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MASONIC TEMPLE  
285 WHITNEY AVE. NEW HAVEN, CONN.

# OCTOBER 2022

## VIEW FROM THE EAST



Greetings Brothers!

Grand lodge is back in session on the 15th, for the Semi-annual communication and hope to see many of my brothers there and Brother Steve Canada will join us to give a presentation on October 19th.

With the rest of the world I mourned the passing of The Queen of England, Elizabeth II. She was the second longest ruling monarch in history, and the longest ruling Queen. Her reign saw war, peace, the deconstruction of the British empire, and a great many other events which shape the current world. Throughout it all, she remained a bastion of strength to her people, someone who would always stand strong and hold to the ideals which her people glorify.

With her passing, I wonder, will we ever see her equal again? Is the age of outstanding leaders over? Can anyone say that any president of the last 30 years is on the same level of The Queen? Is there any other public figure you can mention? I do not see new outstanding leaders arising to fill this void. I see only the least bad option, a sea of "lesser evils". By no means do I advocate for monarchy, that system has long been rightly seen as giving one person far too much power. However, I cannot help but wish that the successors of The Queen were more in line with their predecessor.

I do have hope for the future however, I believe that with coming generations, the technology which has changed so rapidly and taken us along for the ride will "stabilize", becoming universal; just another background feature, something that has always been there. When that has happened, I believe that we will see the re-emergence of the kind of leadership we need to move toward a prosperous future.

Fraternally,

*Daniel D. DeVoe II*

Daniel D. DeVoe II  
Worshipful Master

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## VIEW FROM THE WEST



My Brothers!

October is the harvest time. With all the fairs going on and the temperatures cool evenings and warm days. It's time to go out and sample all the different foods and how they are prepared in so many different ways. I myself am looking forward to the turkey legs and apple cider donuts, and apple pie with a scoop of vanilla ice-cream. Don't forget the apple cider! What about the bonfires with the gathering of friends and new faces and let the conversations roll on.

Time to reach out to the Worshipful Master Daniel D. DeVoe II and see if we can do apple pie and ice-cream and pumpkin pie with whipped cream after our meetings. And yes coffee, tea, cider!

Health and Wellness update. Covid is still out there and causing hiccups in our daily lives. So while it looks like it will always be one of those things that will be with us, please be diligent while being out and about. Lastly I want to thank my Brothers and their Families for reaching out to me personally while I was in the hospital. Thank You!!

Quote of the Month.

When Life knocks you down,  
Roll over and Look at the Stars.  
And get back up!

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,

As the summer comes to an end and fall is upon us, our Lodge is back to resuming Labor. We will be having a few degrees to perform on a candidate. Come to the meetings and support the new candidate.

Keeping in mind that I do not cook, let me know if you have any suggestions for meals and/or desserts.

Many events are still being planned and will be scheduled soon.

Fraternally,

*Bruce Liebman*

Bruce Liebman,  
Junior Warden

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## VIEW FROM THE SECRETARY'S CHAIR



My Brothers,

Now that it is October and the baseball season is coming to a close, the football season is just getting started and soon we will see what our ladies of UConn can do when the basketball season starts.

Last month our lodge had our annual inspection along with an Entered Apprentice Degree with one candidate and approximately 20 brothers viewing the wonderful evening. If you could not, please try and make the Fellow Craft Degree on October 19<sup>th</sup>. We will not be having a meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> as it is the Jewish High Holiday of Yom Kippur (Holiest Day of the Year – The Day of Atonement). I wish for all the Jewish people and easy fast.

My brothers, it is already October and some of you have not paid your dues for this year. Please help me out with my bookkeeping and send in your payment as soon as possible. We still have bills to pay. Thank you for your understanding.

Looking forward to seeing as many brothers at our functions as possible.

Fraternally,

*RW Gary Matican*

Secretary

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### COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125 – UPCOMING EVENTS

October 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	<b>THERE WILL NOT BE A MEETING ON THIS EVENING DUE TO THE JEWISH HOLIDAY OF YOM KIPPUR (The most sacred day of the year)</b>
October 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	Semi Annual Meeting of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of CT. Hartog Auditorium at Ashar Village in Wallingford. 8:30 am check in.
October 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	Stated Communication with our Worshipful Master Daniel D. DeVoe II in the East performing the Fellow Craft Degree. Meeting starts promptly at 7:30 p.m. Attire is Tux for officers and Jacket and Tie for the craft. We will be having refreshments after the meeting.
October 26, 2022	Fellowship Dinner at 7 pm. Place to be determined. Further info to follow.
October 30, 2022	DESK will start at 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm. For Prep & Serving. 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>

### Condolences

**RW Gary & Marcia Cohen on the loss of her brother WB Michael Winess.  
On the loss of Bro. Gerald Kaye  
On the loss of Bro. Louis Parsitsky**

**May their souls rest in eternal peace...**

**2022 COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125**

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* <i>Joseph E. Levy</i>	1920	* <i>Henry G. Smernoff</i>	1954	Jeffrey A. Granoff	1986
* <i>Samuel I. Calechman</i>	1921	* <i>Martin B. Gant</i>	1955	Edward L. Goodstein	1987
* <i>Benjamin F. Goldman</i>	1922	* <i>Simon Burres</i>	1956	* <i>Michael L. Castroll</i>	1988
* <i>Samuel J. White</i>	1924	* <i>David Cohen</i>	1957	RW Martin L. Rudnick	1989, 2002
* <i>Nathan Smernoff</i>	1925	* <i>Albert Gurewitz</i>	1958	* <i>Harley O. H. Pretty</i>	1990
* <i>Manuel Kligerman</i>	1926	* <i>Marshall R. Weiner</i>	1959	RW Gary Matican	1991, 1995, 2003
* <i>Samuel M. Silver</i>	1927	* <i>Herbert B. Goldberg</i>	1960	Bruce L. Lebow	1992
* <i>Jacob N. Wolodarsky</i>	1928	* <i>Leo Gilden</i>	1961	* <i>Richard L. Hecht</i>	1993
* <i>Samuel W. Ritch</i>	1929	* <i>Jordan Goldberg</i>	1962	Bruce M. Backer	1994
* <i>Louis R. Hershatter</i>	1930	* <i>Gerald W. Brownstein</i>	1963	Gary P. Merwede	1996
* <i>Julius White</i>	1931	* <i>Arnold Most</i>	1965	Gary S. Spanierman	1997
* <i>RW Irving Alpert</i>	1932	* <i>A. Robert Sotman</i>	1964	* <i>RW Arnold H. Freedman</i>	1998
* <i>Andrew N. Friedman</i>	1933	George Weinstein	1966	* <i>Edward S. Eby</i>	1999
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* <i>RW Alex C. Hershatter</i>	1935	* <i>Abraham B. Rosenberg</i>	1968	Phillip E. Cohen	2001
* <i>Benjamin D. Levine</i>	1936	* <i>Morris Klein</i>	1969	David O. Stern	2004, 2010
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* <i>Irving Rogers</i>	1939	* <i>Robert Tombank</i>	1972	Stuart M. Smith	2007
* <i>Maurice Osber</i>	1940	* <i>Leonard Tombank</i>	1973	Roger Jackson	2009
* <i>Herman Alpert</i>	1941	* <i>Milton A. Hershatter</i>	1974	Steven J. Elzholz	2011
* <i>George J. Evans</i>	1942	Richard A. Sugarmann	1975	RW Jason E. Morse	2012, 2013
* <i>RW Joseph Shure</i>	1943, 1944	* <i>Michael W. Winess</i>	1976	RW Scott Bumps	2014
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* <i>A. Louis Phillips</i>	1948	Sidney J. Levine	1980	Jerry Gruenbaum	2018
* <i>Fredric M. Rosenstein</i>	1949	Ronald M. Dworkin	1981	Michael S. Abrahamson	2019, 2020
* <i>Milton S. Holiner</i>	1950	Kenneth L. Dworkin	1982, 2008	Frederick A. Marotti	2021
* <i>William Ledewitz</i>	1951	Steven A. Ledewitz	1983		
* <i>A. Henry Mirel</i>	1952	Robert S. Brooks	1984		
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**CURRENT GRAND LODGE**

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Grand Master of Masons in CT

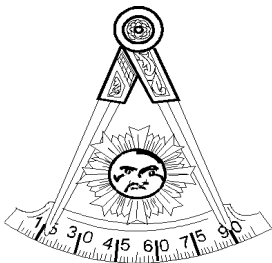
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Grand Chaplain

RWB Glenn Jacques  
District Deputy Masonic District 4A

RWB Gary E. Cohen  
Associate Grand Almoner for the 4<sup>th</sup> District

WB Michael S. Abrahamson  
Associate Grand Tyler



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MWPGM Gustaf R Bodin	St. Alban's #38: 1976 & Ashlar #332: 2011
Rev. & MWGM 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.	Annawon #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	Annawon #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-Momauguin #63: 2002, Madison #87: 1985, 1986, & 1992
Jon-Paul Venoit	Compass #9: 2005