



HARMONY LODGE NUMBER 9, F. & A.M. TRESTLEBOARD

May 2011

REGULAR COMMUNICATION

6:30 PM—Dinner

Chicken Cordon Bleu

Reservations required

Donation will be \$7.00 in advance, \$10.00 at the door

Please call Bro. Steve Reali for reservations at 401-484-0863

or email dinnerwithsteve@gmail.com

or register at www.harmony9.org

Correct change will be appreciated

7:30 PM—Lodge opens for such business as shall regularly come before it.

Proper Dress is required.

- Jacket & Tie or Military Uniform

COLLATION

Message from the Worshipful Master

Brethren and friends,

Once again it is my great pleasure to be writing to you. Having reached the halfway point of my term, I must say the time truly has flown by. Looking ahead however, I am reminded that there is much work left to be done this year, as well as many opportunities to enjoy each other's company.

May brings us first to our Semi-Annual Ladies Luncheon, which this year will be held at Nicole's Tuscany Grill in Cranston on May 14th.

As always the Ladies and Special Ladies of Harmony Lodge are welcome as our guests, Members' and other guests' cost is \$20 each. There will be a choice of chicken, veal, or baked sole. Please make reservations as soon as possible with Brother Steve Waxman at 307-1537.

We will be travelling to Warwick Central Baptist Church on May 15th, to celebrate a mass as a Lodge and as a guest of the Church.

We will meet at 8:30 AM at the Lodge and travel over together. Many members of Harmony Lodge including our Senior Deacon, Bro. Ed Diggle are members of this congregation, and I hope many more of you will consider joining us.



On Sunday May 22nd, we will be running a Master Mason Degree for our new Class of candidates. Originally this event was scheduled for April, but do to a work conflict of one of the class, a request was made of me to reschedule the degree.

Truly these men have embraced what it means to be a friend, a brother, and a Mason to show that loyalty and dedication to moving forward together and leaving none behind. It is my hope that many of you will recognize this, as I have in granting their request, and show your support by attending on the 22nd.

The last date I feel obligated to mention here in this message is the Grand Lodge Annual, to be held on Monday May 23rd.

This year we welcome R.W. Leon C. Knudsen to the Grand East. Many of

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The Regular & Special Communications of Harmony Lodge # 9 F & A.M. will be held in the Doric Masonic Center 1237 Reservoir Avenue, Cranston, RI (401-942-9883) for the transaction of such business as shall regularly come before the membership

Regular Communication
First Tuesday of each month with the exception of July & August

Annual Communication
Third Tuesday of November

Dispensation Granted
May 6, 1805

Charter Granted
June 24, 1808

Constitution
September 20, 1808

Incorporated
February, 1809

Doric Lodge #38
Merged—2003

Nathanael Greene Lodge #45
Merged—2005

Rhodes Lodge #44
Merged with Nathanael Greene Lodge #45—1988

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Jason L. Gail—**Junior Deacon**
Steven Waxman—**Senior Steward**
Raymond Roy—**Junior Steward**
J. William Spicer, P.M.—**Music Director**
Adam Aquilante—**Tyler**
Stephen Charron, P.M.
—**Master of Ceremonies**
Alfred Anton—**Sentinel**
Jesse H. Edwards III, P.M.—**Marshal**

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you may remember that as a District Deputy Grand Master R.W. Knudsen was exceptionally supportive of Harmony Lodge, attending nearly every meeting and event we held.

Personally I plan on returning that support to the greatest extent possible during his term as Grand Master. I hope many of you will feel the same, and help to fill the "Harmony Section" at Grand Lodge the morning of the 23rd.

This year the attendance at our regular meeting has increased dramatically among the membership, and this is wonderful to see and be a part of; the attendance of guests from outside the Lodge has fallen just as dramatically however, and this does trouble me.

As the officers line has travelled among the District Deputy and Grand Master's Suites to Lodges around the state, I can't help but notice this is a trend everywhere.

This is an issue I believe Harmony can be at the forefront of solving, beginning with our own district. The time demands of the officers is great, and this makes additional visitations difficult at best.

I am looking for several volunteers from among the Past Masters and membership to represent Harmony at the regular meetings of Manchester, Ionic, and Thomas Smith Webb Lodges. Ideally, we would have 2-3 members assigned to each Lodge respectively. This would be a one night a month commitment. In time I would like to see this program grow to include Lodges outside the District as well.

Finally, this month's charity is The National Kidney Foundation. In March, Brother Ron Harrison was called home, after a long struggle with kidney issues. He was a long time member, a former Dad Advisor of Fidelity Chapter, and worked tirelessly with DeMolay and Rainbow throughout his too short life.

A group of Rainbow girls, family, and friends of Ron will be walking as a team in his honor at the 2011 Kidney Walk in May. I hope you will keep his memory in your hearts as well, and add your support to this team honoring the memory of our fallen brother.

Fraternally,
Robert Kempf
Worshipful Master
"The purpose of life is a life of purpose" -Robert Byrne

In Memoriam

David Alexander Weatherston

Admitted—1986
Died—March 14, 2011
Age—Eighty-Three

Raymond Lester Place

Admitted—1945
Died—March 19, 2011
Age—Ninety-Three

Hugh L. Thompson, Jr.

Admitted—1948
Died—April 10, 2011
Age—Eighty-Four

Ladies and Special Ladies Luncheon

Members of Harmony Lodge and their ladies are invited to attend our

Spring Luncheon

Saturday May 14, 2011
12:00 PM

Nicole's Tuscany Grill
53 Atwood Avenue
Cranston

Choice of:

Chicken Saltimbocca

Veal Portabella

Stuffed Fillet of Sole

Contact

Bro. Steve Waxman 401-307-1537

For reservations

No later than May 7

Get Well Wishes

Merill I. Torgan	269 Harrison Avenue Warwick, RI 02888
Robert K. Page	Harbourside Healthcare 270 Post Road Warwick, RI 02888
Wor. William Savasta	74 Hazleton Street Cranston, RI 02920
Wor. Harry J. G. Grattage	958 Atwood Avenue Johnston, RI 02919
Robert Wiggins	65 Dayna Drive West Greenwich, RI 02817
Robert Tilley	P.O. Box 201 Rumney, NH 03266
George H. Marshall	West View Health Care—239 Legris Ave #104 West Warwick, RI 02893
Allan Reynolds	16114 Patriot Way West Greenwich, RI 02817
Walter Ball	134 Wendell Road Warwick, RI 02888

Some of these sick and shut-in Brothers would enjoy a visit,
a call or a card.

Request For Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to assist at the RI Veteran's Home.

Please contact Wor. Robert Kempf at 401-641-5172 if you are able to help out.

April Charitable Contribution



National Kidney
Foundation®

May 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 6:30 PM Dinner 7:30 PM Harmony Lodge Regular Meeting	4	5	6	7
8	9 5-7 PM Master's Office Hours 7:00 PM Doric Board	10	11	12	13	14 12:00 PM Ladies Luncheon
15 8:30 AM Religious Service	16 5-7 PM Master's Office Hours 7:00 PM Officer's Meeting	17	18 6:00 PM MM Degree Rehearsal 7:00 PM Fellowcraft Club	19	20	21
22 4:00 PM Master Mason Degree	23 Grand Lodge Annual Banquet	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 5-7 PM Master's Office Hours	31				

Upcoming Events

Harmony Picnic—July 17
Golf Tournament—July 23

MacIntosh Scholarships

Applications for scholarships from the MacIntosh Fund for 2011 are available by writing to the Secretary

Wor. Alan French
27 Druid Road
Warwick, RI 02888

or

alan.french@afrenchid.com

Children of members and deceased members of Harmony Lodge are eligible for these scholarships.
Applications must be postmarked by 5/15/2011