



Harmony Lodge No. 8 F. & A.M.

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Our 236th Year 1788-2024 | 2024 A.D. - 6024 A.L.

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November 2024

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Freemasonry promotes a way of life that binds like-minded men with principals of brotherly love, relief, and truth in order to serve God, Family, Country, Neighbor, and Self.

Lodges in the 1st Masonic District

Harmony Lodge No. 8: 1st & 3rd Thursday
Mansfield Lodge No. 36: 1st & 3rd Thursday
Musconetcong Lodge No. 42:
2nd & 4th Wednesday
Kittatinny Lodge No. 164: 1st & 3rd Monday
Blairstown Lodge No. 165:
2nd & 4th Thursday

Harmony 2024 Officers

Worshipful Master	WB Daniel C Kaufman
Senior Warden	RW Nicholas J Kaufman
Junior Warden	Bro Stephen J Dugan
Treasurer	Bro Arjune M Sharma
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Jr. Deacon	Bro Brian J Ukson
Chaplain	Bro Ryan M Carroll
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Jr. MC	Bro Robert Gerald
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Jr. Steward	Bro Scott M Waselik
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Tyler	WB Christopher A Bailey
Historian	Bro Johannes W DeWaal
Organist	Henry F Repp
Proxy to GL	Bro Brian Ukson

Lodge Trustees

Bro Robert G Woldt	2024
RW Eric G Grove	2025
WB Matthew C Kaufman	2026

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In and About the Apartments of the Temple

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RW James H Vander Veer, PDDGM, Chairman

RW George J Stypolkowski PDRI

WB Michael Shepherd

Candidate Instruction

RW George J Stypolkowski, PDRI, Chairman

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RW Nicholas J Kaufman, DRI

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RW George J Stypolkowski, PDRI, Chairman

RW James H Vander Veer, PDDGM

RW Nicholas J Kaufman, DRI

Events in November

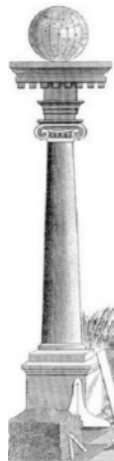
11/5-7	GL Annual Communication (in AC)	
11/5	Presidential Election Day- Go Vote!	
11/7	Regular Communication-CANCELLED	
11/11	RAM-Baldwin Chapter Meeting	7:30pm
	(@ Harmony Lodge No.8)	
11/16	Grand Master's Reception	6-10pm
	Pines Manor, Edison, NJ	
11/21	Regular Communication-nominations	7:30 pm
	Dinner: 6:30 meal (catered)	
	(Attire: Suit & Tie)	
11/25	DLI @ Blairstown #165	7:30 pm
	Dinner: 6:30 meal (catered)	
	(Attire: Suit & Tie)	
11/28	Thanksgiving- no meeting	

Active Past Masters

(* Other than Harmony | # Withdrew)

1976 Fred O. Rosenberg Jr.	2002 09 Bernard E. Triano PGC
1977 Cornelius Martin Jr.	2004-05 George J. Stypolkowski PDRI
1980 Robert H. Stang Jr.	2006 Daniel C. Kaufman
1981 H. Ralph Smith	2009 11 Timothy D. Gill*
1982 89 99 2011 Fred W. Fox	2010 Patrick W. Conroy
1986-87 Curtis N. Balmer PGC#	2012 Robert W.J. Beers
1988 2012 Eric G. Grove PDDGM	2013 John B. Jennings*
1990 Douglas A. Houskeeper	2014 Clay D. Kraemer
1991 Jerry J. Jagger PGC	2014 William J. VonDerHeide IV PDDGM*
1994 Eugene M. Ingraham III	2018 Christopher A. Bailey
1996 Nelson A. Drobness #	2019 Abraham L. Jacinto
1996 Neal A. McCarthy PDDGM*	2020 Luke F. Wikander
2000 Michael DiCiccio#	2021 Nicholas J. Kaufman
2001 Michael F. Shepherd*	2022 Daniel J Gialanella
2001 James H. Vander Veer PDDGM	2023 Matthew C Kaufman

MASONIC Birthdays in November



Bro Robert Cassidy, 11/6
Bro Scott Mackenzie, 11/10
Bro Brian Chamberlain, 11/15
WB Dan Kaufman, 11/17
Bro Thomas Sansone, 11/17
RW James Vander Veer, 11/17
Bro Bela Dankovits, 11/18
Bro Michael Cappodona, 11/18
Bro Charles Gebhardt, 11/18
Bro Steven Mills, 11/19
Bro Jason Radcliffe, 11/19
Bro Aaron Siegel, 11/20
Bro Robert Andrews, 11/20
Bro Lawrence Johnson, 11/21
Bro Roland Post, 11/22
RW John Jennings, 11/24
Bro Keith Eickhorst, 11/29
Bro Scott Waselik, 11/29



LOST in the Quarries

Bro Charles Gebhardt (Newton)

Bro Daniel McCole (Milford)

If anyone has information about the condition, or whereabouts of our brothers, please contact the Secretary immediately.

In the Quarries

Awaiting EA Exam

Bro Daniel Kelly Miles

Awaiting MM Proficiency Exam

Bro Patrick Thomas Harrison

Bro James McNeill Born

Congratulations to Brothers Brown & Torres for completing their MCM proficiency.

Grandview

ALL members are **REQUIRED** to register. Please register and update your email address. Many of our lodge notices will be transmitted via email. From your internet browser, please visit URL:

https://nj.grandview.systems/membership_registration

For help please call (973) 222-6783 or (973)600-0434



Want to know what is going on in the 1st Masonic District? Join our group chat by scanning the code on the right:

Oriental Chair



Brethren,

This past month I have taken my duty as Worshipful Master to spread Masonic Light literally. We have been working diligently to upgrade and fix all the lighting throughout the lodge so the lodge can be both inviting and efficient. While we are not done yet, my hope is we will have most of it complete before installation, so our lodge and our incoming Worshipful Master will have a bright future in front of them. During this process, I have made several observations:

- All it takes is one to get the ball rolling. Many of us have great ideas but are reluctant or unwilling to carry those designs into execution. Unfortunately, if you don't step up, no one will. However, once one person steps forward, usually there will be others who are willing to lend a hand and make the vision a reality.
- Not everything will go as planned, but if you don't give up you can still accomplish what you set out to do.
- Accept all the assistance you can get. Even if you don't think you need it, later you may find you will.
- Even if you don't believe you can use something, think again before you discard it. As masons, we sometimes discard the ideas of our younger or older members, but everyone has good ideas. You don't know what you missed until you consider it all.
- Finally, you can count on your brothers to help you succeed.

Continue your search for more light and share it with your brethren. We now have more to share at lodge.

Fraternally,
WB Dan Kaufman
Worshipful Master 2024

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Brethren,

I wish to express my deepest gratitude for the honor and privilege of serving as your Senior Warden during this Masonic year. Your support, guidance, and friendship have made my tenure truly rewarding.

As we look ahead, I am filled with optimism for the future of our Lodge. Together, we have the opportunity to continue our tradition of service, fellowship, and Masonic growth. Let us strive to make next year one of our most memorable.

Fraternally,
RW Nick Kaufman, DRI
Senior Warden 2024

