

# *JANUARY 2023*

# VIEW FROM THE EAST



Greetings Brothers!

For the last time I have the opportunity to address the craft and I would first like to say: Thank you all for giving me a chance to experience what it is like to be Worshipful Master.

This year has been one giant learning experience from beginning to end. Many ideas I had were quickly turned on their heads. Others, that were just

passing thoughts, turned out to be right on the nose. All in all, this was something I will never forget. Once again, I wish to thank the craft for the honor of leading you for the last year.

I look forward fondly upon the upcoming year, when Brother Charlie takes up the mantle and leads us with his characteristic swagger. I know the Lodge is in good hands, and I will once more be in the ranks supporting my Brothers in the great and good work of Masonry.

Fraternally,

Daniel D. DeVoe 99

Daniel D. DeVoe II Worshipful Master

COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125 – UPCOMING EVENTS				
January 4, 2023	Stated Communication with our Worshipful Master Daniel D. DeVoe II in the			
	East. We will also have our 31 <sup>st</sup> Annual Paid up Members Dinner at 6:30 pm.			
	Meeting starts promptly at 7:30 p.m. Attire is Jacket and Tie.			
January 8, 2023	Special Communication at 9:00 am to open lodge for the purpose of having our Annual Installation of Officers. Attire is Tux for officers. At 3:00 pm we will start our installation in our Lodge Room on the first floor. Afterward we will have a dinner in our social hall downstairs.			
January 18, 2023	Stated Communication with Worshipful Master Charles G. Ehrentraut, Sr. in the East. Attire is Tie and Jacket. Refreshments will follow the meeting downstairs in the Social Hall.			
January 25, 2023	Fellowship Dinner will be at Panda House in Stratford at 7:00 pm. Please contact WB David O. Stern at 203-444-2077 or email at: <u>dsternct@gmail.com</u>			
January 29, 2023	DESK – we will have Prep and Serving as it is a fifth Sunday. All communication with RW Gary E. Cohen at 203-530-6222 or email at: <u>garyec39@gmail.com</u>			
	For further information of our lodge activities and events please go to our website at <u>www.cosmopolitan125.org</u>			

## **VIEW FROM THE WEST**



My Brothers!

I am very honored to have been elected to serve our Lodge as Worshipfyl Master for 2023. I am looking forward to a full and exciting year ahead. Our new suite of officers are excited and ready to ascend into their stations. We would like to Thank You for the trust in us!

I would like to thank our Worshipful Master Daniel D. DeVoe II and his suite of officers who have worked hard for us this past year!

As I move into my position as Worshipful Master of our Lodge for 2023, I am open to suggestions to add to my own to bring some programs into our meetings. This being said I am looking to Brother Kyle J. Podpolucha who has offered to assist me in that area. He has some exciting ideas and I look forward to adding this to our meetings.

Refreshment and Events: Please look to our Junior Warden Benjamin G. Stern. He will be looking for you to respond and set reservations to all our events in Lodge and outside of Lodge. Our first event will be in February - Valentines Day. We have had a great time in the past at Cafe' Amici's. The food and service was always on point. So we will be returning again this year. Date and time will be set soon, Check with your Junior Warden Benjamin G. Stern.

Monthly Fellowship: WB David O. Stern who will be keeping us busy with new and old places for us to visit. Please set your reservations with him.

Our installation of officers will be held on January 8, 2023 at 3 p.m. Officers have been asked to be at Lodge at 12:30 p.m. to help in the preparation and photos. Please join in with us with family and friends. Remember to respond to the Junior Warden Bruce Liebman if you are attending.

The first meeting of the month is January 4, 2023, and will be our annual paid-up members dinner. Again Please respond to the Junior Warden Bruce Liebman, so he can plan accordingly.

#### Brothers - Let's all strive for a Great Year in Lodge and our Community!

Quote of the Month:

"Never underestimate the Power you have to take your Life in a new direction."

By Germany Kent

Stay Healthy ~ Stay Safe ~ Keep Smiling!

Fraternally, *Charles G. Ehrentraut, Se.* Charles G. Ehrentraut, Sr. Worshipful Master Elect

### CONDOLENCES:

To Worshipful Master Daniel D. DeVoe II on the loss of his father Daniel D. DeVoe Sr. May his soul rest in eternal peace...



# **VIEW FROM THE SOUTH**

My Brothers,

It was a challenging year as Jr Warden since I don't know how to cook and we did not have a full complement of Stewards. I am grateful to WM Daniel DeVoe II, all my fellow officers and brothers who assisted with feeding the Lodge. A very special thanks to WB

Fred Marotti and WB Jerry Gruenbaum for all of their assistance and counsel. I'd also like to thank all of the ladies who worked tirelessly to make this year's events successful as well.

I am greatly disappointed in the Lodge's lack of confidence in me to carry on as Senior Warden. I performed m duties to the best of my abilities and many brother told me I did good job. If I did not I would have expected those brothers with more knowledge would have been mentors as opposed to detractors. Perhaps this is something to improve on in 2023.

Fraternally,

Bruce Liebman Bruce Liebman, Junior Warden

# VIEW FROM THE SECRETARY'S CHAIR



My Brothers,

At the Annual Meeting of Cosmopolitan Lodge No. 125 on December 7, 2022 we had our election of officers and I would like to congratulate all of the returning officers as well as a few new ones. Worshipful Master Elect Charles G. Ehrentraut, Sr. has a great year planned and would like all brothers who are able, to attend as many meeting as they can to help support the wonderful corps of officers for the ensuing year.

I would also like to thank all of the brothers who have already paid their 2023 dues and are eligible to attend the annual paid up members dinner on January 4, 2023 for a free meal. Looking forward to seeing as many members as possible.

Fraternally, *RW Gary Maticau* Secretary

DONATION:

By RW Gary E. Cohen & Marcia on the donation to the Scholarship Fund in Memory of Daniel D. DeVoe Sr. on his passing.

# 2022 COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125

## OFFICERS

## COMMITTEES

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WB Jerry Gruenbaum (Bonnie)	Chaplain	Bro. Ronald E. Fish	845-988-6705
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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 Burres	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. Elzholz	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. & MWGM 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					

#### **CURRENT GRAND LODGE**

Rev. & MWGM Bruce R. Bellmore Grand Master of Masons in CT

RWB David E. Berger Assistant to the Grand Master

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



#### Past Master's – Other Lodges

St. Alban's #38: 1976 & Ashlar #332: 2011
Olive Branch #84: 1981 & Hiram #1: 1993
Widow Sons #66:1977, Hiram #1: 1995/96, St.
Alban's #38: 2007
Meriden #77: 1976 & Madison #87: 2006
Temple #16: 2011/13, Day Spring #30: 2016/17
Annawon #115: 2003, 13, Orange #143: 2009/10
Masonic Lodge of Research: 1997
Hiram #1: 2020
Quinta Essential #500: 2019/2020/2021
Meridian #77: 2003
Annawon #115: 2020
Compass #9: 2006
Temple #16: 2013
Pyramid #43 Reno NV: 2013 & 2014
Adelphi-Momauguin #63: 2002, Madison #87:
1985, 1986, & 1992
Compass #9: 2005