

THE NEW JERSEY FREEMASON

Fall 2026



To Our Masonic Family,

I hope this message finds you well.

On behalf of the Trustees of the Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey, I am pleased to announce the launch of our new website and social media platforms. This marks an exciting milestone as we continue preparing for the Foundation's future while honoring the legacy that has brought us to this moment.

While the website for the Masonic Village at Burlington will continue to serve as a resource during the transition, we encourage everyone to begin using our new website, MCFNJ.org as the Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey's primary source for Foundation news, charitable giving, scholarship opportunities, and future Foundation initiatives.

Through our new website, you will be able to:

- Learn more about the mission and work of the Masonic Charity Foundation.
- Access scholarship information, including availability, eligibility requirements and the application form itself.
- Review our scholars' success stories and see the impact of our fellow Masons' generosity.
- Make charitable contributions directly through our secure online donation portal.
- Connect with us through our Facebook and Instagram pages to stay informed about Foundation news, events, and initiatives.

One feature of which we are especially proud is our expanded recognition of the generous donors whose vision and commitment have helped shape the Foundation. Throughout our scholarship pages, we recognize and celebrate the individuals and families whose charitable gifts continue to change lives. Preserving their legacy and honoring the intent behind their generosity is an important part of our mission, and we are very grateful for the lasting impact they continue to make.

Our new website represents more than just a new online presence—it reflects our commitment to transparency, stewardship, and building a Foundation that will serve New Jersey Freemasonry for generations to come.

Over the coming months, you will see additional features becoming available. Upon consummation of the sale of the Village, we anticipate launching our Outreach and Assistance section, providing information on the charitable assistance programs and resources available through the Foundation. This will represent another important step in expanding our charitable mission throughout the state.

As many of you know, the sale process continues to move forward. We have successfully received one of the three required approvals and are patiently awaiting the remaining approvals necessary to complete the transaction. We remain optimistic and hopeful that we will have additional positive news to share in the coming months.

The Trustees remain committed to ensuring a smooth transition while preserving the charitable legacy entrusted to us by generations of New Jersey Freemasons. We are excited about what lies ahead and look forward to continuing to serve our fraternity with integrity, compassion, and purpose.

I encourage each of you to visit MCFNJ.org, explore its resources, bookmark the site, and follow us on Facebook and Instagram as we continue sharing stories of the lives being changed through your generosity. We also encourage you to share the website with your spouse, family members, and our entire Masonic family so they, too, can learn more about the Foundation, stay informed about our work, and discover the many ways the Foundation continues to support New Jersey Freemasonry.

Thank you for your continued support of the Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey and for all that you do to strengthen our fraternity and our charitable mission.

Sincerely & Fraternally,

Joseph K. Barbara

R.W. Joseph K. Barbara, President

Masonic Charity Foundation of NJ



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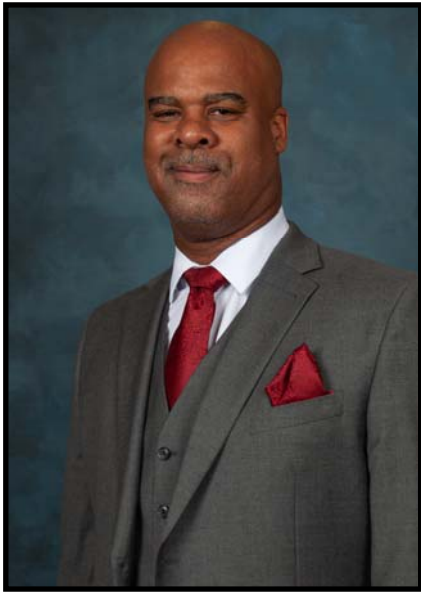
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Grand Master's Message



My Dear Brothers and Members of Our Masonic Family,

As we prepare to gather for our Annual Grand Lodge Communication, I find myself reflecting upon this extraordinary journey and the tremendous honor of serving as your Grand Master. This will be my final magazine message before my term concludes and we welcome the new leadership that will guide our beloved jurisdiction forward.

I approach this moment with a heart filled with pride, gratitude, and humility.

When I began this journey, I promised to serve fairly, lead with kindness, remain approachable, and lead from the front. I understood that leadership was never about one person or one title—it was about bringing people together around a shared purpose. I sincerely hope that I have lived up to your expectations and that, together, we have left this great jurisdiction stronger and better than we received it.

This year, we worked to improve communication throughout our jurisdiction. We created new ways for Worshipful Masters to connect, exchange ideas, and support one another. The First Lady and I shared monthly messages, while our Grand Marshal's communications were expanded and elevated to help keep our members informed, engaged, and connected. We wanted every Brother to feel that he had a voice and an important role in the direction in which we were moving.

We also worked to strengthen the bond between our fraternity and our families. Events such as North vs. South, Date, Dine and Dance, Remember the Ladies, and our Broadway outings reminded us that Freemasonry is not experienced only within the walls of our lodges. Our spouses, partners, children, and loved ones support our service and sacrifice, and they deserve to feel welcomed, appreciated, and included.

We embraced our entire fraternal family by sharing messages from and supporting the work of our appendant and concordant bodies. Each branch of our Masonic family contributes something meaningful to the whole, and by supporting one another, we strengthen Freemasonry throughout New Jersey.

As our nation commemorated the 250th anniversary of its founding, we proudly honored the people, battles, and events that helped shape America. From the Battles of Monmouth and Princeton to the Greenwich Tea Party and the signing of the Declaration of Independence, we remembered our history and the enduring principles of liberty, courage, sacrifice, and service that continue to guide us.

We established the Voyager Award to encourage Brothers to travel, visit other lodges, build new relationships, and support one another across district lines. We opened our Schools of Instruction to potential future leaders, providing them with opportunities to expand their Masonic knowledge and begin developing their leadership skills. We also renamed the Masonic Leadership Conference the William J. Anderson Leadership Conference, honoring the countless years that Right Worshipful William J. Anderson devoted to sustaining and strengthening this important program.

Throughout the year, we faced challenges both large and small. In each instance, I tried to place the best interests of this Grand Lodge and its members above my personal beliefs and opinions. Not every decision may have pleased everyone, but every decision was approached with prayer, careful thought, fairness, and love for this Craft.

Our team tried to raise the bar in everything we did while remaining approachable, kind, and fair. Whatever progress was made did not belong to me alone. It belonged to every Grand Lodge officer, committee member, Worshipful Master, Brother, family member, appendant and concordant body, and supporter who showed up, participated, shared an idea, offered encouragement, or extended a helping hand.

We moved this jurisdiction forward together.

I extend my sincere appreciation to the Elected Line for their hard work and partnership in leading this fraternity. I also offer my deepest gratitude to my entire staff for their dedication, sacrifice, and commitment throughout the year.

A special and heartfelt thank-you goes to the members of my core team: RW John Lashley, Grand Instructor; RW Gennaro Adesso, Grand Orator; RW Brandon McCune, Grand Marshal; RW Jonathan Dershowitz, Secretary to the Grand Master; MW Gregory Scott, Past Grand Master; and RW Luis Diaz, District Deputy of the 5Th District and Staff Treasurer. Most of these Brothers spent more than five years helping us prepare for this opportunity and then working tirelessly to carry out our vision. Their loyalty, counsel, and friendship were invaluable, and our year could not have been as successful without them.

As I write this letter, I am overcome with emotion. First Lady Stephanie and I are deeply honored that you saw fit to entrust this fraternity to our care. We are humbled by your confidence, your participation, and the love you have shown us throughout this journey. Serving you has been one of the greatest privileges of our lives, and the memories and friendships we have made will remain with us forever.

As we prepare to make way for new leadership, I ask that you offer them the same support, patience, participation, and encouragement that you so generously extended to us. Leadership may change, but our obligation to one another and our responsibility for the future of New Jersey Freemasonry must remain constant.

Thank you for allowing First Lady Stephanie and me to serve. Thank you for believing in our vision. Most of all, thank you for walking beside us as we worked to Educate, Elevate, and Empower this remarkable jurisdiction.

I leave this office with tremendous pride in what we accomplished, profound gratitude for the opportunity to serve, and complete confidence in the future of New Jersey Freemasonry.

I love you all, and there is NOTHING you can do about it.

Fraternally and sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Omar S. Morris'.

M.W. Omar S. Morris
Grand Master

Message from the First Lady



Greetings everyone,

As Omar's term as Grand Master draws to a close, I find myself looking back on this past year with a full heart. It is difficult to put into words everything this experience has meant to me, but I want to try.

When Omar first stepped into this role, I understood it would be an immense honor. What I did not fully anticipate was how much it would come to mean to me personally, being welcomed as First Lady into lodges and communities throughout New Jersey. Over the course of this term, I had the privilege of meeting partners and Masons from corners of the state I might never have found my way to otherwise, and this has become one of the most memorable experiences of my life.

There were early mornings, late nights, and long drives throughout this year, but each one led somewhere worth arriving at. Every event brought with it moments grounded in community: laughter shared with new friends, memories that will stay with me, and a genuine sense of support that I felt everywhere we went. Beyond meeting Masons and their partners, we had the honor of being introduced to their children and parents as well, and that, more than anything, was the greatest privilege of this term. To be welcomed not just into a fraternity, but into the extension of it, meant more to me than I can fully express.

We have been blessed to celebrate weddings of children, birthdays of grandchildren, to witness children take their place in Rainbow Girls and DeMolay, and to even watch our Junior Sword Bearer grow in confidence in front of some of the largest audiences. I will not soon forget the pride on his face as he walked alongside some of the greatest men I have come to know this year and to see him beam as he shares that he is "on staff". Moments like these reminded me, again and again, that this was never simply a term. It was an expansion of our family, and I can only hope that this family continues to flourish and grow with each year that follows.

To every partner, every Mason, and every family who welcomed us this year, thank you. You are what made this term what it was.

With endless gratitude,

Stephanie Narine

The First Lady

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Nominations for Grand Lodge Office

Grand Master

Bruce C. Golway, Vineland Lodge No. 69, District 22

Deputy Grand Master

Bernard J. Madgey V, Laurel Lodge No. 237, District 18

Senior Grand Warden

Glenn T. Visscher, Cincinnati Lodge No. 3, District 11

Junior Grand Warden

(Vote for 1)

Paul DiGaetano, Boiling Spring Lodge #152

William Michael Krzewick III, Milltown-Palestine Lodge #294

Richard E. Schultz, Clifton Lodge #203

Grand Treasurer

Douglas R. Policastro, Ocean Lodge No. 89, District 17

Grand Secretary

Larry S. Plasket, Merchantville No. 119, District 18

Grand Lodge Trustee

(Vote for 2)

Alexander D. Aldea, Essex Lodge No. 7, District 8

John D. Schiess Sr., Durand Lodge #179

Historic Trenton Masonic Temple Trustee

(Vote for 3) 3 Year Term - 2 Full, 1 Unexpired Term

Keith Graser, Gothic-Mercer Lodge #270

Mark E. Megee, Hightstown-Apollo Lodge #41

Arthur S. Pelzer, Mount Moriah Lodge #28

Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee

(Vote for 3)

Larry Alcime, Alpha Lodge # 116

James Burlew, Shekinah Lodge #58

Samuel Carlisi, Trenton-Cyrus Lodge #5

Christopher Curcia, Olive Branch Lodge #16

Scott W. Daily, Gothic-Mercer Lodge #270

Douglas Dillion, Maple Shade-Moorestown Lodge #281

Dwayne A. Dolly II, Mansfield Lodge #36

Ronald A. Murad, Atlas-Pythagoras #10

George H. Ostermayer III, Maple Shade-Moorestown Lodge # 281

Larry S. Plasket, PGM



Grand Secretary

Uncontested Nominees for Office



Bruce C. Golway
Grand Master



Bernard J. Madgey V
Deputy Grand Master



Glenn T. Visscher
Senior Grand Warden



Douglas R. Policastro
Grand Treasurer



Larry S. Plasket
Grand Secretary



Alexander D. Aldea
Grand Lodge Trustees



John D. Schiess Sr.
Grand Lodge Trustees



Keith Graser

Historic Trenton Masonic Temple Trustee



Mark E. Megee

Historic Trenton Masonic Temple Trustee



Arthur S. Pelzer

Historic Trenton Masonic Temple Trustee

Nominees for Junior Grand Warden (Vote for 1)



RW Paul DiGaetano

Education:

University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN
Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering,

Masonic Resume:

Boiling Spring Lodge #152
4th Masonic District

- ..# Raised: March 19, 2005
- ..# Worshipful Master: 2011, 2012
- ..# Boiling Spring Masonic Association Trustee, 2009-present
- ..# Boiling Spring Lodge #152 Lodge Ritual Committee, 2014-2023
- ..# Boiling Spring Lodge #152 Trustee 2017-present

Grand Chaplain

- ..# 2014-2015 Appointed by
MW Gerald J. Sharpe

Senior Grand Deacon

- ..# 2015-2016 Appointed by
MW Anthony W. Montuori

District Deputy Grand Master of the 4th Masonic District

- ..# 2022-2023 Appointed by
MW David L. Tucker
- ..# 2023-2024 Appointed by
MW Leonard Vander Horn
- ..# 2024-2025 Appointed by
MW J. Eugene Margroff

Past Chairman, Grand Lodge Committee on Member Retention

- ..# 2024-2025

Shriners International - Salaam Shrine

- ..# Potentate Salaam Shrine, 2021
- ..# Member of the Cabiri International Past Potentates
- ..# Shepherds Unit Driver, Salaam Shrine
- ..# Legion of Honor Member, Salaam Shrine

Vice Chairman, Shriners Hospital for Children, Philadelphia, Board of Governors, 2024, 2025

Chairman, Shriners Hospital for Children, Philadelphia, Board of Governors January 2026-present

NJ DeMolay Legion of Honor

Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite (Valley of Northern NJ), 32nd Degree

Masonic Kilties of New Jersey, Life Member since 2007

North Jersey Past Masters Masonic Association Member

Star Square Masonic Association

Professional:

Business: J. DiGaetano & Sons, Inc., President
Franklin Lakes, NJ

- ..# Construction and Development, April 1976 -Present
- ..# General Contracting firm specializing in Commercial and Industrial building construction and residential development.

Public Office:

State of New Jersey General Assembly

- ..# Elected to 8 terms as a Member of the NJ General Assembly
- ..# Elected to 1 term as The Minority Leader of the NJ General Assembly
- ..# Elected to 3 terms as The Majority Leader of the NJ General Assembly

Military

- ..# Honorably Discharged United States Navy
- ..# Member of American Legion Post 70
- ..# Past Vice Commander American Legion Essex County

Statement:

My name is Paul DiGaetano, and I am a candidate for the office of Junior Grand Warden. Freemasonry has been an important part of my life for more than two decades. In 2005, I became a Master Mason in Boiling Spring Lodge No. 152 and have had the privilege of serving at the Lodge, District, Grand Lodge, and appendant-body levels. During my tenure in Masonry, I have had the privilege of serving as Worshipful Master, Grand Chaplain, Senior Grand Deacon, and District Deputy Grand Master. These experiences have strengthened my appreciation for our Craft and our responsibility to ensure that Freemasonry continues to grow and serve future generations.

I believe Masonry is ultimately about Service and that our principles and tenets cannot remain simply lessons taught in our Lodge rooms. They must be principles we live every day. We have a great opportunity ahead of us to expand our Masonic philanthropy and make the good work of our Fraternity more widely known to all.

I have served as Potentate of Salaam Shrine, then as Vice Chairman and now as Chairman of the Shriners Hospital for Children, Philadelphia, Board of Governors. In my position as Chairman, I bring experience managing operating budgets approaching \$60 million annually, a perspective that can help strengthen and sustain the future of our Fraternity. Building on our strong charitable foundation, we have

an opportunity to encourage greater involvement in Masonic charities and philanthropic efforts as well. Philanthropy also provides an important opportunity for membership growth and retention. As Past Chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee on Member Retention, I understand that keeping a Brother active requires giving him meaningful opportunities to participate and serve. Charity gives every Mason an opportunity to put our principles into action and make a tangible difference. My public service has also taught me the importance of listening, finding common ground, and conflict resolution. During my eight terms in the New Jersey General Assembly, I was honored to be elected to one term as the Minority Leader and three terms as the Majority Leader. In these leadership roles, it was part of my responsibility to develop, structure, and oversee annual budgets of more than \$20 billion, while leading and managing many different priorities, visions, and opinions. Working with people who held different opinions taught me that leadership is about understanding and respecting those differences, resolving disagreements, and moving forward together. These lessons are ones that I believe can benefit this great fraternity. We are men from different backgrounds, generations, professions, and experiences, and we may not always agree. Our Masonic obligations call upon us to listen to one another and remember that our Brotherhood is greater than any differences we may have.

I believe that our Grand Lodge has a duty to help strengthen our Fraternity by supporting our Lodges, promoting successful programs, improving retention, and making the charitable work of Freemasonry more visible and more accessible to our brethren and our communities. We are a group of dedicated Masons doing tremendous work, and it is incumbent upon us to ensure that our good works are seen, supported, and expanded.

I am asking for your confidence and support because my Masonic, professional, and public service experience can help grow our Fraternity and move it forward. Brethren, let us put our principles into action, make our philanthropy known, strengthen our Brotherhood, and build a stronger future for Freemasonry together! I stand ready to listen, ready to work, and ready to serve!

Nominees for Junior Grand Warden (Vote for 1)



R.W. William M. Krzewick, III
Masonic Resume

Entered, Passed and Raised

...# January 24, 1998

Blue Lodge Service

Palestine Lodge #111, Montgomery Twp., NJ

...# Worshipful Master, 2005

...# Treasurer, 2006-2007, Secretary, 2008-2009, Marshal, 2011-2020

MilltownPalestine Lodge #294, Milltown NJ

...# Worshipful Master, 2025

St. Stephen's Lodge No. 63 South Amboy, NJ

...# Member, 2026

Elected Grand Office(s)

Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, New Jersey

...# Trustee, Masonic Charity Foundation, 2023-2026

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of New Jersey

...# Most Excellent Grand High Priest, 2018

...# Right Excellent Grand Secretary, 2020

Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of New Jersey

...# Right Eminent Grand Commander 2020

Grand Office Appointments

...# Grand Tyler, 2024

...# Aide to the Grand Master, 2022

...# Grand Superintendent of Knight Masons, 2021-2027

...# Eminent Deputy Instructor General, Area 4, Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of New Jersey, 2014-2015

...# Eminent Grand Standard Bearer, Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of New Jersey, 2012-13 / 2013-2014

...# Grand Master of the Second Veil, Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of New Jersey, 2013-14

...# District Deputy Grand Master of the Fourth Cryptic District, Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of New Jersey 2013-14

...# Grand Chaplain, Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of

New Jersey, 2009-10

...# Grand Historian, Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of New Jersey, 2009-10

Appendant Masonic Bodies

Scott Chapter #4, R.A.M., North Brunswick, NJ

...# Excellent High Priest, 2006

Scott Council #1, R. & S.M., North Brunswick, NJ

...# Thrice-Illustrious Master, 2009

Trinity Commandery #17, K.T., Westfield, NJ

...# Commander, 2007

...# Treasurer, 2011-2012, Recorder 2012-2013

William J. Gronning Council #83, A.M.D., Freehold, NJ

...# Sovereign Master, 2008

Northern New Jersey Council #10, Knight Masons of the U.S.A., Scotch Plains NJ

...# Excellent Chief 2019

Sea of Galilee, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests

...# Preceptor 2024

Shrewsbury Priory No. 4, Knights of the York Cross of Honour

...# Prior 2022-2023

St. Stephen's Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine

...# Puissant Sovereign, 2022

York Rite College, Garden State No. 122

...# Governor 2020

Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Central Valley, Bordentown, NJ

...# 32°, 2002

Memberships

...# Warren Point Square Club

...# NJ Masonic Amateur Radio

...# Metuchen 127, High Twelve

...# Haggai Lodge of Mark Master Masons

...# Society of Saints John

...# Royal Order of Scotland

...# NJ College, Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis

Awards and Honors

...# Meritorious Service Association, F&AM of New Jersey, 2018

...# Knight Templar Honor: Illustrious Master of the Sword, October 2008

...# Distinguished Service Medal in Bronze - GG Chapter RAM Intl

...# Ephraim Kirby Award - GG Chapter RAM Intl

...# Cryptic Mason of the Year Award - GG Council R&SM Intl

...# Grand Encampment of Knights Templar for the USA Leadership Award

...# Knight Commander of the Temple - GEKTUSA

...# Knight Templar Cross of Honor - GEKTUSA

Key Leadership Presentations

The Quiet Watch, 2021 ~2026

The Key

The Burning Lantern

The Keeper of the East

The Watch of Conscience When the Line Is

Tested The Passing of the Watch The Borrowed Leader

The Grace of Bearing

The Discipline of Charity

The Lantern and the Ledger The Price of Principle

The Measure of the House

The Man the Chair Reveals

Education, Training, and Leadership Development

...# DeVry University, Bachelor of Science, Technical Management

...# Project Management Six Sigma Green Belt Certification

...# Grand Encampment Leadership Conference(s), 2011, 2012 and 2013

...# Black Belt in White Tiger Kempo Karate

R.W. William M. Krzewick, III

U.S. Naval Veteran

Personal and Professional Profile

A Middlesex County resident, I have called North Brunswick home since 1995, where I have been blessed to share my life with my loving wife, Samantha. Together, we have raised three children, William, Alexis, and Isabella, and welcomed our daughter-in-law, Michele, into our family.

Family has always been the foundation from which I understand service, responsibility, and the duties we owe one another as men, as neighbors, and as Masons. My service in the United States Navy strengthened my respect for duty, accountability, preparation, and trust. It taught me that every responsibility matters, every watch has purpose, and service is measured not only by what a man says, but by what he is willing to faithfully do.

For more than 26 years, I have worked for AT&T, where I am currently a Lead Metrics Manager. In this role, I collaborate with major partners including Microsoft, Nokia, and Oracle to strengthen standards, vendor accountability, operational performance, and process discipline. My professional journey, however, began long before that, working midnight security, driving forklifts, and serving in manufacturing before hard work, perseverance, and opportunity carried me into positions of leadership. Among the most impactful chapters of my career was my time as a member of AT&T's disaster response team. This included my on-site work in New Orleans days after Hurricane Katrina, in communities devastated by the storm, where I helped restore communication centers so families could reconnect with their loved ones.

In moments when others were forced to retreat from crisis, I moved toward it with purpose, calm, and a commitment to serve. Those experiences, especially in disaster recovery and service restoration, taught me to remain steady under pressure, act when services are broken, communicate clearly, and stay faithful to those depending upon me.

I take pride in listening first, working hard, following through, and never forgetting the dignity of the working man or where I came from. Whether in family, profession, military service, or Masonry, I have tried to lead with humility, consistency, and genuine love for the Brethren.

Outside of my professional and Masonic responsibilities, I enjoy music, motorcycle riding, travel, and time with family. Yet the fellowship of the Brethren has always held a special place in my life. Visiting Lodges, listening to their stories, and learning from their work, challenges, pride, and promise reminds me that Masonry is strongest when every Brother is seen, heard, valued, and served.

Candidate Statement

R.W. William M. Krzewick, III, Candidate for Junior Grand Warden. On January 24, 1998, I was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Since that day, Masonry has nev-

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er been merely a membership to me. It has been a duty, a discipline, and a sacred trust.

The lessons of service, responsibility, and preparation have guided me through every station of my Masonic life. I served Palestine Lodge #111 as Worshipful Master, Treasurer, Secretary, and Marshal; following the merger, I continued my service in the progressive line of MilltownPalestine Lodge #294.

I have been humbled by the confidence of the Brethren, having been elected to serve as Most Excellent Grand High Priest, again as Right Eminent Grand Commander, and now serving in my third year as Trustee of the Masonic Charity Foundation. Those responsibilities have given me firsthand knowledge of Grand-level Masonic leadership throughout this Jurisdiction: its ceremonial obligations, business operations, rules of governance, stewardship, accountability, harmony, and the duty to protect what generations before us sacrificed to build. That experience has prepared me not merely to hold office, but to understand the work, respect the process, and serve this Jurisdiction with steadiness from the first day.

Through the Quiet Watch Leadership Series, I have had the privilege of speaking with Brethren from around the State about

important topics such as Faith, Family, Fraternity, vigilance at the West Gate, Lodge engagement, membership retention, and each Brother's quiet duty in preserving the strength and future of the Craft.

The strength of this Jurisdiction is first found in its Lodges. When our Lodges are supported, informed, and engaged, the entire Craft benefits. They deserve clear communication, practical resources, steady attention, and leadership that listens before it acts. We must hear the Brother in the Lodge room, reach the Brother who has stepped away, encourage the Brother who still labors, and prepare faithful men to carry the work forward.

To me, this labor requires more than good intention. It requires patience to understand each Lodge on its own terms, discipline to focus on what matters, and steadiness to turn concern into practical support.

Grand Lodge leadership must reflect continuity, humility, and teamwork. The work before us cannot rest on one set of shoulders. We succeed when we labor together, sustain those entrusted with responsibility, and keep the welfare of the Craft above personal ambition.

Professionally, I have learned that strong organizations are built upon clear expectations, reliable communication, and people who keep their word. Those principles will shape the way I support our Lodges and serve this Jurisdiction.

I do not come to this work untested; I come prepared by the duties the Brethren have already trusted me to carry. My purpose is not to seek a title, but to strengthen the Lodges, uphold the rules that safeguard us, and serve the Craft with steady hands. The Brethren have entrusted me with Grand leadership before, and I have worked to honor that confidence. If called forward once more, I will accept the responsibility with humility, sound judgment, faithfulness, and respect for the rules safeguarding our Jurisdiction.

I believe in Faith, Family, and Fraternity. I believe in the quiet watch we owe one another. Together, we can honor the past, strengthen the present, and build a future worthy of those who placed Masonry in our care.

We are but temporary custodians of an enduring trust, Masonic Stewards of this Fraternity. May those who follow find our Faith stronger, our Families united, our Fraternity steadfast, and our Lodges better than we found them.

I respectfully ask for your consideration, your confidence, and your vote for Junior Grand Warden.

Respectfully submitted,
R.W. William M. Krzewick, III



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Nominees for Junior Grand Warden (Vote for 1)



RW Richard E. Schultz

H.T.M.T. Board President, Past DDGM 4th Mission

"Your Voice. Our Direction."

Education

- ..# M.A. History- Pace University (2020), Summa cum laude
- ..# B.A. History- Ramapo College (2006), Magna cum laude
- ..# A.A.S. Criminal Justice- Bergen Community College

Professional

- ..# Building-Based Substitute Teacher- Fair Lawn School District (2015-2026)
- ..# Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)- (1988-2024)
- ..# History Teacher- Montclair Kimberley Academy (2020-2021) 6th & 8th grade teacher of U.S. History
- ..# Sergeant (ret)- Fair Lawn Police Department (1986-2013): Community Police & Traffic Unit Supervisor; Public Information Officer; Patrol Supervisor (1999-2013)

Masonic Resume

Blue Lodge:

- ..# Mother Lodge
 - Clifton Lodge No. 203 (Clifton, NJ)
 - Initiated: October 1997
 - Passed: November 1997
 - Raised: January 1998
 - Worshipful Master: 2004
 - Treasurer: 2019 - 2025
- ..# Dual Membership
 - Little Falls Lodge No. 154
 - Civil War Lodge of Research No. 1865 A.F. & A.M. of the G.L. of Va.
- ..# Honorary Membership Granted
 - Sons of Liberty Lodge No. 301
- ..# 4th District Masters & Wardens Association member 2002- present (Past President)
- ..# North Jersey Past Masters Association member 2004- present (Past President)

Grand Lodge

- ..# Offices

- Historic Trenton Masonic Temple Trustee: 2017-present
- H.T.M.T. Board President: 2019- present
- District Deputy Grand Master: 2020 - 2022
- Grand Historian: 2024-2025

Committees

- ..# 2026 Seniquincentennial Planning Committee: 2025-present
- ..# Masonic Leadership Conference Committee
- ..# Faculty: 2025
- ..# Photography & Yearbook Committee: 2024-2025
- ..# Strategic Planning Committee: 2018-2020
- ..# Suicide Prevention Grand Lodge Committee: 2018-2021

Masonic Memberships

- ..# Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite (Valley of Northern NJ - AASR)
 - 33rd Degree Class Marshal for the Scottish Rite Northern Masonic Jurisdiction: 2018- present
 - Commander-in-Chief, Consistory: 2022
 - Most Wise Master, Chapter of Rose Croix: 2018
 - Sovereign Prince, Council Princes of Jerusalem: 2013
 - Coroneted 33rd Degree: 2019
 - Meritorious Service Award: 2017
- ..# Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite (Valley of Northern NJ - AASR)
- ..# Adelpic Chapter #33 (Royal Arch Mason)
- ..# Zabud-Kane Council No. 5 (Royal & Select Masters) Magistri Lucis Council No. 580 (Allied Masonic Degrees)
- ..# Shriners International - Salaam Shrine
- ..# Shamaliu Council (Grottoes International): founding member
- ..# Paterson Valley Forest No. 33, Tall Cedars of Lebanon
- ..# Sciots NJ Pyramid No. 1: founding member
- ..# Scottish Rite Research Society, SRSJ
- ..# Grand College of Rites of the United States of America
- ..# Masonic Club of Lyndhurst
- ..# Masonic Kilties of New Jersey: 2024- present
- ..# ● Masonic Kilties of New Jersey Pipe & Drum: 2024- present

Statement

My name is Richard E. Schultz, and Freemasonry has made me a better man. When I was raised a Master Mason in January 1998, I began a journey that transformed my life. The obligations I accepted committed me to continual self-improvement and to the lifelong pursuit of making a positive difference in the lives of others. That journey began with our ritual, but it did not end within the walls of the lodge. Freemasonry gave me purpose, direction, and a framework for living. It challenged me to become a better man today than I was yesterday. Our fraternity provides something increasingly rare in today's world – a place where good men gather to improve themselves, support one another, and serve their communities. The timeless lessons of our ritual continue to shape my character, strengthen my faith in humanity, and remind me that leadership begins with personal example. Through the friendships I have formed and the experiences I have shared, I have come to believe that one of my greatest

responsibilities is to give back to the Craft that has given me so much. Service has been the defining principle of my life.

For 27 years, I proudly served in law enforcement, retiring as a Patrol Sergeant after holding numerous leadership assignments, including Patrol Supervisor, Commander of the Traffic and Community Policing Unit, and Public Affairs Officer. These positions allowed me to mentor young officers, build relationships within the community, and represent my department with professionalism and integrity.

For more than 35 years, I have also served as an Emergency Medical Technician. Whether responding to emergencies or leading officers in the field, my mission was always the same: place the needs of others before my own. Those experiences taught me that leadership is not measured by authority or title, but by service, compassion, and the ability to help others succeed. That philosophy defines my approach to Freemasonry.

I believe the most effective leaders are servant leaders. Our responsibility is not simply to guide an organization, but to care for the people within it. Listening to our members, understanding the unique challenges facing our lodges, and supporting our districts are essential to the future of New Jersey Freemasonry.

Every Brother possesses unique talents and abilities that can strengthen our fraternity. One of the most important responsibilities of leadership is recognizing those gifts and helping bring them to Light. Throughout my career and my Masonic service, I have always believed that people perform at their best when they feel valued, encouraged, and empowered.

I also believe one of our greatest strengths lies in bringing generations together. Our younger members contribute enthusiasm, energy, and new perspectives, while our senior members offer wisdom, experience, and a deep understanding of our traditions. The future of our fraternity depends upon respecting both, learning from both, and ensuring that every Brother has an opportunity to contribute.

Leadership is a continual process of learning. A good leader is both a teacher and a student, always willing to listen, always willing to grow, and always willing to learn from others.

Throughout my Masonic journey, I have been blessed to serve at nearly every level of our fraternity – from Lodge Chaplain to District Deputy Grand Master. I have been active in the Scottish Rite and numerous appendant bodies, frequently serving in elected leadership positions.

Today, I have the privilege of serving as President of the Board of Trustees for the Historic Trenton Masonic Temple. Working alongside an outstanding Board, we have transformed years of discussion into meaningful action. Restoration projects have moved forward, more than \$91,000 in Historic Preservation Grants have been secured, and the Ashlar Board has committed an additional \$260,000 toward future capital improvements and preservation efforts. We have also launched new fundraising initiatives and expanded efforts to preserve

Nominees for Junior Grand Warden (Vote for 1)

and promote one of New Jersey Freemasonry's greatest treasures. These experiences have strengthened my leadership skills and reinforced an important lesson: lasting success is never achieved by one person alone. It is accomplished when dedicated people unite behind a common purpose. The future of New Jersey Freemasonry begins with our lodges. Freemasonry speaks to the whole man – his intellect, his emotions, and his spirit. Every Brother deserves to feel welcomed, valued, heard, and connected. Our lodge rooms should be places where friendships grow, trust is strengthened, and every man has the opportunity to become the best version of himself. If we faithfully live our obligations in our homes, workplaces, and communities, our fraternity becomes its own greatest ambassador. The world notices men who consistently demonstrate integrity, compassion, humility, prudence, fortitude,

temperance, and justice. Those virtues have always distinguished Freemasons, and they remain our greatest strength today. While we should honor our history, we cannot become captive to it. The question is not what Freemasonry once was, but what it can become. Our best days are not behind us. They are ahead of us if we remain committed to excellence, uphold our

standards, and continue building meaningful Masonic experiences for every Brother. We must continue to guard the West Gate and remain committed to quality over quantity. Strong lodges are built upon engaged members, meaningful ritual, genuine fellowship, and leadership that inspires participation. There is no single solution to every challenge facing our fraternity. Every lodge serves a different community, and every district has unique needs. Grand Lodge can provide leadership and support, but lasting success depends upon local leadership and Brethren working together toward common goals.

Our future will be determined not by what we say, but by what we do.

Brethren, we stand at an important moment in the history of New Jersey Freemasonry. The future we seek will be built through faithful service, principled leadership, and an unwavering commitment to our obligations. Let us renew the Light of Freemasonry within ourselves, reflect that Light into our communities, and rekindle that Light in every life we touch.

This November, I respectfully ask for your vote and your support as your next Junior Grand Warden.

I seek this office because I believe my experience in public service, my years of Masonic leadership, and my commitment to servant leadership have prepared me to serve this fraternity with humility and dedication. I believe leadership begins with improving ourselves, continues by serving others, and succeeds

when we inspire those around us to do the same.

Throughout my life, I have tried to leave every organization better than I found it. That has been my goal in law enforcement, emergency medical service, my community, and every Masonic body I have had the privilege to serve. It remains my goal today.

From Kittatinny to Cape May, from Phillipsburg to Bayonne, and every point in between, I look forward to meeting more of our Brethren, listening to their ideas, celebrating their successes, and working together to strengthen the future of New Jersey Freemasonry.

My personal motto is simple:

Be the Light.

Be the one who encourages others. Be the one who serves without seeking recognition. Be the one who demonstrates the values we profess. When each of us chooses to be the Light, we strengthen our lodges, enrich our communities, and ensure that the future of our fraternity shines brighter than ever before.

If elected, it will be my honor, privilege, and pleasure to serve you and the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

Thank you for your confidence, your friendship, and your continued dedication to our beloved Craft.



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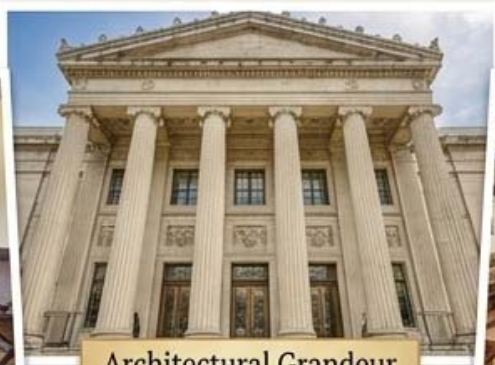
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Proposed Budget 2027

**Membership base
Initiates**

11,800		11,553	11,000	10,500
350		200	200	200
Proposed		Actual	Budget	Proposed
2025		2025	2026	2027

REVENUES

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OPERATING REVENUE

Grand Lodge per capita assessment	472,000		444,791	440,000	441,000
Blue Lodge Insurance assessment	76,700		72,206	71,500	73,500
Grand View	19,800		14,441	14,750	15,750
Annual communication reservation revenue	50,000		50,477	70,000	60,000
Annual communication MCF	10,000		10,000	10,000	10,000
Sale of supplies	16,000		14,152	16,000	12,000
Investment Income	45,000		68,926	50,000	50,000
Permanent Fund Income Transfer	175,000		125,000	225,000	225,000
Freemason Advertising	2,000		500	2,000	3,000
Leadership Conference	18,000		18,950	18,000	18,000
Background Checks	15,000		9,165	15,000	13,000
Contributions	1,000		50	1,000	1,000
GL Events (Brotherhood & others)	5,000		1,050	5,000	6,000
Miscellaneous	1,000		1,271	1,000	1,000
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	906,500		830,979	939,250	929,250

EXPENSES

PERSONNEL

Salaries	193,525		170,861	199,331	205,311
Stipend	0		0	0	
Maintenance Staff	12,000		13,895	12,360	25,000
Payroll taxes	25,000		20,913	25,750	26,525
TOTAL PERSONNEL EXPENSE	230,525		205,669	237,441	256,836

OPERATING EXPENSE

Accounting and bookkeeping	36,750		39,324	40,000	40,600
Audit	22,000		22,000	30,000	22,000
IRS form 990	22,000		22,000	20,000	12,000
Investment advisor	20,000		12,750	25,000	25,000
Office supplies	4,000		1,391	4,000	4,500
Digitalization Project	1,000		0	0	
Administrative office expense	2,000		5,424	2,000	3,000
Electronic Communications (phone, fax)	7,000		6,944	6,000	6,200
Social Media	6,000		4,218	4,500	5,000
Background Checks	10,000		6,857	10,000	10,000
Computer Software Grand View	14,000		17,177	15,800	16,000
Printing	4,500		4,995	4,500	3,000
Postage and UPS	6,000		2,984	5,000	4,000
GL collars, aprons & tokens	3,000		0	5,000	5,000
Official expense	60,000		17,971	60,000	55,000
Equipment contract and leases	10,000		8,117	10,000	5,000
Legal	1,000		0	1,000	2,000
GL insurance	12,000		18,541	15,000	12,600
Blue Lodge insurance	82,000		69,129	80,000	86,100
Supplies for Resale	3,000		1,543	1,000	1,100
Miscellaneous Oper Exp	1,000		0	1,000	1,000
Public Relations	2,000		0	0	2,000
Trenton Temple Rent & Utilities	72,500		66,562	75,000	75,000
Interest Expense	200		0	100	100
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	401,950		327,927	414,900	396,200

Proposed		Actual	Budget	Proposed
2025		2025	2026	2027

GRAND LODGE ACTIVITIES

Annual communication	150,000	155,298	175,000	160,000
Emergent communications	2,000	0	2,000	2,000
GL Events (Brotherhood)	3,000	2,500	3,000	3,500
Northeast Conference of Grand Masters	7,000	7,945	7,000	7,000
Conf of Grand Masters of North America	20,000	14,457	20,000	22,000
Past Grand Master's jewel	10,000	0	10,000	10,000
Awards and certificates	5,000	7,938	5,000	5,000
TOTAL GRAND LODGE ACTIVITIES	197,000	188,138	222,000	209,500

EDUCATION PROGRAMS

District Deputy Grand Masters	1,500	475	1,500	750
Education & Membership services	20,000	7,152	10,000	10,000
Masonic leadership conference	18,000	13,167	18,000	18,000
Youth committee	3,000	891	2,000	1,000
NJ Freemason magazine	20,000	19,346	25,000	25,000
Ritual committee	500	475	500	1,000
TOTAL EDUCATION EXPENSE	63,000	41,506	57,000	55,750

CHARITABLE PROGRAMS

Veterans hospital programs	1,000	0	500	500
Masonic blood Drive	500	0	1,000	500
Masonic Services Association (donation)	1,000	0	1,000	1,000
CHIP	500	0	250	0
Donations	2,000	0	2,000	2,000
TOTAL CHARITABLE PROGRAMS	5,000	0	4,750	4,000

TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	906,500	830,979	939,250	929,250
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	897,475	763,240	936,091	922,286
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	9,025	67,739	3,159	6,964

PASS THROUGH ASSESSMENTS

Masonic Charity Foundation (6.00)	70,800	69,318	66,000	63,000
Initiate fee for MCF (25.00) (325)	8,750	6,550	5,000	5,000
GWNM per capita (1.00)	11,800	11,553	11,001	10,501
Initiate fee for GWNM (10.00) (325)	3,500	2,620	2,000	2,000
HTMT (3.00)	35,400	34,659	33,000	31,500
DeMolay per capita (1.50)	11,800	11,553	16,500	15,750
Rainbow per capita (1.50)	11,800	11,553	16,500	15,750
Masonic Renewal Committee (.50)	5,900	5,777	5,500	5,250
TOTAL PASS THROUGH ASSESSMENTS	159,750	153,583	155,501	148,751

PASS THROUGH DISBURSEMENTS

Masonic Charity Foundation	70,800	69,318	66,000	63,000
Initiate fee for MCF	8,750	6,550	5,000	5,000
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Nominees for Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee (Vote for 3)



R.W. Larry Alcime

Personal:

Originally from Brooklyn, New York, I relocated to Northern New Jersey with my wife, Janelle, in 2009. Together, we have built a wonderful home in West Orange, New Jersey, where we are blessed to raise our three children Kaia, Lincoln, and Lance. Since making New Jersey our home, our family has become actively involved in the local community, embracing opportunities to serve, build meaningful relationships, and contribute to organizations that strengthen our neighborhoods. We are proud to call West Orange home and remain committed to making a positive impact through service, leadership, and community engagement.

Education:

Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, with a Minor in Safety Science and Technology from Buffalo State University.

Professional:

Results-driven Regional Operations Director with 20+ years of experience leading large, geographically dispersed teams across healthcare, financial services, and logistics sectors. Proven track record managing 25+ person teams, driving 20% productivity gains, and ensuring strict regulatory compliance (FAA, OCC, SOX). Skilled in P&L management, KPI development, talent pipeline building, and cross-functional partnership. Brings a patient centered, people first leadership philosophy aligned with Quest Diagnostics' mission of quality care and operational excellence.

Masonic History:

Blue Lodge: "Historic" Alpha Lodge No. 116

Initiated (1/22/14), Passed (5/21/14), Raised (9/24/14)

Served as Worshipful Master in 2019

Lodge Trustee – 2020 – Present

New Membership Mentor

Fundraiser Committee Chair

By-laws Committee

Dual Member: Inspiratus Lodge No. 357, Adoniram Lodge No. 80

Affiliate Dual Member:

Somers Isle No. 1503 (Bermuda)
*Scottish Constitution

Sir Louis Mbanefo Lodge No. 9904 (Nigeria) *English Constitution

Grand Lodge of New Jersey:

District Deputy Grand Master 2025 -Present

District Ritual Instructor (8th) 2021-2025

Grand Lodge Trustee 2022-2025

Mentoring Committee 2021-Present

Fellow of Society of King Solomon

North Jersey Past Masters Masonic Association – President 2022

Concordant Masonic Affiliations:

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of NJ

Grand Chaplain 2021-2022

Mark Master Mason – Haggai Lodge

Royal Arch Masons –Alpha Chapter No. 62

Exalted 2015 in Alpha Chapter No. 62

Served as Excellent High Priest in 2020

Chapter Trustee (2020-2023)

Grand Chapter of RAM:

Grand Chaplin: 6th Capitular District (2021 - 2022)

Grand Chapter Representative to Mexico (2021), France (2022)

Cryptic Masons of NJ – St. Andrews Council No. 18 *Charter Member

Knights Templar – Jerusalem Commandery No. 32

*Eminent Commander – 2022-2025

Recorder – 2025 - Present

Order of Knight Preceptor – 2025

Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, NMJ – 32° Mason (Blue Cap Recipient)

*Active NMJ Valley Line Officer

– Council Prince of Jerusalem (Present)

-Lodge of Perfection (2021 – 2024)

-Master Mason Degree Team - Present

-Degree Team Cast Member - Present

- Benjamin Franklin Award Committee - Present

* Scholarships Committee - Present

-Service Group (Membership Expansion)

Knights of St. Andrew - Member

Knight Masons – Northern NJ Council No. 10

Allied Masonic Degrees – Daniel Coxe Council No. 479 *Officer

The Worshipful Society of Free Masons (Operatives) –Serpentine Barrens Quarry

Masonic Order of Athelstan USA – Lenape Court No. 169 *Charter Member (NY)

Order of Free Gardeners - Member of Hibiscus Lotus Lodge - Present

Appendant Masonic Affiliation:

Shriners International - Salaam Shriners

High Twelve International Inc – North Jersey Club No. 137 *Charter Member

M.O.V.P.E.R – Shamaliu Grotto *Charter Member

Other Masonic Affiliations:

North Jersey Past Masters Association (President 2022 - 2023)

Lyndhurst Masonic Club

Order of Easter Stars (Alpha Chapter No. 288* - Worthy Patron 2017) Appendant Masonic Affiliation:

Non-Masonic Affiliations:

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated

Initiated 1993 – Active Membership

• New Membership Training Committee

• Undergraduate Advisory Committee

• Youth Mentoring (Kappa League Advisor)

• Membership Expansion Committee

• Held several Executive Officer positions

Jack and Jill of America, Inc.

Father's Auxiliary – Active - (2019 - Present)

• Youth/Teen mentoring

Community Involvement:

Member of St. James A.M.E Church

Volunteer in Food Pantries/Feed the Homeless Programs

Backpack/School Supply Give Aways

Clothing drives for Veteran Homes and Homeless Shelters

Statement:

It is with great humility and a profound sense of duty that I respectfully submit my candidacy for **Trustee of the Masonic Charity Foundation of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.**

Freemasonry has afforded me countless opportunities to grow as a Mason, a leader, and a servant of the Craft. Throughout my Masonic journey, I have endeavored to uphold the timeless principles of **Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth**, recognizing that leadership is not measured by title or rank, but by one's willingness to serve with integrity, compassion, and unwavering commitment.

Having had the privilege of serving as a **Grand Lodge Trustee from 2022 to 2025**, I gained valuable experience in governance, fiduciary oversight, strategic planning, and collaborative decision-making. That service reinforced my appreciation for responsible stewardship and the importance of preserving the trust that the Brethren place in those elected to positions of leadership.

The Masonic Charity Foundation stands as one of the most meaningful expressions of our fraternity's commitment to relief and benevolence. As a Trustee, I will work diligently to ensure that the Foundation's assets are managed with sound judgment, transparency, accountability, and fiscal responsibility while honoring the charitable mission that has benefited so many throughout our jurisdiction. Every decision should reflect not only prudent stewardship of our resources but also our obligation to preserve and strengthen the Foundation for future generations of New Jersey Masons.

My professional experience in executive leadership, strategic planning, financial oversight, operational management, governance, compliance, and organizational development has prepared me to thoughtfully address complex challenges, evaluate opportunities responsibly, and contribute effectively as a member of the Board of Trustees. I believe that strong leadership is built upon collaboration, careful listening, informed decision-making, and an unwavering commitment to serving the best interests of the Craft.

If elected, I pledge to approach this office with the same dedication, professionalism, and integrity that have guided me throughout my Masonic and professional careers. I will faithfully fulfill the responsibilities entrusted to me, always placing the interests of the Masonic Charity Foundation and the Brethren of New Jersey above personal interest or recognition.

I respectfully ask for your confidence, your support, and the opportunity to continue serving the Grand Lodge of New Jersey in this important capacity

Nominees for Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee (Vote for 3)



James Burlew

- ...# **Shekinah Lodge #58**
- ...# **Raised 6/22/2007**
- ...# **Worshipful Master of Shekinah Lodge 2013 and 2019**
- ...# **Dual Member of Vineland #69**
- ...# **And Evening Star #97**
- ...# **District Ritual Instructor 2021-2022**
- ...# **District Deputy Grand Master 2022-present**
- ...# **Marshal Corp 2025-present**
- ...# **Brearley Chapter No. 6 R.A.M**
- ...# **L.E.A.D team member**

I was born in Bridgeton, New Jersey, and graduated from Schalick High School in Pittsgrove, New Jersey. Shortly after graduation, I answered the call to serve my country by joining the United States Army. I proudly served during Desert Storm while stationed in Germany.

Following my military service, I returned home to New Jersey and began a 22-year career with the New Jersey Department of Corrections, where I served as a corrections officer before retiring. My years in both military and public service taught me the importance of integrity, responsibility, discipline, and service to others—values that continue to guide me today. My wife, Christina, and I have three children: Desiree, Aimee, and James Jr. We are also blessed with one grandchild, Craig Farside. Family has always been an important part of my life, and I am proud that Freemasonry has been part of my family for three generations.

I became a Mason at Shekinah Lodge #58 in 2007. I was honored to serve as Worshipful Master in 2013 and again in 2019. I am also a dual member of Evening Star Lodge #97 and Vineland Lodge #69. Throughout my Masonic journey, I have had the privilege of serving on numerous committees and holding many positions within the Lodge, including Trustee.

My service has also extended beyond my Lodge. I have had the honor of serving as District Ritual Instructor, helping Brethren strengthen their knowledge and understanding of our ritual and traditions. I currently serve as District Deputy Grand Master, a position that has given me an even greater appreciation for the responsibilities of leadership, communication, and service to the Craft.

I have also been selected to serve as the future Grand Marshal, following the Deputy Grand Master's election to Grand Master. I am deeply honored by the confidence that has been placed in me and look forward to continuing to serve the Grand Lodge and the Brethren in this capacity.

Freemasonry is an important part of who I am. The opportunity to help my fellow Brethren improve themselves while continuing to improve myself is something that brings me great pride. I believe that our commitment to helping others is one of the most meaningful aspects of our fraternity. If elected as a Trustee of the Masonic Charity Foundation, I will bring the same dedication, integrity, and commitment to service that have guided me throughout my military, professional, and Masonic careers. My experience as a Mason, Lodge officer, Trustee, District Ritual Instructor, District Deputy, and future Grand Marshal has prepared me to understand the importance of responsible leadership and stewardship.

I would be honored to work alongside the other Trustees and Brethren to support the Foundation's mission, protect the resources entrusted to us, and ensure that our charitable efforts continue to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those we are called to serve.

My commitment to the Craft will always continue. I respectfully ask for your support and the opportunity to serve the Masonic Charity Foundation as a Trustee.



Nominees for Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee (Vote for 3)



Samuel Carlisi

Trenton Cyrus Lodge #5 F & AM

-Raised 11/27/1974

Amwell Lodge #12 F & A M
(Dual Member)

Ocean City Lodge #171 F & A M
(Dual Member)

..# Pass Grand Chaplain 1996-1997

..# Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite (Valley of Central Jersey)

..# Meritorious Service Award

..# Coronated 33 degree in 2001

..# Tall Cedars of Lebanon Trenton Forest #4

..# Shriners International Crescent Shriners

..# Harmony Council #70

..# Harmony Royal Arch Chapter #54

..# Kensington-Kadosh Commandery #54

..# The Grand Court of the Masonic order of Athelstan

..# Allied Masonic Degrees (Past Sovereign Master)

..# District Education Officer

My name is Sam Carlisi and I am running for re-election to the Masonic Charity Foundation as a trustee. I was born in Trenton, NJ in 1947. Graduated from Hamilton High School East, Joseph E. Stei-nert Memorial High School, At-tended Trenton Junior College and School of Industrial Arts graduated with an Associates of Arts degree, next attended St. Joseph's College (Indiana) with a Bachelors of Science degree in business Management with a minor in finance.

I am a widower married to Karen (Roth) in 1971. We are blessed to have two boys, James L. (Member of Trenton Cyrus Lodge #5), and Jason and have 4 grandchildren, Kai, Curren, Logan and Emily.

I was a vice president of a successful Title Agency, for over 35 years, until I retired in 2008. I handle all facets of a small business, from sales, payroll, hiring to firing, budgets, dealing with government regulations and advertising. Owning a small business you wear a lot of hats. My office was in Somerville, NJ, but I've handled deals up and down New Jersey, Maryland and Delaware

I joined True Craftsmen Lodge #202 in 1974. True Craftsmen merged with Trenton #5 who then merged with Cyrus Lodge #48 which is now known as Trenton

Cyrus Lodge #5. I am a Past Master of each lodge, being a Past Master 5 times. I was treasurer for 7 years, and Lodge trustee for several years.

My resume does not reflect all the different appendant bodies I belonged to or the honorary degrees I received over the past 52 plus years as a Master Mason. In many of the appendant bodies I either was an officer or worked on several committees. I never wanted to be just a card holder. I've been appointed to several Grand Lodge committees, several district committees and Lodge committees. . Charity is one of the foundations of our Great Institution and the Charity Foundation is a jewel among all nonprofits. We all need to see it continue for future generations.

After the sale of the village the Charity Foundation will move into a new direction and I would like to be part of the move. We need to see it get back to its basic purpose and serve the Masonic community, and I would like to see it go in that direction. That is to see that its members are served with aid when needed from The Charity Foundation.

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Nominees for Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee (Vote for 3)



Christopher Curcia

Personal: • Married to wife, Rosa for 20 years this October 2026 • Daughter: Gabriella Studying to be an Accountant, Son: John High School Freshman Fall 2026

Education: • BS in Business Management, Rowan University

Professional: • Vice President Commercial Business Banker, First Bank, Hamilton, N.J. I have 25 Years in Finance and 17 Years in banking as a Bank Branch Manager, Bank Market Manager, and a Commercial Business Banker

Non-Profit Memberships: • Jersey Shore YMCA Board of Trustee • Monmouth Council Boy Scouts Board of Trustee • Parker Family Health Board of Trustee • Monmouth Arts Council Board of Trustee • Family Resource Associates Board of Trustee • Junior Achievers of New Jersey Board of Trustee • Jersey Shore Partnership Board of Trustee

Masonic Achievements: • Initiated, Passed and Raised Olive Branch Lodge #16 Freehold NJ • Worshipful Master Olive Branch Lodge #16, 2026 and 2023 • President 17th District Association 2024-Present • Trustee Olive Branch Lodge #16, 2024 and 2025 • Head of Charity Committee Olive branch Lodge #16, 2027 • York Rite Mason since 2016 • Royal Arch Mason • Cryptic

Council • Commandery of Knights Templar •

Statement: Greetings Brethren all.

Becoming a Masonic Charity Trustee is in line with that of which I see as the corner stone of Masonry in N.J. and beyond. That is to be a community based charitable organization. Helping Brothers, their families/Friends, and the greater community beyond, is the pivot point to which I think the life of our organization depends on. In business we speak of building our customer base Organically . This essentially means provide the best service (Grand Lodge and Blue Lodge officers), product (Ritual), and relationship (Fellowship) against peer organizations, so that a customer (prospect or Donor) will willingly seek you out. In business or any organization, these 3 things can only be communicated by word of mouth (with the exception of Ritual) and by showcasing our charitable works.

I will use my home Lodge of Olive Branch #16 as an example. We have had tremendous success in growing our lodge with new members in the last several years. Half of these new members are hearing about Masonry by word of mouth and from members. But the other half are seeing our Lodge story online and in the community. Some new members are traveling far to be part of our lodge based on what they are seeing online or seeing at a function with Masonic regalia.

What this should impress upon us, is that the Masonic Charity Foundation can play a vital role in the future of our Craft. With the sale of the Masonic home and a renewed focus on outreach/visibility into the community, those looking for fellowship, belonging, and an organization that gives back, will want to be part of our organization. Newer and/or younger men, who may not know, or be interested in the History of our craft, will surely be impacted by the present and future works of Masonic Charity Foundation. I also foresee that what the Masonic Charity Foundation plans to do going forward, may also be a model for individual Blue Lodges in being out in the community and sharing online our works and brotherhood.

As a Masonic Charity Trustee, I hope to contribute what I have learned in Masonry and Business to the future of our craft in New Jersey!



Scott W. Daily

Beverly Riverside Lodge #107

Initiated..... February 28, 2008

Passed..... April 24, 2008

Raised..... June 12, 2008

Worshipful Master..... 2016

Masonic History & Affiliations

Mount Moriah Lodge No.28

Treasurer 2022

19th District Masonic Association

President 2015- Present

Scottish Rite Central Valley of NJ

32 Degree Mason MSA 2026

Most Wise Master 2024

Crescent Shrine Trustee 2026

Aide to the Potentate 2026

Tall Cedars of Lebanon Trenton Forest #4 Grand Tall Cedar 2025-26

Monarch Simba Grotto 2026

York Rite Mason - Council of Deliberation - Knights Templar

Order of Eastern Star Medford Chapter Worthy Patron #287 2026

Dual Member

Amwell Lodge No.12

Mount Moriah Lodge No.28

Gothic Mercer Lodge No.270

Statement:

I have gotten so much out of being a Mason. This year being on Grand Staff has taught me how to be a better Mason. I feel that I need to give back to the Fraternity that has made me what I am today.

The Masonic Charity Foundation is starting a new chapter in its history and I want to be part of that history and help it become the foundation I know it can be. I will bring my unique managing style and knowledge of running my own company to help the board move forward into this next chapter.

Nominees for Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee (Vote for 3)



Douglas Frank Dillon

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Resume

I was born 1961 in Maple Shade New Jersey. I've lived as long as I can remember in Burlington County. I've lived in Maple Shade, Cinnaminson, Willingboro for over 23 years where I graduated from John F. Kennedy High School & Now for the last 32 years, living in Moorestown NJ. I was a NJDOT employee for 33 yrs.

Work Position Experience

My background includes blue collar and white collar NJDOT positions serving as an Electrical Mechanic (15 Years) ("IFPTE" Union) in the electrical signal crew and Volunteering for Emergency Snow Room and Field Snow Removal Work (25 Years as an NJDOT essential employee).

At NJDOT headquarters, I was the resident engineer for the traffic signal LED project. An 80% savings removing Incandescent & installing LED lamps.

I worked as the contract manager with multi-million dollar contracts and multiple consultants and other NJDOT professionals providing traffic engineering support to NJDOT.

I supervised the State Traffic Regulations section creating the Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO's) for speed limits, No Parking any time areas, Bus stop locations, and Bike lane stripping etc.

I retired with the position of

Principal Engineer (18 Years as a Traffic Engineer) ("CWA" Union) where I worked with new traffic signal design & timing, overhead signing, and pavement markings.

Engineering, Project Management, & other Educational Background

I have a Master's Certificate from the Project Management College in "Project Management".

I earned a Certificate designating me as a "Certified Public Manager" by "Fairleigh Dickinson University".

I have an "Associate in Science Degree" as an Engineering Major from "Burlington County College" with 89 credits on transcript.

I have an "Associate's Degree in Specialized Technology" from the "Pennco Technical Institute" for Diesel & Gas Technology. Degree includes theory, design, and operation of automotive and truck equipment.

"Burlington Co. Institute of Technology" courses in "Electronics I & II".

CDL License & Other Training

I have a valid NJ CDL Class "A" Driver License.

I have training in Microsoft Office training in Excel & Power Point, additionally; I have training in Visio & "SignCADD".

I have online training from the "Convention of States University" in block walking & communication, Phone Bank telemarketing, and Facebook.

Campaign APP training with the Sidekick and Numinar Apps.

Leadership Experience

In addition to the above mentioned work experience, I gained considerable skills working with contractors, consultants, public officials, and traffic officers, the general public, and state workers of many professional and non-professional titles.

I worked with representatives of Local, County, and State government, and other Commission officials and Police officers. Additionally, I have supervised multiple state workers of many diverse titles. I have extensive training in Supervision Management and Project Management.

I was also the Traffic Engineering Bureau's representative for the "New Jersey State Environmental Justice" Task Force team.

I served as Shop Steward for the Communication Workers of America ("CWA") Union for twelve years, 2005 to 2017 for the 7TH floor NJDOT Headquarters. (I helped negotiate employee grievances, work place issues and policies. My fellow employees received training equality and testing availability notices).

Political Experience

I served on the Rittenhouse Park Community Association Board From (1986 to 1990) which is located in the Township of Willingboro. In 1990, I was the Vice President of the Association.

I served on the Moorestown Township Zoning Board for the year 2019.

I'm currently elected as a Moorestown Republican Municipal Committee member for District 2 since 2017. Additionally, I ran for office in 2021, 2023, & 2025 for the 7th District NJ Assembly & received more votes than my running mates & the NJ Senate candidates for those years.

Community Service and Masonic Service

I'm the President of the Maple Shade – Moorestown #281 Square Club that runs a successful monthly Hoagie Sale, which also collects food & funds for the "Maple Shade Food bank". I assist with the "Masonic Home Wheel chair push".

I ran the floor for the Monday night weekly Bingo games at the Crescent Shrine Temple in Westampton for 2025.

I became a Master Mason in May 1992 at Glassboro Lodge #85 F&AM.

I was elected as the Past Master of Glassboro Lodge #85 F&AM in 1997.

When Glassboro Lodge closed, Pitman Lodge #197 F&AM became my Mother Lodge.

I'm currently a dual member and serving as Junior Warden for the Maple Shade – Moorestown Lodge #281 F&AM. I also served 3 years as Lodge Marshal.

I became a member of the Scottish Rite Southern Valley and Crescent Shrine during the 5th State-wide Reunion, 1992 Masonic Unity Class. I became a Knights Templar member during the 2000 Crusade. I served as President of the Burlington County Shrine Club for the year 1999. Additionally, I'm currently a member of the Crescent Shrine Mini Cars Club Unit & serving as 2nd Ceremonial Master of the appointed Crescent Shrine officer's line. I'm a Participant in the "2026 Grand Lodge One Day Class". I'm the 2026 VP of the High Twelve Lodge #770.

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Nominees for Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee (Vote for 3)



Dwayne Dolly II

Brethren of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey,

I am Dwayne Dolly II, and I respectfully ask for your vote to serve as a Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee. This is more than a title—it's a responsibility that demands trust, stewardship, and a clear-eyed understanding of financial oversight. I offer my candidacy as a Brother who brings both a deep commitment to Freemasonry and the professional experience needed to safeguard the assets and future of our New Jersey Freemasonry.

Rooted in the Craft, Committed to the Mission

I grew up in West Virginia and moved to New Jersey in 2005 after college. My wife, Caroline, and I met at Lycoming College in Pennsylvania, and today we live in Po-hatcong with our daughter, Penelope.

I was raised in Mansfield Lodge #36, and over the past 18 years, I've stayed active and involved because I truly believe in the mission of this fraternity. I've served as:

- ...# District Deputy Grand Master for four terms (current role)
- ...# District Ritual Instructor for three terms
- ...# Grand Chaplain
- ...# Worshipful Master for five terms

I'm also active in the York Rite, serve on the advisory board for Easton's Rainbow #38 IORG Advisory Board and am a member of the Society of King Solomon.

These roles have helped shape my understanding of how our fraternity must balance tradition with thoughtful leadership, particularly when it comes to the responsible stewardship of our resources.

Professional Experience That Mirrors Trustee Responsibilities

I've spent the past 19 years in the Credit Union industry, steadily rising to the role of Senior Vice President of Operations. In this position, I:

- ...# Oversee daily operations across four branches
- ...# Lead our IT division and back-office operations
- ...# Serve as the institution's Bank Secrecy Act Compliance Officer
- ...# Help manage the credit union's liquidity, budget, and Asset Liability Management (ALM) strategy
- ...# Oversee investment activity with careful attention to risk, regulation, and return

In short, I'm entrusted daily with the very responsibilities that define the role of Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee—managing assets, administering budgets, ensuring compliance, and protecting the financial health of an institution serving thousands.

Prepared to Serve

The Masonic Charity Foundation Trustees are charged with:

- ...# Safeguarding Charity Foundation assets
- ...# Overseeing investments with prudent, long-term thinking
- ...# Ensuring financial compliance and risk mitigation
- ...# Supporting the evolution of the Charity Foundation as it evolves following the sale of the Masonic home

These are not abstract duties - they are responsibilities I fulfill every day as a financial leader. In my lodge and district roles, I've led budget reviews, helped develop investment strategies, and advised lodge Treasurers on fiduciary reporting, account management, and tax compliance. I've stepped in during difficult moments—financially and organizationally—and helped my brethren make wise decisions rooted in facts, while being empathetic to the emotional aspects.

Looking Ahead

At the end of the day, our job is to leave things better than we found them—for our Brothers, our communities, and the next generation. That's what the line "I am building the bridge for him" means to me. That's what I'll bring to the table if you elect me with solid leadership, real-world experience and a deep love for this fraternity.

If elected, I will serve with integrity, humility, and the same relentless dedication I've brought to my lodge, my district, and my profession.

Thank you for your consideration and your trust.

Fraternally,
Dwayne Dolly II



**RW Ronald A. Murad, PDDGM,
Past Grand Lodge Trustee**

Vision Statement:

I am Ron Murad and I'm running for the office of Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee.

As a result of unaffordable debt service requirements on the Masonic Village at Burlington, formerly the Masonic Home, the Masonic Charity Foundation ("MCF") with the support of the Brethren at our Annual Communication in November 2024, was authorized to sell the Masonic Village. The key benefits to the MCF was the relief of its debt burden and its overall responsibility in operating a retirement, medical, and independent living facility. The transfer of ownership of the Masonic Village's assets and debt is being transferred to the buyer over a few years and with this transfer, the Mission of the MCF is changing from a property owner to an endowment-based Charity. This transition gives the MCF an opportunity to redefine its Mission, how it operates, and its impact and benefits to the Brethren and the Community – redefining the Relevance of the MCF.

With the change from property owner to charitable trust, a significant focus must be implemented and maintained to ensure compliance with many critical issues, including:

- ...# Uphold and revise appropriately the MCF's core mission and values.
- ...# Develop and maintain new short and long-term strategic direction.
- ...# Provide continued financial oversight of the assets and liabilities of the MCF, including budgeting, monitoring of financial performance, maintain transparency of operations, and ensuring adequate and appropriate internal controls over business and financial operations.

Nominees for Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee (Vote for 3)

..# Oversee fundraising and charitable disbursement activities.

This oversight by the Trustees is governed by three core fiduciary duties: the duty of care, which requires them to stay informed, participate actively and exercise sound judgment; the duty of loyalty, which obliges them to put the organization's interests first and avoid or disclose conflicts of interest; and the duty to obedience, which ensures adherence to the mission, follows laws and regulations, and uses resources appropriately.

As a recently retired CPA, my work experiences covered all aspects of financial management in a variety of industries, particularly in the not-for-profit sector. This experience has included financial analysis, budget preparation and monitoring, external and internal auditing, and regulatory compliance and taxes. These skills proved very useful during my 6 years as a Grand Lodge Trustee, including 2 years as Vice President and 1 year as President, including liaison work and financial reconciliation work with the MCF.

In this transition period for the MCF, I believe my past work experiences, Grand Lodge experiences, and the relationships I have developed within the New Jersey Masonic community, would make me a valuable asset to the MCF Board of Trustees.

Personal:

..# Originally from Long Island, my wife, Liz, and I moved to Fanwood, NJ in 1989

..# Raised two wonderful daughters, Karen (husband Darren) and Maggie (husband Dane)

..# Two twin grandsons, Zachary and William

Professional:

..# Certified Public Accountant ("CPA"), licensed in NJ and NY, and recently retired

..# 43+ years auditing and financial management experience, particularly in the not-for-profit, banking, finance, and insurance industries

..# Career starting at a Big-8 accounting firm, focusing in external and internal auditing specializing in internal control environments, accounting and financial management, budgeting and operational analysis, and SEC and regulatory reporting

..# Membership in:

..# American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

..# NJ Society of CPAs

..# NYS Society of CPAs

..# Institute of Internal Auditors

..# Fellow – Life Management Institute (FLMI) (insurance industry)

..# Insurance and Financial Services registrations/licenses previously held:

..# NASD Series 24 Registered Principal

..# NASD Series 7 Registered Representative

..# NJ Health & Agency Insurance license

Masonic:

..# Blue Lodge:

..# EA 1/18/82, FC 2/15/82, MM 3/15/82, Star of Hope Lodge No. 430, now Ridgewood No. 710 (NY); 4th Generation Freemason

..# Dual Member (September 1991): Scotchwood Lodge No. 295, now Atlas Pythagoras Lodge No. 10 (NJ)

..# Dual Member: American Lodge of Research No. 9003 (NY)

..# Past Master: Scotchwood Lodge No. 295 (1995)

..# Past Master: Atlas Pythagoras Lodge No. 10 (2006)

..# Grand Lodge of New Jersey:

..# Grand Lodge Trustee, September 2019 – 2025, Past President and Vice President

..# District Deputy Grand Master (2017-2020)

..# District Ritual Instructor – 13th District (2001-2005), 10th District (2010-2011 and 2016-2017)

..# Secretary to the Grand Master (2012-2013)

..# Daniel Coxe Award (4/13/2013)

..# Grand Lodge Ritual Committee (2009-2011, 2013-present, Past Vice-Chairman)

..# Grand Lecturer's Award of Excellence

..# Fellow of the Society of King Solomon (SKS)

..# Audit Committee (Chairman 2013-present)

..# Tax Committee (2012-2013)

..# Temple and Lodge Finance Committee (2020-present)

..# State of the Craft Committee (2022-2025)

..# Lodge Support and Renewal Committee (Chairman 2025-present)

..# Member – Grand Lodge Speakers Bureau

..# Grand Representative to Arkansas (2013)

Appendant Bodies:

..# Valley of Northern NJ, Scottish Rite, Hauts Grades Academic (HGA)

..# Corinthian Chapter No. 57, Royal Arch Masons

..# Haggai Chapter, Mark Master Masons

..# Adoniram Council No. 9, Royal and Select Masters

..# Trinity Commandery No. 17, Knights Templar

..# Harold Van Buren Voorhis Council No. 260, Allied Masonic Degrees – Past Sovereign Master, 2002

..# Knight Masons of Northern New Jersey

..# St. Joseph's Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine

..# Salaam Shrine

..# Masonic Kilties of New Jersey

..# Atlas Chapter No. 99, Order of the Eastern Star

Senior DeMolay

..# Legion of Honor (Treasurer, NJ Preceptory)

..# Cross of Honor

..# Chevalier

..# Representative DeMolay

..# Lamp of Knowledge

..# Founders Membership Award

..# Past Master Councilor – Crusader Chapter No. 1905, Mineola, NY (1976)

..# NY Metropolitan Region Ritual Director (1976-1978)

..# Advisory Council (charter member) of Union Chapter, Westfield, NJ (1996-present, Chairman 2015-2016, 2026)

Non-Masonic / Other Community Involvement:

..# First United Methodist Church of Westfield:

..# Sunday School teacher (1995-2017)

..# Church auditor (1993-1999)

..# Cornerstone Retreat Team member (1995-1996)

..# Brass Choir (1990-2000)

..# Scotch Plains – Fanwood High School:

..# Music Parents Association

..# Marching Band Pit Crew (2004-2010), Pit Crew Manager (2008-2010)

..# PTA Treasurer (2007-2010)

..# Drama Club Set Construction Crew (2007-2010)

..# Scotch Plains – Fanwood YMCA

..# Indian Guides (1996-2007)

..# Nation Chief (1998-2000)

..# Hobbies:

..# Music,

..# Golf,

..# Bowling,

..# Card games,

..# Spectator sports

Nominees for Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee (Vote for 3)



WB George H Ostermayer III

Personal:

Born and raised in NJ, originally in Camden and then Cinnaminson. I currently reside in Mount Laurel. I am divorced, with no children. I do, however, have 8 nieces/nephews, 12 grand nieces/nephews, and 2 great-great nephews.

Professional:

Upon graduating from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute with a BS in Nuclear Engineering and an MBA, I fulfilled my ROTC Obligation by spending 5 years on Active duty in the US Army, serving in Korea and Colorado. My specialty was as an Engineer Officer, but also spent the last 18 months as a Comptroller, being the primary Budget Officer for a major international JCS exercise with signature authority over the domestic portion of the exercise funding spread across over 35 different posts and agencies. During my time on active duty I was awarded the Army Commendation Medal twice.

Following my active duty, I worked for GE Nuclear Plant Services for 5 years as a Field Engineer, Senior Planner/Scheduler, Project Controls Engineer, and Project Manager. I then went on my own, as an independent consultant. I have worked on projects ranging from the low millions to several hundred million dollars, both as an individual contributor and as the lead project controls or planning/scheduling engineer. Industries have included nuclear, pharmaceutical, chemical, and refinery. Project types have included construction / retrofit of manufacturing facilities, plant maintenance outages (which are always high pressure, since each hour a plant is "down" is X \$ not being made or in the case of utilities, plus X \$ of replacement power being purchased), software development, and company division reorganizations.

Additionally, I am a member of AACE International (formerly the American Association of Cost Engineers) and

have earned certifications in Estimating, Planning/Scheduling, Cost Control, Earned Value, and Decision/Risk Management. I served on the Certification Board - the group charged with administering, maintenance/updating, and ensuring the continual accreditation of the certification exams for over 20 years. I was honored by the Association by being elevated to a Fellow in 2022.

Masonic History

- ...# Raised as a member of Maple Shade Moorestown Lodge No. 281 - March 2003
- ...# Worshipful Master - 2008, 2009, 2023
- ...# Assistant Secretary - 2012-2015, 2021-2024
- ...# Secretary - 2016 - 2020, 2025-2026
- ...# Member, Grand Lodge Constitution & Bylaws Committee, 2026
- ...# Member, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite (Valley of Southern NJ) since 2003
- ...# Member, Crescent Shrine A.A.O.N.M.S., since 2005

Statement

As the Foundation emerges from the divestment of the Village and from underneath an unsustainable mortgage, we find ourselves being a small foundation with a large mandate.

Small foundations, like small businesses, require detailed management to ensure that every resource is both effectively used and can be indefinitely sustained. There is little room for error or waste. Programs need to satisfy several criteria: They have to provide a benefit, they have to be wanted and used, and they have to be easily accessible. (In management-speak, they have to conform to the mission, there has to be a market (or demand) for it, the barriers for use need to be small, and they have to be cost effective.) These principles apply to larger foundations, too, but the margin of error is smaller for small organizations.

The second imperative is to "grow" the foundation. Needless to say, the larger the foundation can become, the larger the programs we will be able to support, and the better we will be able to weather unforeseen events.

So how does my background fit?

As a Comptroller Officer, I had to receive, evaluate, and consolidate budgets from the various entities, and defend the consolidated budget at FORCECOM. Then I had to release and monitor the usage of those funds by the various Posts and Agencies across the country. Monthly reports and preparation for end-of-year audit were required. That I was legally responsible for these funds just added a little added impetus.

On project work, I monitored the development of the estimate, re-arranged the funds to assign budgets to the detail construction activities, monitored and reported on these throughout the project, and at project end consolidated the information in the format for corporate accounting to use. If I was also responsible for the plan/schedule, the rearrangement of the estimate to fit the construction plan was part of this. Evaluation/identification of devel-

oping problems and their mitigation was a major part of the reporting cycle. Ancillary to this was the review of scope documents and applicable contracts to ensure those requirements were incorporated. Many times I became the "go-to" person for short-fuse, high visibility projects. As mentioned, sometimes it was just me, and other times I managed a team. In either case, communication with other stakeholders was constant and important.

As an independent consultant, obviously everything was my responsibility. Marketing, finance, developing relationships, etc. Even if I reached out for outside assistance, I at least had to be able to "hum the tune".

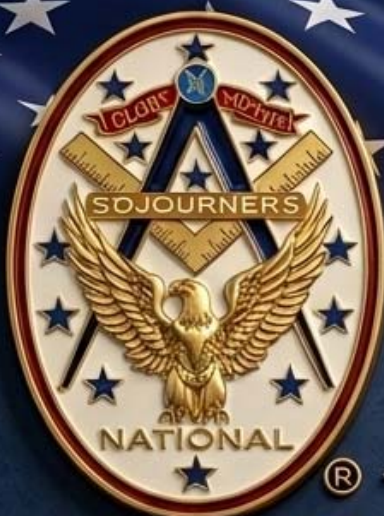
As I have traveled through my career, I have learned that communication and the way you get things done changes. In the military, you have positional authority and a raft of regulations to support you. In industry, your positional authority is much less and motivating people more important, but you still have some power based on employment. When you get to the Brotherhood (or any purely volunteer organization), positional authority is essentially null and to get anything done requires leadership and motivating people. Even being Master is no guarantee that you can get things done.

My last story.

When I became Master in 2008, it was at the end of a great deal of chaos - we had lost 2 Masters and 2 Senior Wardens - 3 to work issues and 1 to an unexpected death. Fortunately, we had a Past Master who stepped up to fill in until the line filled in below him. I was elected Master from the Jr Warden's chair. At my installation (closed) I very bluntly addressed my brothers as to where we were and what we needed to do to get back on track. With the assistance of the members and the Past Masters we got to work. We had "imported" a Past Master that I was friends with from his days as a DeMolay, and he was elected as my Sr Warden. At the end of my first year, though, he was appointed to Grand Staff - so by our prior arrangement, I stayed on as Master for the 2nd year. Rather than the line filling in behind me, though, my officers informed me that they all desired to stay in their current positions for the 2nd year. By having interesting meetings, getting back out into the community, supporting local teams and events and "showing the flag", by the end of the 2nd year we were back on track with new members coming in and existing members becoming active again.

I hope that this illustrates that I understand where the Foundation is, where it needs to go, and how to get there. The road will not be quick, but with judicious actions we can grow the Foundation so it fully meets the mandate we have espoused.

I ask for your vote. Thank you.



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★ MEET WITH US ★

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meets at

MT HOLLY LODGE #14 F&AM
15 Garden St, Mt Holly, NJ 08060
6:30pm dinner 7:30pm meeting.
Positive RSVP to count for dinner only.

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GARDEN STATE CHAPTER #438

meets at

ATLAS-PYTHAGORAS LODGE #10
1011 Central Ave, Westfield, NJ 07090
6:30pm dinner 7:30pm meeting.
Positive RSVP to count for dinner only.

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TITLE FOUR: GRAND LODGE BY-LAWS

ARTICLE VII. SUBORDINATE LODGES

SECTION 1. WARRANTS & AUTHORITY; OBLIGATION TO THE GRAND LODGE.

Now Reads:

Part 1. Warrants.

a) Effect of Warrant. A lodge which has received its warrant from the Grand Lodge must be considered a regular lodge, unless the warrant is annulled.

b) Sole Authority of Grand Lodge. The Grand Lodge alone has the power to permanently deprive a lodge of its warrant. The Grand Master may suspend its operation until the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge.

c) Arrest of Warrant. The warrant of a lodge, if arrested by the Grand Master, may be restored to him, or the Grand Lodge; but only to the brethren from whom it was taken.

d) Return of Warrant. If the warrant of a lodge withdrawn by the Grand Master is returned by the Grand Lodge, the officers of the lodge to whom the warrant is returned will act as such until their successors are elected and installed, as provided by the General Regulations, unless the lodge is authorized by dispensation to hold an election.

Proposal To Add New letter:

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e) Membership Requirement. Any Lodge who shall fail to maintain a minimum membership of fifty (50) or more known and approved Master Masons, with no more than twenty per cent (20%) of the total of said members to be dual members, for a period of Three (3) years shall forfeit its warrant at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge on the Third (3rd) year of below minimum membership.

Statement:

The constitution is clear on how many members required to open a new Lodge to be granted a warrant, but it is not so clear on what to do if a Lodge falls below that requirement. If approved this proposal will address what happens if a Lodge falls below 50 members.

Gennaro Adesso, PM - Peninsula No.99

Kyle L Nurge, PM - Euclid No.136

Luis G. Diaz , PM - Secaucus-Hudson No.72

Ronald W Lahr, PM - Loyalty No.33

Michael A. Jasiocki, PM - St. John's No.1

TITLE THREE: GRAND LODGE CONSTITUTION
ARTICLE II. – GRAND LODGE OFFICERS AND MEMBERSHIP
SECTION 1. MEMBERSHIP IN THE GRAND LODGE

Current Language:

SECTION1. MEMBERSHIP IN THE GRAND LODGE

Part 1. Members. All elected Past Grand Officers and Past Masters, while they remain members of regular warranted lodges in this jurisdiction, and all Masters and Wardens for the time being of said lodges.

Proposed Language (new language in red):

SECTION1. MEMBERSHIP IN THE GRAND LODGE

Part 1. Members. All elected Past Grand Officers, Past Masters, and recipients of the Distinguished White Apron Award, while they remain members of regular warranted lodges in this jurisdiction, and all Masters and Wardens for the time being of said lodges.

Amendment to the By-Laws

Title III, Article IV, Section 2, Part 1

Current Language:

Part I. Election of Grand Lodge Officers. The M.W. Grand Master, R.W. Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Senior Grand Warden, R.W. Junior Grand Warden, R.W. Grand Treasurer, R.W. Grand Secretary, Grand lodge Trustees, Masonic Charity Foundation Trustees, and Historic Trenton Masonic Temple Trustees, shall be elected by ballot of the members of the Grand Lodge. Ballots shall be cast by the current officers of each lodge, in person, by being present at the stated annual communication, or by proxy to the Grand Lodge, as provided. Ballots may be cast by past masters either in person or electronically by Internet connection. All votes, regardless of how cast, shall be tabulated and reported at the Grand lodge Communication. A majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to constitute a choice for the Grand lodge Elected Officers. If there be no choice on the first ballot, then a second ballot shall be taken, which shall be confined to the three candidates who shall receive the highest number of votes. Should there be no choice on the second ballot, then a third ballot shall be cast, which shall be confined to the two candidates who received the highest number of votes on the second ballot. All Trustees shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast

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Statement of Purpose

A Brother who has been awarded the Distinguished White Apron has demonstrated years of unwavering service and commitment to Freemasonry. In recognition of that service, recipients of the Distinguished White Apron Award shall be recognized as members of Grand Lodge and afforded the same voting rights and privileges traditionally granted to Past Masters, as established by the Grand Lodge. The parenthetical "who are not Past Masters" makes clear that a member of Grand Lodge may only vote based on being a Past Master OR a DWA recipient, not both. These amendments preserve the constitutional requirement that only members of Grand Lodge may cast votes, while extending Grand Lodge membership and voting rights to Distinguished White Apron recipients. Additionally, since Title III, Article II, Section 2 requires that Grand Lodge Officers (with minor exceptions) be Past Masters, Brothers who have only been awarded the Distinguished White Apron will remain ineligible for these offices.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul R. Mundy, St. Stephen's #63,

Redentor DeBelen Jerusalem #26,

Michael Firkser Fidelity #113,

Dan Schittone Theodore Roosevelt #22,

Ken Broderick Theodore Roosevelt #22

TITLE FOUR: GRAND LODGE BY-LAWS

ARTICLE VII. SUBORDINATE LODGES

SECTION 5. ANNUAL ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

Now Reads:

Part 3. Eligibility.

- a) For Warden. Any member of a lodge, who is in good standing and physically qualified, is eligible to the office of Senior Warden or Junior Warden.
- b) For Proxy to Grand Lodge. Any member of a lodge, who is in good standing and physically qualified, is eligible to the office of Proxy to Grand Lodge.
- c) Dual Members. A dual member may hold appointed office in more than one lodge. However, he shall not be elected Worshipful Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden or Proxy to Grand Lodge of more than one lodge during the same Masonic Year.
- d) Trustees. A trustee may also hold an appointive office in the lodge to which he has been elected a Trustee. A Trustee may not hold an elective office nor serve on the audit committee in the lodge to which he has been elected Trustee.
- e) Organist & Tyler. The Organist and or Tyler of a lodge need not be a member thereof, but must be a member in good standing of a lodge in this jurisdiction with which this Grand Lodge is in communication. (Amended 2021)

Proposed:

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Statement: The offices of Secretary and Treasurer, just like the other elected officers, require a lot of commitment and time. We feel you should not be allowed to hold more than one elected position in any capacity at the same time.

Gennaro Adesso, PM - Peninsula No.99

Kyle L Nurge, PM - Euclid No.136

Luis G. Diaz , PM - Secaucus-Hudson No.72

Ronald W Lahr, PM - Loyalty No.33

Michael A. Jasiocki, PM - St. John's No.1

TITLE THREE: GRAND LODGE CONSTITUTION
ARTICLE IV.GRAND LODGE MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS
SECTION 2. ELECTIONS AND VOTING IN THE GRAND LODGE

Current Language

Part 1. Election of Grand Lodge Officers. The M.W. Grand Master, R.W. Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Senior Grand Warden, R.W. Junior Grand Warden, R.W. Grand Treasurer, R.W. Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge Trustees, Masonic Charity Foundation Trustees, and Historic Trenton Masonic Temple Trustees, shall be elected by ballot of the members of the Grand Lodge. Ballots shall be cast by the current officers of each lodge, in person, by being present at the stated annual communication, or by proxy to the Grand Lodge, as provided. Ballots may be cast by past masters either in person or electronically by Internet connection. All votes, regardless of how cast, shall be tabulated and reported at the Grand Lodge Communication. A majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to constitute a choice for the Grand Lodge Elected Officers. If there be no choice on the first ballot, then a second ballot shall be taken, which shall be confined to the three candidates who shall receive the highest number of votes. Should there be no choice on the second ballot, then a third ballot shall be cast, which shall be confined to the two candidates who received the highest number of votes on the second ballot.

All Trustees shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast.

Proposed Language

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All Trustees shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast. **A singular ballot identifying three (3) ranked choice selections for any Grand Lodge Elected Office position for which there are three (3) or more candidates will fulfill this requirement.**

Respectfully submitted,

George Ostermayer, PM - Maple Shade-Moorestown Lodge #28

Carl E. Fratz, PM - Mantua Lodge #95

Henry Fratz, PM - Mount Moriah Lodge #28

Douglas F. Dillion, PM - Pitman Lodge #197

John Megariotis, PM - Burlington Lodge #32

TITLE FOUR: GRAND LODGE BY-LAWS
ARTICLE III. COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTIONS
SECTION 3. VOTING AND ELECTIONS IN THE GRAND LODGE.

Current Language

Part 3. Election of Officers. Balloting for the election of officers shall be conducted as follows:

- a)Collection of Ballots. Each District Deputy Grand Master shall be seated with his District. The District Deputy Grand Masters shall collect the ballots of their respective districts no later than 11 A.M. on the second day of the Annual Communication in boxes provided for that purpose, and shall deliver the boxes to the tellers, who shall count the votes. In case of the absence or disability of a District Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Master is to appoint a brother of that district to perform the aforesaid duties.
- b)b) Ballots of Grand Lodge Officers. The ballots of the Grand Officers and those seated on the platform are to be collected by the Senior Grand Deacon, who shall deliver them to the tellers.
- c)Visitors Not Permitted. During the election of officers all visitors shall retire, except those who remain by express permission of the Grand Master.
- d)Proper Regalia Required. No Past Master or representative of a lodge shall be allowed to vote in the Grand Lodge without the appropriate clothing or the jewel of his station, except by permission of the Grand Master.
- e)On vs. Offsite Balloting Procedure. Ballots shall be cast by those present at the annual communication by use of voting machines that shall be present for that purpose. Voting members present shall register with the balloting committee members charged with said registration and shall be provided with ballot packages. They may then proceed to vote at the voting machines. Ballots may also be cast by Past Masters who are not present at the annual communication, electronically, via an Internet connection that shall be established by the Grand Lodge for that purpose. Said electronic balloting shall be subject to the security procedures implemented by the Balloting Committee in conjunction with the Office of the Grand Secretary, with the appropriate interlocks to prevent an electronic ballot and a personal ballot by the same member. All ballots shall be cast, and all balloting closed no later than 11 a.m. on the second day of the annual communication. All ballots cast shall be tabulated by the tellers who shall be members of the Balloting Committee under the direction of the Grand Secretary.

Proposed language

Part 3. Election of Officers. Balloting for the election of officers shall be conducted as follows **either manually or by voting machine. If manually, then sub parts a through d shall apply. If by voting machine, subpart e shall apply. In all cases, ballots - both on-site or offsite - may be cast until 11 AM of the 2nd day of the Annual Communication and conveyed at that time to the Tellers for tabulation. The Tellers shall be members of the Balloting Committee under the direction of the Grand Secretary. :**

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- b)Ballots of Grand Lodge Officers. The ballots of the Grand Officers and those seated on the platform are to be collected by the Senior Grand Deacon, who shall deliver them to the tellers.
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e. On vs. Voting Machine / Offsite Balloting Procedure: To leverage the capabilities of the voting machines and internet off-site balloting, if there are 3 or more candidates for the Grand Lodge Officers listed in Title III, Article IV, Section 2, Part 1 which require an outright majority vote for election, then voters will cast a multiple ranked choice ballot, listing their 1st choice, a 2nd choice, and a 3rd choice. This will constitute sufficient potential multiple ballots for the tellers to winnow the candidates until a majority winner shall emerge as required by the Title III section, above. For Trustees, voters will have the number of votes corresponding to the open number of positions for the various Trustees. Those Trustee candidates receiving the highest number of votes will be elected to the open position(s).

1) **Voting Machines:** Ballots shall be cast by those present at the annual communication by use of voting machines that shall be present for that purpose. Voting members present shall register with the balloting committee members charged with said registration and shall be provided with ballot packages. They may then proceed to vote at the voting machines. **Alternately, if off-site internet voting is available, members present may avail themselves of this method, if they have previously registered to do so.**

2) **Off-site voting:** Ballots may also be cast by Past Masters who are not present at the annual communication, electronically, via an Internet connection that shall be established by the Grand Lodge for that purpose. Said electronic balloting shall be subject to the security procedures implemented by the Balloting Committee in conjunction with the Office of the Grand Secretary, with the appropriate interlocks to prevent an electronic ballot and a personal ballot by the same member

Proposer's Statement

None of the wording differences changes any of the voting procedures the Grand Lodge currently follows – it merely authorizes them. In the original wording in the Bylaws, subparts a through d actually contradict the original subpart e. Additionally, the Constitution and Bylaws were silent on the Grand Lodge's use of ranked-choice voting for the Elected Line when voting. The Constitution requires multiple ballots if a majority winner (for the Elected Line) is not declared after a ballot. The ranked choice method now explicitly satisfies that requirement without making everyone cast a second (+) ballot.

NOTE: If the measure extending DWA Brethren voting membership in the Grand Lodge is adopted, then they would have to be added to e(2). Adoption of this proposal would authorize such a change without further modification. Adding SWA Brethren explicitly would still prohibit Lodge Officers from casting votes via off-site voting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Carl E. Fratz, PM - Mantua Lodge #95

Henry Fratz, PM - Mount Moriah Lodge #28

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HONORING



R.W. William J. Anderson, ATGM, PSGS "Bill"

Lodge Secaucus-Hudson No. 72

Initiated EA - 11/10/1975, Passed FC - 01/26/1976, Date Raised : 02/23/1976

Years of Service Total Years of Service (at time of death): 49.76

Masonic Title Right Worshipful Brother

Worshipful Master Secaucus-Hudson No. 72 01/01/1986 - 12/31/1986

Senior Grand Steward 05/01/1992 - 04/30/1993

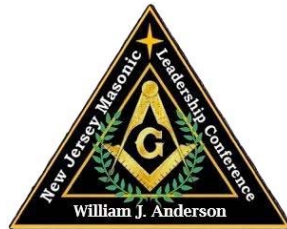
Aide to the Grand Master 05-01-2011 - 04/30/2012, 05/01/2016 - 04/30/2017, 11/09/2023 - 11/07/2024

Awarded Richard Stockton Lifetime Achievement Award by MW Robert V. Monacelli, 2020

Birth Date 07/28/1954 --> 71.33 Years Old (at time of death)

Birth Place Jersey City, New Jersey, US

Deceased Date 11/27/2025





Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey 2027 College & Trade School Scholarship Program

Application deadline: March 1, 2027

One Single Application: Apply for all eligible Masonic Charity Foundation and Grand Lodge of New Jersey scholarships at www.mcfnj.org.

Expanded Eligibility: Open to high school seniors and college/trade students.

**Relative is defined as the child, stepchild, niece, nephew, grandchild or step-grandchild of a living or deceased Master Mason in good standing with the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.*

**2-Year College,
Trade/Technical School
4-year College/University**

4-Year College/University



**Burk-Townley
Scholarship \$4,000**

\$1,000 minimum per year
For Graduating High School Seniors
One 4-year and at least
one 2-year /trade school available
Must be child or grandchild of NJ Mason
Demonstrate financial need

**Serewitch Family DeMolay Scholar-
ship \$20,000**

\$5,000 minimum per year for up to 4 years
For Graduating NJ High School Seniors
GPA: C or 2.2 over last 2 years; SAT 1200
Must be active New Jersey DeMolay
Demonstrate financial need
Organized swimming activity required

**Sol & Reba Serewitch
Scholarship \$5,000**

\$5,000 for 1 year
For Graduating NJ High School Seniors
GPA: C or 2.2 over last 2 years; SAT 1300
Must be relative of NJ Mason*
Demonstrate financial need

**Asbury Jordan Lodge
Scholarship \$4,000**

\$1,000 per year for 4 years
For Graduating High School Seniors
GPA: B or 3.0 over last 2 years
SAT 1400
Relative of NJ Mason preferred* Demon-
strate financial need
In honor of Christian Mogensen and John D. Post

**Chairman of the Board
Scholarship \$10,000**

\$2,500 per year for 4 years
For Graduating High School Seniors
3 available
GPA: B or 3.0; SAT 1290 or 27 ACT
Must be relative of NJ Mason*

**John H. Critchley, Sr. & Emma F.
Critchley Scholarship \$4,000**

\$1,000 per year for 4 years
For Graduating High School Seniors
Engineering/Related Science Major re-
quired
GPA: B or 3.0
Unmarried sons or grandsons of
NJ Mason only

**Culver DeMolay
Scholarship \$4,000**

\$1,000 per year for 4 years
For Graduating NJ High School Seniors
GPA: B or 3.0 over last 2 years
SAT 1090 or ACT 21
Active DeMolay preferred

**Patterson Engineering
Scholarship \$16,000**

\$4,000 minimum per year for 4 years
For Graduating NJ High School Seniors
Declared Engineering Major required
GPA: C+ or 2.5 over last 2 years

Taylor Scholarship \$4,000

\$1,000 per year for 4 years
For Graduating High School Seniors
Must be relative of NJ Mason*
Must perform up to 30 hours of commu-
nity service at Masonic Village or other
approved Masonic institution

**William Mayer Memorial
Scholarship \$4,000**

\$2,000 per year for 2 years
For High School Graduates ~ 2 Available
GPA: C+ or 2.5 over last 2 years
Must be relative of NJ Mason

**William Mayer Memorial
Scholarship \$4,000**

\$2,000 per year for 2 years
For College Graduates ~ 2 Available
GPA: B+ or 3.25 over last 2 years
Must be relative of NJ Mason



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100 Barrack Street, Trenton, NJ 08608

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