



Stated Communications First and Third Wednesdays except July and August
MASONIC TEMPLE
285 WHITNEY AVE. NEW HAVEN, CONN.

APRIL 2024

VIEW FROM THE EAST



My Brothers,

I hope this message finds you well.

Spring is once again upon us, bringing with it warmer weather. I am excited for outdoor activities, gardening, and the opportunity to spend time with our lodge brothers during the numerous events scheduled this month.

The St. Patrick's Day parade was a resounding success. It was heartwarming to see our lodge brothers and their families come together to celebrate this festive occasion. Events like these not only strengthen the bonds within our fraternity but also serve as a wonderful opportunity to showcase the values of masonry to the broader community.

Looking forward, I am thrilled to share that we will soon be hosting an EA degree for Manuel Camacho, a momentous occasion as we extend a warm welcome to a new member in our lodge.

Upcoming activities-Planned events

- Grand Lodge Annual Communications April 6, 2024
- Passover Seder Dinner April 7, 2024
- Project Hope Baskets April 14, 2024

Our monthly Fellowship Dinner will be Wednesday April 24th location TBD. Please let WB David O. Stern know if you plan to attend.

On April 28th we will be volunteering at the Downtown Evening Soup Kitchen. We are scheduled from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM to do prep work. Please let RW Gary E. Cohen know if you can help.

As we look forward to the upcoming events, I encourage everyone to mark their calendars and join us. Your presence and support mean a lot, and I am hopeful to see you there.

Thank you for your ongoing dedication and involvement in our lodge.

Fraternally,

Earl W. Ehrentraut

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Worshipful Master 2024

VIEW FROM THE WEST



My Brothers,

We had a lovely day at the New Haven St. Patrick's Day Parade last month! It may have been a little gray, a little cold, a little rainy at times, but a great time was had by all. I haven't seen the official numbers, I don't think we quite met our 200-person record of the previous year, but it was still an excellent turnout, and a grand time was had by both marchers and spectators.

We've got another busy month coming up – Grand Lodge leading right into our annual Passover Lodge Seder, followed by our annual volunteering at Project Hope! I look forward to seeing many of you at these events. And even if I don't, get out there and enjoy the weather as it continues to warm up!

Fraternally,
Benjamin G. Stern
Senior Warden

COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125 – UPCOMING EVENTS	
April 3, 2024	Stated Communication with our Worshipful Master Earl W. Ehrentraut in the East. The meeting will start at 7:30 pm. Attire is Tie and Jacket. Refreshments will follow in the Social Hall downstairs.
April 6, 2024	Grand Lodge Annual Session in Windsor at 8:00 am
April 7, 2024	Cosmopolitan Lodge Annual Passover Seder
April 14, 2024	Project Hope to fill baskets at 9:00 am. Place TBD
April 17, 2024	Stated Communication with our Worshipful Master Earl W. Ehrentraut in the East. The meeting will start at 7:30 pm. Attire is Tie and Jacket. Refreshments will follow in the Social Hall downstairs.
April 24, 2024	Fellowship Dinner - TBD
April 28, 2024	Downtown Evening Soup Kitchen – We are scheduled from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM to do prep only. Please let RW Gary E. Cohen know if you can help. 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:
WB JOSEPH COHEN AND
CELIA LEFFLER ON THEIR
RECENT MARRIAGE ON
VALENTINE'S DAY...**

VIEW FROM THE SOUTH



My Brothers,

As we embrace the arrival of spring, I am reminded of the beauty and renewal that this season brings to our lives. Just as nature awakens from its winter slumber, so too do we find ourselves energized with a sense of rejuvenation and anticipation for the months ahead.

With the changing of the seasons comes a plethora of exciting events and opportunities for us to come together as a Masonic family. I am delighted to share with you some of the upcoming highlights on our lodge calendar:

- **April 6 – Grand Lodge Communication and Cosmo Store**
- **April 7 – Annual Passover Seder**
- **April 14 – Project HOPE**

In regards to the Passover Seder, join us for our Cosmopolitan Passover Seder, a meaningful gathering of fellowship and reflection, as we honor tradition and celebrate our shared heritage. This is a great opportunity for us to come together as a lodge. As a reminder, please RSVP with me, as soon as possible at 203-927-0003 or at josephkfried@gmail.com.

At the start of this new season, let us re-commit ourselves to the principles of Freemasonry and each other. I look forward to seeing you all at our stated communications and events soon!

Fraternally,

Bro. Joe

Joseph K. Fried
Junior Warden

VIEW FROM THE SECRETARY'S CHAIR



My Brothers,

I would like to wish all of our brothers and their families a happy and healthy holiday season. As the weather gets warmer it gives us all time to go out and get things done around the house and then interact with our brothers at our lodges functions. I hope to see everyone participating with your families very soon.

Just a reminder to those that have not paid their 2024 lodge dues. Please remit as soon as possible so that I can keep my bookkeeping up to date.

Fraternally,

RW Gary Matican

Secretary

2024 COSMOPOLITAN LODGE NO. 125

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*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
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*Irving Rogers	1939	*Robert Tombank	1972	Stuart M. Smith	2007
*Maurice Osber	1940	*Leonard Tombank	1973	Roger Jackson	2009
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*RW Joseph Shure	1943, 1944	*Michael W. Winess	1976	RW Scott Bumps	2014
*Goodwin D. Wolff	1945	*Albert R. Blackman	1977	Rev. & MWPGM 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	Daniel D. DeVoe II	2022
*A. Henry Mirel	1952	Robert S. Brooks	1984	Charles G. Ehrentraut, Sr.	2023
* = deceased					

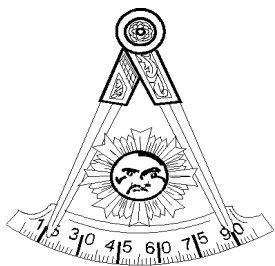
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Associate Grand Tyler



Past Master's – Other Lodges

MWPGM Gustaf R Bodin	St. Alban's #38: 1976 & Ashlar #332: 2011
Rev. & MWPGM 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
Jonathan I. Glassman	Quinta Essentia #500: 2023/2024
Bruce Liebman	Masonic Lodge of Research: 1997
Frederick A. Marotti	Hiram #1: 2020
RW Jason E. Morse	Quinta Essentia #500: 2019/2020/2021
Kevin H. Matsil	Meridian #77: 2003
Kyle J. Podpolucha	Annawon #115: 2020
Rabbi Eric Silver	Temple #16: 2013
Randy S. Stevens	Adelphi-Momauguin #63: 2002, Madison #87: 1985, 1986, & 1992
Jon-Paul Venoit	Compass #9: 2005
Timothy C.R. Wilkins	Hiram #1: 2015



