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REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS
FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH
EXCEPT JULY & AUGUST
DECEMBER 2024



Brethren,

I am not going to give a synopsis of our year, it was a good year, many events, degrees, combined degrees with other lodges, a fundraiser, etc. This is what we did. We can and should do better!! Our plans for December is simple, on December 2nd we will have the feast of Saint Johns at the lodge, dinner at 6:30 and an open installation at 7:30. Be a part of YOUR lodge and come out and participate in the younger masons move to chairs, older masons still doing what there doing. I would like to see at least 50 men and or woman at this event. At the event it will be outlined the upcoming year and our fundraisers for the ensuing masonic year. Brethren have Merry Christmas if I do not see, and even if I do see you and forget to tell you. Hope to see you on December 2nd.

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

Upcoming News and Dates for Clarksboro Lodge

December 2 2024 We will be holding our annual Feast of Saint Johns starting with dinner at 6:30 followed by the ceremony starting at 7:30 pm.

This will be an open installation meaning friends, family members, and spouses are welcome to attend and enjoy the festivities as we install our 2025 lodge officers. This is also a great opportunity for anyone interested in Masonry or joining the lodge to come and see what we are about.

2025 Dues Sent Out

On Monday November 25, I sent out to each member who I have an email the 2025 dues notice electronically so please check your inbox or junk mail folder to ensure you received it. If you do not receive it, please reach out to me and I can resend. I will also be mailing out paper invoices as well which is just a duplicate of the e-mail. We kindly request if you could send us the dues by January 2025. We will have to pay our Grand Lodge assessment early next year and receiving timely dues helps pay this very large bill.

Checks can be sent to our PO Box 276, Clarksboro, NJ 08020. To aid in making paying dues easier we are setting up Amity, an online payment service where you can pay dues electronically similar to Venmo or Payal providing more convenience than traditional check. Once set up I will send out an e-mail with instructions along with further details in the next trestleboard.

If anyone would like to pay their dues in partial installments over the course of the year rather than one time payment, please reach out to me and we can arrange payment schedule.

!!!Also for anyone still owing 2024 dues, if we do not receive your 2024 payment by December 31 we will have to place you on suspension for non payment of dues!!!

If you have any questions please feel free to email me at secretary.clarksboro87@gmail.com or my cell phone 609-213-4763

Fraternally,
Jason Neal
Secretary

Living Past Masters

1966 E. L. Erdner ^S	1991 J. C. Magee, III ^P	2008 G. R. Bruynell ^{PS}
1970 J. M. Dare ^S	1992 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM ^S	2008 F. H. Stigale IV ^F
1971 C. C. Murschell, Jr. ^S	1992 D. P. Doak ^P	2009 F. H. Stigale IV ^F
1972 J. S. Emrick, Sr. ^P	1993 G. E. Sleet ^S	2010 J. A. Link ^{PS}
1975 W.D. Hansen, Jr. ^F	1994 A. L. Milsted, Jr.*	2010 D. S. Moser ^F
1979 W. L. Villanova ^S	1995 P. J Peacock	2012 C. J. Roethke PDDGM
1979 T. D. Clow, PGMar ^F	1998 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM ^{PS}	2014 H. Egberts
1980 T. D. Clow, PGMar ^F	1999 D. C. Henson ^F	2015 D. W. Getsinger
1980 C. W. McTyre ^S	2001 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM ^{PS}	2016 J. P. Neal
1983 J. R. Corliss ^P	2002 R. B. Kell, PDDGM ^{PS}	2017 R. L. Thomas PGC
1987 R. B. Kell, PDDGM ^P	2003 J. C. Legge ^{PS}	2018 T. G. Rathof DRI
1987 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM ^S	2005 C.B. Jarrell ^{PS}	2019 T. G. Rathof, DRI
1988 R. B. Kell, PDDGM ^P	2005 Ellis H. Otto ^F	2020 J. C. Magee, III
1988 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM ^S	2006 Ellis H. Otto ^F	2021 T. G. Rathof, DRI
1990 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM ^S	2007 R.D. Bailey PGC ^{PS}	2022 E. J. Rathof
1990 B. E. Bolopue ^P	2007 J. N. Earle ^F	2023 B. J. Biel
1990 Lee Brown ^F		

^P -Paulsboro
^S -Swedesboro

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

**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**

Clarksboro Lodge No. 87 F&AM

2024

Elected Officers

Senior Warden

RW Chris Roethke DRI
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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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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
Gerardo Batista
Bret Biel, PM
Joseph Pardo
Brian Spencer
Jesse Thorn
Cory Hunt, Jr.
Jack Magee, PM
Christopher J. Roethke, PDDGM

Trustees

Financial

R. D. Bailey PGC 2024

Temple Maintenance

Eric Rathof PM 2026
Thomas Rathof DRI 2025
R.B. Kell Grand Orator 2027
Wm T. Dutka, PDDGM 2024

Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of the State of New Jersey

Most Worshipful Leonard Vander Horn

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Right Worshipful Thomas Rathof District Deputy Grand Master of the 21st Masonic District

Phone: 856-981-8844 email:trathof@gmail.com

Right Worshipful Christopher J. Roethke

District Ritual Instructor of the 21st Masonic District

Cell 609-868-1232 croethkedd21@gmail.com

Right Worshipful Keith Lypka Grand Chaplain

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Right Worshipful Lenard Rust 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