



March 2023 Trestle Board

Brainard No. 102 Connecticut Ancient Free and Accepted Masons





From the East:
Worshipful Master's Report
WM Richard A. Miller

Brothers:

As I stated with my first newsletter, it is my intention to do an electronic trestle board each month and one printed and snail mailed every three months. So this electronic trestle board will also be snail mailed as a tri-fold trestle board. If some of the information is repetitive, this is to allow the Brothers without access to a computer to be kept up to date.

What's been happening at Brainard Lodge

On January 1, 2023 we had the Installation of Officers at Brainard Lodge.

We have made some changes. Every Tuesday Brainard Lodge meets.

1st Tuesday is an Officers Meeting

2nd Tuesday – Stated Communication

3rd Tuesday – Temple Association Meeting

4th Tuesday – Stated Communication

When there is a fifth Tuesday we will meet and use the meeting for whatever purpose we want.

The purpose of meeting every Tuesday is to allow us to have flexibility so we can have rehearsals, work on candidate proficiency, and take care of any other things necessary.

On January 24 we performed the Entered Apprentice Degree on Mr. Ryan Edwards. It was our Inspection Night and the officers did a great job.

On Saturday March 11th, we had our Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner. This event was discontinued for several years but it was resurrected last year. We realized a profit of \$300.00 and we ran out of Corned Beef. Next year we will have to buy more.

Grand Lodge: This year Grand Lodge was held on Saturday April 1, 2023. Our Treasurer, W.B. John Henry Wadsworth III received his District Deputies Collar, Jewel and Patent from the Grand Master. It is an honor justly deserved.

Temple Association News

The Temple Association has been meeting once a month on the third Tuesday of the month and we have had a quorum at every meeting. At our meeting on March 21st, we gave Brother Ray Sacks of Ray Sacks Electric the go ahead to run additional electric power to the kitchen so we can hook up an additional stove and dishwasher. Once we get the kitchen shipshape we will be able to think about renting the Lodge out for functions.

Fraternally

R.W.B. Richard A. Miller

Worshipful Master



Events Calendar April

- **Tuesday April 4, 2023** will be an Officers Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- **Tuesday April 11, 2023** will be a Stated Communication with a program to be determined.
- **Tuesday April 18, 2023** will be a Temple Association meeting followed by fellowship and rehearsal for the Fellowcraft Degree.
- **Tuesday April 25, 2023** will be a Stated Communication with a program to be determined.

Additional

- **Saturday May 27, 2023** District Deputy investiture for R.W.B. John Henry
Wadsworth 3:00 pm dinner to follow Brainard Lodge

 - **Saturday June 24, 2023** Summer Picnic and Strawberry Festival 12:00 p.m.
Brainard Lodge

 - **Saturday July 8, 2023** Officers Picnic and officers meeting P.M's also. 2:00
p.m. Place to be announced

 - **Saturday September 9, 2023** Awards Ceremony 2:00 p.m. Brainard Lodge

 - **Sunday October 1, 2023** Ladies Dinner Langley's Social Hour 1:00 p.m.,
Dinner 2:00 p.m.
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Brainard Lodge No. 102 Hosts Annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

On March 11, brothers from Brainard Lodge No. 102 hosted their annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner. The longstanding event, which was organized by Brainard Treasurer RWB John Wadsworth, Senior Steward Mike Bogdan, and Senior Deacon Jonathan Lamas, attracted brothers, family, and friends from around District 8 and featured good eats including corned beef and cabbage along with an assortment of snacks and desserts. The dinner, which was held at the Bay View Masonic Temple in Niantic, CT, was a huge success. Brainard Lodge would like to thank all who attended, with special thanks to all the brothers who volunteered their time, talents, and resources to make it happen.

Fraternally,

Bro. Jonathan Lamas

Senior Deacon

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2023
MEMBERSHIP DUES

Reminder: 2023 Blue Lodge Dues

As a reminder, membership fees are currently due for the 2023 calendar year. If you've already submitted yours, thank you! Please contact our lodge secretary, [James Gilstrap](#), with any questions.



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Dues and Delinquents

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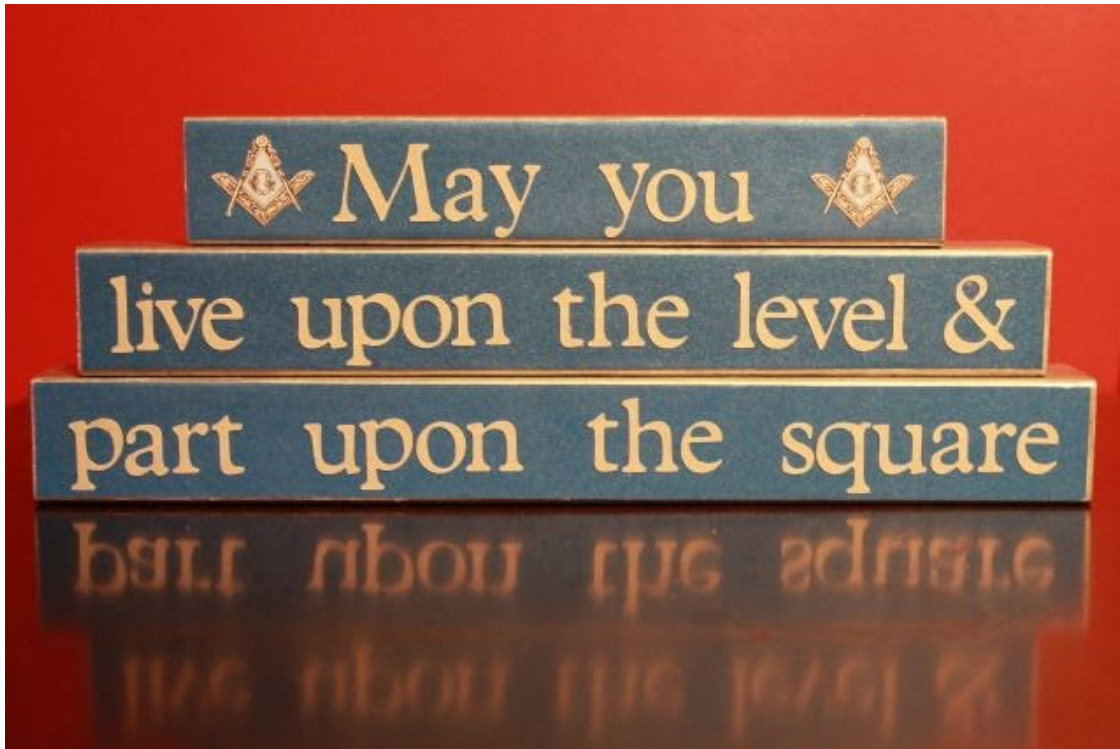
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If your are interested in joining a committee, please contact the [WM](#) or [Secretary](#).



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