

Living Past Masters

Carl F. Wheeler PGMAR	1970*
Howard S. Schneiweis	1971*
Mitchell J. Flaster	1972*
William C. Nann	1986
Paul J. Reed II	1988
Richard A. Egan	1990
Stephen J. Hornak Jr. PDRI	1991
Eugene C. Conner	1992
David W. Jones PGC	1994
Rohinton F. Cama	1996
Andrew H. Zagoren	1998
John W. Friedline	1999
Ralph A. Nielsen PDRI	2000 & 2001
Kenneth A. Landau	2002
Glenn C. Eckert	2003 & 2006
Stephen R. Dovidas	2005
Robert J. Krumm PGC	2007
Michael F. Firkser PDDGM	2008 & 2009*
Douglas H. Mount	2008
William Billich PGC	2009
James Iacone	2010
Frank Parker	2010 *
Norman P. Thime	2011
Stephen J. Kedmenec	2012
C. John Lashley DRI	2013
Michael Emerson	2014*
Isidoro Garcia	2014 & 2015
Cristian A. Ossa PGC	2016
Raymond Ortiz II	2017
John Sigismondi	2018 & 2019*
Lou Gendron	2018*
Howard J. Stevenson PGC	1997, 2004 & 2018
Ernest Bagley	2019
Robert. Windisch	2020
Eugene Grace	2020*
JR Almerino	2021
Ray Fortuna	2022

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LODGE TRUSTEES

Subir Saha – 2022
Howard Stevenson - 2022
Jeremiah Hans-Jorie - 2024

TEMPLE BOARD

Jim Iacone PM - 2022
Isidoro Garcia PM – 2023
JR Almerino - 2024

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance

Senior Warden*
Junior Warden
Senior Deacon

Visiting & Relief

W. Billich PGC*
Senior Warden
Junior Warden

Auditing

R. Ortiz II PM
B. Collier

Lodge Ritual Instruction

Howard J. Stevenson, PGC

AD HOC COMITTEES:

Blood Bank

G. Matthes*

Level Club

C. Gibardi* (thru 9/22/22)
I. Garcia PM (thru 10/24/24)
R. Ortiz II PM (thru 9/2/24)
G. Matthes (thru 9/14/24)
G. Georgian (thru 9/26/22)
M Firkser PDDGM (thru 1/24/22)
R. Krum PGC (thru 11/8/24)

Technology Committee

S. Saha*

Event Planning

R. Fortuna*

Charity Committee

G. Georgian*

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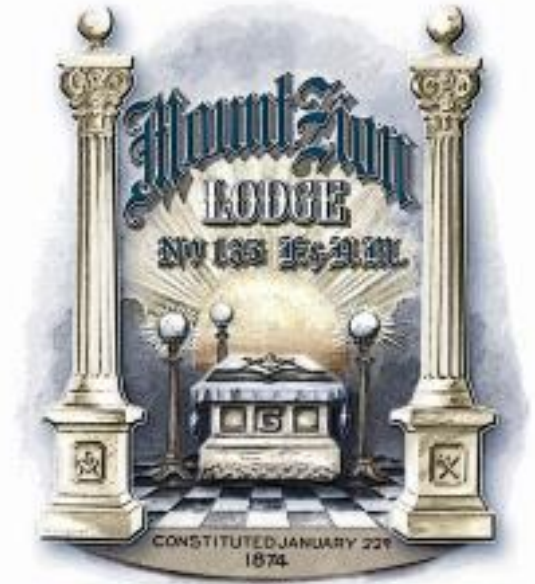
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Mt. Zion Lodge #135 F&AM

Stated Meetings: 1st & 3rd Thursdays @ 7:30 pm.

483 Middlesex Avenue
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January 2022

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. -The Grand Lodge of NJ

Brethren,

As we prepare for our upcoming New Year 2022. We all hear of or even make a resolution for the New Year. Just as a business performs year end inventory and prepares to adapt for the year



ahead So should we as men prepare for the upcoming year. I would like therefore, to challenge you to find a quiet place undisturbed to sit and reflect on the year past. Stop and take some time and prepare your own honest and complete inventory of yourself as a man and a Mason. May we all be willing to review our balance sheet and seek the spiritual guidance to make those changes that are necessary. Be sure to be thorough and honest with yourself when compiling your inventory. I refer you to the Holy Bible that is an inestimable gift of God to man, that is given to us as a rule and guide for our faith and practice. You need not rush this process, but instead be willing to institute positive change. Let us strengthen and add to those that are positive for us and remove those that hinder our continued growth as men and Masons. Do not be afraid to seek out well informed Brethren, who will be always ready to listen and provide good and wholesome instruction.

Finally, let us all embrace the coming New Year. May we prepare for the year ahead with a strong balance sheet and determine the areas in which we can help each other to grow as men and Masons. May we all continue to have good health and meet safely to perform our work as Free Masons.

As William Shakespeare wrote in his famous play – Hamlet: *To thine own self be true*

Fraternally Yours,

Ray Fortuna, WM

Awaiting MM Degree

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Awaiting FC Degree

<i>Leon I. Haller</i>	<i>Matthew John Robins</i> <i>Juan Velez-Restrepo</i>
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Awaiting EA Degree

<i>Lawrence Singer</i>	
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Under Investigation

<i>Victor Denis</i> <i>William Bodycombe</i>	<i>Russ Palankerin</i>
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Instruction: Every Thursday night at 6pm @ Mt. Zion Lodge. All EAs, FCs and unheard MMs expected to attend. Please call SD.

MT. ZION LODGE #135 F&AM:

1/4 - Rehearsal. All Officers required to attend.

1/6 – Regular Communication 7:30pm. 6:30 dinner. Review of Lodge Tech. Speaker Subir Saha, Dinner: Roast Pork/pulled chicken mac & cheese salad.

1/13 – Rehearsal. All Officers required to attend. Dinner: spaghetti/meatballs /salad

1/15 – Seminar Rod/Floorwork presented by WB Czech @ 9am. All Officers required to attend. At Mt. Zion Lodge.

1/20 – Regular Communication 7:30pm. 6:30 dinner. Budget vote. Dinner: meatloaf /baked potato /salad.

1/27 – Rehearsal. All Officers required to attend. Dinner: Deli sandwiches.

OTHER GROUPS:

Blue Lodge night – 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
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Rainbow – 1st & 3rd Fridays
Edison Square Club – 2nd Monday
Scots – 4th Monday

PLEASE REGISTER IN GRANDVIEW

If you have not done yet, Register now!

https://nj.grandview.systems/membership_registration

Enter your info:

Lodge Number : 135

Member ID : Id number in your Dues Card

Last Name: (Case Sensitive e.g. Smith)

Follow the rest of the instructions when you get in and enter your email. Send email or call if you have questions or having issues: 732.735.4908;

MtZion135.Sec@gmail.com

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Diaper Drive.** If you are able to donate Diapers, please drop them off at the Lodge.
- **Sat, Jan 8th** - Jerusalem Lodge - Social Install: 2:00 PM, Meal thereafter.
- **Sun, Jan 30th** – Dyslexia Luncheon – Scotch Plains, 12:45 – 5:00PM. The Westwood Caterers. \$75pp.

10th DISTRICT INSTRUCTION

- Jerusalem Lodge, January 26. Masters and Warden’s at 6pm, DLI at 7.

The 10th Masonic District

Atlas Pythagoras #10

1101 Central Avenue
Westfield, NJ 07090
1st & 3rd Fridays @ 7:30

Azure Masada #22

1550 Irving Street
Rahway, NJ 07065
1st & 3rd Mondays @ 7:30

Jerusalem #26

107 East 7th Street
Plainfield, NJ 07060
2nd Tuesday @ 7:30

Lafayette #27

1550 Irving Street
Rahway, NJ 07065
2nd Friday @ 7:30

Loyalty #33

1912 Morris Ave.
Union, NJ 07083
1st & 3rd Tuesdays @ 7:30

Mt. Zion #135

483 Middlesex Ave.
Metuchen, NJ 08540
1st & 3rd Thursdays @ 7:30

Theodore Roosevelt #219

86 Elm Street
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