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REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS
FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH
EXCEPT JULY & AUGUST
FEBRUARY 2025

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

**February 17, 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 18, 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

1966 E. L. Erdner <sup>S</sup> 1970 J. M. Dare <sup>S</sup> 1971 C. C. Murschell, Jr. <sup>S</sup> 1972 J. S. Emrick, Sr. <sup>P</sup>
1975 W.D. Hansen, Jr. F 1979 W. L. Villanova S
1979 T. D. Clow, PGMar F 1980 T. D. Clow, PGMar F
1980 C. W. McTyre S 1983 J. R. Corliss P
1987 R. B. Kell, PDDGM P 1987 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM S 1988 R. B. Kell, PDDGM P
1988 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM S 1990 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM S
1990 B. E. Bolopue P 1990 Lee Brown <sup>F</sup>

1991 J. C. Magee, III P
1992 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM <sup>S</sup>
1992 D. P. Doak <sup>P</sup>
1993 G. E. Sleet <sup>S</sup>
1994 A. L. Milsted, Jr*

1774 A. L. Willsted, 31
1995 P. J Peacock
1998 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM PS
1999 D. C. Henson F
2001 W. T. Dutka, PDDGM PS
2002 R. B. Kell, PDDGM PS
2003 J. C. Legge PS
2005 C.B. Jarrell PS
2005 Ellis H. Otto <sup>F</sup>
2006 Ellis H. Otto <sup>F</sup>
2007 R.D. Bailey PGC PS
2007 J. N. Earle <sup>F</sup>

2008 G. R. Bruynell PS
2008 F. H. Stigale IV F
2009 F. H. Stigale IV F
2010 J. A. Link PS
2010 D. S. Moser <sup>F</sup>
2012 C. J. Roethke PDDGM
2014 H. Egberts
2015 D. W. Getsinger
2016 J. P. Neal
2017 R. L. Thomas PGC
2018 T. G. Rathof DRI
2019 T. G. Rathof, DRI
2020 J. C. Magee, III
2021 T. G. Rathof, DRI
2022 E. J. Rathof
2023 B. J. Biel
2024 J. J. Higgins

P -Paulsboro

# **Honorary Members**

1980 E. N. Peppler, PGM 1993 R. Stowman, PM 1996 W. E. Hackney, PGM 2007 H. S. May, III, PGC 2008 F. D. Jones, PDDGM 2009 W. H. Berman, PGM 2014 D. A. Dorworth, PGM

MW L. S. Plasket PGM RW A. L. Hann PJGD 2008 J. C. Stephenson, PDRI RW C. G. Hocknell PDDGM 2018 MW D. B. Hees PGM

## 21st Masonic District Lodges

Penns Grove Excelsior No. 54, Carneys Point Clarksboro No. 87, Clarksboro Mantua No. 95, Mantua Woodstown No. 138, Woodstown Williamstown, No. 166, Williamstown Pitman, No. 197, Pitman

1st Wednesday at 7:30pm 1st Monday at 7:30pm 2nd Thursday at 7:30pm 1st Tuesday at 7:30pm 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 7:30pm 2nd Tuesday at 7:30pm

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# Clarksboro Lodge No. 87 F&AM 2025

# **Elected Officers**

Senior Warden

RW Chris Roethke DRI Cell 609-868-1232 croethkedd21@gmail.com **Worshipful Master** 

John J. Higgins Cell 609-743-2043 jhiggs219@verizon.net Junior Warden

WB Eric Rathof Cell 609-929-8820 erathof68@yahoo.com

Secretary

WB Jason Neal 609-213-4763 jneal522@yahoo.com **Treasurer** 

WB Bret Biel Cell 856 264-9629 bbiel77@gmail.com

#### **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

Cory Hunt Brian Spencer

Geovanie Rodriguez Gonzalez

Ronald Erdman Joseph Forman

Richard Kell, PDDGM

Gerardo Batista

Christopher J. Roethke, PDDGM

#### **Trustees**

**Financial** 

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

**Temple Maintenance** 

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

#### Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of the State of New Jersey Most Worshipful J. Eugene Margroff

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

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#### Right Worshipful Christopher J. Roethke District Ritual Instructor of the 21st Masonic District

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#### Right Worshipful Evan Boggs 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