



## From the East

Brethren,

We once again had the privilege to bring a new Brother into the Fraternity.

On Saturday, the 29th of April, Bro. Lucas McDowell went through his Entered Apprentice Degree.

We've gotten to know Bro. McDowell very well over the past 9 or so months. He's a Brother who brings a lot of passion and excitement to everything he does.

As an Officer of Ancient York Lodge, I have found that there are a few truly special responsibilities that I've had. Bringing a man into the Lodge, helping him through his Oath and Obligation, and seeing him become not only a member of Ancient York, but a Brother to all of us, is one of the top 3.

And I could not have done this without the help of the Officers of Ancient York Lodge. First, Brother Daigle sat in the East as presiding Master for the Degree. Brethren, he knocked it out of the park. It was an honor to work with him on this Degree. Wor. Frates showed us how well his years of theater experience is such a blessing for our Lodge. Bro. Lane was a rock for the Degree, picking up the Sr. Deacon's parts like he was sitting in that chair for several years. I don't want to forget RW Busby, who delivered an excellent EA History.

And a huge shout out to RW Timothy Marotte and Bro. Jim Moffitt who sat in as Stewards, and Bro. Eric Thing who helped out too.

I really want to give a huge shout out to Bro. Chris Fowler. I knew Bro. Fowler was really excited about the Degree. What I wasn't expecting was the level of ownership he was taking with the Jr. Deacon's role. From how intricate he was with every little detail about dressing the candidate, the Room of Reflection, setting the mood, all of it, I was incredibly impressed with the passion he showed. And I truly believe that it elevated the level of the passion we all had as a Degree Team. And I am truly thankful because it was a great Degree.

We have another one coming up April 29th. Please do what you can to get there. It will be great.

Fraternally Yours,  
Peter N. LaFauci  
Worshipful Master

# ANCIENT YORK LODGE Nº 89

## LODGE CALENDAR

### Tuesday, April 8th - Ancient York Lodge Stated Communication

**Dinner:** 6:00 PM; **Meeting Start:** 7:00 PM, Opening Entered Appetence

**Who:** All members of Ancient York Lodge;

**Dress:** Dark Suit

**Education:** TBD

### Saturday, April 26th- AYL Movie Night

**Time:** 6:00 PM

**Where:** Back Room of the 4th floor

**Who:** All members of Ancient York Lodge and guests

**Movie:** Monty Python and the Holy Grail

### Tuesday, April 29th- Entered Appretence Degree

**Dinner:** 6:00 PM; **Degree Start:** 7:00 PM

**Dress:** Tuxedo's for those participating, Dark Suits for all other Brothers

**Who:** All members of Ancient York Lodge

Brethren, this Degree will see the return of RW Christopher Busby into the East, sitting in as Master. There will also be Past Masters filling in the roles of Officers during the Degree.

### Tuesday, May 13th- Ancient York Lodge Stated Communication

**Dinner Start:** 6:00 PM; **Meeting Start:** 7:00 PM Opening on Entered Apprentice

**Who:** All members of Ancient York Lodge;

**Dress:** Dark Suit

**Education:** TBD

### Saturday, May 17th- Grand Lodge Annual Communication

**Registration:** 9:00 AM; **Opening:** 9:30 AM

1505 Elm St, Manchester NH

**Who:** Master, Sr. and Jr. Wardens, Grand Lodge Representative, and any Master Mason

**Dress:** Dark Suit and regalia of your office for Officers

**Please RSVP for all meals utilizing the QR Code below, or through  
[ancieintyork89.org](http://ancieintyork89.org)**

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, Master

# ANCIENT YORK LODGE Nº 89

## Happy Birthday to all our Brothers Raised in April!

Wor. Walter Alcox, PM	54 Years	George Stanley	25 Years
Wor. Donald Crierie, PM	49 Years	Jason Borrelli	14 Years
Howard Matchett	38 Years	Joseph Caouette	3 Years
Douglas Mercier	34 Years	William Murphy	3 Years
Robert Richfield	25 Years		

## From the South

*"Initiation is an analogy of man's advent from prenatal darkness into the light of human fellowship, moral truth, and spiritual faith."*

*-Howard R. Cruse*

We recently admitted a new Brother, not just into our Lodge, but into the Craft as a whole. It has been my pleasure to be with him on the first part of his journey from the start, and it was my honor to be in the East to Initiate him. His work has just started. Our new Brother will be meeting with his mentors to study what the degree entailed, and if he so chooses, his work may never end should he take upon himself the task of learning ritual.

Carl H. Claudy said, "Ritual is the thread which binds us to those who immediately preceded us..." I've been to numerous EA degrees, and been involved in one way or other in several more. But it wasn't until I served in the East for the most recent one that I truly felt its significance and power. When you go through it, you're surrounded by words and thoughts that you struggle to piece together; feel emotional from it. I know I did. And while I studied and read about what I went through, I received almost as much Light as our Candidate did during the degree.

I feel like I could write a dissertation about the subject, but instead I'll try to wrap this up with a nice bow.

While we all have different journeys, it is our Initiation in the Craft that truly binds us. Not just to each other, but to every Freemason past, present, and future. At your next Stated Meeting, or Degree, don't just pay attention to what is being said, but how. Ask your Lodge Officers to go over it with you. And maybe, just maybe, you'll find something truly exciting.

Fraternally,

Bro. Peter Daigle

Junior Warden

## 2025 LODGE OFFICERS

Worshipful Master - W. Peter LaFauci

Senior Warden - W. Oliver Frates

Junior Warden - Peter Daigle

Treasurer - W. Stephen Bahsler, PM

Secretary - R.W. Christopher Busby, PM

Chaplin - W. Gary Waters, PM

Senior Deacon - Andrew Lane

Junior Deacon - Chirstopher Fowler

Musician - Brian Murphy

Historian - W. Edmund Correa, PM



## Welcome Bro. Lucas!



Congratulations to Bro. Lucas McDowell on starting his journey in Masonry. Bro. McDowell has joined Ancient York Lodge as our youngest Entered Apprentice. We are happy to have you Brother!



## A Knight's Tale

For our March Education, we had Chuck Goodwin, a member of The Knights Hall in Nashua, come and speak about his journey to becoming a part of a World Championship Team in Armored Combat.





## Help Ancient York Support These Current Rainbow Projects!

**By Nashua Assembly  
for Grand Assembly**

### Penny War

Nashua assembly #9 will be having a Penny War from Mar 1- April 31. Everyone is welcomed to participate! Our goal is to raise \$200 dollars to the Hope for the Future Scholarship

### Whats a "Penny War"?

A Penny War is a challenge between the adults and girls to see who can collect the most pennies. Any value larger than a penny will be a negative value, so you'd wanna put that in your opponent jar. Whoever collects the most pennies will win an ice cream party! Jars will be located on a table on the third floor.

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## Help Ancient York Support These Current Rainbow Projects!

### By Nashua Assembly for Grand Assembly

To our Nashua Masonic Family,

This year NH IORG's statewide service project is making **Blessing Bags**. Blessing bags contain essential items such as food, toiletries, and personal items and we intend to give them to the Nashua Soup Kitchen.

We plan to assemble the blessing bags on **April 19th from 2PM-4PM** on the 4th Floor of the Nashua Masonic Lodge together with our assembly bingo fundraiser and we invite you to join us! If you cannot make it, we are also looking for any donations you are able to provide. You can drop these off in the designated bucket on the 3rd floor. We ask that you read this at your next stated meeting and please let us know what your decision is. Below is a list of what we are collecting but we welcome other items as well:

#### **PLEASE SEE NOTE OF WHAT YOUR SPECIFIC LODGE/CHAPTER IS ASKED TO BRING**

##### **Goal # of Bags: 100**

Toiletries: toothbrush, toothpaste, mouthwash, shampoo, soap, conditioner, deodorant, hand sanitizer, chapstick, menstrual products, wet wipes, combs, lotion, tissues

Non-Perishable Food Items: granola bars, bottled water, crackers, mints, hard candies

Personal Items: socks, blankets

We hope to see many members of our Masonic family on April 19th! If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Tatiana Fowler, Mother Advisor of our Assembly, or Grace Desrosiers, Grand Worthy Associate Advisor.

In Rainbow Love and Service,

Nashua Assembly #9

New Hampshire, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls

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