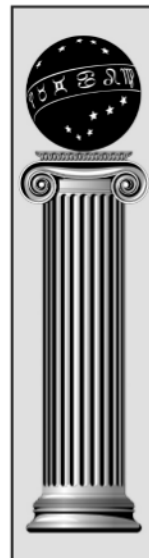


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November 2025

3944th
Regular
Communication



R.:W.: Mazen M. Alsabe
District Deputy Grand Master
Metro District

W.: Anthony M. Amaral
Grand Master of Ceremonies

M.:W.: Rick Baccus
Grand Master

R.:W.: Richard F. Lynch
Grand Marshal

This Month's Communication: November 19, 2025

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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, November 12, 2025

Officers Rehearsal

7:00 PM

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

St. Johns Lodge #1P

7:00 PM

Dinner

6:00 PM

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

W.: Robert J. Larrabee, Master

Master's Message

My Worthy Brothers,

Just a few weeks ago we experienced the honor of making Masons. Twice. It's one of our foremost duties and obligations as Masons and a source of immeasurable pride for those involved. My sincere thanks to all who played a vital role in conferring the Entered Apprentice degree on the seven newest SJIP candidates. When it was all said and done, all of them seemed moved by their life-changing experience.



And speaking of said and done, I'd be remiss not to acknowledge the help, aid and assistance given to the Lodge by the several Brothers who covered the multiple Officer absences created by illnesses and family medical circumstances.

My sincerest thanks are extended to **R. W. Ken Phillips, R. W. Tim Culhane, Br. John Gauthier, Br. Joseph Puleo, Br. Aubrey Fletcher and Br. Eric Perreault**, all of whom ably filled the Chairs of the Brothers who could not man their usual post for the reasons given above. Thank you.

Not to be overlooked were the efforts of our 'backroom' Brothers. Namely, **Br. Craig Sherman, Br. Bill Mott, Br. Collin Plasse, Br. Brian Roberts and Br. Louis Doeg**. Their efforts, which are mostly unseen by the Lodge, guided and mentored the candidates during the several stages of their initiation. It's no less important than what takes place in the Lodge room. Thank you.

By the time this messaging reaches your humble abode, we'll be at the threshold of yet another joyous Holiday season. With that, SJIP's theme for November's stated meeting program will feature no less than the venerable **M. W. PGM Peter Iacobucci**, who will indulge us with his very own oration of "The Tradition of Giving Thanks: Puritans, Pilgrims, Freemasons and Indians". It won't be TV but I'm just as confident it'll be a must see (and hear) presentation.

The program will be open to non-Masons as well.

That being said, keep in mind that dinner for the November 19th stated communication will begin @ 6:00 PM and will be a traditional Thanksgiving dinner with all the fixings. Lodge will open @ 7:00 PM to conduct our business and then commence with the evening's program.

Per the usual, dinner reservations are required and can be made by calling 401-861-1757 or by email at SJ1prov@gmail.com no later than the Friday preceding the stated meeting. For November, that date is Friday the 14th.

Fast approaching as well are two notable SJIP annual events, the 2025 Holiday Food Basket event – Saturday December 13th and our 2025 Holiday Party – Saturday December 20th. Detailed information for both is included with this Trestleboard mailing.

As always, your objective and constructive feedback is always welcomed.

Yours in the Craft,

W. : Robert James Larrabee

Robert James Larrabee
Master, St. Johns No. 1 Providence



Brotherly Wellness Update

Lino Martin

976 Long View Drive, North Attleboro, MA 02760

Neville "Rusty" Booth, Jr.

43 Hall Street, West Warwick, RI 02893-4631

401-828-7925

Elliott "R" Greene

54 Rebecca St., Coventry, RI 02816

401-828-4780

MWPGM Richard Ault

181 Gainsville Dr., Warwick, RI, 02886

401-487-6137

Let us remember all our Rest and Recuperation Brothers who could use a call, card or visit. Please report all such brothers to the Master **W. : Robert Larrabee** or any of the following **Wellness Committee** members; Walter Kelly, Kenneth Phillips, Karapet Emdjian or contact Bob O'Brien at bob.obrien@gmail.com or **401-487-4750**

St. Johns is looking for an Assistant Secretary to train with Brother Secretary to one day take over. Must be serious about the commitment. Contact Worshipful Master, Brother Secretary, or Brother Senior Warden if Interested.

November 19th Monthly Communication

6:00 PM: Dinner

7:00 PM: St. Johns open to transact such business as shall regularly come before it.

7:00 PM: Program

Call: Brother Senior Steward @ **401-861-1757**

or email: sj1prov@gmail.com

No later than **Friday, November 14th** for reservations.

Any Brother with special dietary needs beyond the listed menu, please mention it in your message.

Lodge & District Events

Saturday 11/01/25	Logia Libertad #50	7:30 PM
	DDGM Visitation	
Saturday 11/08/25	Gaspee Chapter DeMolay	2:00 PM
Tuesday 11/11/25	Overseas Lodge #40	1:00 PM
	Annual Communication	
Wednesday 11/12/25	Officers Rehearsal	7:00 PM
Saturday 11/15/25	Grand Lodge Semi-Annual Communication	1:00 PM
Monday 11/17/25	Rising Sun Lodge #30	7:30 PM
Wednesday 11/19/25	St. Johns Communication	7:00 PM
	Dinner	6:00 PM
Saturday 11/22/25	Gaspee Chapter DeMolay	2:00 PM
Monday 11/24/25	Jenks Lodge No. 24	7:00 PM
	Grand Master's Special Visitation	

Ballot on Petition to Join by Degree

Zhaire Wilson-Brown



Happy Thanksgiving from W. Robert J. Larrabee,
Master, the Wardens and Officers of
St. Johns #1 Providence

November's Program



**"The Tradition of
Giving Thanks:
Puritans, Pilgrims,
Freemasons and
Indians"**

MWPGM Peter Iacobucci

Notice:

If you have an new address, phone number and especially a new email address, please forward them to Brother Secretary. It's important to keep our records up to date.

Special Ladies Update

St. Johns Lodge No.1P is updating our Special Ladies list to ensure that we continue to honor and care for the widows of our departed Brothers. If you know of any widows connected to our Lodge, or have updated contact information, please contact:
Br. Alan Vukas, Senior Steward.

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

Brethren:

The Semi-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.

Saturday, November 15, 2025

For the election of officers and the transaction of such business as shall regularly come before it. Grand Lodge will open promptly at 1:00 p.m. Masters and Wardens, or their proxies are required to attend in business suits and to wear their official jewels.

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
MASONIC GRAND LODGE CHARITIES OF RHODE ISLAND, INC.
Saturday, November 15, 2025**

During Grand Lodge Semi-Annual Meeting at approximately 2:00 p.m. in Freemasons' Hall 222 Taunton Avenue, East Providence, RI.
Annual Reports of the Chairman, Treasurer and election of new members of the Board of Managers.

Attest:

Ronald P. Reed
Ronald P. Reed
Grand Secretary

Signed:

Rick Baccus
Rick Baccus
Grand Master

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

CONSTITUTION. Article VII. SECTION 1.7.5: It is the duty of each subordinate Lodge to be represented at Communications of the Grand Lodge by its Master and the Wardens or by their proxies.

Printed proxy forms have been furnished to each lodge in the Jurisdiction, one of which will be filled in and signed by the officer who is appointing the proxy (who must be a member of the same lodge and who shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of his constituent, except that of taking rank in the Grand Lodge.)

The proxy form will also carry the seal of the lodge.



St Johns Lodge Number One Providence ~ Officers 2025-2026

Master: W.: Robert Larrabee

Senior Warden: William C. Gouge Junior Warden: W.: Scott E. Miller

Treasurer: R.: W.: Ronald P. Reed Secretary: M.: W.: Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr.

Chaplain: W.: Bryan W. Cooper



Senior Deacon: RW.: Jason E. Greene Junior Deacon: Octavio Gomez

Senior Steward: Alan Vukas Junior Steward: Sean C. Paley



Marshal: John P. Gauthier

Sentinel: Joseph A. Pileo

Tiler: Karapet Emdjian Associate Tiler: Thomas J. Kumes

Master of Ceremonies R.: W.: Timothy L. Culhane

Lodge Reporter: W.: Timothy L. Culhane

Finance Committee: W.: Edward D. Bertrand (2026), W.: Scott E. Miller (2027), Edward O. Quinn (2027)

Living Past Masters of St. Johns Lodge Number One Providence

St. Johns Lodge No. 1P

1971 Hagop Tikoian
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
1986 Elton D. Ricker, Jr.
1993 Anthony Marcello, Jr.
1994-95 Thomas A. Ashley
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.
2013 Richard F. Lynch
2014 Robert J. O'Brien
2015 Timothy L. Culhane
2016 William J. DeLuca
2017 Edward D. Bertrand

2018 Richard Gonzalez
2019 Mazen M. Alsabe
2020 Scott E. Miller
2021 Joshua A. Irizarry
2022 John B. Paliotta
2023 Joseph J. Bernier
2024 C. Jason Shealy

Unity Lodge No. 34

1969 George W. Haworth

Barney Merry Lodge No. 29

1978 William E. Whetstone
1990 David Lancaster
1992-93 Robert B. Ellston
1997-98 William E. Whetstone
2000 Ronald P. Reed

Thomas Smith Webb No. 43

1966 Bogos W. Pelgian ^
1985 Mohamed H. Hussein ^
1986 Dennis C. Smith
1987 Louis Micheli Jr.
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. Hartnett
2008 Robert Boehm
2010 Gary Moe
2011-12 Dennis Sullivan

(*) Corinthian Lodge No. 27
(^*) Orpheus Lodge No. 36



Honorary Past Masters of St. Johns Lodge Number One Providence

2025 Scott C. Alexander *
*deceased

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
2004-2005 Bradford L. Barco
2005-2006 Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr.

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
2018-2019 Glenn S. Carlson
2020-2021 Gary S. Kaufman
2021-2022 Robert B. Ellston

2022-2023 Robert A. Palazzo
2023-2024 Douglas J. Grant

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
2023 M.: W.: Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr.

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