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Essex Lodge Committees – 2026

Audit:

RW Alexandru Aldea, GLT, PGM
RW Robert Bolcar, PGC
Luis C. Gomes

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Kyle . Avantagato
Gerald Madjarov
Sean Goldrick

Charity:

Lewis H. Wefferling, PM
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Scholarships, Awards, & Events:

Kyle Avantagato
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Dennis P. Uhlmann, Jr.

Essex Lodge No. 7

December 2025

Regular Communications:

1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 7:30pm

Trustee Meeting: First Tuesday at 6:00pm



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Worshipful Master's Message

Greetings Brothers,

As we close the door on 2025, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to each of you for the dedication, fellowship, and labor you have offered to our Lodge throughout the year. Your steady attendance, your willingness to serve, and your commitment to one another have strengthened the bonds that unite us as Brothers. Whether through ritual, charity, education, or simple acts of brotherly kindness, you have exemplified what it means to meet on the level and walk uprightly before God and man.

This past year reminded us that the true strength of Masonry is not found in titles or stations, but in the Light we share. Each time we opened our Lodge, that Light was not only symbolically present, but made real through your words, actions, and intentions. When we allow the Light of Freemasonry to guide our thoughts and deeds, we illuminate not only our own paths, but also the lives of those around us, both within and without the Lodge.

As we look forward to 2026, I am filled with optimism and gratitude for what lies ahead. Let us continue to polish our rough ashlar, support one another in times of need, and labor together with renewed purpose. May the Light grow brighter in our hearts and in Lodge. I am honored to serve as your Worshipful Master and look forward to another year of meaningful Masonic labor with each of you.

Fraternally,

Dennis P. Uhlmann, Jr.
Worshipful Master 2026

Essex Lodge No. 7 Calendar

Tuesday, January 7, 2026

Regular Business Meeting

Speaker: RW Michael Czech- The Ruffians (MM only)

Trustees Meeting – 6:00pm

Dinner: 6:30pm

Open: 7:30pm

Dress: Business

Sunday January 11, 2026

Sunday Funday/ Brunch at Lodge

Open to Members, Friends, and Families

Fundraiser for 200th Anniversary

Suggested \$10 Donation for Brunch

Setup: 10:00am

Brunch: 11:00am

Clean up: 2:00pm

Dress: Masonic Casual

Tuesday January 13, 2026

EA Degree Rehearsal

Dinner: 6:30pm

Start: 7:00pm

Dress: Casual

Tuesday January 20, 2026

Regular Meeting/ EA Degree

Dinner: 6:30pm

Open: 7:30pm

Dress: Tuxedo/Dark Suit

Monday January 26, 2026

DLI – Livingston Lodge # 11

Dinner: 6:30pm

Master & Wardens: 7:15pm

Instruction: 7:45pm

Dress: Business

19 Burnet St, Livingston, NJ 07039

Craftsman Club Events

TBD

NOTICE:

Brethren, please make sure you create an account with Grandview and update your personal and contact information. It is important that 100% of Essex Lodge members participate in the Grandview registration process.

RW Donald J. McGee, PM
Secretary, Essex Lodge No. 7

Candidates in Waiting:

Awaiting EA Degree

Micha Charles- January 20, 2026

Awaiting FC Degree (and EA Proficiency)

Isiah Miller

Ricardo Rodriguez

Amit Shah

Awaiting MM Degree (and FC Proficiency)

Sinisa Starcevic- February 17, 2026

GRAND LODGE OF NEW JERSEY

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Grand Lodge Mission Statement:

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.