

### **Greetings from the East**

Brethren -

I assume you have all heard about the horrific tragedy in Texas. I have written the item below and posted it to our Facebook page, but I am also sending it to every one of you. I know you all to be good thoughtful men, and this message will not be wasted on you. Thank you all for taking the time to read it, but more, to apply this all around you more than you already do. Never forget Brothers, we are all family, and you always have each and every one of us to turn to if you ever need or want an attentive ear, or just a shoulder to lean on. It doesn't matter if you were in a lodge last week or 10 years ago, you are still all Brothers through this wonderful craft. You are not alone.

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# Ancient York grieves for victims of tragic violence in Buffalo, and more recently in Texas. These horrific acts of hate tear at our hearts and souls.

Freemasonry is a fraternity based on brotherly love, relief, and truth. These are the principal tenets of this fine craft. In such horrific times, every Mason should turn to these core tenets and recall their meanings and message. From there, reach out to the world around you, and apply yourselves as the upstanding gentlemen you are. Give freely of yourselves.

Brotherly Love reminds us that all true and sincere Freemasons will exercise tolerance and respect for the opinions and beliefs of others, and conduct themselves with a kind and understanding regard for all of the Great Architect's creatures. We are all one family under the canopy of heaven. As Charity is Love in holy scriptures, and Masons are charged with Profusive Charity, we are, all of us, charged with giving Love profusely. Freemasons are to unselfishly share their love. Never forgetting that of Faith, Hope and Love, the greatest is Love. This is because Faith and Hope rely on Love to prosper. Without Love, the other two are empty.

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Relief is the practice of charity and caring, not only for your own nuclear family and friends, but for the entire community. We have all promised to relieve the distressed worthy brother, his widow and orphans. These generous principals are to extend further. We are all charged to consider the world as our family, and endeavor to relieve all that we can without injury to ourselves. This is done not only through charitable giving, but also through voluntary efforts and contributions of our time. There is a relief which is more sublime; tolerance and acceptance. Every human being is fighting some sort of internal battle. Offer an attentive ear to those who are struggling; avoid judgement and intolerance. Some of the most painful scars are invisible, and the healing salve to those scars is a caring listener. Compassion, empathy, sympathy, these are some important concepts to practice and apply in our daily lives.

The foundation of every virtue for a Freemason is Truth. Truth is forever the ideal for a Mason. Through Truth, we avoid hypocrisy and deceit, and may embrace honesty. Honesty in our interactions with those around us, but more importantly, honesty with our own selves. Freemasons are taught to strictly avoid partisanship in religion or politics within our lodge. This is to avoid the divisions these topics may create between us. Ego and Hate feast on opinion and lurk in the dark corners of those very topics. Outside of lodge, we must remain ever vigilant in that truth to self to avoid the divisive temptations of these topics. Every Freemason truly desires harmony in all of his interactions with the world.

To all who read this, take a moment or two for yourself.

Stop, close your eyes, take a deep cleansing breath. Then, think of something or someone good in your life. Hold on to those good thoughts, and make them your focus. We are all part of the same world, and can, all of us, make a change by starting within ourselves even with the smallest, most simple act.

Love is at the core of us all. Love is within our power to give to each other, and costs us nothing. Let us then love one another generously in these very dark and difficult times.



Fraternally Yours, Gary D. Waters Jr. Worshipful Master, Ancient York Lodge #89 Nashua, New Hampshire (603) 365-1600

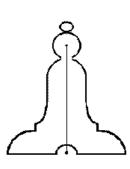
### **Greetings from the West**

Brothers.

It's that time of year again where we plant our crops for the summer and fall harvest. With the June Stated Communication on it's way, we will soon be dark, and thus have time to tend to our person crops.

The officers will be active during out time of darkness, looking for all sorts of opportunities to get together and enjoy each others company. Please be on the lookout for some pop up events along with some others that are more planned. I hope to see as many of you as possible during this summer.

Peter LaFauci Senior Warden





Ancient York #89 extends our most sincere and heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Right Worshipful Roger Gaskill. Brother Gaskill was a 71-year member of the Craft with a storied history in NH Masonry. He will be sorely missed. His obituary is located here:

https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/unionleader/name/roger-gaskill-obituary?id=34958051.

### Happy Birthday to the following Brothers Raised in June!

603-365-1600

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Wayland Hall	69 Years	Ron Laterza	21 Years
RW Brian Noble	43 Years	Michael Jarzabek	20 Years
Wor. Stephen Bahsler, PM	39 Years	Fernando Campos	12 Years
Wor. Edmund Correa, PM	38 Years	Edward Wigfield	12 Years
Treff Sage, HPM	35 Years	Christopher Escobar	5 Years
RW Mark Leavitt, PM	34 Years	Daniel Moriarty	5 Years

#### **2022 OFFICERS**

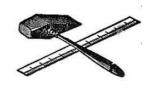
Worshipful Master

Senior Warden Peter LaFauci Junior Warden Corey MacLean Secretary Oliver Frates Assoc. Secretary Christopher Busby, PM Treasurer Stephen Bahsler, PM Assoc. Treasurer Michael S. Henry, PM Senior Deacon Michael Mader, PM Junior Deacon **Andrew Lane** Steward Peter Daigle Chaplin **Christopher Fowler** Marshall Lee Forrence Organist **Brian Murphy** Historian Ed Correa, PM

Gary D. Waters, Jr.

If any Brothers have something to share with the Lodge, please reach out. We love to share our experiences with our Brothers.

Peter LaFauci Sr. Warden and the Scribe for this Trestle Board



#### **LODGE CALENDAR**

#### Masters & Wardens - June 2

Pulpit Rock Lodge,8 Tenney Rd, Pelham, NH 03076, USA 6:30 pm Refreshments 7:15 Meeting Attire - Casual

#### Masoniccon - June 4th

Manchester Masonic Building
Tickets and information available at <a href="https://masonicconnh.com/tickets/">https://masonicconnh.com/tickets/</a>

#### June Stated Communication - June 14

Nashua Masonic Temple
Dinner at 6:00 Sharp
Lodge opens at 7:00 PM on the Master Mason Degree
Reservations for dinner can be made at <u>ancientyork89.org</u> or email secretary@ancientyork89.org
Reservations are required for dinner

#### Fellowcraft Rehearsal & Firepit A Worshipful's Home - June 21

6:30 pm Contact a lodge officer for location details Attire - Casual

#### Fellowcraft Rehearsal & Firepit A Worshipful's Home - July 12

6:30 pm Contact a lodge officer for location details Attire - Casual

#### **Ritual Performance Workshop - July 16**

9:00 am - 12:00 pm Nashua Masonic Temple Link to Details on Facebook

#### Fellowcraft Rehearsal @ Temple - July 26

6:30 pm Nashua Masonic Temple Attire - Casual

#### Fellowcraft Dress Rehearsal @ Temple - August 23

6:30 pm Nashua Masonic Temple Attire - Casual

#### Ancient York #89 Fellowcraft Degree Inspection - August 30

Dinner at 6:00 pm Lodge opens at 7:00 pm Attire - Dark Suit, Officers wear Tuxedos and White Gloves

To keep up to date on all events, go to <a href="https://www.ancientyork89.org/calendar/">https://www.ancientyork89.org/calendar/</a>



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For tickets and more info visit: https://masonicconnh.com/