September 2024

18th District Light

Journal of the 18th Masonie District of New Jersen

LODGES OF THE 18TH DISTRICT

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Campana de Libertad #376
Collingswood-Cloud #101
Laurel #237
Lazarus #303
Merchantville #119
Mozart #121
Rising Sun #15

USS NJ #62

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In the Community with Lazarus #303

OPEN DLI at Cooper River Park

18th & 21st Districts

Reception

and Much More!

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FROM THE EDITOR

\boldsymbol{B} rethren,

If "Welcome Back" isn't entirely accurate, it's close enough. Things Masonic definitely quiet down over the summer. But it's September now, and we, the 18th District, are back in full swing. We actually kick off September on the last day of August. Lazarus' September meeting, usually on the first Monday, has been permanently changed to the last Saturday in August, at 9am, to avoid the annual conflict with Labor Day. Then, after Labor Day we have other lodge meetings on every other evening during the first week of September.

We have some big and special events this month — our **OPEN DLI** in Cooper River Park on Wednesday, September 11th, and the **Official Visit of the Grand Master and Reception** in honor of our own **RW Joe Abiuso**, **RW Mark Friedrich**, and **RW Bud Madgey** (among others) on Thursday, September 19th. On Saturday the 14th, Rising Sun hosts the Friends of Haddonfield Library Book Sale, being held for the first time at the Haddonfield Masonic Temple.

Audubon-Parkside confers the Fellowcraft Degree on the 5th, USS New Jersey presents *Hunters of the Sky* on the 16th, and Rising Sun confers the Master Mason Degree on the 18th, with a celebratory "Carpetbagger" dinner prepared by RW Michael Mattes.

Astronomically speaking we enjoy a very special Harvest Moon this September, which occurs on September 17th during a partial eclipse, and of course, the Autumnal Equinox, the moment we cross over from Summer to Fall, is on September 22nd.

Check out the calendar and flyers within for full details, and I'll see you around the district,

Dave



ON THE COVER

Technically, the 2024 Harvest Moon occurs locally on September 17th at precisely 10:34 PM, right in the middle of a partial lunar eclipse that begins at 8:41 PM and runs past midnight—all beautifully visible from our area. However, the moon will appear full for three nights, from September 16th to September 18th. The Fall equinox, marking the turn from summer to autumn, occurs a few days later, on Sunday, September 22nd, at 8:44 AM EDT. The equinox occurs at the same moment for the entire planet. It has nothing to do with any phenomenon in the sky, but rather with the earth's position in it's orbital journey around the Sun.

The world is my country, all mankind are my brethren, and to do good is my religion.

— Thomas Paine

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Name		_Guest		
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YOUR GRAND CHAPLAINS



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RW Mark A. Friedrich Grand Chaplain Rising Sun Lodge No. 15 C: 856-571-4117 Markfriedrich54@gmail.com

We are here to help.

If anyone in your lodge is ailing, in need of a phone call, card, or visitation ...

If you need assistance with a Masonic funeral ...
Or anything else we can do to assist ...
Please call upon us.



Mark

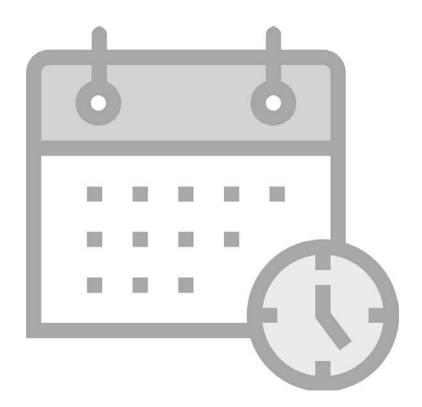
IN THE COMMUNITY

Lazarus Lodge No. 303 Submitted by RW Mark A. Friedrich, Grand Chaplain

ack in June, for Friends and Family day at New Mickle Baptist Church, the brothers of Lazarus Lodge No. 303 volunteer for cookout duty, making hot dogs and hamburgers after the church service. Lazarus has worked closely with the church for many years, providing fund raisers, man power, and gifts of fresh food and/or prepared meals for those in need. Because there was no Summer District Light this year, this is our first opportunity to report on Lazarus Lodge's latest community service. We applaud Lazarus and encourage all our 18th

District Lodges to find similar ways to help in the community. eserts







AUDUBON-PARKSIDE No. 218
3rd Thursday
@ Laurel Temple
629 Stone Road
Laurel Springs, NJ 08021

CAMPANA DE LIBERTAD NO. 376
4th Tuesday
@ Merchantville
6926 Park Avenue
Merchantville, NJ 08109

COLLINGSWOOD-CLOUD No. 101
2nd Tuesday
@ Haddonfield Temple
16 East Kings Highway
Haddonfield, NJ 08033

LAUREL No. 237
1st & 3rd Friday
@ Laurel Temple
629 Stone Road
Laurel Springs, NJ 08021

LAZARUS No. 303
1st Monday
@ Haddonfield Temple
16 East Kings Highway
Haddonfield, NJ 08033

MERCHANTVILLE No. 119 2nd Thursday @ Merchantville Temple 6926 Park Avenue Merchantville, NJ 08109

MOZART No. 121
1st Tuesday
@ Merchantville Temple
6926 Park Avenue
Merchantville, NJ 08109

RISING SUN No. 15 1st & 3rd Wednesday @ Haddonfield Temple 16 East Kings Highway Haddonfield, NJ 08033

USS NEW JERSEY No. 62 3rd Monday @ Merchantville Temple 6926 Park Avenue Merchantville, NJ 08109



2024 DLI/GLI Schedule

18th District MW&PM Association at 6:45pm before DLI at 7:30pm

Wednesday

January 10

Lodge/Location

Audubon-Parkside No. 218

(a Audubon Temple)

Campana de Liberta

(@ Merchantville Temple)

Collingswood-Cloud No. 101

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Lazarus No. 30

(a Haddonfield Temple)

Merchantville No. 119 &

Mozart No. 121

(@ Merchantville Temple)

OPEN DLI

Cooper River Park (see flyer -p. 12)

USS New Jersey No. 62

(@ Merchantville Temple)

Incoming Masters and

Qualification Teams only

(@ Merchantville Temple)

This Month
September 11

October 9

November 13

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(Saturday,	LAB©R DAY	3	4	5	6 OES #201	7
Aug. 31, 9am)	1922*****(65)	MZ	RS	AP FC°	LL LL	
8	9	10 CC	11 18th Dist. OPEN DLI (see flyer)	12 MV	13 RS Social Hour	14 Haddonfield Friends of the Library Book Sale at Rising Sun (see flyer)
15	16 US Program: Hunters of the Sky (see flyer)	17 Harvest Moon & Partial Eclipse	18 RS MM°	19 Grand Lodge Reception (see flyer) OES #140	MV LL	21
Autumn Equinox	23	24 CL	25	High Twelve (see flyer)	27 Scottish Rite Dinner	28
29	30				– Blue Lodges – District & GL Ev – Special / Social – Appendant Bod	Events

AP = Audubon-Parkside CC = Collingswood-Cloud CL = Campana de Libertad LL = Laurel LZ = Lazarus MV =Merchantville MZ = Mozart RS = Rising Sun US = USSNJ

This Month's s 8th District Eventon 8 The following reason are interested to remove Marries

The following pages are intended to promote Masonic events and are offered as a courtesy by the 18th District Light to the event sponsors. The 18th District Light is not responsible for the accuracy of the information, event cancellations, nor for accepting reservations. For information or reservations for an event, please follow the instructions given in the event flyer.

Traveling



It's What We Do

18th Masonic District Open House DLI

COOPER RIVER PARK Gazebo by Memorial Grove Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2024, 6pm

Hosted by the 18th District Masters & Wardens Association & Rising Sun Lodge #15

Food & Beverages will be served

BYO Lawn Chairs



Come join us, and learn Mabout Freemasonry:

- . How it is structured.
- . How it functions.
- . How and why it is open to all good men!



MASONS! — Invite friends and family who would like to learn more about what you do!

- Jack Curtis Stadium
- William G. Rohrer Children's Playground
- 8 Veterans Island
- 4 N. Park Softball Field
- Memorial Grove

- 6 Miniature Golf Course
- Circuit Regional Trail System
 (1.35 Miles, Cuthbert Blvd. to Grove St.)
- 8 N. Park Pavilion
- 9 Dog Park

- Cooper River Yacht Club
- S. Park Softball Field
- B S. Park Pavilion
- (14) Camden County Golf Academy





Rising Sun Lodge

SECOND FRIDAY MASONIC

MAL HOUR

Friday,
September 13, 2024
5:30 pm to 8:30 pm



Invite a guest who might be interested in Freemasonry!

For further information contact Jeff Earnhart at jearnha@gmail.com OR (856) 834-6854

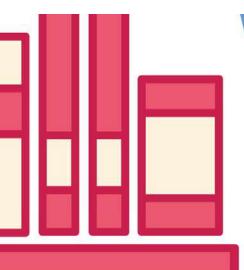


Rising Sun Lodge

No. 15, F. & A.M.

Proudly hosts, the Haddonfield

Friends of the Library ...



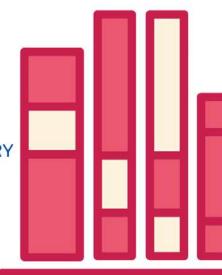


SATURDAY, SEPT 14TH 9AM-3 PM

RISING SUN MASONIC LODGE 16 KINGS HWY E, HADDONFIELD NJ

PROCEEDS BENEFIT PROGRAMMING AT HADDONFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY





USS NEW JERSEY LODGE NO. 62 PRESENTS

Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge's Refuge on Wheels Program

Hunters of the Sky



Open Presentation from 7:30 - 8pm Appropriate for 1st Graders to Adult

Audience will be introduced to a variety of raptors (birds of prey) through an engaging lesson. Observe each species' unique characteristics and learn about its adaptations. Audience will spend time learning how raptors fit in our ecosystem and use these adaptations to succeed in the wild.

Monday, September 16

Dinner at 6:30pm
Program at 7:30pm
Meeting Begins 8pm
Dress for Masons is Business Casual



Please use QR Code to RSVP by Friday, September 13





Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A.M.

Presents the

Master Mason Degree Wednesday, September 18, 2024

Haddonfield Masonic Temple 16 Kings Highway East Haddonfield, New Jersey

Dinner at 6:30 pm

Featuring "The Carpetbagger"
Filet Mignon topped with Crab Meat
Presented by RW Michael Mattes, PGP

Price TBD — Pay at the door

RSVP by e-mail only to dafrankel@comcast.net no later than Wednesday, September 11th

Lodge Opening and Degree at 7:30 pm

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Looking Forward



Opcoming Eventsts

3rd annual COLLINGSWOOD CLOUD LODGE #101



KARAOKE + DANCING + FOOD + BYOB

All proceeds benefit the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

OCTOBER 12th 6-10PM

@Merchantville Lodge #119 6926 Park Ave, Pennsauken, NJ

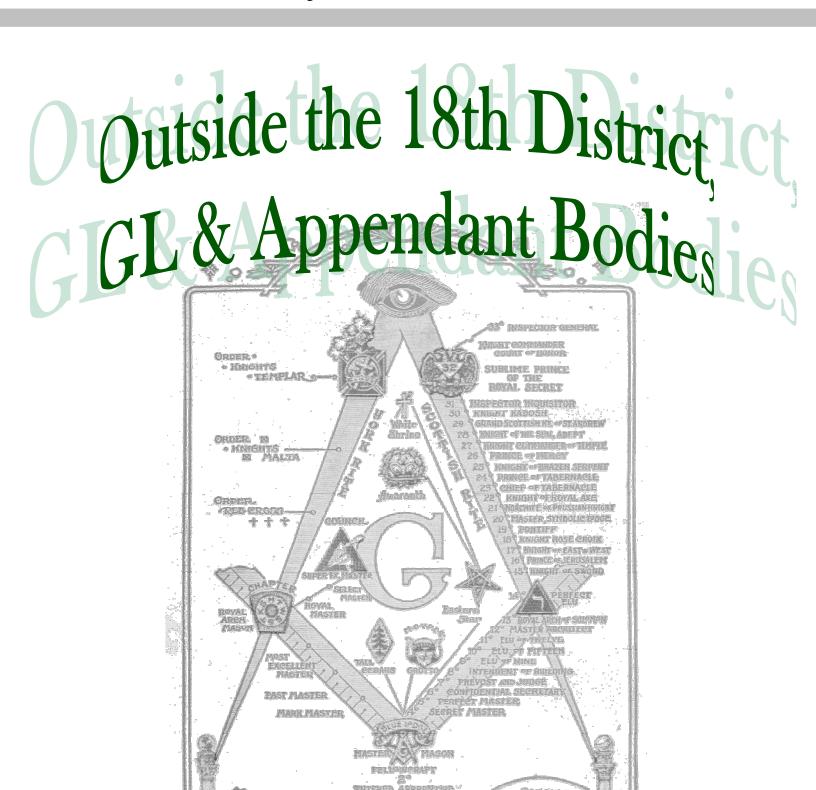
\$35 PER TICKET

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED BY OCTOBER 4 LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE NO TICKET SALES AT THE DOOR



FOR TICKETS, DONATIONS, AND GENERAL INFO CONTACT BILL LAVERTY, PM 609.320.6900 or williamlaverty25@gmail.com





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Sept 14, 2024 - 5 to 9 PM 1114 Oxmead Rd. Burlington, NJ Fellowship Center

Our Ladies are Welcome!



JONATHAN DERSHOWITZ
31 MERCER STREET, CARTERET NJ 07008
ZELLE PAYMENTS:GRANDSTAFF2025NJ@GMAIL.COM

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Questions or more information contact:

M.A.C.J. Secretary: WB Adam Reich 732.305.0380 / secretary@olivebranchlodge.org



Central Jersey Candidates Night

5PM-9:30PM Wednesday, September 25, 2024

Philo Lodge #243

120 Old Bridge Turpike - South River, NJ

Social Hour @ 5:00pm Chinese Dinner Buffet @ 6:00pm Candidate Presentations @ 7:00pm Outdoor Patio will be open after the event

Candidates & Elected GL Officers: No Charge



\$40.00

Master Masons Only Tickets sold at the door, however, Online Tickets

are preferered.







Grand Lodge of New Jersey 2024 Masonic Leadership Conference

The Masonic Leadership Conference is an Educational Opportunity sponsored by

The Grand Lodge of New Jersey and Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey

Sessions are focused on Networking and Training upcoming Lodge Leaders.

Topics include Lodge Leadership, Finance, Planning for the East, Officer Responsibilities, Charity Foundation and others.

SAVE THE DATES October 25th - 27th, 2024

Location: Patton Campus, Elizabethtown, PA

Registration: Opens 2:00 pm Friday

Sessions: Friday 5 pm - Sunday Noon (approximate time)

Cost: \$275.00 / attendee (food)

Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of New Jersey

Candidates for 2024-2025

Grand Master

J. Eugene Margroff Wyckoff No. 287

Deputy Grand Master

Omar S. Morris Peninsula No. 99

Senior Grand Warden

Bruce C. Golway Vineland No. 69

Junior Grand Warden

(Vote for 1)

Bernard J. Madgey V Laurel No. 237

William J. VonDerHeide IV Musconetcong No. 42

Grand Treasurer

Douglas R. Policastro Ocean No. 89

Grand Secretary

(Vote for 1)

Larry S. Plasket Merchantville No.119

Roger Quintana B.S.M.T.M.D. No. 35

Grand Lodge Trustee

(Vote for 1)

Robert V. Monacelli Clifton No.203

David C. VanPelt St. John's No. 1

Mt Laurel High Twelve Club

Our monthly meetings are on the
4th Thursday* of the month at:
Bob Evans Mt. Laurel on Rt 73.

It's the Best One in the State. Enjoy the fellowship and conversation, and the

lovely smiles from the ladies.



Meetings begin at 12, and it's separate checks. Bring you friends, your spouse, or your fiancé. All are welcome.

^{* 3}rd Thursdays in November and December





SUDOKU

Enter the digits 1-9 in each of the 3x3 boxes so that no digit is repeated in any row, column, or within a box. Sudoku is a game of pure logic. You should never have to guess. There is always a way (even if sometimes a very complex way) to logically determine where the numbers go. On a difficulty scale of 1 to 5 (easy to hard) this Sudoku is rated as 2 in difficulty.

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PHILOSOPHY?

Contributed by RW Mark Friedrich, GC

- I'd kill for a Nobel Peace Prize.
- Borrow money from pessimists—they don't expect it back.
- A conscience is what hurts when all your other parts feel so good.
- A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.
- If you want the rainbow, you've got to put up with the rain.
- All those who believe in psychokinesis, raise my hand.
- The early bird may get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.
- If your car could travel at the speed of light, would your headlights work?
- OK, so what's the speed of dark?
- How do you tell when you're out of invisible ink?
- If everything seems to be going well, you have obviously overlooked something.
- When everything is coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.
- Ambition is a poor excuse for not having enough sense to be lazy.
- Hard work pays off in the future; laziness pays off now.

- If Barbie is so popular, why do you have to buy her friends?
- What happens if you get scared half to death twice?
- My mechanic told me, "I couldn't repair your brakes, so I made your horn louder."
- Why do psychics have to ask you for your name
- If at first you don't succeed, destroy all evidence that you tried.
- A conclusion is the place where you got tired of thinking.
- Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.
- The hardness of the butter is proportional to the softness of the bread.
- To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism; to steal from many is research.
- The problem with the gene pool is that there is no lifeguard.
- The sooner you fall behind, the more time you'll have to catch up.
- The colder the x-ray table, the more of your body is required to be on it.
- Everyone has a photographic memory; some just don't have film.
- If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.

Puzzle Solutions

SUDOKU

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FROM JUNE — EX WORDS

HINTS

- 1. They don't publish the news any more.
- 2. Money that isn't worth anything any more.
- 3. It's not boring any more.
- 4. It's not used to sleep in any more.
- 5. It's no longer at the end of the line.

ANSWERS

- 1. EXPRESS
- 2. EXTENDER or EXCHANGE
- 3. EXPLAIN
- 4. EXTENT
- 5. EXTERMINATION