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MASONIC TEMPLE
285 WHITNEY AVE. NEW HAVEN, CONN.

APRIL 2023

VIEW FROM THE EAST



My Brothers,

March had a great finish with two events, the first being the Saint Patrick's Day parade. A great time and representation of Masons in CT. Thank you to all that had participated in its success! And secondly the Awards Night and dinner. It was my great pleasure to have been part of it especially from the East. I was also honored with my 5 year pin along with my son Charles G. Ehrentraut Jr. My brother Earl W. Ehrentraut, and my brother-in-law Craig A. Stevens also received their 5 years pin as well. We all started our Masonic journey together 5 years ago and look forward to more Light.

April is going to be a busy month, with all the religious observances during the month and the Annual Communication on April 1st. On April 19th we will be having our annual inspection and Entered Apprentice Degree, with 3 candidates. I encourage our brothers to put this on your calendar to attend. Refreshments will follow the degree. I will be planning some rehearsals, so our candidates will have the best experience and memories on their journey in Masonry going forward.

The monthly Fellowship dinner will be on April 26th. Respond with reservations to Brother David O. Stern. This is a great time to bring new people that may have an interest in Masonry.

Quote of the month - Ability will enable a man to get to the top, but character will keep him from falling!

Stay Healthy ~ Stay Safe

Keep Smiling!

Fraternally,

Charles G. Ehrentraut, Sr.

Charles G. Ehrentraut, Sr.
Worshipful Master 2023

VIEW FROM THE WEST



My Brothers!

I hope this message finds you well. As we transition from winter to spring, I can't help but reflect on the past few months. While mother nature had other plans for us, we were fortunate to only deal with two weeks of winter before the warm weather returned. I'm excited to spend time outside with family and friends, and I hope you are too.

I want to take a moment to express my gratitude for everyone's participation in the St Patrick's day parade. It was a great turnout, and the weather couldn't have been better. Spending time with our brothers and families while getting the message out to the community was truly special. I think we made a positive impact, and I look forward to participating in future community events.

Our Awards Night was a great success, and it was an honor to receive my five-year pin along with my family members. I also want to congratulate all the members who were recognized for their years of service with our lodge. Their dedication and support are what make our lodge and freemasonry successful for future generations. I feel grateful to be part of such a supportive and committed community.

Looking ahead, I'm excited for our upcoming EA degree on Wednesday, April 19th. It's an exciting opportunity to welcome new members to our lodge and freemasonry community. Additionally, we have many events planned over the summer, and I can't wait to spend time with all of you.

Thank you for your continued commitment to our lodge and freemasonry. I feel fortunate to be part of such a dedicated and supportive community.

With warmest fraternal regards and best wishes,

Fraternally,

Earl W. Ehrentraut

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Senior Warden

VIEW FROM THE SECRETARY'S CHAIR



My Brothers,

Last month the masons of the 4th Masonic District once again marched in the Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in New Haven. We started out by having a wonderful breakfast at 285 Whitney Avenue, put on by the Scottish Rite Valley of New Haven. We then took a school bus to the starting point for us to walk the parade. When we were finished we had a beautiful meal once again put on by the Scottish Rite Valley of New Haven. We had great fellowship with all masons and their families that attended. A big thank you to the Scottish Rite.

If you have not paid your 2023 dues I would appreciate a timely check so as to keep my bookkeeping up to date. Also, if you receive the **Trestle Board** by mail and have an email address, please share it with me. You will benefit by being able to view the **Trestle Board** in color and the Lodge can reduce its mailing costs.

Fraternally,

RW Gary Matican

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2023 COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125

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CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILIES OF:

- Phillip Brown who passed away on March 14, 2023 (A 50 year brother)
- WB Jack H. Stevens who passed away on March 21, 2023 (A 57 year brother)
- WB Randy Stevens who lost his father.
- Bros Chris and Ethan who lost their grandfather.
- Julius Raflowitz who passed away on July 7, 2021 (A 47 year brother)

MAY THEIR SOULS REST IN ETERNAL PEACE!

COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125 – UPCOMING EVENTS

April 2 nd , 2023	Project Hope at the Jewish Community Center at 9:15 am - Noon.
April 5 th , 2023	This meeting has been cancelled due to the Jewish Holiday of Passover.
April 19 th , 2023	Stated Communication with our Worshipful Master Charles G. Ehrentraut, Sr. in the East. Meeting will start at 7:30 pm with an Entered Apprentice Degree. Refreshments to follow. Attire is Tux for officers and Jacket and Tie for all others.
April 26 th , 2023	Fellowship Dinner will be determined at a later date.
April 30 th , 2023	DESK – we will have Prep & Serving from 2 pm to 6 pm. All communication with RW Gary E. Cohen at 203-530-6222 or email at: garyec39@gmail.com
	<i>For further information of our lodge activities and events please go to our website at www.cosmopolitan125.org</i>

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

RW Gary Matican & Ann on the birth of Gary's grandson Levi W. Matican.
Bro. Jeremy and Marisa Matican on the birth of their nephew Levi W. Matican.
Bro. Neil Matican and Susan on the birth of their great nephew Levi W. Matican.
Bro. Hillel and Sara-Ann Auerbach on the birth of their cousin Levi W. Matican.
Bro. Andrew and Paige Weinstein on the birth of their cousin Levi W. Matican.

COSMOPOLITAN ANNUAL AWARDS NIGHT



40 Year Pin and Certificates for RW Gary Matican and WB Bruce Lebow.
Most Worshipful Grand Master Bruce R. Bellmore, WM Charles Ehrentraut, Sr.



45 Year Pin & Certificate for
Brother David Smernoff



55 Year Pin and Certificate for Brother Daniel Katz



15 Year Pin and Certificate for WB Timothy Wilkins
and Brother Benjamin Stern



Taylor, Charles Ehrentraut, Jr., Ruth, Earl, Dawn, Craig Stevens
WM Charles Ehrentraut, Sr., Deborah, & Grand Master Bruce Bellmore

ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

