



***JUNE***  
***2021***

## **VIEW FROM THE EAST**



My Brothers,

It is so good to see all of our brothers again at events as the loosening of the Covid restrictions are upon us. Spring has finally arrived and the weather is getting to be short sleeve shirt season and shorts.

May was a busy month for Cosmopolitan Lodge. We had a great dinner at café Amici's for our Mother's day celebration with a really great turnout. The food was excellent and so was the service. We handed out a single rose to the ladies at the end of the event. My year is really about the Fellowship and Ladyship. It is heartwarming to see all of our Brothers and Sisters having such fun and getting away from all of the stress that today's society brings.

Our first Stated communication in May was as always a short one and we were treated to a catered meal by Lassies. What a great thing it was to be enjoying breaking bread again in our own dining facility. At our second meeting we were treated to an informational program by WB Nick Valinsky that was a simulation of a Masonic trial. It was a lot fun to be involved in being the principal players in the trial. And to also get a feel for what it would be like should it ever happen.

Plans are being made for our summer picnic, and providing Ashler Village will be open we will be at the pavilion on July 31<sup>st</sup>, more info to come soon. Looking ahead to June we will be having our regular short first meeting and then out for dinner at our favorite pizza restaurant. A dinner in honor of our District Deputy RW Scott B. Bumps on Saturday June 5, 2021 at 6:00 pm. A father's day brunch is planned at La Luna's in Branford for Sunday June 13, 2021 from 1:30 to 4:30. More details to follow. Our second meeting in June will feature our Hawaiian shirt night. We will open at 6 pm, have a short meeting and then a BBQ inviting our ladies to join us. Our ladies will be judging the best, worst and ugliest of our attire and prizes will be given. The dress for the evening will be Hawaiian shirt, shorts or slacks and sandals if you have them.

Hoping for some awesome weather. Be happy, healthy and prosperous my Brothers. Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

Fraternally,

*Frederick A. Marotti*

WB Frederick A. Marotti  
Worshipful Master

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## VIEW FROM THE WEST



Greetings Brothers!

The nice weather is here! Warmth, sunshine and sunburns, although that last part might just be me. With the return of warmer weather, we once again have Hawaiian shirt night, which will take place at our second meeting this month, June 16th. I hope everyone digs the best (or worst) out of their closets.

My Brothers the world is beginning to open up completely and I hope soon we will settle on the new normal. In the middle of May, as many of you know, many of the covid restrictions were lifted in our state. Indeed, it seems that as soon as the strict mask rules were relaxed the number of people wearing them fell off a cliff. I personally cannot wait to return to some good restaurants that fortunately survived, but were either at tiny capacity or went to just take-out. That said, honestly, I haven't missed the traffic on the highway. Nor can I say I missed crowds in the stores, or lines to check out at the grocer. This pandemic has had another layer to it besides the virus, a worldwide social experiment of sorts. It has shown people to be more resilient than we ever expected in some ways. It has, unfortunately also shown that with the correct pretext, elections can be suspended, houses of worship can be closed, right to protest and demonstrate can be curtailed and more.

I am not going to say whether or not those actions are right or wrong, that would require a thorough investigation of much more information than I possess. I will say however, that these limitations on our rights is worrying to me. I have heard just yesterday that New York has decided to introduce a vaccine passport, an idea that I find troubling on many levels. Having received my shots, I do not feel the need to shout it from the roof tops, take a selfie, or have to present my papers when I want to go buy some milk. I am reminded that our freedoms, way of life and all the strata that we have built up over the generations is far more fragile than we would like to believe.

Fraternally,

*Daniel DeVoe 99*

Senior Warden

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Congratulations to our other new 50 year Brothers:

- RW Joseph Albert of Pompano Beach Florida and was Master in 1978
- WB Sidney J. Levine of West Palm Beach Florida and was Master in 1980
- Bro. Milton M. Flaks of Woodbridge CT

May you all enjoy good health and prosperity!

## VIEW FROM THE SOUTH



My Brothers,

I want to thank you all for responding to the events we have had so far. They all have been a great success. Food and service have been right there.

Upcoming events,

**June 2, 2021** We will be having our meeting as usual followed by Pizza at Michelina's. The dinner that was planned has been moved to Saturday June 5, 2021 6:00 pm at our Lodge in the Social Hall. The dinner will be open for our ladies to attend.

**June 13, 2021** 1:30 - 4:30 Fathers Day / Fellowship Brunch will be held at La Luna Ristorante Branford, CT. Contact for this event will be with Brother David Stern. The dinner will be open for our ladies to attend.

**June 16, 2021** Will be our Hawaiian Shirt Night Picnic after our meeting. Hot dogs, Hamburgers, and Chicken, Baked beans, Potato - Macaroni salad, Green salad, Corn on the cob, Beverages. Our ladies are invited.

**July 31, 2021** Annual Cosmopolitan Family Picnic will be held at Ashlar Village Pavilion. More information to follow.

\*\* Please continue to contact me via texting 203-305-4899 for reservations and count with your name. So as to make sure that we have enough food and beverage for everyone.

KEEP THAT SMILE GOING!

Fraternally,

*Charles G. Ehrentraut, Sr.*

**Charles G. Ehrentraut, Sr.  
Junior Warden**

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## VIEW FROM THE SECRETARY'S CHAIR



My Brothers,

It was so nice to see so many brothers and guests show up at our Stated Communication on May 19<sup>th</sup> to see and take part in the Masonic Mock Trial.

It was our first meeting with the new requirements to have our meetings and dinners. I will be looking forward to seeing more of our brothers show up and take part in our meetings in the future. Lets all get back as close as possible to our normal way of life post Covid.

Brothers who have not paid their dues, please consider the fact that the lodge still has bills pay and it would make it easier on myself and the Treasurer if you would send me a check to bring your account up to date. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Fraternally,

*RW Gary Matican*

**Secretary**

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**2021 COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125**

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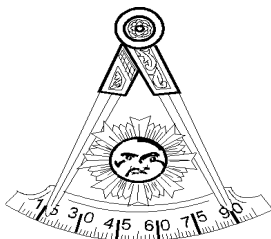
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*Joseph E. Levy	1920	*Abraham B. Rosenberg	1968
*Samuel I. Calechman	1921	*Morris Klein	1969
*Benjamin F. Goldman	1922	*William E. Weiner	1970
*Samuel J. White	1924	*Chester M. Katzman	1971
*Nathan Smernoff	1925	*Robert Tombank	1972
*Manuel Kligerman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

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
RW Jason E. Morse	Quinta Essential #500: 2019
Kevin H. Matsil	Meridian #77: 2003
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-Momauguin #63: 2002, Madison #87: 1985, 1986, & 1992
Jon-Paul Venoit	Compass #9: 2005

**COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125 – UPCOMING EVENTS**

June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Stated Communication with the Worshipful Master in the East at 7:30 pm. Attire is Jacket and Tie. We will be going to Michelina’s Apizza & Ristorante on State Street in New Haven, \$15 per person after the meeting. . RSVP to Jr. Warden Charles W. Ehrentraut, Sr. at 203-305-4899 or email at <a href="mailto:cehrentraut@aol.com">cehrentraut@aol.com</a>
June 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Dinner in Honor of our RW Scott B. Bumps as District Deputy of 4A.</b> Attire is Tux for the officers and Tie and Jacket for everyone else. It will start at 6:00 pm to 10 pm. Reservations should be made with our Junior Warden Charles W. Ehrentraut, Sr. at 203-305-4899 or email at <a href="mailto:cehrentraut@aol.com">cehrentraut@aol.com</a> Ladies are welcome.
June 13 <sup>th</sup>	Fellowship Fathers Day Brunch at La Luna’s Restaurant \$25 pp Reservations with Junior Warden Charles W. Ehrentraut, Sr. at 203-305-4899 or email at <a href="mailto:cehrentraut@aol.com">cehrentraut@aol.com</a>
June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Stated Communication with the Worshipful Master in the East at 6:00 pm with dinner to follow outside for a BBQ. Attire is Hawaiian Shirt Night with shorts or slacks. Program will be the ladies judging the brothers outfits with prizes given. Cost of dinner is \$15 and reservations with the Junior Warden Charles W. Ehrentraut, Sr. at 203-305-4899 or email at <a href="mailto:cehrentraut@aol.com">cehrentraut@aol.com</a>
June 27 <sup>th</sup>	DESK starting at 2:00 pm for prep. Please contact RW Gary E. Cohen to sign up to help 203-530-6222.
	<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>

