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**CONSTITUTED APRIL 28, 2011**  
**REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS**  
**FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH**  
**EXCEPT JULY & AUGUST**  
**JUNE 2025**



Brethren,

I hope this message finds you well. I do apologize for the late tressell board as work has been crazy. As we get ready to go dark for the summer remember to help your brothers, family, friends when and where needed.  
Enjoy the time off.

As for events our regular meeting will be June 9th this month.  
And we have a DLI at pitman for our barbeque end of year.

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

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

**June 9, 2024** We will have our June regular communication with dinner at 6:30 followed by the meeting starting at 7:30 pm.

**Please note this is not our normal meeting date as the first Monday of the month, June 2nd coincides with the Grand Master's golf outing on the same date. With dispensation from the Grand Master we will moving our June meeting to the second Monday**

This meeting we will discuss and vote on several important items including:

- Reading the petitions of several applicants and assignment of investigative committees
- Voting on the reinstatement of Micheal Bailey
- Implementing virtual payments of dues via PayPal and Square
- Implementing a new system for background checks
- Updates from the Secretary and Treasurer's Meeting held by Grand Lodge last month which will impact the Lodge in the upcoming year
- Updates on the kitchen renovation scheduled for this Summer

**June 7, 2025** ARC Walk at Pennsville Riverview Park at 9:00am. As is our tradition, the 21st District will be aiding the event by supplying free food and drinks to the walk participants. Volunteers are always welcome and this provides a good opportunity for High School students needing service hours.

**June 26, 2025** A special District Lodge of Instruction featuring a picnic and cookout at Pitman Lodge at 7pm to help celebrate the mid-point of the Masonic year. Will feature awards and Grand Lodge appointment announcements for 2026. Attire is casual with the event free of charge and family and friends invited as well. Please RSVP with RWDDGM Tom Rathof so he can get an accurate head count for food and beverages.

For July and August we will be going dark and will not be sending out any trestleboards. However, we will keep members updated via email for any important news and updates during that time

Fraternally,  
Jason Neal  
Secretary

## Living Past Masters

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

## Honorary Members

1980 E. N. Peppler, PGM	2007 H. S. May, III, PGC	MW L. S. Plasket PGM
1993 R. Stowman, PM	2008 F. D. Jones, PDDGM	RW A. L. Hann PJGD
1996 W. E. Hackney, PGM	2008 J. C. Stephenson, PDRI	RW C. G. Hocknell PDDGM
	2009 W. H. Berman, PGM	2018 MW D. B. Hees PGM
	2014 D. A. Dorworth, PGM	

## **21st Masonic District Lodges**

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

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with the principles of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth  
in order to serve God, Family, Country, Neighbor and Self.  
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# Clarksboro Lodge No. 87 F&AM

2025

## **Elected Officers**

### **Senior Warden**

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### **Worshipful Master**

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### **Junior Warden**

WB Eric Rathof  
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### **Secretary**

WB Jason Neal  
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### **Treasurer**

WB Bret Biel  
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bbiel77@gmail.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

Jimmy Earle, PM  
Roger L. Thomas, PGC  
James Earle PM  
Cory Hunt  
Brian Spencer  
Geovanie Rodriguez Gonzalez  
Ronald Erdman  
Joseph Forman  
Richard Kell, PDDGM  
Gerardo Batista  
Christopher J. Roethke, PDDGM

## **Trustees**

### **Financial**

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

### **Temple Maintenance**

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**

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**Right Worshipful Thomas Rathof**

**District Deputy Grand Master of the 21st Masonic District**

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**Right Worshipful Christopher J. Roethke**

**District Ritual Instructor of the 21st Masonic District**

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**Right Worshipful Evan Boggs Grand Chaplain**

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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