



# February 2022

## VIEW FROM THE EAST



Greetings Brothers!!

In first message as Master, I once again thank my Brothers for my election. This coming year is full of possibility and promise, if, we as a craft are willing to reach out and hold fast; there is no telling the height to which we may ascend. This feeling is strengthened by the brotherhood between myself and the newly minted masters of Anawaon Lodge No.115 and Widow Son Lodge No.66, with whom I am already making plans. I have many hopes for this year, and with the assistance of the Brethren, I believe the craft may find profit, and the Master take pleasure thereby.

This Month we Have: *Valentines Dinner at Cafe Amici in Hamden on February 12<sup>th</sup> at 6pm*

*The Dinner will cost \$25 per person, with the menu of Veal Parm, Chicken Marsala, Eggplant Parm, and Scrod Oreganto. There will also be salad, appetizers, and dessert.*

Please RSVP to JW Bruce Liebman: @ Please call him at his home phone **203-468-6944** and leave a voice message or email me at [liebmanbruce@gmail.com](mailto:liebmanbruce@gmail.com) with your reservation.

ON OR BEFORE February 2<sup>nd</sup> As we are going to a restaurant, we will NOT be taking late comers.

My Brothers, in the December Trestle board I spoke about the governmental apparatus which arose around and was based off of the U.S. Constitution. Since I don't want to be writing about this topic for the rest of my life, I'm going to skip ahead quite a bit; to around 1900s and on. Now, on no account will I say that our government was perfect, or that no one abused their power. Fortunes were made on shady deals, people were denied their god given rights, and blood was spilled unnecessarily. Those sorry facts made plain, another truth that many forget is this: these horrible acts decrease in frequency as the history of our country goes on. The ideals we as a people hold up high, and admonish our fellow citizens to take up, have indeed taken root and deeply. For proof of this you need look no further than the women's suffrage, and the civil rights movements. Both of these successful movements called upon the pledges made in the Constitution, and echoed thought our society. In the words of Dr. King: "I have a dream that this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed". Thus spirited on, by Martin Luther King Jr. and others whose names will live on as heroes, we were able to straighten our path a bit more, make our union a little bit more perfect and stand a little bit straighter in the shadows of the giants who have come before.

Till next time!

Fraternally,

*Daniel D. DeVoe II*

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## VIEW FROM THE WEST



My Brothers!

First of all congratulations to Worshipful Master Daniel D. DeVoe II and his suite of officers. I wish you all the best for the upcoming year!

I would like to thank my brothers of Cosmopolitan Lodge No.125 for the confidence on voting me in as your Senior Warden. I look forward to supporting Worshipful Master Daniel D. DeVoe II and his direction for the year. I would like to also extend my support to all the officers if they may need my assistance with their new chairs.

This will again be an interesting year with the rise of a new variant of the Covid virus, and I'm sure there will be more variants to come. We need to focus on our brothers and their families and what we can do to help them with their burden if they do contract the virus or have any other illness or distress. On a first hand note my family and I tested positive during the holidays. This was the second time for us. Thank God it wasn't like the first time! And we can vouch for the awesome feeling of support when your brothers reach out to you especially while your contained to your home again!

So where am I going with this. If any brother knows of another brother, or family member, oh wait let's think about this. Anyone Mason or Not, that we may know or not know, that needs a friendly call or possibly some staples dropped off. PLEASE LET ME KNOW and we can do what a good Mason does. HELP any way we can!

Stay Healthy ~ Stay Safe

Keep Smiling!

Fraternally,

*Charles G. Ehrentraut, Sr.*

Charles G. Ehrentraut, Sr.  
Senior Warden

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## VIEW FROM THE SOUTH



My Brothers,

I would like to thank all the brothers for voting for me as Junior Warden. The view from the South is bright.

As Junior Warden, my responsibility is to see that the lodge is properly fed and to make reservations for upcoming events. The first event this year is **Valentine's Day Dinner** on February 12, 2022 at 6:00 PM at Cafe Amici. Please call me at my home phone **203-468-6944** and leave a voice message or email me at [liebmanbruce@gmail.com](mailto:liebmanbruce@gmail.com) with your reservation. Please specify name and number of attendees.

Thank you again for placing your confidence in me as Junior Warden.

Fraternally,

*Bruce Liebman*

Bruce Liebman  
Junior Warden

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## VIEW FROM THE SECRETARY'S CHAIR



My Brothers,

I would like to congratulate the officers of the lodge on being elected or appointed in their respective stations and places. We should all look forward to a wonderful year as well being there for a Worshipful Master Daniel D. DeVoe II.

Last month we had our annual Paid Up Members Dinner. The turn out was somewhat light in attendance but the brothers as a whole have been sending in their dues money and that makes my job a little easier. I thank all of you for that.

Now that winter has set in and the temperatures are much colder, please be safe out there as you travel or are just staying home. Just remember that the lodge room temperature is always warm and welcoming. See you soon my brothers.

Fraternally,

*RW Gary Matican*

Secretary

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### COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125 – UPCOMING EVENTS

February 2, 2022	Stated Communication with our Worshipful Master Daniel D. DeVoe II in the East. Meeting starts promptly at 7:30 p.m. Attire is Jacket and Tie. We will be having refreshments after the meeting. The place will be announced at the meeting.
February 12, 2022	Valentines Dinner at Café Amici in Hamden at 7:00 p.m.
February 16, 2022	Stated Communication with the Worshipful Master Daniel D. DeVoe II in the East at 7:30 pm. Attire is Jacket and Tie. Refreshments to follow and the place will be announced at the meeting.
	Martin & Max Performance – Date to be determined...
February 27, 2022	DESK will start at 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm. For Prep Only. Please contact RW Gary E. Cohen at 203-530-6222 or email at: <a href="mailto:garyec39@gmail.com">garyec39@gmail.com</a>
	<i>For further information of our lodge activities and events please go to our website at <a href="http://www.cosmopolitan125.org">www.cosmopolitan125.org</a></i>

**2022 COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125**

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PAST MASTERS OF COSMOPOLITAN LODGE #125

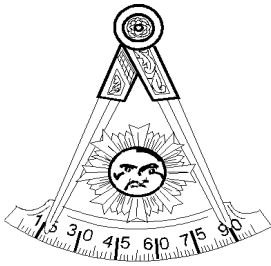
*Jacob Caplan	1919, 1923	*Harold P. Gessner	1953	Joseph M. Cohen	1985
*Joseph E. Levy	1920	*Henry G. Smernoff	1954	Jeffrey A. Granoff	1986
*Samuel I. Calechman	1921	*Martin B. Gant	1955	Edward L. Goodstein	1987
*Benjamin F. Goldman	1922	*Simon Bures	1956	*Michael L. Castroll	1988
*Samuel J. White	1924	*David Cohen	1957	RW Martin L. Rudnick	1989, 2002
*Nathan Smernoff	1925	*Albert Gurewitz	1958	*Harley O. H. Pretty	1990
*Manuel Kligerman	1926	*Marshall R. Weiner	1959	RW Gary Matican	1991, 1995, 2003
*Samuel M. Silver	1927	*Herbert B. Goldberg	1960	Bruce L. Lebow	1992
*Jacob N. Wolodarsky	1928	*Leo Gilden	1961	*Richard L. Hecht	1993
*Samuel W. Ritch	1929	*Jordan Goldberg	1962	Bruce M. Backer	1994
*Louis R. Hershatter	1930	*Gerald W. Brownstein	1963	Gary P. Merwede	1996
*Julius White	1931	*Arnold Most	1965	Gary S. Spanierman	1997
*RW Irving Alpert	1932	*A. Robert Sotman	1964	*RW Arnold H. Freedman	1998
*Andrew N. Friedman	1933	George Weinstein	1966	*Edward S. Eby	1999
*RW Samuel Platcow	1934	*Irving Kegeles	1967	Maier O. Fein	2000
*RW Alex C. Hershatter	1935	*Abraham B. Rosenberg	1968	Phillip E. Cohen	2001
*Benjamin D. Levine	1936	*Morris Klein	1969	David O. Stern	2004, 2010
*John M. Chapnick	1937	*William E. Weiner	1970	RW David E. Berger	2005
*Joseph Weiner	1938	*Chester M. Katzman	1971	*William E. McGraw, Jr.	2006
*Irving Rogers	1939	*Robert Tombank	1972	Stuart M. Smith	2007
*Maurice Osber	1940	*Leonard Tombank	1973	Roger Jackson	2009
*Herman Alpert	1941	*Milton A. Hershatter	1974	Steven J. Elzhholz	2011
*George J. Evans	1942	Richard A. Sugarmann	1975	RW Jason E. Morse	2012, 2013
*RW Joseph Shure	1943, 1944	Michael W. Winess	1976	RW Scott Bumps	2014
*Goodwin D. Wolff	1945	*Albert R. Blackman	1977	Rev. & RW Bruce R. Bellmore	2015
*Leon I. Horton	1946	RW Joseph Albert	1978	David M. Elkodsi	2016
*Natt K. Sheinfeld	1947	RW Gary E. Cohen	1979	Randy S. Stevens	2017
*A. Louis Phillips	1948	Sidney J. Levine	1980	Jerry Gruenbaum	2018
*Fredric M. Rosenstein	1949	Ronald M. Dworkin	1981	Michael S. Abrahamson	2019, 2020
*Milton S. Holiner	1950	Kenneth L. Dworkin	1982, 2008	Frederick A. Marotti	2021
*William Ledewitz	1951	Steven A. Ledewitz	1983		
*A. Henry Mirel	1952	Robert S. Brooks	1984		
* = deceased					

Past Master's – Other Lodges

**CURRENT GRAND LODGE**

Rev. & RW Bruce R. Bellmore  
Deputy Grand Master

RW Scott B. Bumps, DD 4A



MW Gustaf R Bodin	St. Alban's #38: 1976 & Ashlar #332: 2011
Rev. & RW Bruce R. Bellmore	Olive Branch #84: 1981 & Hiram #1: 1993
RW Leonard H. Bucher	Widow Sons #66:1977, Hiram #1: 1995/96, St. Alban;s #38: 2007
RW Roger R. Cole	Meriden #77: 1976 & Madison #87: 2006
Steven E Canada	Temple #16: 2011/13, Day Spring #30: 2016/17
Alan M Friedman, Jr.	Annowan #115: 2003, 13, Orange #143: 2009/10
Bruce Liebman	Masonic Lodge of Research: 1997
Frederick A. Marotti	Hiram #1: 2020
RW Jason E. Morse	Quinta Essential #500: 2019/2020/2021
Kevin H. Matsil	Meridian #77: 2003
Kyle Podpolucha	Annowan #115: 2020
RW Jason R. Rieger	Compass #9: 2006
Rabbi Eric Silver	Temple #16: 2013
Eric A. Stern	Pyramid #43 Reno NV: 2013 & 2014
Randy S. Stevens	Adelphi-Momauquin #63: 2002, Madison #87: 1985, 1986, & 1992
Jon-Paul Venoit	Compass #9: 2005



*Happy  
Valentine's Day*

**COSMOPOLITAN LODGE 125 VALENTINE'S DINNER**

**WHEN:** SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2022

**TIME:** 600 PM

**WHERE:** CAFÉ AMICI, 1670 WHITNEY AVE, HAMDEN, CT 06517

**PRICE:** \$25.00 PER PERSON

**MENU:**

2 APPETIZERS PER TABLE: FRIED CALAMARI & FRIED MOZZARELLA

CHOICE OF SALAD: AMICI HOUSE OR CESAR

ENTREE CHOICE OF:

VEAL PARMESAN

CHICKEN MARSALA

EGGPLANT PARMESAN

OR

SCROD OREGANATO

**INCLUDES:** DESSERT, COFFEE, TEA, SODA

**RSVP:** BRUCE LIEBMAN, JR. WARDEN by **FEBRUARY 2, 2022**

LEAVE YOUR NAME AND NUMBER OF ATTENDEES

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