

## June 2025



Consolidated January 20, 1996
Meets at Secaucus Masonic Center
1422 Paterson Plank Road
Secaucus, New Jersey 07094
First & Third Tuesday

Collation Before Communication @ 7PM
Communication 7:30 PM

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#### FROM THE EAST, A MESSAGE FROM

W. Bro. Fidiberto Soto Jr.



Freemasonry and the Summer Solstice: A Light Most Radiant

As Freemasons, we are seekers of Light—always striving for knowledge, virtue, and the perfecting of our inner Temple. The Summer Solstice, the longest day of the year, symbolizes that Light in its fullest expression.

At this sacred point in the solar cycle, the sun stands still, bathing the world in brilliance. We must pause to reflect on the Light we've gathered on our Masonic journey—the truths we've discovered, the bonds we've strengthened, and the service we've rendered in the name of brotherhood and humanity. The solstice reminds us that Light is not just illumination, but transformation. Just as the sun reaches its peak, we should strive to shine with integrity, compassion, and purpose, becoming beacons for others in times of darkness.

Let this season of radiant Light inspire us to recommit ourselves to the tenets of our Craft. As the sun begins its gentle descent, may the fire of our Masonic spirit continue to rise within. So mote it be.

W. Bro. Fidiberto Soto Jr., Worshipful Master

#### **Upcoming Events:**

We often look at our Roster and wonder how the Brothers we have not seen in a while are doing. Give a Brother a call. Come to the lodge together. In the lodge, there are no strangers. Make time to see your Brothers.

#### **LODGE MEETINGS FOR: June 2025**

Officers, Ritual Practice, Floor Work at Lodge every 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month. See W. Bro. James B. Klingener JR. for details.

#### Regular Communication - Tuesday, June 3, 2025

The Lodge Opens at 7:30 p.m. Dinner is by reservation before the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Please make a reservation. FC Degree Officers Formal Attire

#### Thursday, June 9, 2025, is the District Grand Lodge of Instruction

All Officers are required to attend.. Held in Bayonne Lodge, 530pm dinner, GLI opens at 6:30 pm.Officers' Formal Attire.

#### Regular Communication - Tuesday, June 17, 2025

Lodge Opens at 7:30 pm – Dinner by reservation before meeting @ 6:45 pm. Please make a reservation. Speaker TBA

#### **Lodges of the 5th District (when we re-open)**

Enterprise 31 1st Friday @ 7:00 PM Blue Stone 35 1st & 3rd Tuesday @ 7:30PM Secaucus 72 2nd & 4th Friday @ 7:30PM Peninsula 99 2nd & 4th Thursday @ 7:00PM Plaridel 302 2nd Saturday @4:00PM Hippocrates 304 3rd Tuesday @ 7:30PM

#### **Awaiting Fellowcraft Degree**

Bro. EA Wilbur Leonel Argueta Herrera Bro. EA Mudduser Hameed Malik
Bro. EA Arnaldo Mateo
Bro. EA Eugene Oramas
Bro. EA Roberto Cooperman

#### MSTA Meeting Minutes | 05/17/25

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#### **2025 Dues ARE NOW PAST DUE**

Dues for 2025 are \$180, Dual Members \$103

Dues Payments

#### Brothers,

Dues payments can be made through the Square App or by check payable to the lodge. Use the Square App for dues payments and Masonic travel.

The amount due is on Grandview. Please note that the Grandview amount is dues owed through December 31, 2025.

Regular Member (this is your mother lodge) dues payment link on Square.

https://square.link/u/cCoRVpMp



Dual Member (this is NOT your mother lodge) dues payment link on Square.

https://square.link/u/3ptfzujf



You can change the payment amount to include arrears if you are in arrears.

#### **LODGE APP**

#### **Members of BSMTMD Lodge #35**

Download your lodge APP.
For your smartphone
Or web Login

https://bsmtmdlodge35.minsh.com/launch.html

#### **Grand View Links to log in and/or register**

Grandview Login and/or Registration page:
Grand Lodge Masonic Membership Manager (grandview.systems)
YouTube Links: To show you step by step.

Install the Grandview App on an Android Phone using Chrome.
 o Installing App on Android Using Chrome - YouTube
 Installing Grandview App on iPhone (Apple) using Safari.
 o Installing app on iPhone using Safari - YouTube

Registering your account:

https://youtu.be/Hx-WliihfcM

https://nj.grandview.systems/public\_members/index
Grandview Virtual Dues Card
https://nj.grandview.systems/public members/virtual card







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





(TRIP HIGHLIGHTS)

(FRIDAY) DEPART SECAUCUS @ 8 A. M., CHECK INTO CAPITAL HILTON, TOUR THE SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE, AND ENJOY A DELICIOUS INCLUDED DINNER @ HISTORIC GADSBY TAVERN (PRIME RIB, CHICKEN, OR SALMON).

(SATURDAY) EXPLORE THE SMITHSONIAN AIR & SPACE MUSIUM. THEN FREE TIME TO DISCOVER DC YOUR WAY! (SUNDAY) VISIT THE GEORGE WASHINGTON MEMORIAL. TAKE A GUIDED CITY TOUR. AND RETURN TO SECAUCUS BY 6 P.M.

#### TRIP COST:

- \$249.99 (COVERS BUS & TOURS) + HOTEL (BOOKED THOUGH PROVIDED LINK) - PAYMENT : FULL NON-REFUNDABLE BUT TRANSFERABLE PAYMENT REQUIRED TO SECURE YOUR SPOT.

#### MEALS INCLUDED:

- FRIDAY DINNER (SALAD, ENTRÉE, DESSERT, SODA/COFFEE) - ALL OTHER MEALS ON YOUR OWN

#### **IMPORTANT NOTES:**

- DOUBLE OCCUPANCY ROOMS @ CAPITAL HILTON - OPEN TO NON-MASONS - BRING FRIENDS & FAMILY - LIMITED SPACE-RESERVE EARLY!

CONTACT:

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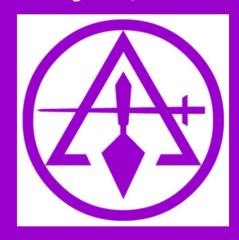
https://book.passkey.com/go/BlueStone

**BOOK NOW** BEFORE SPOTS FILL UP!



## Adoniram Council No. 9 & Scott Council No. 4 Royal & Select Masters

# ROYAL MASTER DEGREE SELECT MASTER DEGREE July 31, 2025



In this one evening you can complete the Circle of Perfection with both degrees of the Royal & Select Masters

The Hiramic Legend Completes!

\$20 per person to help offset dinner costs

Council Secretaries: RSVP with number of members and
candidates attending to: msneuberger@gmail.com

Atlas Pythagoras Lodge No. 10 1011 Central Ave. Westfield, NJ 6:30 PM Dinner 7:30 PM Meeting/Degrees



### The 2025 John Skene Masonic Conference

The best historical minds of Freemasonry will gather at the historic Plainfield Masonic Temple for an afternoon of scholarship and enlightenment. Be a part of this historic event!

#### 2025 Panelists

#### Susan Mitchell Sommers, PhD

Emerita Professor of History, Saint Vincent College "The Other Fellow From Aberdeen: James Anderson"

#### Bro Robert L D Cooper

Curator & Archivist, Grand Lodge of Scotland (Retired) "Updates from Scotland: The Latest Research on the Life and Times of John Skene"

#### Bro Jay Hochberg

Past President, The Masonic Society; PM, American Lodge of Research

"It's Just Common Sense: Thomas Reid and the Fellow Craft Degree"

#### Saturday One Day-Two Historic Locations! 23 August

Peachfield Plantation 180 Burrs Road, Westampton, NJ

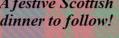
#### Gravesite Memorial

Plainfield Masonic Temple 105 E 7th Street, Plainfield, NJ 2:00pm

Symposium

Skene Society Dinner

A festive Scottish dinner to follow!



#### Symposium & Dinner **Tickets Required**

Register via Eventbrite Memorial service is free to the public











#### **Sciots Supreme Sessions Schedule**

November 20th-23rd, 2025

#### Thursday, November 20th, 2025

- Hotel Check-In for Early Arrivals
- 6:30pm Dinner at Christie's Steakhouse\*: Onsite at Hotel
- 9:00pm-11:00pm Hotel Hospitality: Open to All Guests

#### Friday, November 21st, 2025

- 7:30am Breakfast at Christie's\*: Buffet Breakfast \$18.95 per person
- 8:00am Registration (\$50): Mt Zion Lodge, 483 Middlesex Avenue,
- 9:00am Annual Sessions: Mt Zion Lodge
- 12:00pm Lunch at Hailey's Harp & Pub\*: 400 Main Street, Metuchen, NJ
- 2:00pm Annual Sessions (cont. including Necrology): Mt Zion Lodge
- 2:30pm Spouses Wine Tasting & Charcuterie: Mt Zion Wernik Room
- 6:00pm Izzers & Wuzzers Dinner (\$50pp): Latin Night, Mt Zion Lodge
- 9:00pm-11:00pm Hotel Hospitality: Open to All Guests

#### Saturday. November 22nd, 2025

- 7:30am Breakfast at Christie's\*: Buffet Breakfast \$18.95 per person
- 8:30am Excursion to Peddler's Village (\$50pp): Shuttle to Lahaska, PA
- 9:30am-130pm Peddler's Village Visit\*: Free roam; lunch on your own
- 1:30pm Shuttle from Peddler's Village to Hotel
- 4:00pm Social Hour: Mt Zion Lodge
- 4:00pm Installation Rehearsal (Supreme Officers): Mt Zion Lodge
- 5:30pm Supreme Installation of Officers: Mt Zion Lodge
- 7:00pm Dinner at Metuchen Inn (\$50pp): 424 Middlesex Ave. Metuchen
- 10:00pm: Hotel Hospitality

#### Sunday, November 23rd, 2025

 8:30am Breakfast at Harold's\*: 3050 Woodbridge Avenue, Edison, NJ \*Individuals pay for meal on own, Must RSVP on form for headcount Note fees above are per person attending

#### **HOTEL INFORMATION**

Hotel Info: Crowne Plaza, 2055 Lincoln Highway (Route 27). Edison, NJ, 08817

Reservations may be made through the hotel directly by calling (732) 692-1210 or using the following link:

https://tinyurl.com/bde2k7x9

Request Room Block for Sciots Freemasons King Room or 2 Queen Room-\$139.00 per night

**DEADLINE** for Hotel Registration at this price is FRIDAY, JUNE 27th, 2025

#### **EVENTS INFORMATION**

	COST/person
Registration	\$50.00
Thursday Dinner (Christie's)	Pay on Site
Friday Lunch (Hailey's)	Pay on Site
Friday Spouse Wine Tasting	No Charge
Friday Dinner (I&W)	\$50.00pp
Saturday Excursion	\$50.00pp
Saturday Dinner (Metuchen Inn)	\$50.00pp
Sunday Breakfast (Harold's)	Pay on Site

\*\*\*\* PLEASE SEND ONLY CHECKS/MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO: \*\*\*\*
SUPREME PYRAMID ANCIENT & EGYPTIAN ORDER OF SCIOTS

\*\*\*\*\*\*\* PLEASE MAIL REGISTRATION FORM AND CHECK TO: \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

HOWARD J. STEVENSON

26 PINEVIEW DRIVE. BROWNS MILLS, NJ 08015

**DEADLINE** for Event Registration is FRIDAY, AUGUST 29th, 2025

#### Scotland - the Birthplace of Freemasonry

By.

#### Brother Robert L. D. Cooper



Well before the formation of the Grand Lodge of London and Westminster, speculative Freemasonry had already been flourishing in the thriving cities up north in Scotland. It would be the ritual, traditions and organization of Scottish Freemasonry that would go on to influence Freemasonry throughout the world.

Phoenix Lodge No. 168 is proud to present this world acclaimed Masonic speaker. Brother Cooper served for almost 30 years as the Curator of the Grand Lodge of Scotland Museum and Library and is a Past Master of Quatuor Coronati Lodge, No.2076. Not only has he written extensively (books and articles) on Masonic matters but has also appeared on television and participated in radio programs around the world on the subject of Freemasonry. He has an abiding interest in all matters relating to Freemasonry prior to the Grand Lodge era with a particular interest in manuscript rituals (including pseudo-Masonic rituals from the 17th century). See his podcast at www.magipodcast.com.



https://www.robertldcooper.org



This will be a special meeting of Phoenix Lodge No. 168:

Date: Sunday, August 24, 2025

Social Hour: 1-2 pm Dinner: 2-3 pm Presentation: 3 pm Price: \$30 per person Venue:

Phoenix Lodge No. 168 24 N Franklin Tpke, Ramsey, NJ 07446

This meeting is open to all Masons, guests and family.

Some of his books will be available for sale.

We expect this program to fill up quickly, so, we suggest that you *RSVP* without delay. (But no later than June 15<sup>th</sup>)

Please contact: Aaron Hassell (845) 545-3332 or John Matteson (845) 323-1338

# Freemason's Night Out!!



Hello all, join us for an outing at the Somerset Patriots

Saturday August 23rd at 6:35

Gates Open at 5:35

**Post Game Fireworks!!** 



SOMERSETPATRIOTS.COM (F) (S) [ID] PHONE: 732-245-9042



The application is open for submission!

**Deadline: June 15th** 

Please reach out to your lodge secretary or submit application online:

**Click Here for the Application form** 



BSMTMD #35 Secaucus Hudson #72 Peninsula #99 Euclid #136 Whitehead #184 (before 11/30/2007)



June 21, 2025 @ 1:00 PM

**Rain or Shine** 

Navesink Masonic Lodge No 9 152 Maple Ave. Red Bank, NJ 07701

Basket Raffle

\$25 Per Person Or \$40 Per Couple Kids Free (16 yrs old and under)

Price Includes Drinks, Food and Desserts

50|50

**Fun Games for Kids with Prizes** 

Secure your spot today by scanning the QR code!







## LEVEL CLUB OF SOUTH RIVER

All you can eat Ribs, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Salads and Soft Drinks. Admission includes 2 servings of beer or wine. Additional servings can be purchased.

### JUNE 14, 2025 1:00PM - 5:00PM

ADMISSION \$40.00 PER PERSON CHILDREN 10 AND UNDER ARE FREE







120 OLD BRIDGE TURNPIKE, SOUTH RIVER, NJ

Nutley Lodge #25

# Cigar & Bourbon



FRIDAY
May 30
2025

7:00 PM 175 Chestnut St.

Nutley, NJ NICK : (973) 902-9624 Cigars!
Bourbon!
KARAOKE!
50/50 Raffle!
Poker Table!
All You Can Eat!



THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025 SOCIAL HOUR: 6:00 PM TABLE LODGE: 7:00 PM

#### PHOENIX LODGE #168

PROUDLY PRESENTS OUR

#### THIRD ANNUAL TABLE LODGE

**GUEST SPEAKER** 

RW RICHARD E. SCHULTZ GRAND HISTORIAN

HISTORIC TRENTON MASONIC TEMPLE TRUSTEE
PDDGM - 4<sup>TH</sup> MASONIC DISTRICT

PHOENIX LODGE #168 24 N. FRANKLIN TURNPIKE RAMSEY, NJ

COST - \$20.00 PER PERSON
TO PAY ONLINE GO TO
WWW.PHOENIXLODGE168.COM
MENU/DONATIONS/TABLE LODGE
OR SEND A CHECK TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS

RSVP BY 5/24/25 TO RW MICHAEL VANDEVANDER
EMAIL TO MVANDEVANDER@VERIZON.NET OR TEXT TO (201) 783 - 3555

# SALAAM SHRINE PRESENTS A FAMILY AND FRIENDS



### GAMES \* MUSIC \* FOOD

When: SATURDAY AUGUST 16TH-STARTS AT 1PM

Where: Kittatinny Masonic Lodge #164

336 US Highway 206 Branchville NJ 07826

RSVP TO RECORDER@SALAAMSHRINE.COM BY AUGUST 10TH
Make checks payable to Salaam Shrine

Net proceeds are for the benefit of Salaam Shrine activities

COME AND JOIN US TO SUPPORT THE FOOD PANTRY IN RAISING ESSENTIAL FUNDS AND SUPPLIES FOR FAMILIES IN NEED.

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Hosted by Boiling spring lodge no 152

SATURDAY

JUNE



AT 169 PARK AVENUE. RUTHERFORD, NJ 07070 12:00PM-6:00PM

**DONATE \$15 OR 15** REQUESTED ITEMS.





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RW Luis G. Diaz 201-437-8640 Luis.g.diaz.73@gmail.com Lodge Committees For 2025

RITUAL INSTRUCTOR

James Klingener Jr.

**FINANCE** 

Master & Wardens

**AUDITING** 

RW John E Margroff

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

All Line Officers RELIEF

Master & Wardens

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<u>Dues</u>

Roger Quintana, Bruce Kalogera Investigation

Senior Warden

**Honorary Members** 

MW Harold F. Jennings RW Robert K. Pedersen MW Glenn Trautmann

**RW William Anderson** 

<u>Trustees</u>

2027 2025 2026 Richard Vincentz Brendan Meany James Jimenez John E Margroff Otto Rehe Yoel Lee

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