



**December
2017**

Please send correspondence to PO Box 127 Stratford NJ 08084

*Address of Laurel Lodge
629 Stone Road Laurel Springs, NJ 08021
Constituted May 25th 1922*

Communications for December 2017

*You are cordially and fraternally requested to attend
the following communications of Laurel Lodge No.
237, F&AM*

Friday December 1st 7:45 PM

**Enjoy Birthdays, Brotherhood, Officer Elections
and Regular Business; Refreshment after Lodge**

Wednesday December 13th 7:00 PM

Installation Practice at Laurel Lodge #237

Saturday December 16th

**Laurel Lodge #237 Open Installation &
Installation Dinner**

**Open Installation Ceremony - Laurel Lodge #237
F&AM Saturday December 16th 2PM**

**Note: Our Regularly Scheduled Meeting Friday
December 15th will not be held.**

**Open Installation Dinner - Saturday December 16th
5:30PM-9:30PM \$50.00 per person with open bar
Where: Paris Caterers 281 Cross Keys Road
Berlin NJ.**

**By Order of
WM John P. Gomen
Worshipful Master**

**Attest
WB James Weisensee, PM
Secretary**

Worshipful Masters Message

The hour glass is an emblem of human life. Behold how swiftly the sands run, and how rapidly our lives are drawing to a close! We cannot, without astonishment, behold the little particles contained within this glass, as almost imperceptibly they pass away, and yet, to our surprise, in the short space of an hour are all exhausted.

As I reflect on my time in the East I am reminded of the hour glass. While the sand swiftly runs I hope our Masonic time together was meaningful, constructive and enjoyable.

Being given the authority to sit in the East was truly a special gift. I cannot thank the Lodge and Brothers enough for this special honor.

I have received an amazing amount of help, aide and assistance from the officers and Brothers of Laurel Lodge. I have also received an invaluable amount of knowledge and instruction from our Past Masters. Through their efforts our Lodge continues to maintain the highest quality in performing our rituals. I have the utmost confidence in our newly elected and appointed officers and Brothers who are dedicated to the quality of our Lodge.

Brother Joe Abiuso I thank you for your assistance and I congratulate you upon your election as upcoming Worshipful Master 2018. I am grateful to have been able to serve Laurel Lodge, and confident that Laurel Lodge will continue to shine light on all in our fraternity.

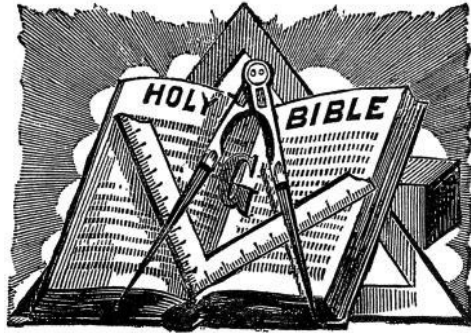
Happy Holidays to all and may the God of love and peace delight to dwell with, and bless, you.

Sincerely and Fraternaly

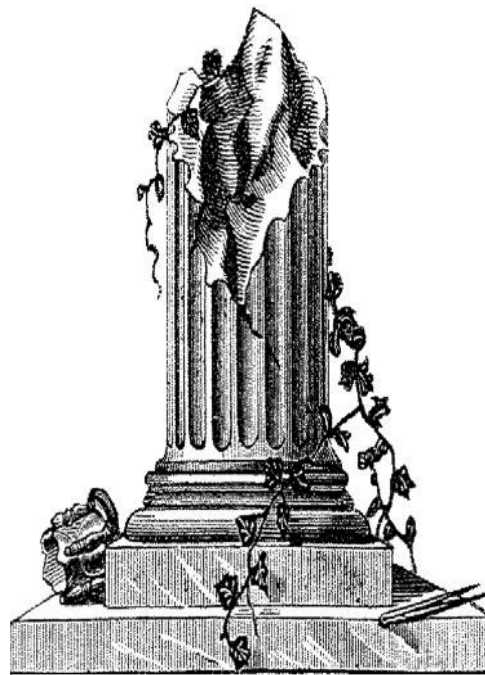
Worshipful Master

John P Gomen

In Memorium



**Brother Charles W Horle
Raised to the Sublime Degree
of Master Mason
9-5-1947
Called from Labor
10-22-2017**



Building Fund Benefactors

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WB Frazier Alburger	Bro. Joe Abiuso

**Thank you from
Worshipful Brother Gomen!**

18th Masonic District Installation Dates

Audubon-Parkside Lodge No. 218 (Open Installation)

FRIDAY DECEMBER 1st @ Audubon Temple
Buffet Dinner at 6:30 PM – No Qualification Necessary
Lodge opening/installation ceremonies at 7:30PM

Lazarus Lodge No. 303 (Closed Installation)

MONDAY DECEMBER 4TH @ Haddonfield Temple
Lodge opens at 5:30 PM, Dinner at 6:00 PM, Qualification at 7:15 PM
Installation ceremony commences at 7:30 PM

Merchantville Lodge No. 119 (Closed Installation)

FRIDAY DECEMBER 8TH @ Merchantville Temple
Annual Memorial Service and Installation of
Officers. Lodge opens at 5:00 PM, Dinner at 6:00 PM \$25
Qualification 6:45PM & Resume Labor at 7:00 PM

Mozart Lodge No. 121 (Open Installation)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10TH @Audubon Temple
Qualification at 245PM Installation starts at 3:00 PM,
Banquet to follow at Pennsauken CC. Tickets \$30
RSVP kjosepayt@gmail.com by 12/5

Rising Sun Lodge No. 15 (Open Installation)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16TH @ Haddonfield Temple
Lodge opens at 10:00 AM Ceremonies to Follow Luncheon following at 12 noon
No Qualification Necessary

Collingswood-Cloud Lodge No. 101 (Open Installation)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12TH @ Audubon Temple
Lodge opens at 530PM Dinner at the Kove 6:00 PM \$20 RSVP's Requested
Qualification at 7:10 PM
Installation ceremony at 7:30 PM. Contact Secretary

Laurel Lodge No. 237 (Open Installation)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16TH @ Laurel Temple Lodge opens at 2:00 PM.
Dinner at Palace Caterers Berlin NJ \$50 per person 5:30 PM-9:30 PM.
Open Bar, Contact Bob Taylor at taylor89@comcast.net or 856-834-3917 or Joe Abiuso
at J.ABIUSO888@GMAIL.COM or 856-357-7883 for info or reservations

USS New Jersey Lodge No. 62 (Open Installation)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18TH @ Haddonfield Temple
Lodge Opens 5:00 PM, Social at 5:30 PM
Dinner at 6:00 PM (\$30), Installation Ceremony at 7:30



FREEMASON

FAMILY NIGHT



Wells Fargo Center - Philadelphia, PA

Saturday, January 20 @ 1pm, Doors Open at 12:30pm

**SEE THE FREEMASON HONOR GUARD CEREMONY,
STOP BY THE FREEMASON MEMBERSHIP TABLE, AND
WATCH THE FLYERS WITH FELLOW NJ, PA, AND DE
MASON FAMILIES**

TICKETS IN SECTION 222/222A: \$65 /GROUP RATE

All tickets are available at will call window

**Tickets can be ordered by credit card or check through
The Grand Lodge of New Jersey, 100 Barrack Street,
Trenton, NJ 08608-2008, 609-239-3950**

(Last date to order tickets: January 5, 2018)



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\$50.00 per person with open bar**

**Menu: Cocktail Hour: Crudités, a display of
fresh vegetables, assorted cheeses and & sliced
meats. Cold side: salads, fresh fruit salad & salad
caprese.**

**Served Salad: Classic Caesar Salad. Chefs
carving block top round Beef au jus.**

**Entrees: Seafood Diavolo, Parmesan Crusted
Chicken Brest, Jumbo Stuffed Shells, Oven Roasted
Potatoes, Sting Bean Almondine.**

Dessert: Assortment of Miniature Pastries.

**RSVP by Monday December 12th to Brother Senior
Warden Joseph Abiuso at**

**856-357-7883 or j.abiuso888@gmail.com
or Worshipful Brother Robert Taylor at
856-834-3917 or Taylor89@comcast.net**

Payment will be accepted at door.

Laurel Lodge Children's Christmas Party

Saturday December 9th 2:00PM

Bring the kids and grandkids to Laurel Lodge #237 for a fun afternoon. The Lodge will be providing entertainment, food and presents for all children. We are also expecting a visit from a special guest. Celebrate Christmas cheer with Laurel Lodge!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Peace on earth and good will to men!

RSVP to Brother Bill Roche Junior Warden, please specify ages, gender & number of children attending by Saturday 12/2/2017. RSVP: Bro William Roche 609-314-0505 or WSHAY62@COMCAST.NET



Did You Know?

You can access www.newjerseygrandlodge.org for information on our Brotherhood. On the left hand side of the home page click the member's only tab.

For user name use the number on your blue card.

**The password should be your last name. If you have difficulty accessing the members only section please call NJ Grand Lodge to assist with access
609-239-3950.**

Canned Good Drive at Laurel Lodge

During November and December our Lodge will be holding a Canned Goods Drive for those who are less fortunate. Please donate what you can during the Holiday Season. There will be boxes in our Lodge to place your donation.

Thank you, Worshipful Master

Contact Status Changes

Brethren, Please remember to contact the Secretary or Worshipful Master with regard to changes to your mailing address, phone numbers, e-mail addresses etc.

Our goal is maintain our membership database as accurate as possible. Thank you, Worshipful Master

<u>* Deceased</u>	<u>Past Masters</u>	<u># Dual Member</u>
1922 Albert C. Stack *	1960 Harold T. Wolf*	1991 Ralph S. Hill, Jr. # *
1923 Harry A. Beck *	1961 John P. Steffan*	1992 George W. Stott, Jr. *
1923 William S. Martin #*	1962 Harold H. Croom*	1992 Harry H. Wible # *
1924 Arthur Scrimshaw *	1963 Charles F. Yost *	1993 Dale A. Lynch, Jr., PDDGM
1925 Benjamin Forrest *	1964 Charles W. Engler, Jr.*	1994 Henry J. Rahn, Jr. PSGS
1926 Elmer F. Giffin *	1965 Daniel A. Mullen, III *	1994 Charles A. Castley,PDDGM #*
1927 Charles B. Giffin *	1965 Carl H. Gamp # *	1995 Russell R. Hoyle, Sr.
1928 John T. Reif *	1966 Albert L. Hann , PJGD	1996 Frazier R. Alburger
1929 Charles V. Osborne, Sr. *	1967 Henry Baumert *	1996 James E Miller PGC #
1930 Samuel G Garrison Jr.*	1968 Robert E. Walsh, Jr.*	1997 Raymond B. Kingett
1931 Charles P. Mills # *	1969 George E. Carpenter *	1997 Jerry R. Barnish #
1932 William R. Cannon *	1970 Henry Sannipolli,PDDGM *	1998 Kirk D. Nevius, Jr., PGC*
1933 Noah C. Bender *	1971 Leonard O. Beebe *	1999 Scott D. Cianci
1934 F. Maurice Goodwin *	1972 Robert D. Rowand *	1999 Frank M. Blizard III #
1935 Michael Balent, Jr. *	1973 Louis W. Bradley, PGT *	2000 Paul E. Burkhardt
1936 Enos J. Jarvis *	1974 Robert W. Bates, PSGD	2001 Robert F. DiOrio
1937 Robert F. Ranken *	1975 Frederick W. Knox	20012 Donald C Sharp Sr #
1938 John H. Fisher, Sr. *	1976 Leroy See *	2002 Leonard M March, PDDGM
1939 Oscar M. Hansen *	1976 John J. Eitel # *	2002 Craig J. Woodruff #
1940 Albert F Neidinger PGP*	1977 Roy F. Gutshall, Jr.*	2003 Eugene J. Applegate
1941 Lawrence E. Gardiner *	1978 John R. Beetle	2004 Eugene O. Bathurst
1942 B. Franklin Cope *	1979 Charles W. Bell	2005 Juan A. Caraballo, Jr
1943 Fred Humphrey *	1980 Benjamin H. Read, Jr. *	2006 Moses R. Hayes, Jr., PGC
1944 Charles. S. Schenick *	1981 Joseph H. Rival Jr., PGM	2007 Richard J McCunney, II
1945 Ora L. Wooster, Sr. *	1982 Warren E. Rival, PGC *	2008 Michael E.Owsiak
1946 Carl C. Caldwell *	1982 Ronald A. Rocco #	2009 Robert E. Kunze Sr.
1947 Benjamin A. Glatz *	1983 Hugh C. Williams *	2010 Craig R. Thorpe
1948 Joseph H. Matthews *	1984 Walter C. Knett *	2011 Brian J. Read PJGS
1949 Ralph E. Husted *	1984 Charles E. Oppido, Jr. # *	2012 Bernard J. Madgey V DRI
1950 Thomas Milne *	1985 Frank A. Applegate, Sr.*	2013 Kevin D. Kloss
1951 Ferdinand Herbst *	1986 Henry Bubacz # *	2014 James A. Weisensee
1953 Charles Mannice *	1986 Wilfred E. Wilson *	2015 Robert A. Taylor
1953 Robert C Osborne,PGC*	1986 Donald L. Keppen Sr. #	2016 Gene G Olson
1954 Earl B. Hallowell *	1987 Robert F. Butler *	
1955 Harry M. Ireland *	1988 William E. Hand *	
1956 John M. Fisher, Jr.*	1989 Edwin W. Griffiths, Jr.	
1957 Albert C. Stack, Jr.*	1989 James E Miller PGC #	
1958 Whitney H. Myers *	1990 Donald C. Lever, PSGS *	
1959 George F. McCann *	1991 Stewart D. Walsh *	

Candidate Status

NAME	STATUS	LAST DATE	NEXT STATUS	NEXT DATE
	MM	TBD	MM EXAM	TBD
	EA	11/17/15	FC	TBD
	EA	6/27/17	FC	11/28/17
	EA	6/27/17	FC	TBD
	EA	6/27/17	FC	11/28/17
	EA	6/27/17	FC	11/28/17
	EA	11/3/17	FC	TBD
	Mr.	Ballot 9/15/17	EA	TBD
	Mr.	N/A	Ballot	TBD
	Mr.	N/A	Investigation Committee	TBD
	Mr.	N/A	Investigation Committee	TBD
	Mr.	N/A	Investigation Committee	TBD

Brethren: Attention Please

This memo is directed to Brother Entered Apprentice Masons, Brother Fellow Craft Masons and Brother Master Masons who have not completed their exam work.

Your Brethren are available to meet with you at our Lodge every Tuesday evening at 6PM to review and memorize exam work. Please make every effort to attend. Please note; during your committee of investigation you were asked if you were willing to spend at least one hour per week with your Brethren to study Freemasonry.



2017 A.D.	Officers	6017 A.L.
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Worshipful Master</u> WB John P. Gomen – Margaret 139 A Coles Road Blackwood NJ 08012 609-502-0771 – jakg1231@hotmail.com</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Senior Warden</u> Bro Joseph Abiuso – Jennifer 624 Center Avenue Chesilhurst NJ 08089 856-357-7883 – j.abiuso888@gmail.com</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Junior Warden</u> Bro William Roche – Patricia 12 Valley Drive Pine Hill NJ 08021 609-314-0505 – wshay62@comcast.net</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Treasurer</u> MW Joseph H. Rival, Jr., PGM – Judith 333 Francis Ave. Chesilhurst, NJ 08089 856-768-0312 - GM-NJ2010@COMCAST.NET</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Secretary</u> WB James A. Weisensee PM – Cathy 24 Bells Lake Dr. Turnersville, NJ 08012 856-227-1699 - LAURELLODGE237@GMAIL.COM</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Secretary Emeritus</u> RW Louis W. Bradley PGT*</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Treasurer Emeritus</u> WB Charles W. Bell PM WB John R. Beetle, PM WB Whitney H. Myers, PM *</p>		

Officer Line Continued

<u>Senior Deacon</u>	Bro Edward S. Bohi - 609-268-7399
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<u>S.M. of Ceremonies</u>	Bro Don L. Keppen Jr – 856-371-8675
<u>J.M. of Ceremonies</u>	Bro Casey Huston – 856-627-0094
<u>Senior Steward</u>	Bro Ross A. Chase - 856-503-7677
<u>Junior Steward</u>	Bro Jeffrey Scott Slimm Jr. 609-313-3628
<u>Marshal</u>	Bro Robert S. Outlaw - 609-471-2869
<u>Chaplain</u>	Bro. Julian Babel – 301-938-2124
<u>Tyler</u>	Bro William F. Anderson - 856-547-0453
<u>Historian</u>	RW Albert L. Hann, PJGD - 856-845-6951
<u>Proxy</u>	Bro Edward S. Bohi - 609-268-7399
<u>Director of Ritual</u>	RW Brian J. Read PJGS
<u>Webmaster</u>	DB Raymond T. McManus - 856-346-9150
<u>Dir. Of Craftsmen</u>	Brother William Gahagan 609-313-0924
<u>Entertainment</u>	WB James A Weisensee WB Robert A. Taylor
<u>Sick and Visiting</u>	RW Albert L. Hann ,PJGD, PM 856-845-6951 RW Bernard J. Madgey, V, DRI, PM 856-470-7609
<u>Auditing, Budget & Finance</u>	RW James E. Miller, PGC and Bro Gerard DiBona
<u>Blood Bank Chairman</u>	Bro Bob Outlaw - 856-471-2869
<u>Photographer</u>	Bro William Roche` - 609-314-0505
<u>Masonic Education</u>	RW Albert L. Hann, PJGD, RW Brian J. Read, PJGS, RW Bernard J. Madgey V DRI
<u>Advisor to Officers</u>	RW Albert L. Hann , PJGD
<u>Refreshments</u>	WB Gene G Olson, PM
<u>Funeral Coordinator</u>	RW Albert L. Hann, PJGD 856-845-6951
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<u>Building Trustees</u>	2 Year DB Raymond T McManus & WB Robert A Taylor, PM
<u>Building Trustees</u>	1 Year RW Bernard J. Madgey, V, DRI, PM & RW Brian J. Read, PJGS, PM
<u>Financial Trustees</u>	3 Year Bro Ed S Bohi
<u>Financial Trustees</u>	2 Year Bro Bill Anderson
<u>Financial Trustees</u>	1 Year Bro Ross Chase

Grand Master	M.W. Dieter B. Hees, Grand Master 100 Barrack Street Trenton NJ 08602-2008
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District Ritual Instructor	Right Worshipful Bernard J Madgey V 7 Lake Villa Drive Voorhees, NJ 08043 856-470-7609 – budmadgey@aol.com

2017 DUES NOTICE

Please note: Your dues for 2017 were due 12-31-2016. If you know or believe that you haven't paid dues for 2017 please contact the Worshipful Master or Secretary.

**Payments: Laurel Lodge No. 237
P.O. Box 127 Stratford, N.J. 08084**

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