

From the East

Brothers -

As 2023 winds down, Ancient York still has our sails out and full of wind. I am most excited about the AYL Holiday Party on December 9th. The entire 2nd Masonic District is invited, and I hope to see you all pop in at some point during the day. We will have Santa & his elves handing out gifts to every kid who shows up. There will be food, festive music, and much more. Details below in this Trestle Board.

It can't be all play and no work though. We have a very important bit of business to attend to - Election of Ancient York Officers for 2024 will be held at our next Stated on Tuesday December 12th. If any Master Mason is interested in joining the officer line, or helping out in 2024, please reach out to Brother Peter LaFauci. Ancient York could certainly use a few more active Masons to help manage and carry the torch forward.

On Sunday December 17th the Portsmouth Holiday Candle Light Stroll at Strawbery Banke will be held. A number of our AYL Officers will be in attendance, and invite you to join in. Details below in this Trestle Board.

Looking back, 2023 has been a very active year for AYL. We did get a lot done. I am particularly pleased with the experience we all had with the Evening of Masonic Light and Veterans & Past Masters events. On both occasions, Ancient York came together and hosted a wonderful event from which every attendee came away with excellent memories. I will forever cherish the other social evenings we had as well, either watching movies, playing games, or even sitting around a fire pit. Fraternity is strong in Ancient York.

Finally, if we do not get to see you at all this month, the officers of Ancient York No. 89 wish you a warm wonderful holiday season filled with the love of family and friends. May the Great Architect bless you and love you.

Fraternally Yours, Gary D. Waters, Jr., Worshipful Master

Happy Birthday to the following Brothers Raised in December!

Irving C. Cable 66 Years Shane Bertrand 13 Years
Michael Turilli 51 Years Lee Forrence 10 Years
Eduardo Lopez-Reyes 24 Years Corey MacLean 6 Years
R.W. Oscar Alleyne, Hon14 Years

13 Years

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From the West Gate

Shane Bertrand

My Brothers,

The Holiday Season is upon us, and with it brings time for family and friends. I, for one, love this time of year as there is great celebration and cheer.

What I'm looking forward to over the next several weeks is spending time with Brothers at our Holiday Party. It will be a fun event which I hope will bring out some Brothers that I have not met in person.

I'm also looking forward to spending time in Portsmouth helping with the Candlelight Stroll. This will be my first time helping out with the tour of William Pitt Tavern, and I'm truly excited.

Brothers, if you are interested in joining a couple of Brothers for a fun time, please let either R.W. Busby or me know. We look forward to seeing you.

Peter LaFauci Senior Warden

2023 LODGE OFFICERS

Worshipful Master Gary D. Waters, Jr. Senior Warden Peter LaFauci Iunior Warden Corev MacLean Secretary Christopher Busby, PM Assoc. Secretary Oliver Frates Treasurer Stephen Bahsler, PM Assoc. Treasurer Michael S. Henry, PM Senior Deacon Andrew Lane Junior Deacon Peter Daigle Senior Steward Christopher Fowler Junior Steward Julian Weiss Michael Turilli Chaplin Marshal Michael Mader, PM Lee Forrence Tyler Organist Brian Murphy Historian Ed Correa, PM

2024 Dues

Brethren, your 2024 dues will be arriving shortly. You may pay vial mail, in Lodge, or online via PayPal (with a small convenience fee) at https://www.ancientyork89.org/product-category/dues/. Please keep in mind that dues are owed by December 31, so please pay promptly. If you are experiencing hardship, please reach out the Master or Secretary. Thank You!

It's What Masons Do

Those who attended the Veterans & Past Masters this year, or attended Rising Sun's Thanksgiving Dinner would surely have met our very own Brother Irving Cable, Sr. Brother Cable was raised as a Master Mason on December 17, 1957, which means he will be celebrating his 66th year as a Mason this month.

That in of itself is a wonderful story, but what is even more wonderful is the thoughtfulness, and caring another Brother exemplified in jumping through a number of hoops to pick up Brother Cable for both of these events. During the Vet's & Past Masters, Brother Cable said to me, "I don't even know the name of the Brother who came and got me. He was so thoughtful, and kind." He went on to say how much he loved being a Mason, and the feeling he got in the lodge that evening was like fresh air

Job well done Worshipful Henry!

Brother Cable Visits Hollis F.D.

Today the Hollis Fire Department had some very special visitors. Irving Cable Sr. and his granddaughter Emily. Irving was a member from 1950 until he retired in 1971. He wanted to come back and see what Hollis Fire is now like. Irving was greeted by many new members and several from his later years. Even at 97, like a true fireman, he told stories of certain fires like they happened yesterday. HFD proudly presented him a ball cap, patch and challenge coin for his journey. Mr Cable thank you for making our day it was a pleasure speaking with you and your granddaughter.



LODGE CALENDAR

Saturday, December 9th at 5:00 PM - District 2 Holiday Party

Where: Nashua Masonic Building, 4th floor, 200A Maine St, Nashua, NH 03060

Who: All Masons from District 2 and their families

Attire: Casual, but something Holiday to get into the spirit of the season!

Bring lightly work coats for donation to Tolles St. Mission

More Information to follow!

Tuesday, December 12th at 6:00 PM - Ancient York Stated Communication

Dinner at 6:00 PM Sharp; Please RSVP at ancientyork89.org

Opening Degree: Entered Apprentice **Who:** All Masons in good standing

Education: TBD **Attire:** Dark Suits

Sunday, December 17th at 4:00 PM - Holiday Candle Light Stroll William Pitt Tavern, Strawberry Banke, Portsmouth, NH

Join us as we celebrate the Holiday season and help support William Pitt Tavern. This will be the last night of the Holiday Candle Light Stroll. https://www.strawberybanke.org/

Tuesday, December 26th at 6:30 PM - Ancient York Officers Meeting

Ancient York Lodge, 196 Main St., Nashua, NH 03060

Who: All Brothers of Ancient York Lodge

Attire: Casual

Tuesday, January 9th at 6:00 PM - Ancient York Stated Communication

Dinner at 6:00 PM Sharp; Please RSVP at ancientyork89.org

Opening Degree: Entered Apprentice **Who:** All Masons in good standing

Education: TBD **Attire:** Dark Suits

Use the QR code to RSVP for our next Stated Communication



If any Brothers have something to share with the Lodge, please reach out. We love to share our experiences with our Brothers! Peter LaFauci, Senior Warden

Ancient York Holiday Party

Saturday, December 9, 2023

Ancient York

Lodge &9

invites the Brethren

and their families from the

Second Masonic District

to our Holiday Party on

December 9th, 2023!

Fun begins at 5:00pm, and Santa Claus will be available for children!

Starting at 9:00pm, alcohol will be available for adults.

There will be Brotherhood!

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Family! Food! And an

Contest!

Hand guestions, please

Everyone is invited to bring food for a pot luck dinner!
Please sign up for the pot luck with what you are bringing so we can reduce the chance of multiples of the same meal at:

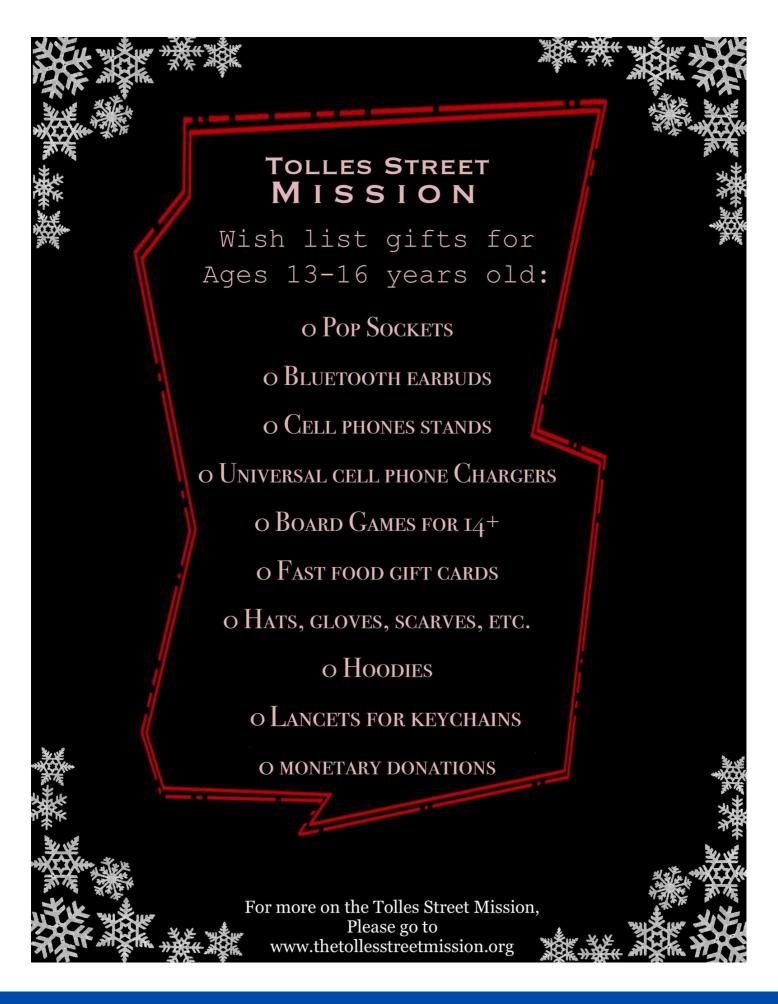
https://tinyurl.com/Ayl89holidayparty

Ancient York supports the Tolles Street Mission in Nashua, NH and this year they are asking for toys for teenagers aged 13-16 years old if you are able to.

Please see attached page for suggested gifts.

Any questions, please reach out to juniordeacon@anientyork89.com

196 Main St, Nashua, NH



Springfield Shrine Wish List

Brethren, our girls in Rainbow, lead by Charlie Thompson, Grandchild of Joan and Brian Smith, are looking to gather some items to donate to the Springfield Shrine. These items will go towards making a child's life that much better. Let's help out and bring some joy to those in need.

Toys Wish list from Shriners Child Life Dept.

Teenage

- Pop-sockets (for cell phone)
- Xbox games (variety of ages & themes - also non- violent)
- · Headphones or ear buds
- Hair and nail accessories
- Mandala type coloring books/ adult coloring books & colored pens
- · Journals, books, puzzles
- Boston & NY sports related items

Toys Related to popular Kids Movie & TV Shows

- Daniel Tiger
- PJ Masks
- · Paw Patrol
- · My Little Pony
- · Curious George
- · Anything Disney
- · Star Wars

Infants & Toddlers (0-24 months)

- Rattles, pacifiers, Crib toys,
 Teething rings or Toys that make noise and/or light up
- · Write noise/ sound machines
- · Popular Fisher price items
- · Any developmentally appropriate toys labeled for children up to 24

Preschool & School Age

- Build a Bear Accessories (high demand for these- both boy and girl oriented)
- · Coloring Books and crayons, markers etc.
- Books of any sort/any age groups
- Lego sets (variety of ages &themes)
- · Dolls and accessories
- Action figure toys (no weapons)
- Any current popular toys/games/puzzles

Bring any item to the Lodge and they will be delivered to the Mother Advisor of Nashua Assembly No. 9