

From the East

Brothers -

2024 is upon us! The coming of the New Year brings reflection on what we've achieved and excitement on what is to come.

I look back fondly at 2023, both personally and as a Mason. Personally, I have started to come out of the funk I found myself in as a result of our Covid shutdown. This has allowed me to appreciate not only what I have but those around me that I depended on while we were in that unfortunate situation. As a Mason, I had several opportunities to sit in the East as Master. One of the biggest highlights of my Masonic journey has been sitting as Master while 2 of our Brothers entered the craft.

These reflections are a couple of example of why I'm excited to lead Ancient York Lodge as Master in 2024. I am truly humbled and grateful for this opportunity.

Ancient York is known for a few things. First, and probably our biggest achievement, is our dedication to excellent Ritual. Masonic Ritual ties us to our all our Brothers, past, present, and future. I am going to make sure we're still strong. We are also known for delivering on Education. Brethren, we've put together what I feel is a great education series over the next year that can't be missed.

Beyond that, I feel that we need one another. Brethren, that last few years has torn us from each other as people, and not just in Masonry. As people we need one another, it's how we are built. Our social circles help us grow, live, create memories and experiences. What better, and easier way to connect with someone than through your Lodge?

Finally, in our January Stated Meeting, I'm going to be asking each of you to think about what you want to get out of your next year in Masonry. Come prepared to share, and through this sharing we can help each other grow.

Fraternally Yours,

Peter N. LaFauci Worshipful Master Elect

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Happy Birthday to the following Brothers Raised in January!

Wor. Joseph Kennick 58 Years George Perakis 34 Years Wor. Andrew Hall, PM 31 Years Wor. Oliver Frates 18 Years Wor. Jeffry Ross 14 Years

A Message From Worshipful Waters

Words do not adequately convey the love and appreciation I have for all who have made these past two years successful. We hosted several very wonderful events, and took every opportunity to share the Ancient York magic with our Brethren and their families within and without our lodge. In Lodge, we had really meaningful, thought provoking discussions on a wide range of topics.

We raised 2 Master Mason in the 1-Day Class, and initiated 2 more. All of these brothers are of the very best quality, and truly worthy of our excellent lodge. Under Brother LaFauci's leadership, our Lodge is surely going to continue to be worthy of those brothers.

I look to step out of the East comforted in knowing we have done well to elect Brother LaFauci He is the man Ancient York needs in the East right now. It will be an honor to hand the gavel over to him in February.

I will continue to stay engaged in Ancient York as the Associate Treasurer. The majority of my efforts will shift to Shrine. I am very involved in the Divan Line at Aleppo Shrine, and the demands of my latest office, "High Priest & Prophet" will be far greater.

Finally, My Wife Kelly and I wish you a very Happy & Healthy New Year!

2023 LODGE OFFICERS

Worshipful Master Gary D. Waters, Jr. Senior Warden Peter LaFauci Iunior Warden Corey MacLean Christopher Busby, PM Secretary Oliver Frates Assoc. Secretary 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 Chaplin Michael Turilli Marshal Michael Mader, PM Lee Forrence Tyler

2024 Dues

Organist

Historian

Brethren, your 2024 dues are now past due! 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 were owed by December 31. Please pay promptly. If you are experiencing hardship, please reach out the Master or Secretary. Thank You!

Brian Murphy

Ed Correa, PM

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LODGE CALENDAR

Tuesday, January 9 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: What do you want your Masonic journey to be in 2024?

Attire: Dark Suits

Saturday, February 3rd at 1:00 PM- Ancient York Officers Installation

Semi-Public event

Who: All Masons in good standing, guests

Attire: Tuxedo's and White Gloves for Officers to be installed. Suits for all other Brothers

Light refreshment to follow the Installation

Please RSVP at Ancientyork89.org

Saturday, February 10, Time TBD - Rising Sun Officers Installation

Semi-Public event

Who: All Masons in good standing, guests **Attire:** Dark suits for all other Brothers

Tuesday, February 13 at 6:00 PM- Ancient York Stated Communication

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

Opening Degree: TBD

Who: All Masons in good standing

Education: M.W. Stew Aronson- A presentation on Rhetoric

Attire: Dark Suit

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

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

Opening Degree: TBD

Who: All Masons in good standing

Education: R.W. Rob Anderson- Seven Liberal Arts and Sciences

Attire: Dark Suit

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