

## LIVING PAST MASTERS

* Richard Gondiosa	NY 1970
Robert W. Dodds	1976
David W. Bolsman	1978
Bertram J. Koeber	1987, 1990
* Gary Stoess, PGC	1985, 2000, 2001
C. William De Winne	1991
J. Eugene Margroff, PGM	93,07,09,12,13,17,18
Charles H. Taylor	1994
Robert L. Tedeschi	1997
Joseph K. Hamamji	1999
* Jonathan Blausten	NY 2000, 2004, 2005
Vincent S. Tillona	2000, 2001
Russell G. Bickert	2002
David J. Balistreri, PGTyler	2004, 05, 08, 14, 15, 16
Harry B. Prun	2010
Joseph B. Pakosinski	2011
* Roy G. Simpadian, PGMar	10,11,14,15,20,21,22,23
* G. Edward Umstead	2012
* Larry W. Williams, PGC	2016
* Mitchell D. Lane	2017
* Barry A. Dooley, Jr.	2018
Pat Cuntrera	2018, 2019, 2020
* Raymond V. Kasey	2021
Peter Samaan	2023, 2024
Richard Alam	2025, 2026

\*Affiliated Past Masters

## Distinguished White Apron Brethren

James Castner | Al Van Slyck

## LODGE COMMITTEES

Candidate Investigation: Pakosinski, Prun  
Esoteric Instruction: Balistreri, Simpadian  
Candidate Instruction: Cuntrera  
Budget: J. E. Margroff, Simpadian  
Audit: Castner  
Veteran's Home Visits: Van Slyck  
Activities Committee: Castner, Samaan, Cuntrera

## Lodge Trustees

2026 DB James Castner, 2027 WB Barry Dooley, Jr.,  
2028 WB Pat Cuntrera

## LODGE OFFICERS FOR 2025

### Worshipful Master

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Sr. Master of Ceremonies – Nicholas Abolafia

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Jr. Master of Ceremonies – Wilbur Suarez, Jr.

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Junior Steward – Victor Garcia, Jr.

201.247.6617 (Lori)

Marshal – O'Neil Ellis

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Historian – WB Joseph Hamamji

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Tyler – WB Barry A. Dooley, Jr.

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Proxy to Grand Lodge

Andrei Petrov, Jr.



## Wyckoff Lodge No. 287

Free and Accepted Masons  
of the State of New Jersey

**APRIL 2026**

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**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays**

**Constituted May 7, 1949**

By merger with:

**Fidelis No. 242 in 1971**

**Hamilton Wallis No. 227 in 1977**

**Falls City No. 82 into Hamilton Wallis in 1973**

**Friday, April 3<sup>RD</sup> – NO MEETING  
AS PER BY LAWS – GOOD FRIDAY**

**Monday, April 9<sup>TH</sup> 7:30 PM**

DLI – Wyckoff – MM Only Officers Required

**Friday, April 17<sup>TH</sup> 7:30 PM**

The History of the York Rite – RW Ray Ortiz

## 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.

[www.NewJerseyGrandLodge.org](http://www.NewJerseyGrandLodge.org)

## MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren,

Our primary focus for the next two months is preparing for the GLI scheduled for May 4th.

Attendance at this vital event is crucial for ensuring our ritual work remains uniform, accurate, and profoundly impactful, not just for the GLI but for our candidates. The GLI serves as the master class for our jurisdiction, providing definitive guidance on how to properly execute the degrees. It is imperative that our officers attend to hone their proficiency and ensure we are adhering to the exact ritual standards of New Jersey Masonry.

Yet, this instruction is not solely for the elected line; every Master Mason benefits from understanding the precise movements and symbolism prescribed by the Grand Lodge. When our sidelines and officers share the same standard of excellence, the entire Lodge operates with greater harmony.

During our April meetings, we will review our floor work to improve ahead of the May 4th GLI.

I ask that you come ready to practice and refine your roles. At a minimum, I strongly encourage every member to dedicate time at home to review and study their assigned parts, so our rehearsals are efficient and productive. By committing to this statewide standard of excellence, we elevate the work of Wyckoff Lodge #287 for all.

Fraternally,  
Richard Alam

## Grand Master of Masons for New Jersey

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### Deputy Grand Master

RW Bruce C. Golway

### Senior Grand Warden

RW Bernard J. Madgey, V

### Junior Grand Warden

RW Glenn T. Visscher

### Grand Secretary

MW Larry S. Plasket

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MW Douglas R. Policastro

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### NJ Grand Lodge Web Site

[www.NewJerseyGrandLodge.org](http://www.NewJerseyGrandLodge.org)

### CANDIDATES IN WAITING

**Restoration after more than 5 Years**

Bro. Terence J. Crotty

**AWAITING FELLOW CRAFT DEGREE**

Br. EA Luke Larkin | Br. EA Vincent Martin

### 2026 Dues are Due December 31<sup>ST</sup>

**\$96.00 for Regular Members**

\$20 for Dual Members from New Jersey

\$0 for Active Service Men & 50+ Year Members

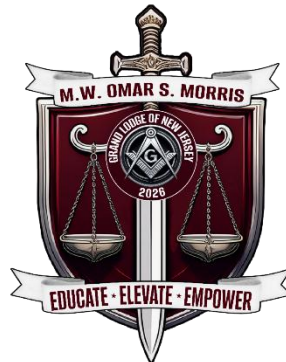
**2026 Dues will remain the same**

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## DESIGNS UPON THE TRESTLEBOARD

**Friday, April 3<sup>RD</sup>**

**NO MEETING AS PER BY-LAWS  
GOOD FRIDAY**

**Thursday, April 16<sup>TH</sup> 7:30 PM**

Phoenix Lodge - Master Mason Degree  
Wyckoff Lodge doing 2<sup>nd</sup> Section

**Friday, April 17<sup>TH</sup> 7:30 PM**

The History of the York Rite – RW Ray Ortiz

**Friday, May 1<sup>ST</sup> 7:30 PM**

**Wyckoff Table Lodge w/ Grand Master**

**Sunday, May 3<sup>RD</sup> 12PM – 3PM 410PP**

J. Eugene Margroff 2025 Grand Master's

**Name That Tune Competition!**

Rutherford Masonic Temple 169 Park Ave

**GLI – Monday, May 4<sup>TH</sup> 5:30PM**

**Officers Required - Tuxedo**

**Friday, May 15<sup>TH</sup> 7:30 PM**

Stated Communication

**Friday, June 5<sup>TH</sup> 7:30 PM**

Stated Communication

**Friday, June 19<sup>TH</sup> 7:30 PM**

Stated Communication

**All Questions to: WB Richard Alam**

Dinner at 6:30 PM by RSVP Only

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### GRAND LODGE EVENTS

**Monday, June 1<sup>ST</sup> 8:30 AM**

Grand Master's Golf Outing

Shotgun Start 10AM

\$175pp \$50 lunch only

[TinyURL.com/gmgolf2026](http://TinyURL.com/gmgolf2026)

Peddie Golf Club, East Windsor

### District Official Visits

Phoenix 168 – January 22<sup>ND</sup>

Fidelity 113 – April 10<sup>TH</sup>

Wyckoff 287 – March 6<sup>TH</sup>

Genesis 88 – TBA