



January 2024 Trestle Board

Brainard No. 102 Connecticut Ancient Free and Accepted Masons





From the East:
Worshipful Master's Report
WM Seth Beebe

Brothers,

I hope everyone and their families had a wonderful holiday. Family is a big part of Masonry. After all, it is with their permission that we are able to come out and meet at least twice a month for brotherly camaraderie. It is my intention this year to involve our families in as many of our events as permitted.

As we enter into 2024, we continue to have a strong suite of officers that I am proud to serve with. It is with your dedication and support to the craft that we are able to have such a successful lodge.

The Blue Wave is constantly introducing new candidates for masonry. And I believe we will have no shortage of degrees. Looking back to 2023, we initiated four brothers into the fraternity. These brothers are now well on their way to being passed to the degree of Fellowcraft.

With that being said, there are a whole plethora of events already scheduled. Starting in January, this coming weekend on the 6th at 2PM we will all be stepping into our new stations. And on the 23rd, we will be initiating new members into our fraternity. As has been a tradition over the past couple years, we have completed our inspection early on in the year. We will be continuing this by having our inspection on January 23rd.

Looking forward, we will be having a Fellowcraft Degree on February 22nd and a Master Mason Degree on March 28. We have also scheduled our Annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Event on March 9.

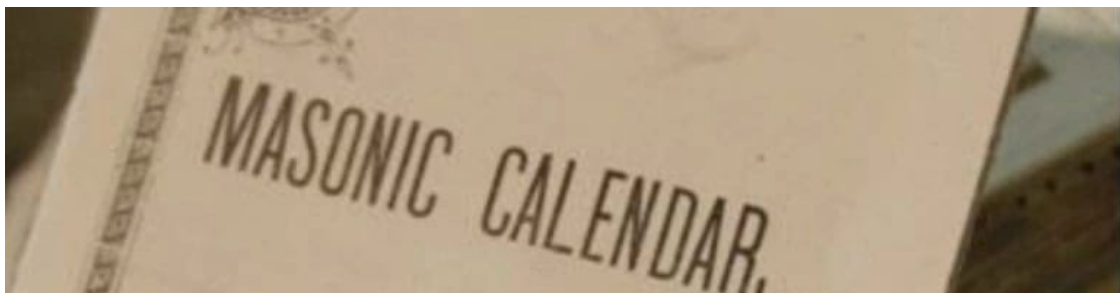
I'm personally looking forward to having a wonderful year in the East and I hope my fellow officers enjoy this year in their chair as well. It is my goal this year to not only raise new brothers but to enlighten them with Masonic Knowledge through the symbolism that Freemasonry is intertwined with. I plan to accomplish this by welcoming all the brothers every following Tuesday after a degree to go over the deeper meanings of the symbols of each degree.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Lodge.

Fraternally

Seth Beebe

Worshipful Master



Events Calendar January

- Tuesday January 2, 2024 — Officers Meeting at 6:30 p.m./EA Rehearsal
- Saturday January 6, 2024 — Installation of Officers 2 p.m. Light refreshments to follow.
- Tuesday January 9, 2024 — Stated Communication Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday January 16, 2024 — Officers Meeting at 6:30 p.m./EA Rehearsal
- Tuesday January 23, 2024 - EA Degree: Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Degree at 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday January 30, 2024 — Lodge of Perfection at 7:00 p.m.

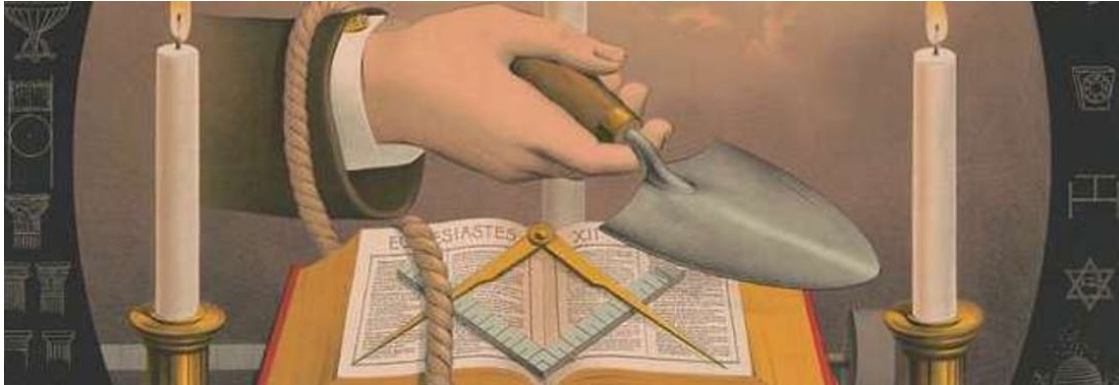
**Please note that we will be meeting every Tuesday*

HAPPY NEW YEAR



**"BE AT WAR WITH YOUR VICES, AT PEACE
WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS, AND LET EVERY
NEW YEAR FIND YOU A BETTER MAN"**

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN



The Meaning of the Masonic Plumb and Trowel

When we become Freemasons, we embark on a lifelong journey of self-improvement. We do this by living the fraternity's values each day through acts big and small. The rituals and rites of Freemasonry instill these values in us using ancient symbols and philosophies derived from the medieval stonemasons. These symbols equip Brethren with the tools necessary to build themselves into a man of integrity. [Read more.](#)

Source: Supreme Council, AASR, NMJ, USA Scottish Rite Blog, 2023

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Membership/Retention

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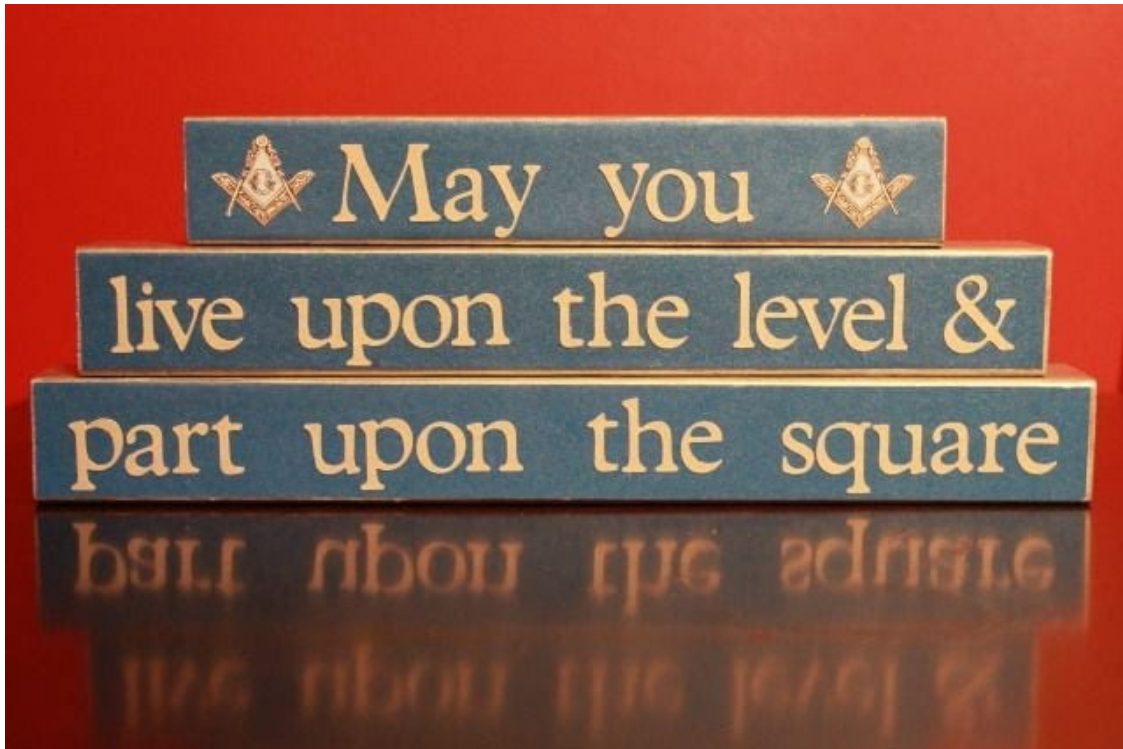
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If your are interested in joining a committee, please contact the [WM](#) or [Secretary](#).



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