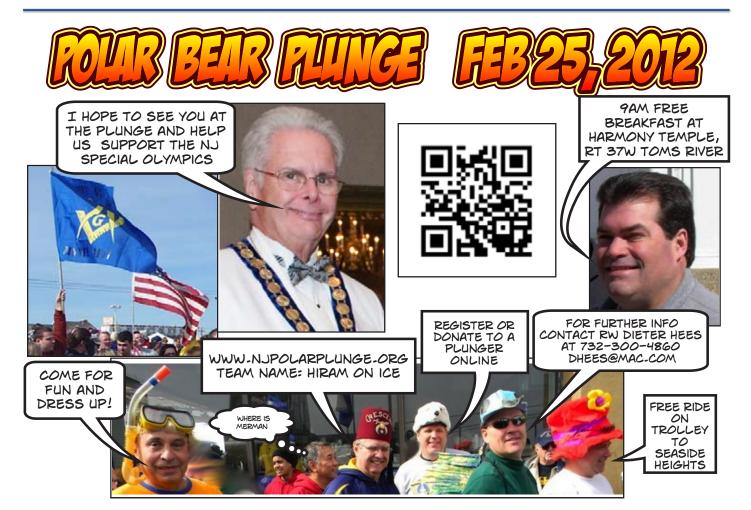
what occurred and how proud I was to be an American. During our travel back to New Jersey I began to write this article so as not to miss the emotion of the day. As Masons we take obligations in many forms to be faithful to our country and pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America at every meeting. As we look to our history and our very beginnings many distinguished Masons such as President George Washington, displayed their patriotism to our Country. We continue to demonstrate our patriotism on holidays such as Flag Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, and especially Veteran's Day. It is always moving when during events, such as the Olympics and other sporting events that first thing to appear is the flag of our country. In our way as Masons we are Patriots.

I urge we remember those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice.

Enjoy Your Freemasonry



RW David A. Dorworth Senior Grand Warden



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#### - CHARITY FOUNDATION MESSAGE

Brothers,

I would like to update you as to what has been going on with your Charity Foundation. First, we are solidly ahead of our financial plan for 2011 and expect to end the year closer to break-even than originally anticipated.

Our solar initiative has been erating 11% of the power to our

completed and is generating 11% of the power to our Masonic Home. We have one of the largest solar fields in New Jersey, covering 7 acres and consisting of over 5,000 panels.

The Grand Lodge offices have moved to the Trenton Temple and our Development and Outreach department have replaced them at our "Farmhouse". This 214 year old edifice is being restored as closely as possible to its original character and may soon be registered as a historic landmark.

We survived Hurricane Irene with the only damage being the loss of two trees.

I must take this opportunity to acknowledge our Administrator, Most Worshipful Douglas Policastro and the wonderful staff of our Home. During that turbulent evening, not only did our dedicated employees do everything in their power to make our residents as comfortable as possible, but six of them even spent the night in case they were needed.

We also opened our doors to guests of other facilities who were in harm's way and had 15 residents of the Home of Aged Women come to us for refuge. The township of Burlington asked us to allow them use of Fellowship Hall as a shelter and we extended that offer, though fortunately it was not needed.

Our occupancy levels have remained near capacity in both our Assisted Living and Medical Centers. Filling our residential beds continues to be our focus to improve our bottom line.

The volunteers who work at our Home are still a source of strength and the envy of other facilities. Last year we logged 72,674 hours from all of those fantastic Brothers, Sisters and Friends. Thank you!

In closing, I would like to acknowledge all of you who have given so far to the Grand Master's appeal. It is your generous contributions, my Brothers, which allow us to continue our 113 years of charity, including the Fraternal care that we give to our elderly Brethren and our widows at your Home.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

R.W. George H. Heflich, Jr. President of the Foundation

# MASONIC CHARITY FOUNDATION CHAIRMAN Most Worshipful William L. Morris, Jr.

would be pleased to have you join him for one of the 2012 Florida receptions.

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Thursday, January 26, 2012 11:00 AM-1:00 PM Egypt Temple - Unit Building 4050 Dana Shores Drive (813) 884-8381

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Friday, January 27, 2012 11:00 AM-1:00 PM Crown Plaza Fort Myers 13051 Bell Tower Drive (239) 482-2900

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# Tales from the TAVERN

By JERRY A. ROACH, 32°

his past April, Sovereign Grand Commander John Wm. McNaughton, Ill. Richard B. Burgess, 33° and I took lunch at the historic Warren Tavern in Charlestown, MA, in hopes of paying modest homage to our Masonic forbearers. The Warren Tavern was the first building erected in Charlestown following its razing during the Battle of Bunker Hill. A favorite of Paul Revere and George Washington, it is named for Dr. and General Joseph Warren, the presiding Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts who gave his life at the Battle of Bunker Hill; the man who the prime minister of Great Britain once described to King George as "the greatest incendiary of North America." Most Worshipful Brother Warren's sacrifice in defense of his principles still resonates today as a testimonial to the determination of the citizens of the burgeoning American republic.

Upon finding our seats, we soon discovered our neighbors at the next table to be three young Masons. In no time we were engaged in a candid discussion about many complicated issues within Masonry with which these Brethren, though fairly new to the craft, were already familiar. Though the subjects were at times difficult to address, it was important that we listen with open hearts and minds to the concerns of these young Brethren. Grand Commander McNaughton further felt it imperative that we revisit this forthright exchange in the pages of *The Northern Light*.

The initial comment was that one of the Brothers was a married father of two, who – though having leadership experience and feeling he had much to offer his lodge – did not have the time to commit extensive ritual to memory and attend rehearsals that often waste his time. He was considering resigning from the officer line of his lodge. He was disappointed that the memorization of ritual was the sole criterion upon which leadership in the lodge was judged, and lamented, "I guess I'll never be Master." Many other questions followed in the wake of this initial



observation: Why should we lose potential leaders to inflexible methodology? Why are we structured around the cultures of either the bachelor or retiree, with nothing in the middle? Why should we lose a capable Brother because of his commitments to work and family? Conflicting opinions need not be spelled out in these pages, but the group conclusion was that strict adherence to only one structure may be adverse to the variable needs of our members, and that flexibility and options will prove to be vital to our continued success as a fraternity.

Another Brother expressed his displeasure with the officious ritualists in his district, and that despite rehearsals, the work was often poorly conferred. This resulted in Brothers often being made to feel inadequate, and discouraged them from future involvement. This led to the similar conclusion that ritual proficiency cannot be the lone arbiter of a member's worth to the fraternity and that members come first. Do we serve the membership or the institution? Our young Brothers suggested that the latter may be closer to the truth.

he next observation contained two intersecting ideas. One Brother stated that recently a member of his lodge had endured \$30,000 worth of damage to his home due to flooding, and at the same meeting at which this was brought to the attention of the lodge, the lodge donated \$5,000 to a non-Masonic charity, with no mention of helping the unfortunate Brother. Additionally, the lodge's building was badly in need of repair. The questions were asked: Are we honoring our obligations to our fellow Masons and their families, and why are we donating to non-Masons while our buildings are in disrepair and eyesores in our communities? The conclusion was that our obligations and the upkeep of our facilities should come first. We cannot continue to be a source for good in our communities if our membership's needs are not met and our temples are in ruins. Masons justifiably fear seeming uncharitable, but that \$5,000 may have been put to

Lastly, was the issue of time, or rather the waste, thereof. One of our new friends joked that to be truthful is the first lesson we are taught in Masonry, yet candidates are told that age-old untruth that membership requires only "one night a month". Most of us take this in stride, but it can be confusing to a new member, and we greatly



jeopardize that member's initial enthusiasm if all we offer for his valuable time is instruction, memorization, ritual and business meetings. Few members aspire to the chair or grand office. What do we offer those who

don't? How do we fit Freemasonry into the increasingly busy lives of our members and still maintain our standards of excellence? For Masonic leadership there is no easy solution, but one Brother – a political philosophy major – had an interesting idea. He suggested an officer line be as a degree team unto itself within the lodge. Since a Worshipful Master can designate the work, he need not be judged on his proficiency, but his leadership. Those who love the ritual could comprise a

non-progressive line, thereby insuring quality work for the candidates. Thus, the lodge would be free to focus its efforts toward the majority, or sideline members, and not the minority, or officer line. While this is an interesting view, its employment constitutes a veritable "paradigm shift" in the way members, particularly officers and veteran leaders, approach the structure of the Masonic lodge. Just because we as leaders have decided to "think outside the box" does not mean that we actually do.

What does all of this have to do with Dr. and Most Worshipful Joseph Warren? One word: revolution. A revolution (from the Latin *revolutio*, "a turn around") is a fundamental change in organizational structure that takes place in a relatively short period of time. Aristotle described two types of political revolution:

- 1. Complete change from one form of government to another
- 2. Modification of an existing form of government.

r. Warren gave his life to effect a change; a change required in both thinking and structure. The challenges of change are not new yet, despite our best efforts, have not been resolved. Our young and prescient friends say they have full faith that our leaders recognize these challenges, and indeed think they are valid, but cannot or will not change their thinking. A collective change in the thinking of leadership is difficult in the extreme. Just ask Brother Warren. If the British Parliament and Crown had been willing to examine those paradigms needing change, the deaths of countless colonials would have been unnecessary, and Dr. Warren would not have been forced to cast his principles on the battlefield of Bunker Hill. Similarly, we need not lose members because we cannot adapt. We do not need to change to another form, but modify our existing form. This we do by changing our thinking. These young Brethren did not join Masonry for the same reasons or under the same circumstances as their forebearers, yet they share the same values. Our beautiful system of morality is the eternal core of our institution It is not a paradigm. We have the ability to revolutionize ourselves. As Freemasons we know this to be true. We are the product of the Enlightenment. We only changed the world. I

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# The Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey now offers these scholarships to students interested in pursuing higher education:



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Scholarship Name	Amount	Who is Eligible	Major	Grade Point Average	Comb. SATs
Chairman of the Board Scholarship	\$10,000 (\$2,500/year for 4 years) Relative of NJ Available: 3	Graduating H.S. Senior  Mason: Must	Any	B or 3.0	1800
Taylor Scholarship	\$4,000 (\$1,000/year for 4 years) Relative of NJ Available: 2 • 0	Graduating NJ H.S. Senior  Mason: Must Comments: Must do 30 hours of commun	<b>Any</b> ity service each sum	<b>B or 3.0</b> mer prior to fall	1500 semester
Patterson Engineering Scholarship		Graduating NJ H.S. Senior  Mason: Preferred, not required  Comments: Emphasis on teacher recomm		over last 2 years	1250
Culver DeMolay Scholarship	\$4,000 (\$1,000/year for 4 years) Relative of NJ Available: 3	Graduating NJ H.S. Senior  Mason: Active DeMolay preferred	Any	B or 3.0 over last 2 years	-1500
Serewitch DeMolay Scholarship		Graduating NJ H.S. Senior  Mason: Must be active DeMolay  Comments: Participation in some type of	Any organized swimmin	C+ or 2.2  over last 2 years  g program prefer	<b>1250</b>
President of the Board Scholarship	\$5,000 (\$2,500/year for 2 years) Relative of NJ Available: 1	2-Year Comm. College Stud Mason: Must	ent Any	B or 3.0 over last 2 years	1800
Con	01	e details about each scholarship's e for an application, visit: www.nji or www.newjerseygrandlod ations must be postmarked by the	masonic.org ge.org		

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# A BENEFIT NOT BEING **FULLY UTILIZED**

Brethren, as I travel our great state, it is my pleasure to meet with my brothers and discuss our fraternity. I am often called upon for remarks and return to one of the themes of my candidacy, masons first. I believe we should be heading in the direction of our roots. We can do a better job of looking out for our own. Before we commit our time and resources to any projects in the community we should make sure that our own masonic family is taken care of. This brings me to the purpose of today's article, scholarships available to the families of masons only. My Brethren, as the chairman of the Masonic Charity Foundation Scholarship Committee, it is my job to be sure that the membership is aware of this benefit. We offer eleven scholarships, two from the Taylor foundation, three Culver scholarships meant for members of the DeMolay. At the last Masonic Charity Foundation meeting, the board approved four new scholarships, three of which will be titled the Chairman of the Board's scholarship and will be available to graduating high school students who are the children or grandchildren of masons. The fourth will be called the President of the Board's scholarship and will be available to students who have graduated from a two year college and have been accepted to a four year school. The details of these four scholarships are still being worked out, but they will be offered this year. We also have another new scholarship that has just been finalized last week titled the Serewitch Family

scholarship. Finally, we offer the Patterson scholarship for a student pursuing a degree in engineering. Last year not one member of DeMolay applied for the Culver scholarship. If we do not get a suitable application from a member of the DeMolay, the rules allow us to award these scholarships to another student, male or female, from the masonic family, while the Serewitch family scholarship must be awarded to a DeMolay student. An interesting note about the Taylor scholarship is that it comes with a community service requirement. Students receiving this grant must give something back. Students must volunteer thirty hours at the masonic home, clearly the Masonic way. Last February, when the committee met to discuss awarding the grants, there were only ten correctly completed applications. It is difficult to believe, in these troubled economic times, that there aren't more Masonic families in need of help with skyrocketing college tuition. The committee came to the conclusion that the word is not getting out to the brethren. We hope this article will help in that regard. The applications will be available beginning November first and are due back by the first Friday in February. For more detailed information please contact your lodge secretary or your district deputy grand master. It is the hope of the committee that we will have piles of applications to go through and the scholarships will go to the most deserving students of our Masonic family.

Submitted by R.W. Gerry Sharpe

# – GEORGE WASHINGTON SLEPT HERE!

So many great men have been influenced by the thought provoking concepts developed in the fraternity that we often think that the ritual is the main reason we exist. It certainly is an important part of our fraternity; but in truth, most don't attend Lodge just for the ritual; it's the fellowship, the frequency of seeing Masonic Brothers again, and spending time with them. The comradeship of talking, just joking and sharing stories, keeps interest amongst the group with different happenings going on in our lives. Surely good ritual is necessary to keep a brother in Lodge, but fellowship with you, my Brothers, is the real reason I love being a Mason. Have you noticed that most of your friends are Masons, or should be? Brother George Washington wanted his inner command to be populated mainly by Masons. Why do you think that was? Surely not all of the great men are in the fraternity; but I believe Bro. George not only trusted his Masonic Brothers, but enjoyed being in their company. Bro. Washington lived within our Fraternity. And, so should we all.

My point here is almost by accident, I found another way to enjoy more social time with my Brothers. There

is another organization that exists for Masons to enjoy the fellowship of their Brothers; an organization that exists for us without any ritual or formality or much demand on our time. These Masons have lunch together once or twice a month with their Masonic Brothers and maybe their Ladies. What a great idea! A break during the day to kick back and just enjoy each other's company, for an hour, for lunch and conversation and maybe some entertainment. The High Twelve Clubs of New Jersey invite you to join us for lunch.

There are six High Twelve Clubs in New Jersey:

- Cherry Hill
- Freehold
- Union County
- Bordentown
- West Orange
- Burlington

If interested in knowing scheduled times and specific locations call the following: State President, Jake Isler (jpi32de@aol.com) @ 609-587-8736 or State Secretary, Ed Adamek (njhi12sec@aol.com) @ 732-431-8091 to find a local Get involved in High Twelve and enjoy some great Masonic Fun with your Brothers!

Submitted by Joe Keresztury

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## **MASONS IN ACTION-**



#### LaFayette #27 Confers EA Degree at Historic Old Trenton Temple

June 4, 2011

Masons have a great desire to confer their degrees in historic old temples. We in the New Jersey/Pennsylvania area are very fortunate to have such a lodgeroom in our own backyard. LaFayette #27 of Rahway, N.J. had the pleasure of conferring the EA Degree upon Mr. Michael Robert Ross, a restaurant owner in Rahway, at the Historic Old Trenton Temple & Museum in Trenton, N.J. The WM of LaFayette, Larry Bodine, conferred the degree from the East with the assistance of his officers and brethren of the Lodge. Prior to the degree, the brethren and candidate enjoyed a day of history, visiting Washington Crossing Historic Park on the Pennsylvania side of the Delaware, then backtracking to an interesting demonstration at the Old Barracks across the street from the historic temple. Brother EA Ross knew that he participated in something very special and thought it was "a fantastic day". LaFayette has used the Old Trenton Temple for at least one degree a year for the past several years and recommends its charm and tradition to all lodges in the area.

The Old Trenton Temple lodgeroom is upstairs from the Museum and State Visitors Center on Barracks St., uses only candles for light, but does have A/C. It is administered by RW Montgomery Berrien, Chairman of the Trenton Masonic Museum Committee. He can be reached at 609-737-0456.



Pictured from left to right: Bro. Mike Chengeri, RW Monty Berrien, Bro. Mike Romano SW, Bro. Rich Greenberg, WB Larry Bodine, Bro. Robt. Derczo, Bro. David Newall DWA, EA Bro. Michael Robert Ross, WB John Kolchin, Bro. John Lyons DWA, Bro. Frank Harris JW. Bro. Leo Battenhausen, RW Charles Kurowsky, Bro. Pete Hallock, Bro. Paul Hadsall DWA, WB Bill Weber, Bro. Mike McCall

# Masonry is Alive, Well and Growing at ATT Lodge #77

September 8, 2011

At the first meeting back to labor, WM Tom Fischetti, and Candidate Mentor Br. Jack Janssen had 8 newly made Master Masons "prove up" in front of the Lodge. Afterwards WB Joe Bianchi -Secretary proudly presented our new Brethren with their "Blue Cards" and explained that they are now welcome in recognized Lodges throughout the world. At the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting in October ATT #77 begins the process again with an Entered Apprentice degree for 5 new applicants waiting in the wings.



Pictured: WM Tom Fischetti, Br. Jack Janssen and 8 New Master Masons: David Felix, Jared Kirby, Steve Naylis, Keith Rounds, Aaron Barredo, Michael Burns, Phil Struzzi, Garrett Pearce.

#### MASONS IN ACTION

## 20th Masonic District Participates in Barnegat's Annual Pirates Day

September 10, 2011

Newly reformed Jersey Shore Chapter in the 20th Masonic District participated in Barnegat's Annual Pirates Day with Mariners #150. The boys decided to construct "Ye Ole Pirates Jail". WB Robert Shields and Brother Stephen Vanna, Chapter Advisers from mariners #150, helped the DeMolay members serve "warrants" to any and all "scallywags" and "swashbucklers" while dressed in full pirate regalia. Once locked up, bail was set at a \$5 dollar donation. The boys raised \$275! Now that's some "booty!" They also helped their sponsor lodge, Mariner's #150, dish out their famous sausage, pepper and onion sandwiches to the hungry crowd. Chris La Braw, State Senior Master Counselor, was on hand to help as well. What a fantastic day! The newly formed Chapter has also recently participated in a Car Show with Mariners #150, a Carnival with Tuckerton #4 and pool parties. A great start.



### **Euclid Lodge No. 136 9-11 Dedication**

September 23, 2011

Worshipful Master Jose A. Perez of the Euclid Lodge No. 136 of Free and Accepted Masons and the members gathered last Friday night at the lodge to conduct a ceremony to dedicate two new flag poles and a monument located on the corner of the property at Division Avenue and the Boulevard. Four flags were raised: the American flag, the POW flag, the Masonic flag, and the new Road to Redemption flag, commemorating Sept. 11. The monument was also unveiled.

"It's a tribute to all our Americans-my biggest inspirationit was something that was long overdue and needed to be done. This is to show my respect for all the men and women who have served and will serve."

The last flag pole on the property, installed in 1929, was removed because the pole structure had deteriorated and tree overgrowth has prevented the lodge from flying the colors.

According to a speech given to the brethren within the lodge that night, the raising the of flags again "comes during another time of great uncertainty, not from the collapse of an economy, but from the collapse of buildings." Perez had timed the dedication to coincide with the tenth anniversary of 9-11 and they see it as a reminder of the sacrifices given by the veterans of this country.

"As the new Freedom Tower rises out of the ashes and begins to peek above the New York skyline, our flag rises above our lodge sending a message as it did all those years before. That message reminds everyone who passes our lodge that our nation and our fraternity, in good times and in bad, stand together with our country and are ready to answer and overcome any obstacle."





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# Gift & Basket Raffle and 50/50 Sponsored by the Masonic Charity Foundation of NJ to benefit the residents of the

Saturday, February 4

Snow date: Saturday, February 11

The Fellowship Center • 1114 Oxmead Road • Burlington, NJ \$25/person • Table Reservations Available for Groups of 10 Adults only (age 21 or older)

Admission tickets must be purchased in advance by January 12, 2012. NO WALK-INS. Contact our Special Events line at (609) 239-3940, e-mail us at **SpecialEvents@njmasonic.org** or **complete the form below** to reserve your seat.

You may also pre-purchase Raffle tickets for Regular, Medium and High Level Gift Items when reserving your seat using the form below!

On event day, additional raffle tickets will be available for purchase only by cash or credit card.

Doors open at 4 pm All-you-can-eat

Masonic Home of NJ and the

Children's Dyslexia Centers

beefsteak dinner from 5:30-7 pm

Ticket drawing starts at 7 pm Cash Bar available

Masonic Charity Foundation of NJ and Staff are not responsible for lost or misplaced tickets or other items.

# Reservation Form - We Accept Payment by Check or Credit Card!

1 Attendees:	2 Raffle Tickets:	3 Payment:
Number of Adult Reservations at \$25.00/person:  Group/Family Name:	A. <b>REGULAR – 1 Sheet/\$10.00</b> (26 tickets per sheet)  I want sheet(s) @ \$10.00 per sheet	Total amount for reservation: \$ plus total amount for Raffle Tickets: \$  TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$
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Name:	State: Zip:	Please complete this page and send your check or completed credit card information to:  Masonic Charity Foundation of NJ – 2012 Tricky Tray 902 Jacksonville Road Burlington, NJ 08016-3896  Fax: (609) 239-3906 / Special Events Line: (609) 239-3940 Your confirmation will be sent to you via e-mail or fax.



#### **MASONS IN ACTION**

# Bergen County DeMolay Presents "Teacher of the Year" Award

October, 2011

The Ethan Allen Chapter of the DeMolay Leaders of New Jersey presented its Sixth Annual "Teacher of the Year" Award to Clinton Carbon, Director of Multicultural Affairs and past Chairman of the Fine and Performing Arts Department at the Dwight-Englewood School in Englewood. He was chosen by the youth chapter members for his motivating teaching style and friendly, open manner that welcomes students of all disciplines to seek him out as a mentor. The presentation honored Education Day and took place at Fidelity Lodge #113 F&AM, in Ridgewood, and was attended by family and friends.

Nick Gasorek, an 11th grader at Dwight-Englewood and DeMolay member, nominated Mr. Carbon for the award noting his engaging personality that encouraged excellence from students. Although Nick had never had Mr. Carbon as a teacher, he knows him well from taking classes in the music department and attending art exhibits and theater productions. Mr. Carbon commented that he was honored to receive the award and be recognized as an outstanding educator. Over his 36 years as a teacher, he has always strived to impact each student in a positive way as they develop into solid,

capable young men and women. He was particularly inspired that evening by the leadership and public speaking capabilities he witnessed of the young men in DeMolay, and he wished that he had had such an organization to participate in when he was younger.



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#### JANUARY, 2012

- 7 Installation Jeruselem Lodge P.V.
- 8 VA Hospital 12P
- 18 GL Charity Foundation
- 18 Deputy School Burlington
- 22 Scotch Plains Dyslexia Center Brunch
- 25-29 Charity Foundation Florida Trip

#### FEBRUARY, 2012

- 1 Society St. John
- 4 GL Tricky Tray/Charity Fund Raiser
- 9 10<sup>th</sup> District Reception O.V.
- 11 Rain date for GL Tricky Tray/ Charity Fund Raiser
- 12 VA Hospital Vineland
- 15 Employee Service Awards
- 15 GL Charity Foundation and Deputy School - Trenton
- 17-22 Conference of GM's
- 29 21st, 22nd District Reception

#### MARCH, 2012

- 4 VA Hospital Lyons
- 7 Elmer Lodge 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- 10 DeMolay GM's Class G.M.O.
- 10 Chairman's Ball
- 14 10<sup>th</sup> District Reception
- 15 SJPMW Cand Night
- 16 Brotherhood Night Del P.V.
- 17 Pitman Lodge 100 Anniversary O.V.
- 18 St. Patrick Parade Boyonne O.V.
- 20 GMar Sec 2 GM Reception
- 21 GL Charity Foundation
- 21 Deputy Reunion Burlington
- 24 AASR Council of Deliberation Bordentown
- 28 North Jersey Candidates Night P.V.
- 29 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> District Charity Ball P.V.

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