

FEBRUARY 2021

VIEW FROM THE EAST



My Brothers,

I would like to start out my message by saying how honored I am to be given the opportunity to serve Cosmopolitan Lodge No. 125 as your Master for 2021. Your confidence in me and friendship is so greatly appreciated. I would like to wish all my Brothers a very healthiest, safest and happiest of New Year's. This my Brothers will hopefully be a year of change. Perhaps we will see the light at the end of the tunnel and as we always say "This too shall pass".

My intention is not to reinvent the wheel but to put on a new set of tires as all Masters strive to do. I have many fun events planned for both our lodge Brothers and their ladies, along

with our traditional events. It is so hard to predict what will happen next but we will move forward as if all was "Normal". We will continue to offer our hybrid meetings as our Worshipful Brother Michael Abrahamson has offered so graciously to continue allowing us to use his talents and equipment for the best interest of all. I will continue with as many educational and informational programs as possible. We will have regular officers meetings, rehearsal on ritual and of course fellowship. Our monthly fellowship dinners will continue with the help of WB David Stern at the helm.

Our installation was a great success and the baton was passed. I would like to thank our Worshipful Brother Abrahamson for making the best tasting lemonade out of somewhat sour lemons this year. I am happy to have him once again sitting in the East with me as my Chaplain to continue to offer me his guidance and support. I would like to thank all of the Brothers who have helped and have been instrumental in there guidance in making this a smooth transition. The installation team as always did a fabulous job and everything went very smooth. Our zoom meeting was a success! Our Valentine's Day dinner is planned for Café Amici's in Hamden and we have a great menu for your enjoyment. We have a committee working on the mechanics of having our traditional Seder dinner, the location and time will be announced. Please if you haven't visited our website for more information at www.cosmopolican125.org.

You can join our zoom meetings at the following login Join Zoom Meeting using your computer: https://zoom.us/j/582746102Meeting ID: 582 746 102If you would prefer to dial in by phone then dial by your location+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)+1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)+1 253 215 8782 US+1 301 715 8592 US

The Meeting ID is the same: 582 746 102. Congratulations to all of the officers on their new positions! Work hard my brothers and we will succeed. To all of the Brothers of Cosmopolitan Lodge No. 125, let's make 2021 a year where our light shines bright in the face of adversity. For we as Masons must be that shining light in those darkest of times.

With all my best!

Fraternally,

Frederick A. Marotti

WB Frederick A. Marotti Worshipful Master

VIEW FROM THE WEST



Greetings Brothers!

I would like to thank the Brethren for the continued confidence and support as I move into the position of Senior Warden. From the west I hope to aid Brother Marotti in having a productive and enjoyable year. He has many plans that I believe will help us get a running start when/if the Covid 19 restrictions start to ease.

In this coming year I fervently hope that we will all continue to be safe from the ongoing pandemic that has been disrupting our way of life so thoroughly. The ongoing unrest in our nation has caused me many a restless night in the last few weeks. I fear that our inability as a society to talk to each other will not lead to a good road. Which is why I believe our

institution is more valuable than ever before. We implore all men to meet as equals on the level, to not judge for any reasons but word and action. America was founded on very similar principals as our order, and as we know many of our founding fathers were indeed masons themselves. I would just remind our brothers to listen to all those who came before you and remember that you do not have to agree with anything they say, but civility and respect are the unspoken cornerstones of our lives, within and without Masonry.

In my new capacity as Senior Warden I would ask all Brothers to inform me of any in the craft who are in sickness or distress, please email or text me about our ailing brothers:

Email: 2d.devoe@gmail.com Phone: 203-843-1614

Fraternally,

Daniel Deloe 99

Junior Warden

VIEW FROM THE SOUTH



My Brothers,

I would like to start off by expressing my sincere thank you to my Cosmopolitan brothers for their confidence in me, by electing me to the office of Junior Warden.

It appears that we will be following the same protocols that we have been following over the past year. So until we can resume our usual forum, I look forward to working with our Worshipful Master Marotti's syllabus. Starting with the ladies Valentines night out at Café Amici's in Hamden, and moving forward from there as the year unfolds.

I would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy new year and leave you with a quote that I just recently read and have reflected on.

"Sometimes you never know the Value of a moment until it becomes a MEMORY"

Fraternally,

Charles W. Ehrentraut, Sr.

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Junior Warden

VIEW FROM THE SECRETARY'S CHAIR



"A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty."

By Winston Churchill

My Brothers,

We as masons believe that there is many opportunities in the things that we learn and do in our daily lives and in our lodge. The officers strive to do their best in the ritual work and also in running the lodge for the whole craft. The craft comes to our meetings or on Zoom to show support for what we

all do to make Cosmopolitan Lodge No. 125 the best we can be. Please don't let this terrible Virus stop us from believing in ourselves to strive to be better masons and show that support for our fellow brethren.

Many of you have sent in your dues payments already and I appreciate the promptness, but some have not. Please help me out so that I can keep my records up to date and that the lodge can take care of their obligations that we have quickly and promptly.

Fraternally,

RW Gary Matican

Secretary

COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125 – UPCOMING EVENTS		
February 2 nd	Officers Meeting and rehearsal at the Temple at 6:30 p.m.	
February 3 rd	Stated Communication with the Worshipful Master in the East at 7:30 pm. Attire is Jacket and Tie. Masks are required and spacing of seats is a must. No refreshments will be served but we will be going to Michelina's Apizza & Ristorante on State Street in New Haven, \$15 per person. RSVP to Jr. Warden Charles W. Ehrentraut, Sr. at 203-305-4899 or email at cehrentraut@aol.com	
February 6 th	Valentine's Day Dinner at Café Amici's in Hamden. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$25.00 per person. RSVP to Jr. Warden Charles W. Ehrentraut, Sr. at 203-305-4899 or email at cehrentraut@aol.com is a must. Please let him know your name, number of guests and food choice no later Monday Februar 1st	
February 16 th	Officers Meeting and rehearsal at the Temple at 6:30 p.m.	
February 17 th	Stated Communication with the Worshipful Master in the East at 7:30 pm. Attire is Jacket and Tie. Masks are required and spacing of seats is a must. No refreshments will be served. Program for the evening will be a short <i>George Washington Program</i> given by WB Kyle Podpolucha from Annawon Lodge No. 115 in West Haven.	
February 24 th	Fellowship Dinner will be at 7:00 p.m. at the Hamden Townhouse Diner 2260 Whitney Ave. Hamden, CT 06518. RSVP with WB David O. Stern at 203-444-2077 or email at dsternct@gmail.com	
February 28 th	DESK will take place at 2:00 pm as we will be preparing only. RW Gary E. Cohen would like to see you at the dinner to help out. Contact Gary at 203-530-6222 or email at garyec39@gmail.com	
	All of the above is contingent on the Governor and the Grand Master making changes to our current way of life	
	For further information of our lodge activities and events please go to our website at www.cosmopolitan125.org	

2021 COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125

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PAST MASTERS OF COSMOPOLITAN LODGE #125

*Jacob Caplan	1919, 1923	*Irving Kegeles	1967
*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. Ritch	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
*Leon I. Horton	1946	Bruce L. Lebow	1992
*Natt K. Sheinfeld	1947	*Richard L. Hecht	1993
*A. Louis Phillips	1948	Bruce M. Backer	1994
*Fredric M. Rosenstein	1949	Gary P. Merwede	1996
*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 Gilden	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

CURRENT GRAND LODGE

Rev. & RW Bruce R. Bellmore, Grand Senior Warden

RW Scott B. Bumps, DD 4A



Past Master's - Other Lodges

Past Master's – Other Lodges					
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				

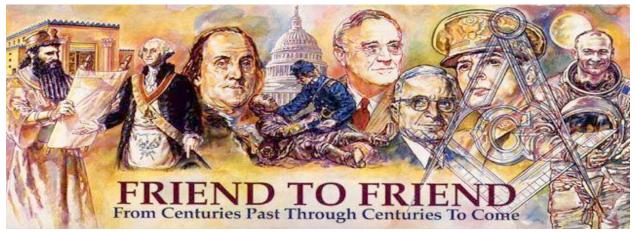
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The design of the program is to introduce a variety of aspects of Masonry in an organized manner. It will lead him, step by step, through some very fundamental and rewarding endeavors/labors which will assist you in the practice and understanding of Masonry.

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