

Living Past Masters

Robert J. Flynn	1958
Malcolm B. Wernik, PGM	1961
Kenneth L. Larsen, PGM	1963
Robert R. Heath	1970
Carl F. Wheeler PGMAR	1970*
David W. Peck	1971
Howard S. Schneiweis	1971*
Mitchell J. Flaster	1972*
Philip C. Gibbs	1979
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
Hugh Murphy Jr. PGC	1995
Rohinton F. Cama	1996
Howard J. Stevenson PGC	1997 & 2004
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 DDGM	2008 & 2009*
Douglas H. Mount	2008
William Billich	2009
James Iacone	2010
Norman P. Thime	2011
Stephen J. Kedmenec	2012
C. John Lashley	2013
Michael Emerson	2014*
Isidoro Garcia	2014 & 2015
Cristian A. Ossa	2016
Raymond Ortiz II	2017

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AD HOC COMITTEES:

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J. Almerino

Level Club

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J. Iacone PM
G. Mehra
JR Almerino
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R. Ortiz II PM

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Howard J. Stevenson, PGC

Educator of the Year

Cristian Ossa PM

Lodge Trustees

Joseph Valenzuela – 2017
Robert Himer – 2018
C. John Lashley PM - 2019

Temple Board

Isidoro Garcia PM – 2017
Cristian Ossa PM – 2018
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FEBRUARY

2017



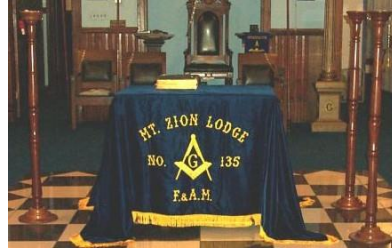
Brethren:

The challenges we face in life are unpredictable. The only thing we know with certainty is that change is constant. Recently, we witnessed the peaceful transition of power not only in our lodges but also in our country. As Masons we are taught to be quiet and peaceable citizens - yet we know there is much unrest. In our lodges we are encouraged to discuss debate and enlighten each other on various topics. But politics has no place in our fraternity because of its divisive characteristics. What then is the role of a Mason? Our fraternity is built on the foundation of a strict code of morality where we help, aid and assist our brothers, families and communities regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, or religion. If we look to our ritual and our obligations, our roles are established without ambiguity.

In simplicity, we observe three actions: Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth. Brotherly Love - that we care and support each other in all things and that the only time we look down is when we are helping each other up. Relief - the emotional and physical alleviation of pain, pressure and struggle. If Morality is the basis of all things and Truth is the substance of all Morality, then Truth is the greatest of these actions. In a time when people accept their own opinions as truth, the masses will continue to suffer in darkness. But "Three things cannot be hidden long - the sun, the moon and the Truth."

Our task as men and as Freemasons is to learn to deal with change, to challenge when necessary, to defend those less fortunate, to overcome our challenges. If we are to err, then let us always err toward the side of righteousness. One of the hardest things for a man to do is to support, defend and speak up for his brother on a particular issue when he believes himself to be unaffected. In all of our present undertakings we are charged to remember that united we stand, divided we fall.

In Light & Love,
Raymond Ortiz II
Worshipful Master



- Awaiting MM Exam
- Gregory Botvinik*
- Miguel Ramos Rivera*
- Matthew Corley*
- Reynaldo Mangual*
- Ricardo Calo Rodriguez*
- Awaiting MM Degree
- Manuel Taipina*
- Awaiting FC Degree
- Abbas Jumkhwala*
- Arthur G. Lewis*
- Blama-cee Edwards*
- Awaiting EA Degree
- Joseph L. Spencer*
- Mohamed M. Mohamed*
- Damian C. Krause*
- Charles R. Gibardi*
- Raymond B. Fortuna*
- Marvin Mejia*
- Awaiting Dual Membership
- Philip N. Bazeley*
- Under Investigation
- Less Q. Butler*
- Jesse J. Nalepa*

MASONIC TEMPLE DATES: FEBRUARY

MT. ZION LODGE #135 F&AM:

- 2/2 - Official Visit DDGM @ 6:30 PM.
- 2/5 - Super Bowl Party @ 4 PM.
- 2/9 - EA Degree @ 6:30 PM.
- 2/16 - Lodge @ 6:30 PM. Oscar Alleyne Lecture & Black History Month Celebration.
- 2/23 - Rehearsal @ 7 PM.

APPENDANT BODIES:

- 2/3 - Rainbow @ 6:30 PM.
- 2/7 - OES @ 7:30 PM.
- 2/14 - DeMolay @ 7:30 PM.
- 2/15 - Sciots @ 7:30 PM.
- 2/17 - Rainbow @ 6:30 PM.
- 2/18 - OES Spaghetti Dinner
- 2/20 - Shrine Patrol @ 7 PM.
- 2/21 - OES @ 7:30 PM.
- 2/22 - Rainbow Board @ 7 PM. (Lodge Room).
- 2/27 - Shrine Ambassadors @ 7 PM.
- 2/28 - DeMolay @ 7:30 PM.



Important Dates:

10th Masonic District Scholarship

Applications are due April 1, 2017

Applications or Donations may be sent to:
1912 Morris Avenue, Union, NJ 07083

DLI - Lafayette #27

February 22, 2017

The 10th Masonic District

Atlas Pythagoras #10

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

Azure Masada #22

478 South Ave. East
Cranford, NJ 07016
1st & 3rd Mondays @ 7:30

Jerusalem #26

107 East 7th Street
Plainfield, NJ 07060
1st Tuesday @ 7:30

Lafayette #27

1550 Irving Street
Rahway, NJ 07065
4th 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
Carteret, NJ 07008
2nd & 4th Mondays @ 7:30