LIVING PAST MASTERS

LIVING PAST WASTERS	
Donald T. Harriott – Called H	lome 11/7/2024 1963
* Richard Gondiosa	NY 1970
Robert W. Dodds	1976
David W. Bolsman	1978
William J. Fisher – Called Home 4/14/24 1980, 2006	
Bertram J. Koeber	1987, 1990
* Gary Stoess, PGC	1985, 2000, 2001
C. William De Winne	1991
J. Eugene Margroff, GM	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. Balistrieri, GTyler	2004, 05, 08, 14, 15, 16
Harry B. Pruyn	2010
Joseph B. Pakosinski	2011
* Roy G. Simpadian, GMar	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
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Candidate Instruction: Cuntrera

Budget: J. E. Margroff, GM, Simpadian, GMar

Audit: Castner

Veteran's Home Visits: Van Slyck

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FEBRUARY – MARCH 2025

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1st and 3rd 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, February 7TH 7:30 PM
Stated Communication
Friday, February 21ST 7:30 PM
Stated Communication
DLI - Monday, March 3RD 7:30 PM

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.

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MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren,

As we gather this month, let us take a moment to reflect on the legacy of our Craft and its impact on history. February holds special significance for Freemasonry, as it marks the anniversary of a historic event that embodies the principles we hold dear: liberty, fraternity, and enlightenment.

On February 21, 1887, the Freemasons of the Grand Lodge of New York laid the cornerstone of the pedestal for the Statue of Liberty. This ceremony was more than a simple act of construction; it was a powerful symbol of our commitment to freedom and the pursuit of a better world. The statue stands as a beacon of hope, much like our Craft stands as a beacon of light for all who seek truth and knowledge.

As we continue our labors in the quarries of life, let us remember the enduring lessons of this event. I encourage each of you to reflect on how the tenets of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth can guide your actions. Together, let us continue to illuminate our communities with the light of Freemasonry.

Fraternally yours,

Richard Alam

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Restoration after more than 5 YearsBro. Terence J. Crotty

2025 Dues are Due December 31 SP **596.00 for Regular Members**

\$20 for Dual Members from New Jersey \$0 for Active Service Men & 50+ Year Members

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GRAND LODGE EVENTS

Junior Grand Warden's Reception

Saturday, February 8TH 5:00 PM \$60pp Fellowship Center, Burlington

2ND, 3RD, 4TH Districts Reception

Monday, March 3, 2025 \$80pp Hanover Manor, East Hanover

DESIGNS UPON THE TRESTLEBOARD

DLI ~ Monday, February 3RD 6:30 PM Phoenix 168 – Ramsey, MM Only

Friday, February 7TH 7:30 PM
Stated Communication

Friday, February 21ST 7:30 PM
Fellow Craft Degree on qualified candidates

DLI ~ Monday, March 3RD 6:30 PM Fidelity 113 – Ridgewood, MM Only

Friday, March 7TH 7:30 PM Stated Communication

Friday, March 21ST 7:30 PM
Stated Communication

DLI ~ Monday, April 7TH 6:30 PM
Genesis 88 – Pompton Lakes, MM Only

All Questions to: WB Richard Alam Dinner at 6:30 PM by RSVP Only reesharalam@gmail.com

Notable Upcoming Events

Thursday, February 21ST 7PM \$20pp Mosaic Lodge Table Lodge honoring the Grand Master 129 Main St. Ridgefield Park

RSVP Required to Wyckoff287@gmail.com

Sunday, March 9TH 3PM \$20PP

Fidelity Lodge St. Patrick's Day Family Dinner \$10 Children under 10

Saturday, March 16TH 2:00 PM

\$75pp in advance only by March 1ST Venmo to @Jason-Dembowski-2 Worthy Brother Beefsteak Fundraiser Bayonne Masonic Temple, 888 Avenue C

March 23RD 4:00 PM

Grand Master's Fish & Chips Fundraiser Ramsey Masonic Temple Catered By Tastefully British