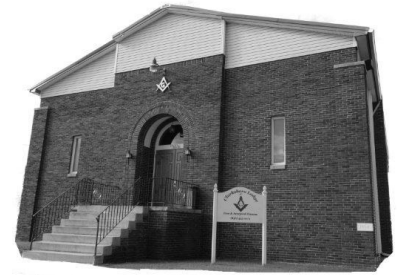




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Brethren,

As we now have come to February and the weather will soon turn warmer, remember we are not just brothers in a fraternity, we are friends also. Remember what makes us masons, our obligations. We need to meet, get together, break bread, have activities, socialize outside of the lodge. I challenge you to come up with some ideas on how this can happen. Ie fishing trip, card night, bowling. Lets get together.

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

Upcoming News and Dates for Clarksboro Lodge

February 3, 2024 We will have our February regular communication with dinner at 6:30 followed by the meeting starting at 7:30 pm.

We plan on voting for new membership for two new petitioners pending results of committee and clearance from Grand Lodge:

Mr. Michael Oravetz of Mount Royal, NJ

Mr. Tatum Christopher Cinelli of Marlton, NJ

We will also have a ballot on reinstatement of two members John Johnson and Joseph Getsinger

February 4, 2025 Blood Drive at Clarksboro Lodge. From 1:00pm to 6:00pm
Check redcrossblood.org for times and availability

February 18, 2025 Entered Apprentice degree on two candidates, Mr.Oravetz and Mr. Cinelli assuming they are approved for membership on the upcoming ballot. Dinner at 6:30 followed by the degree at 7:30 at Clarksboro Lodge.

February 19, 2025 Joint Master Mason degree for three candidates, 1 from Williamstown and Br FC Larry Oksten and Br FC Michael Tinsley from Clarksboro Lodge. This degree will be held at Williamstown Lodge starting at 7:30

February 27, 2025 District Lodge of Instruction at Penns Grove Excelsior Lodge at 7:00pm. All Master Masons are invited to attend. Dress is suit and tie.

On April 26 We will be having a beef n beer fundraiser with DJ Baron along with a silent auction, dancing, singing and a 50/50 raffle. More information to follow

Fraternally,
Jason Neal
Secretary

Living Past Masters

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| 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 | | 2024 J. J. Higgins |

^P -Paulsboro

Honorary Members

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| 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

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| 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 |

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2025

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Junior Steward
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Roger L. Thomas, PGC
James Earle PM
Cory Hunt
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Geovanie Rodriguez Gonzalez
Ronald Erdman
Joseph Forman
Richard Kell, PDDGM
Gerardo Batista
Christopher J. Roethke, PDDGM

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Charles Murschell 2025
John Leach 2026
R. D. Bailey PGC 2027

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Thomas Rathof DDGM 2025
Eric Rathof PM 2026
R.B. Kell PDDGM 2027
Wm T. Dutka, PDDGM 2028

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