

Clarksboro Lodge #87 F.&A.M. PO Box 276 Clarksboro, NJ 08020 856-423-0173 secretary.clarksboro87.gmail.com GPS address: 187 W. Cohawkin Road Clarksboro, NJ 08020 CONSTITUTED APRIL 28, 2011 REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH EXCEPT JULY & AUGUST MARCH 2025



Brethren,

Happy March Madness. I bring you my greetings and hope everyone is well and enjoying life and the onset of Spring.

Our goal this month is to start and finish to get donations for our fundraiser on April 26, 2025. I will have donation sheets and tickets at our Meeting. It is important that every brother try to get at least one donation of at least 50 dollars so we can put baskets together.

This month we will have an EA degree on March 17th, 2025, blood drive on March 6th, 2025.

Last month we raised two brothers Larry Frank Oksten and Michael Anthony Tinsley Jr. in a combined degree with Williamstown Lodge. It was a fine night and worked out very well. We also had a joint EA degree with Mantua and Pitman Lodge for one candidate Justin Oravetz. His fellowcraft degree I am hoping to do in April.

Masters Message,

My brothers, my message is simple—help someone, be there for someone who needs you. And also brush up on you golf game, lol

That's it.

John Higgins WM WM Clarksboro Lodge #87 of Free and Accepted Masons

### **Upcoming News and Dates for Clarksboro Lodge**

**March 3, 2024** We will have our March regular communication with dinner at 6:30 followed by the meeting starting at 7:30 pm.

**March 6, 2025** Blood Drive at Clarksboro Lodge. From 1:00pm to 6:00pm Check redcrossblood.org for times and availability

March 17, 2025 Entered Apprentice degree for Mr.Tatum Cinelli. Dinner at 6:30 with the degree starting at 7:30

March 27, 2025 District Lodge of Instruction at Mantua Lodge at 7:00pm. All Master Masons are invited to attend. Dress is suit and tie.

**April 14 2025** Grand Reception of the 18th and 21st Districts and official visit of Grand Master J. Eugene Margroff. The 21st's own Evan Boggs will be honored as Grand Chaplain. The event will be held at Saffire Grand Catering (formerly Aletto's), 1849 Cooper St., Almonesson NJ 08096-3808 Social Hour 5:00pm Dinner 6:00pm Reception 7:00pm. Tickets are \$65 and see attached flyer with e-mail for information on ordering tickets

**April 26, 2025** We will be having a beef n beer fundraiser with DJ Baron along with a silent auction, dancing, singing and a 50/50 raffle. Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased by the Worshipful Master.

The 2025 dues cards have been sent out to all members who have paid their dues. Please let me know if you did not receive your card or need to pay your 2025 dues.

Fraternally, Jason Neal Secretary

## Living Past Masters

- 1966 E. L. Erdner<sup>s</sup> 1970 J. M. Dare <sup>S</sup> 1971 C. C. Murschell, Jr.<sup>s</sup> 1972 J. S. Emrick, Sr. 1975 W.D. Hansen, Jr.<sup>F</sup> 1979 W. L. Villanova <sup>s</sup> 1979 T. D. Clow, PGMar<sup>F</sup> 1980 T. D. Clow, PGMar<sup>F</sup> 1980 C. W. McTyre<sup>s</sup> 1983 J. R. Corliss<sup>1</sup> 1987 R. B. Kell, PDDGM<sup>P</sup> 1987 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM <sup>S</sup> 1988 R. B. Kell, PDDGM<sup>1</sup> 1988 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM<sup>S</sup> 1990 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM<sup>S</sup> 1990 B. E. Bolopue<sup>P</sup> 1990 Lee Brown<sup>F</sup>
- 1991 J. C. Magee, III <sup>P</sup>
  1992 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM <sup>S</sup>
  1992 D. P. Doak <sup>P</sup>
  1993 G. E. Sleet <sup>S</sup>
  1994 A. L. Milsted, Jr\*
  1995 P. J Peacock
  1998 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM <sup>PS</sup>
  1999 D. C. Henson <sup>F</sup>
  2001 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM <sup>PS</sup>
  2002 R. B. Kell, PDDGM <sup>PS</sup>
  2003 J. C. Legge <sup>PS</sup>
  2005 C.B. Jarrell <sup>PS</sup>
  2005 Ellis H. Otto <sup>F</sup>
  2006 Ellis H. Otto <sup>F</sup>
  2007 R.D. Bailey PGC <sup>PS</sup>
  2007 J. N. Earle <sup>F</sup>
- 2008 G. R. Bruynell<sup>PS</sup> 2008 F. H. Stigale IV<sup>F</sup> 2009 F. H. Stigale IV<sup>F</sup> 2010 J. A. Link PS 2010 D. S. Moser<sup>F</sup> 2012 C. J. Roethke PDDGM 2014 H. Egberts 2015 D. W. Getsinger 2016 J. P. Neal 2017 R. L. Thomas PGC 2018 T. G. Rathof DRI 2019 T. G. Rathof, DRI 2020 J. C. Magee, III 2021 T. G. Rathof, DRI 2022 E. J. Rathof 2023 B. J. Biel 2024 J. J. Higgins

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## <u>Honorary Members</u>

1980 E. N. Peppler, PGM 1993 R. Stowman, PM 1996 W. E. Hackney, PGM 2007 H. S. May, III, PGC 2008 F. D. Jones, PDDGM 2008 J. C. Stephenson, PDRI 2009 W. H. Berman, PGM 2014 D. A. Dorworth, PGM

MW L. S. Plasket PGM RW A. L. Hann PJGD RW C. G. Hocknell PDDGM 2018 MW D. B. Hees PGM

## **<u>21st Masonic District Lodges</u>**

Penns Grove Excelsior No. 54, Carneys Point Clarksboro No. 87, Clarksboro Mantua No. 95, Mantua Woodstown No. 138, Woodstown Williamstown, No. 166, Williamstown Pitman, No. 197, Pitman 1st Wednesday at 7:30pm 1st Monday at 7:30pm 2nd Thursday at 7:30pm 1st Tuesday at 7:30pm 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 7:30pm 2nd Tuesday at 7:30pm

Freemasonry promotes a way of life that binds like-minded men with the principles of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth in order to serve God, Family, Country, Neighbor and Self. Find out More about us: The Grand Lodge of New Jersey www.newjerseygrandlodge.org

## Clarksboro Lodge No. 87 F&AM 2025

# **Elected Officers**

#### <u>Senior Warden</u>

RW Chris Roethke DRI Cell 609-868-1232 croethkedd21@gmail.com

#### <u>Secretary</u>

WB Jason Neal 609-213-4763 jneal522@yahoo.com

## **Appointed Officers**

Proxy to Grand Lodge Chaplain Senior Deacon Junior Deacon Sr. Master of Ceremonies Jr. Master of Ceremonies Senior Steward Junior Steward Marshal Tyler Director of Ritual *Worshipful Master* John J. Higgins Cell 609-743-2043 jhiggs219@verizon.net

Jimmy Earle, PM

James Earle PM

**Brian Spencer** 

Ronald Erdman Joseph Forman

Gerardo Batista

Cory Hunt

Roger L. Thomas, PGC

Richard Kell, PDDGM

Geovanie Rodriguez Gonzalez

Christopher J. Roethke, PDDGM

#### Junior Warden

WB Eric Rathof Cell 609-929-8820 erathof68@yahoo.com

#### <u>Treasurer</u>

WB Bret Biel Cell 856 264-9629 bbiel77@gmail.com

## **Trustees**

#### <u>Financial</u>

Charles Murschell 2025 John Leach 2026 R. D. Bailey PGC 2027

#### <u>Temple Maintenance</u>

Thomas Rathof DDGM 2025 Eric Rathof PM 2026 R.B. Kell PDDGM 2027 Wm T. Dutka, PDDGM 2028

Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of the State of New Jersey Most Worshipful J. Eugene Margroff 100 Barrack Street Trenton, NJ 08608 email: njgm2024@gmail.com

**Right Worshipful Thomas Rathof District Deputy Grand Master of the 21st Masonic District** Phone: 856-981-8844 email:trathof@gmail.com

Right Worshipful Christopher J. Roethke District Ritual Instructor of the 21st Masonic District Cell 609-868-1232 croethkedd21@gmail.com

> **Right Worshipful Evan Boggs Grand Chaplain** Cell 856-285-4694 evanrude1@gmail.com

If anyone in your Lodge is ailing, in need of a phone call, card, or visitation ... If you need assistance with a Masonic funeral ... Or anything else, please contact the Grand Chaplain