

MASTER'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone has enjoyed a happy and fulfilling summer as we enter the second half of the Masonic season at Columbia Lodge. It's hard to believe that we are entering the final stage of our 224th year of brotherhood. This autumn we are fortunate to have several candidates making their way into our community, some new to masonry and some coming to us from other lodges. As a Worshipful Master, I consider it one of my greatest duties to mint new masons. It is a bond that remains forever as it is recorded in the archives of the lodge. A relationship that travels with a brother throughout his masonic tenure and beyond. Our first degree night will be the second meeting in September, which will also be used as a step-up night. So please get your dinner reservation in early for September 20th.

We are also looking forward to our annual Wine Tasting to be held this year on October 7. We moved our event away from the Apple Festival, which is held the following week. Please spread the word about this important fund raiser for Glastonbury and East Hartford scholarships. Last May we awarded our first scholarship of \$1,793 to Harry Rivera Jr., and we have the funds to continue now on a yearly basis into the future. The Wine Tasting Committee has been meeting regularly throughout the summer to prepare and to make sure we get the word out to anyone who might be interested. The hall floor has been freshly waxed and buffed, and new dimmable lights have been installed. We've reduced the ticket price to \$30 in advance, and \$35 at the door to make it even easier to sell as many tickets as possible. Even if you can't make it to the event, a ticket purchase is a wonderful way to support the scholarship fund and support the lodge in its fundamental mission of improving the lives of the people around us.

I look forward to seeing you all at the lodge. Together we can do great things!

Erik E. Roberts, WM



We are saddened by the recent loss of
George J. Hagi
Robert G. Schindler
Richard D. Silverman
Harry A. Stone

2017 AWARDS NIGHT



The 2017 Community Service Award went to Michael Romanski

Anthony Keegan found the Forty-Year Service Award Pin and is going to keep it.



Presentation of Columbia Lodge Emerson C. Reed Award to Craig Witzke

MWGM Theodore J. Nelson pins a Fifty-Year pin on Franklin J. Davis Jr. with Marion Davis watching.

Lodge Almoner



RW Tony Keegan serves as the **Almoner of Columbia Lodge No. 25**. If you need help, contact Tony by phone at 860-895-9500 or by email at longtimeshoreman@aol.com.

2017 KENTUCKY DERBY



The Debry Hat People

Grass Routes Bluegrass Band.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE



Six brothers marched in the 2017 Glastonbury Memorial Day Parade.

CALENDAR

Unless specifically stated, all meetings start at 7:30 PM

All Dinners require Reservations

- September 6** Stated Communication/Business Meeting
- September 12** EA° Rehearsal 7 PM
- September 20** Entered Apprentice Degree (*Officers Tux*)
 Dinner 6:30 PM
 Reservations to JW by September 17
- September 27** Tobacco Valley Blue Lodge Council Meeting
 Manchester Lodge No. 73
 23 Center Street, Manchester, CT
 Dinner at 6:30 PM - Meeting at 7:30 PM
- October 4** Stated Communication/Business Meeting
- October 7** Grape Harvest Wine Festival – Tickets \$30
Tickets purchased at the door will be \$35
 Buy your tickets online (\$30)
www.GlastWine.com or at South Side Wine & Spirit Shoppe, 860-633-2763 Craig Witzke
- October 9** FC° Rehearsal 7 PM
- October 14** Grand Lodge Semiannual Communication
 9AM – 1 PM
 Knapp Auditorium, Ashlar Village
- October 18** Fellowcraft Degree (*Officers Tux*)
 Dinner 6:30 PM
 Reservations to JW by October 15
- October 21** Statewide Masonic Open House
- November 1** Stated Communication/Business Meeting
- November 7** MM° Rehearsal 7 PM
- November 15** Master Mason Degree (*Officers Tux*)
 Dinner 6:30 PM
 Reservations to JW by November 12
- November 30** Tobacco Valley Blue Lodge Council Meeting
Columbia Lodge No. 25
 Dinner at 6:30 PM - Meeting at 7:30 PM
- December 6** Annual Meeting (*Lodge & Building Assoc.*)
- December 20** Stated Communication/Business Meeting
- December 21** Actual Past Masters
 Manchester Lodge No. 73
 23 Center Street, Manchester, CT
 Dinner at 6:30 PM - Meeting at 7:30 PM
- TBD** Installation of 2018 Officers

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Trustees

Earl Evans – Term expires at end of 2017

Don Wills – Term expires at end of 2018

Gerry Thompson – Term expires at end of 2019

Historian Corner

Columbia Lodge's 225th Charter Anniversary on May 18, 2018

As celebrated by Freemasons around the world, 2017 has marked the 300th anniversary of organized Freemasonry that began with the establishment of the Grand Lodge of England. It also is the 200th year that Columbia Lodge #25 has had a dedicated home in South Glastonbury, beginning with the building formerly standing on the corner of Main Street. and Hopewell Avenue.



Next year, 2018, will mark the 225th anniversary of the Lodge being chartered by the Grand Lodge of Connecticut. Our Lodge received its charter on May 18, 1793 to meet in the Stepney Parish section of Wethersfield, now the town of Rocky Hill.

A committee is being formed to plan ways to commemorate this milestone. It is hoped that other businesses and organizations in South Glastonbury will join us in celebrating this in the context of the larger and longer history of the town.

As these plans develop, they will be included in the future Trestleboards and special announcements.

All Due Signs and Summonses



In the obligations of each degree we are admonished to "Answer all due signs and summonses from the lodge if within the length of my cable tow." The Trestleboard is a summons to our meetings and events. When you receive your Trestleboard, please drop our Secretary a

note in answer to this summons. Your brothers would like to hear from you. Periodic correspondence from brothers who we don't see regularly makes fellowship more real to all.

2017 Summer Picnic



After the rain shower, people gather out from under the canopies.



JW Jason Ruimerman grills hamburgers and hot dogs.



Junior Deacon Mikhail Nolan organizes the side dishes table.



Lots of great side dishes for all to enjoy.



Rich Beebe pins a Past District Deputy Jewel on Steven McMahon

COLUMBIA's Living PAST MASTERS

Mario L. Accornero	1958, 95
Henry L. Killam	1961
Reno L. Ferrando	1962
Leon E. Gardiner	1965
Franklin J. Davis Jr., PAGM 6C 2002	1972
Harold M. Waters Jr.	1973, 93
Michael A. Geoffroy	1974
Kenneth A. Slocum PAGM 6B 1990	1974
Delmar G. Cooke Jr.	1975
Carl L. Edgerton, PDD 6A 1980	1975, 85
Paul H. Garneau	1976
Ralph W. Fish Jr.	1977
Richard T. Chapman	1978
Robert G. Fitzgerald, PDD 6B 1990	1979
Franklin C. Field	1980
John R. Ranney PAGM 6C 1999	1980
Edward A. Portaluppi	1981
Douglas R. Ewen	1984, 2004
Douglas S. Haseltine	1986
Carl R. Falcone	1987
Franklin J. Davis	1988
William C. MacKnight	1988
Richard L. Beebe, PDD 6C 1999	1989, 2007
Richard P. Taylor, PAGM 6C 1996	1989, 90, 91
(Stepney # 133)	1996
Gerald F. Thompson, PDD 6C 1993	1989
Frank J. Decker	1990
Laurence E. Atwell	1991, 2005, 06
Steven P. McMahon, DD 6B 2014-17	1991, 92, 2005
Leonard E. Whitford Jr.	1992
Walter Grube	1993, 94, 97, 2001
Herbert E. Grommeck	1996
Lawrence A. Miffitt	1997, 98
Arnold S. Grot, AGM 6B 2014-17	1998, 2002, 06, 11
Paul F. Blake	1999, 2003
Gilbert E. Wishart	1999
Earl S. Evans	2000, 01
Peter J. Hunt, PDD 6C 2002	2000
Donald A. Wills, PDL 2006	2004
Louis O. House IV (Mosaic #52, ME 1986)	2008
Jeffrey S. Moores	2009, 2010
Michael E. Hudson	2012, 13
Brian J. Berk	2014
Radu G. Sapatouru	2015
Robert F. LeDoux (Friendship #145)	1981
James W. Pike (Hospitality #128)	1981
Anthony F. Keegan PAGM 6C 1993 PDD 6A 2009	
(Wyllys-St. John's No. 4)	1982
Burton F. Turner (Somerset-St James #34)	2007
John H. Green (Silas Deane #147)	2008
Rodney A. Spooner (Warren #51)	1992, 93
Jonathan R Beatty (PLR)	2015, 16

TRESTLEBOARD

COLUMBIA LODGE No. 25

A.F. & A.M.

895 MAIN STREET
S. GLASTONBURY, CONNECTICUT



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FREEMASONS

Masonic Renewal - I hold the key.

September - December 2017

STATED COMMUNICATIONS
1st and 3rd Wednesdays - 7:30 PM

<https://lodge025.ctfreemasons.net/>
Check web site for latest information!

Columbia Lodge #25 is on Facebook
www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Columbia-Lodge-25-AF-AM/342780670785



Buy your tickets online at
www.GlastWine.com

Saturday, October 7
6-9 pm

\$30