

The Beehive

December, 2020 A.D.; 6020 A.L

Nashua, New Hampshire

Brethren,
Greetings from the East! I hope this message finds you and your family well. We had a very exciting occasion occur this past month at the GL communication our very own Secretary Right Worshipful Christopher J. Busby received the Maj. John Sullivan Award from the Grand Master for his steadfast work in Masonry and as we are all well aware is well deserved for everything he has done for our Lodge and Grand Lodge so a big congratulations to him!

As Master of Ancient York, I have been amazed how our lodge has been doing during the trying times of Covid. I have had to answer many questions and make many hard decisions without any precedent to guide me. I always try to keep the "good of the Lodge" first and foremost when making decisions. With every Brother being considered I am going to continue to have our Stated meetings as an in-person event.

This does NOT mean you need to come if you do not feel safe to do so. I chose to do so because I feel that there are Brothers that may use this to actually escape the stress of this Pandemic. As I said, this was a hard decision, but as I see it, as long as you can safely go to the store and buy a sheet of plywood, I will make your lodge available to you.

We have the Grand Master's safety measures in place and masks and sanitizer are plentiful. I hope you all have a great month and I look forward to seeing you all when that time comes.

Stay well and be safe!

Sincerely & Fraternally,

Brother Michael R. Mader
Worshipful Master

2020 Lodge Officers

<i>Worshipful Master</i>	<i>Michael R. Mader</i>
<i>Senior Warden</i>	<i>Gary D. Waters, Jr.</i>
<i>Junior Warden</i>	<i>Michael S. Henry, PM</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Stephen K. Babsler, PM</i>
<i>Associate Treasurer</i>	<i>Harold Brodell</i>
<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Christopher J. Busby, PM</i>
<i>Associate Secretary</i>	<i>Stephen Stock</i>
<i>Senior Deacon</i>	<i>Peter LaFauci</i>
<i>Junior Deacon</i>	<i>Christopher Fowler</i>
<i>Senior Steward</i>	<i>Andrew Lane</i>
<i>Trustee</i>	<i>Michael S. Henry, PM</i>
<i>Grand Lodge Rep.</i>	<i>Peter LaFauci</i>

December Masonic Birthdays

Davis K, "Skip" Bryant.....	67Years
Irving C. Cable	63 Years
Eduardo J. Lopez-Reyes.....	18 Years
Shane L. Bertrand.....	15 Years
Lee Forrence.....	7 Years
E. Oscar Alleyne (Honorary).....	11 Years
Corey R. J. MacLean.....	6 Years

Michael Mader, Master
Master@ancientyork89.org
Christopher J. Busby, PM, Secretary
secretary@ancientyork89.org

Upcoming Events

12/5, Saturday

Anniversary Lodge of Research Virtual Day of Light , 9am-3:30pm

World renowned speakers including Shawn Eyer and Oscar Alleyne. Master Masons email infoalr175@gmail.com to participate. Free.

12/8, Tuesday

AYL December Stated Communication; Lodge opens at 7:00pm; no dinner.

12/19, Saturday

Entered Apprentice Workshop Milford, 9am-Noon. Email deo@nhgrandlodge.org to RSVP.

“The purpose of Initiation may be defined as follows: – it is to stimulate and awaken the Candidate to direct cognition and irrefutable demonstration of facts and truths of his own being about which previously he has been either wholly ignorant or only notionally informed; it is to bring him into direct conscious contact with the Realities underlying the surface-images of things, so that, instead of holding merely beliefs or opinions about himself, the Universe and God, he is directly and convincingly confronted with Truth itself; and finally it is to move him to become the Good and the Truth revealed to him by identifying himself with it.”

~ Brother W.L. Wilmshurst

2021 Dues

Brethren, Lodge Dues are due by 12/31. If you are able, please remit your dues as early as you can before December 31. Save a stamp and pay online at <http://www.ancientyork89.org/pay-dues/> (PayPal's fees are included). If you anticipate any problems in paying dues, please contact me at secretary@ancientyork89.org or the Master at master@ancientyork89.org as soon as you are able.

Election of Officers in December

As a reminder, the election of officers is held each December at our Stated Communication. If you wish to be considered for an office, please email master@ancientyork89.org as soon as possible!

AYL 150th Anniversary Coin Design Contest

Brethren, 2021 is our 150th year and Ancient York Lodge will be celebrating all year long culminating in our Lodge Re-dedication on Sunday, June 20. The Lodge will be commissioning a coin to commemorate the event, and we could use your your creativity! If your design is chosen, you and your guest will receive free admission into the 150th Anniversary Ladies at the Table. If you would like to participate in the contest, please email secretary@ancientyork89.org.

Tolles Street Mission Donations

The Tolles Street Mission could use our assistance to support their food pantry and their many other programs for community outreach. The Mission has been a recipient of help over the last few years from Ancient York Lodge, but instead of donating food, supplies, or toys, this year our Master decided to raise funds to support their good work. If within the length of our cable-tow, please consider a donation during this season of giving! You may donate at <http://www.ancientyork89.org/tolles-street-mission-donation/>.