

May 2025
MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

The Old Master’s Wages
(Author Unknown)

I met a dear old man today,
Who wore a Masonic Pin,
It was old and faded like the man,
It’s edges were worn quite thin.

I approached the park bench where he sat,
To give the old brother his due,
I said, “I see you’ve traveled east,”
He said, “I have, have you?”

I said, “I have and in my day
Before the all seeing sun,
I played in the rubble, with Jubala,
Jubalo and Jubalum.”

He shouted, “Don’t laugh at the work my son,
It’s all good and sweet and true,
And if you’ve traveled as you said,
You should give these things their due.”

The word, the sign, the token,
The sweet Masonic prayer,
The vow that all have taken,
We’ve climbed the inner stair.

The wages of a Mason,
Are never paid in gold,
But the gain comes from contentment,
When you’re weak and growing old.

You see, I’ve carried my obligations,
For all these many years,
It has helped me through the hardships,
And the failures full of tears.

Now I’m losing my mind and body,
Death is near but I don’t despair,
I’ve lived my life upon the level,
And I’m dying upon the square.

Sometimes the greatest lessons,
Are those that are learned anew,
And the old man in the park today,
Has changed my point of view.

To all Masonic brothers,
The only secret is to care,
May you live your life upon the level,
May you part upon the square.

Fraternally,
Robert H. Spicer
Worshipful Master

TRESTLE BOARD

06May25	Tue	Cape Island Lodge	7:30 PM	Officer’s Meeting/Rehearsal Topic: FC Degree
13May25	Tue	Cape Island Lodge	7:30 PM	Regular Communication Balloting
20May25	Tue	Cape Island Lodge	7:30 PM	Officer’s Meeting/Rehearsal Topic: FC Degree
27May25	Tue	Cape Island Lodge	6:30 PM 7:30 PM	Dinner Regular Communication Balloting

OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER

08May25	Thurs	Cape Island Lodge	7:00 PM	Grand Lodge of Instruction 24th Masonic District
24May25	Sat	Cape Island Lodge	8:00 AM	Hoagie Sale
10June25	Tue	Cape Island Lodge	7:30 PM	Gold Token Night
12June25	Thurs	Harpoon’s on the Bay	7:30 PM	Social District Lodge of Instruction

Attest: R.W. BRUCE S. GRAHAM, Secretary

In case of sickness or distress, please contact the Worshipful Master, Wardens
or Secretary. Please notify the Secretary of any change of address.

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OTHER LODGES OF THE 24TH MASONIC DISTRICT

Star Lodge No 65 in Tuckahoe meets the 1st Wednesday
Cannon Lodge No 104 in South Seaville meets the 3rd Tuesday
Ocean City Lodge No 171 in Ocean City meets the 1st Thursday

COMMITTEES APPOINTED 2025

COMMITTEE	CHAIRMAN	PHONE
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Dual/Affiliation Membership Applications

Bro. David Craig Erb, member of Thompson Lodge #340 in Pennsylvania

Bro. John H. Colehower, member of Trenton Cyrus Lodge #5, Pennington, NJ

IN WAITING**

EA Degree

FC Degree

MM Degree

Mr. Andrew J. Bulakowski
Mr. Alvin Ramirez Rivera

**Due to printing deadlines and scheduling of Degrees, some of this information
may not be up to date.

Permanent Fund Committee Members

R.W. Ernest Utsch III (expires 2026) R.W. Dennis H. DeSatnick (expires 2029)
W.M. Robert H. Spicer
R.W. Bruce S. Graham (Secretary)
Bro. Daniel K. Morley (Treasurer)

Do you want to come out to Lodge meeting but haven’t done so
because you need a ride?

Don’t miss out on participating and seeing your Fellow Brethren!
Contact the Worshipful Master or any one of the officers to make
arrangements to be picked up and taken home.