



ST. JOHNS LODGE NO. ONE

F. & A.M.

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

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May 2019

3878th
Regular
Communication



R.: W.: Robert A. Palazzo
District Deputy Grand Master
Metro District
W.: William B. Ripley
Grand Master of Ceremonies
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M.: W.: Glenn S. Carlson
Grand Master
R.: W.: Scott Alger
Grand Marshal

This Month's Communication: May 2019

Return Service Requested



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St. Johns Lodge meets the third Wednesday of every month, except July and August,
at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center, 2115 Broad Street, Cranston, Rhode Island.
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Wednesday, May 15, 2019
Monday, June 24, 2019

St. Johns - Regular Communication
St. Johns - Annual Communication

6:00 PM
5:30 PM

Attest: M.: W.: Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr., Secretary

W.: Richard Gonzalez, Master

Master's Message

Greeting My Brothers:

As I am writing this message, we are preparing for our Euclid Lodge trip. I am anticipating a full bus to New Jersey on May 4th accompanied by our **Grand Master Glenn S. Carlson**. It should be a fun time.

At the May communication, we will be hosting the Scottish Rite as they present the play "Rose Upon the Altar". It will be a night to invite your family and friends. We will open lodge at 6:00 pm, conduct business and then close followed by dinner. After dinner, the Scottish Rite under the direction of **Bob Fish**, will present the play. We are in for a special treat because some of the members of the cast are officers of the lodge. I hope many members and their families can attend and make it a family night. Reservation are a must so please contact Bob Gervais at 401-861-1757 for a dinner reservation by the May 12th.



There will be no rehearsal on the 2nd Wednesday except for the cast members of the play. Our Annual this year will be on Monday, June 24th. There will be more information coming in our June Trestle board.

Faith, Hope, and Charity

Richard Gonzalez
Worshipful Master

PLEASE NOTE:

If anyone has information on the whereabouts of Brothers Burton M. Gerstenzang of Tiverton, RI, Steven P. Kazanjian of Warwick, RI, and Gerald G. Norigian of Warwick, RI., please contact Brother Secretary

Lodge & District Events

Wednesday 5/8/19	St. Johns Program Rehearsal	7:00 PM
Thursday 5/9/19	MM Forum	7:30 PM
Saturday 5/11/19	Gaspee Chapter DeMoley	10:30 AM
Monday 5/13/19	Redwood Lodge #35 Annual Communication	7:00 PM
Tuesday 5/14/19	Overseas Lodge #40	6:30 PM
Wednesday 5/15/19	St. Johns Communication	6:00 PM
Monday 5/20/19	Rising Sun #30	7:00 PM
Monday 5/20/19	228th Grand Lodge Annual	9:00 AM
Friday 5/24/19	Rising Sun #30 Annual Communication	7:00 PM
Saturday 5/25/19	Gaspee Chapter DeMoley	10:30 AM
Monday 5/27/19	Jenks Lodge #24	7:00 PM
Tuesday 5/28/19	MM Forum	7:30 PM
Wednesday 6/12/19	Rehearsal for Annual	7:00 PM
Wednesday 6/19/19	St. Johns Communication Awards Night	6:00 PM
Monday 6/24/19	St. Johns Communication Annual	6:00 PM
Thursday 6/27/19	St. Johns Steak Fry	5:30 PM

Get Well Wishes

William J. DeLuca 2 Castleton Dr., Cranston, RI 02921-2413	401-465-7288
Ralph J. DiScullo 13 Pine Grove Lane, West Greenwich, RI 02817	401-619-1276
Edwin Fielder 85 Lakehurst Drive, Coventry, RI 02816	401-397-5637
Wayne H. Lacy 12 Gardner Ave., N. Providence, RI 02911	401-353-2603
Alexander Tarnacki 3 Colby Drive, Coventry, RI 02911	401-821-0057

Let us remember all sick or shut in Brothers who could use a call, card or visit. Please report all such brothers to the Master Richard Gonzalez or any of the following Sick Committee members; Walter Kelly, Kenneth Phillips, and Garabed Emdjian.

To Insure Enough Food For All, Dinner Reservations Are a MUST!!!!

May 15th Monthly Communication

- 6:00 PM: St. Johns open to transact such business as shall regularly come before it.
- 6:45 PM: **Chicken Cordon Bleu, Baked Fish**, scalloped potatoes, glazed carrots, dessert.
- 7:30 PM: Program

Call: Bob Gervais @ 401-861-1757

No later than **Sunday, May 12th** for reservations.

Any Brother with special dietary needs beyond the listed menu, please inform Brother Bob.

Check out the Lodge's Web site @

<http://www.stjohns1p.com>

In Memoriam

Most Worshipful Brother A. Sheffield Reynolds

Nathanael Greene Lodge #45

Harmony Lodge #9

Born July 7, 1927

Most Worshipful Grand Master 1978

Grand Lodge Distinguished Service Medal 1979

Grand Lodge 50 Year Veterans Medal 2005

Passed to the celestial lodge above April 12, 2019,

91 years



Brother Robert J. LaBonte

Barney Merry Lodge #29

St. Johns Lodge #1 Providence

Born January 20, 1929

Entered Apprentice January 18, 1966

Fellow Craft, April 19, 1966

Master Mason, May 17, 1966

Admitted Barney Merry Lodge #29, June 21, 1966

Merged with St. Johns Lodge #1 Providence June 22, 2001

Grand Lodge 50 Year Veterans Medal 2016

Passed to the celestial lodge above April 29, 2017,

88 years



M.: W.: Glenn Carlson, W.: Richard Gonzalez, Brother Chris Hodapp and R.: W.: DDGM Robert Palazzo's final visitation through the Districts.

One night (a long time ago in a jurisdiction far, far, away) a brother was heading home after indulging a bit too much at the festive board after his lodge meeting. He was weaving a little across the path, steadying himself against the lamp-posts. A concerned policeman saw him, and walked over. "Well sir, where are we going at this time of night, eh?" he asked. The brother replied "I, officer, am going to a lecture on Masonry!" Bemused, the policeman asked, "And just where are you going to hear a lecture on Masonry at this time of night?" The brother replied, "From my wife!!!"



Call of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

228th ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

Brethren:

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations will be held in Freemasons' Hall, 222 Taunton Avenue, East Providence, Rhode Island

Monday, May 20, 2019

For the transaction of such business as shall regularly come before it and the installation of Grand Lodge officers for the ensuing Masonic year. Grand Lodge will open promptly at **9:00 o'clock A.M.** Masters and Wardens, or their proxies, are required to attend in business suits and to wear their official jewels.

Attest:

Carl B. Willi

Carl B. Willi
Grand Secretary

Signed:

Glenn S. Carlson

Glenn S. Carlson
Grand Master

Masters and Wardens of Subordinate Lodges only are entitled to send proxies who must be members of the same Lodge.

St Johns Lodge Number One Providence ~ Officers 2018-2019

Master: W.: Richard Gonzalez ~ email: alchemist184@yahoo.com

Senior Warden: Mazen M. Alsabe Junior Warden: Scott E. Miller

Treasurer: R.: W.: Ronald P. Reed Secretary: M.: W.: Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr. email: secretary1prov@gmail.com

Chaplain: R.: W.: Mekawy E. Elmekawy Associate Chaplain: Robert Larrabee



*Senior Deacon: Joshua A. Irizarry Junior Deacon: John B. Paliotta
Senior Steward: Joseph Bernier Junior Steward: John P. Gauthier*



Marshal: W.: Timothy L. Culhane

Sentinel: Hugo Adamas Jr.

Tiler: Garabed Emdjian Associate Tiler: Thomas Kumes

Master of Ceremonies W.: Anthony Marcello, Jr. Associate M.C.: W.: Arthur Bajakian

Musical Director: Frank A. Castellone

Lodge Reporter: W.: Timothy L. Culhane

Finance Committee: W.: Edward D. Bertrand, Edward McDonald, Edward O. Quinn

Living Past Masters of St. Johns Lodge Number One Providence

St. Johns Lodge No. 1P

1971 Hagop Tikoian
1973 John C. Crompton
1975 Robert D. Coleman
1976 Barry A. Phillips
1979 George M. Hanrahan
1980 Carl E. Croft
1981 Ralph DiScuillo
1982 Anthony Marcello, Jr.
1984 Gregory W. Dexter
1985 Robert R. Mason
1986 Elton D. Ricker, Jr.
1993 Anthony Marcello, Jr.
1994-95 Thomas A. Ashley
1999-00 Clarence Soderberg, Jr.
2001 Gregory W. Dexter
2002 William E. Whetstone
2006 Gerald T. Plemmons
2007 Russell A. Kawa
2008 Kenneth B. Phillips
2009 Ronald P. Reed
2010 Edward D. Bertrand
2011 Donald L. Williamson, Jr.
2012 Arthur Bajakian
2013 Richard F. Lynch
2014 Robert J. O'Brien
2015 Timothy L. Culhane
2016 William J. DeLuca
2017 Edward D. Bertrand

Unity Lodge No. 34

1959 Edward S. Angell
1969 George W. Haworth
1981 Bruce E. Lancaster
1982-83 James Spooner
1986 Milton E. Demers
1989-91 Milton E. Demers

Barney Merry Lodge No. 29

1963 Robert A. Allen
1967 Edward Swiszc
1969 M. Lee Reed
1971 Elmer E. Whetstone
1974 Eugene Pascale
1978 William E. Whetstone
1981 Philip Ovoian
1985 Paul R. Moran
1991 James Wishart
1992-93 Robert B. Ellston
1997-98 William E. Whetstone
2000 Ronald P. Reed

Thomas Smith Webb No.43

1960 Norval E. Garnett *
1966 Donald P. Higgins *
1966 Bogos W. Pelgian ^
1967 Gerald G. Norigian ^
1970 Bernard Labush ^
1971 Robert H. Engelhart
1972 Armenag Palian ^

1982 Steven Babigian ^
1984 Steven Babigian ^
1985 Mohamed H. Hussein ^
1986 Dennis C. Smith
1987 Louis Micheli Jr.
1987-90 Donald P. Higgins *
1988 Thomas F. Gregory ^
1989 Duncan C. Watson
1989 Bryan W. Cooper ^
1990 Steven Skaling ^
1992 Thomas F. Gregory ^
1993 Louis Falaguera
1993 William M. Troberman ^
1995 Joseph Costa
1996 Eugene Thibeault
1999 Frank DiMascio ^
2000 Eugene Thibeault
2004-05 James F. Desmarais
2007 Philip R. Harnett
2008 Robert Boehm
2009 Arthur Bajakian
2010 Gary Moe
2011-12 Dennis Sullivan

(#) Honorary Past Master
(*) Corinthian Lodge No. 27
(^) Orpheus Lodge No. 36

Living Past Grand Masters of St. Johns Lodge Number One Providence

1994-1995 Ralph DiScuillo
2000-2001 Benjamin A. Phillips
2001-2002 Dennis W. Pothier
2002-2003 Robert J. Allen

2003-2004 Joseph B. Brearley
2004-2005 Bradford L. Barco
2005-2006 Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr.
2006-2007 Carl B. Willi

2007-2008 Steven E. Smith
2008-2009 Richard S. Sokoll
2009-2010 Richard L. Ault, Jr.
2014-2015 Wyman P. Hallstrom, III

2015-2016 Raymond E. Hassell
2016-2017 Stephen T. McGuire
2017-2018 Peter Iacobucci

St. Johns Distinguished Service Medal

1967 W.: Kinglsey L. Bennett*
1968 Kenneth W. Fawthrop*
1970 W.: Harold W. Thatcher*
1971 W.: Rufus C. Fuller, Jr.*
1971 W.: J. Harold Robertson*

1975 M.: W.: Wesley Reuter*
1980 W.: Ralph W. Wilkins*
1982 W.: James F. Candelet*
1992 M.: W.: Arthur R. Cole, Jr.*
1992 W.: Anthony Marcello, Jr.

1994 M.: W.: Ralph DiScuillo
1995 R.: W.: Edward L. Calamar, Jr.*
2000 R.: W.: Henry V. Aharonian*
2005 W.: Elton D. Ricker, Jr.
2007 W.: Gregory W. Dexter

2009 R.: W.: Russell A. Kawa
2014 R.: W.: Kenneth B. Phillips

*deceased