

The Regular and Special Communications of

Harmony Lodge #9 F & A. M. are held in the

Doric Masonic Center 1237 Reservoir Avenue Cranston, RI 02920 401-942-9883

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

> **Annual Communication** Third Tuesday of November

Dispensation Granted

May 6, 1805 Charter Granted

September 20, 1808
Constitution
September 20, 1808
Incorporated February, 1809

Doric Lodge #38 Merged - 2003

Nathanael Greene Lodge #45 Merged - 2005

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

Officers 2019 - 2020

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Harmony Trestleboard

Harmony Lodge Number 9, F. & A.M. January, 2020

Master's Message

Wow! What a fast & furious month of December! I just love the holiday traditions of Harmony. From decorating the Lodge and hosting our Annual Children's Christmas Party to spending time with our Ladies at their Holiday Luncheon, it just gets you into the Christmas spirit! Thank you to all those who helped make our Children's Christmas Party a success, especially Brother Senior Steward Bill LaLiberte and his Lady Erin, who did the planning. Our Ladies of Harmony Holiday Luncheon at Lancellotta's was a splendid afternoon as well. Thank you to those Brothers who gave some of our Ladies a ride to the event: it was greatly appreciated.

This month we have our Annual Meeting of the Doric Association during our January Regular Communication. There will be updates on the improvements done, the renovations currently in progress and future plans for our building.

Those that would like to travel with our Officers are invited to come and attend the D.D.G.M. Gil Fontes' Official Visitation to Manchester Lodge #12 on Friday, January 10th at 7:30 PM (suite will assemble at 7:15 PM). Bring your Masonic Passports if you have one!

Our very own Brother Senior Deacon, Jeremy Newton, has organized a fantastic charity event, Cha Cha for Charity! Our Fidelity DeMolay boys & Woodridge Rainbow girls will be ballroom dancing the night away! The musical theme for the evening is Dirty Dancing and music from that era. The money raised will help start the "I Choose To Dance" after school program at Cranston High School East. With our children's after school activities getting cut because of struggling school budgets, this is most certainly a great cause! I also did not want to forget but not only has Brother Newton organized the event but he will be dancing that night as well! So come out to support them all! Cha Cha for Charity will be held on Saturday, January 11th at the Scottish Rite at 6pm. Tickets are \$25. For tickets contact the Fred Astaire Dance Studio (401) 427-2494.

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Appointed to Harmony Lodge #9, F. & A. M. 2019 - 2020

Ralph Carlini	Chaplain	Frank Castellone	Musical Director
Jeremy Newton	Senior Deacon	W:. Donald Aquilante	Tyler
James Lafitte	Junior Deacon	Glenn Dellarosa	Sentinel
William Laliberte	Senior Steward	Armen Avagyan	Marshal
Jan Zukowski	Junior Steward	W:. Merrill Torgan	Master of Ceremonies

(Master's Message continued)

Our Officers have been working hard on their ritual, as we prepare for our Entered Apprentice Degree, scheduled for Saturday, February 1st at 11:00 am. My hope is that by witnessing our newest candidates take their "first steps into a larger world", it will rekindle your curiosity in the Craft. Those who have had to learn ritual often comment on how beautiful the lectures & rituals are and how they've truly enjoyed learning them. Yet it wasn't until they had to learn it, did the meaning strike them. This is another example of why you should attend our Entered Apprentice Degree. Come renew your oath with us! Reignite the spark and light the fire that is Freemasonry! If you haven't heard...Save the Date or tell Siri to remind you for Tuesday,February 4th we'll open Lodge early at 6:30 pm and conduct the business and close. Afterwards we'll enjoy fellowship with a Craft Beer Tasting brewed by our own Brother Kyle Gamache, which will be paired with a delicious meal created by Lisa Dupre to compliment the each of the three craft beers. This is one unique event not to miss! Reservations for the evening will be REQUIRED.

Love & Respect, Patrick M. Connor Jr. Worshipful Master Harmony Lodge #9 F.&A.M.



Worshipful Master Patrick Connor and Special Guest enjoying the Children's Christmas Party on December 7th!

Notice

The regular communication of Harmony Lodge #9 will be held on Tuesday, January 7th, 2020 at 7:30 PM

Proper Dress Required: Jacket & Tie or Military Uniform

January Meeting Dinner ~ Tuesday, January 7th, 2020 6:30 PM

Menu

Chicken Cordon Bleu, Salad

Reservations at Harmony website or Call Bro. Sr. Steward Bill Laliberte @ (401) 499 - 7696 or email <u>usmarine1991@gmail.com</u>

Dinner reservations are to be made no later than
Sunday, January 5th
\$10.00 with reservation ~ \$12.00 unreserved
Brothers without reservations are not guaranteed a dinner.

Notice

The Annual Meeting of the Doric Association will be held during the January Harmony Lodge Regular Communication on Tuesday, January 7th, 2020 at 7:30 PM

<u>In Memoriam</u>

Brother Michael Thomas MacNeil

Initiated as an Entered Apprentice – September 5th, 1974

Passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft – November 7th, 1974

Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason - December 5th, 1974

Admitted to Membership – January 2nd, 1975

Died November 28th, 2019

Aged 98 Years

Our Brothers who are Sick and Infirm.....

A card or call would be much appreciated.

Wor. Steve Charron 203 Van Buren Drive, Dalton, GA 30721 (401) 919-8459
Ken Athaide 1405 Main St., West Warwick, RI 02893 (401)-632-5056 (Linda)
Wor. Herchell Talan 195 Lewis Farm Road, East Greenwich, RI 02818 (401) 884-3328
Ken Scanlan 109 Burnside Street, Cranston, RI 02910 (401) 226-7773
Wor. Edwin E. Fielder 85 Lakehurst Drive, Coventry, RI 02816 (401) 397-5637
Wor. Richard Harris 51 Grant Avenue, North Kingston RI 02852 (401) 295-1412
Wor. Bo Widergren 160 Cumberland Rd., Warwick, RI 02886 (401) 884-9579
Richard Urguhart 16 Kalmer Rd., Warwick, RI 02886 (401) 739-6722

No one likes not being home, please visit or send a card.

Tony Oliver South Kingstown Nursing & Rehab 2115 S County Trail West Kingston, RI 02892 (401) 783-8568

Walter Connery RI Veterans Home, 480 Metacom Ave., Bristol, RI 02809 (401) 253-8000

William Harrison, Sr. Greenwich Farms, 75 Minnesota Ave., Apt. 112, Warwick, RI 02888 David H. Clark South County Nursing & Rehab, 740 Oak Hill Rd., North Kingstown, RI 02852 (401) 792-8462

Harmony Lodge No. 9, F & A M

Veterans Honor Roll

All Brothers of Harmony Lodge who proudly served their country are asked to send the following information to the Lodge:

Full Name:
Branch of Service – USN / USMC / USA / USAF / USCG
Years of Service – 19 to 19 to 20 to 20
Highest Rank or Rate held (not pay grade
This information will be for Harmony Lodge use ONLY.

Email your information to: jrrapson@cox.net or call: (401) 374-1813



The following men have applied for membership. They will undergo the usual course of investigation and then be balloted on at the next meeting.

Submitted and approved petitioners list for investigation and review as of December 9, 2019:

Patrick Michael Bedard (37yo) of West Warwick, RI

Adam Stephen Clement (38yo) of North Providence, RI

Jeffrey Allen Lavasseur (52yo) of Cranston, RI

James Kendall Horton Jr. (18yo) of Cranston, RI

Eric J. Fournier (33yo) of Warwick, RI

Heading South for the Winter?

Please give your Winter address to:
James Rapson, 244 Park View Ave.
Warwick, RI 02888
401-781-5879 / Fax 401-461-3959 /
jrrapson@cox.net

Notice

There will be a special communication held on Saturday, February 1st at 11:00 AM to exemplify the Entered Apprentice Degree.

Family Lunch to follow at 3:00 PM

District Deputy Grand Master Visitation

R:.W:. District Deputy Gil Fontes will make his official Visitation to

Manchester Lodge #12 on Friday, January 10th, 2020

Come out to support R:.W:. Gil and W:. Jayson as they begin their official visitations to the Central Masonic District and spend some time with your Brothers at Manchester!

Note that the DDGM Suite will be assembling at 7:15 PM to be received at 7:30 PM.

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Visit Harmony Lodge #9 F.& A.M. at www.Harmony9.org
We are also on Facebook as Harmony Lodge #9

What is a "Cha Cha for Charity"?

This event was created in response to the decreased support for the arts in public schools. Fidelity Chapter, Order of DeMolay, has teamed up with Fred Astaire Dance Studio in Warwick to create a new charity whose goal is establishing Ballroom Dance clubs in public schools. Why Ballroom Dancing? As the Studio wrote on their website:

3 Social Benefits of Dance

We are, by nature, social creatures. We rely on interaction with others to make common cause, to feel worthy and needed, to develop and maintain relationships and friendships.

This isn't always easy. But dance can help. Dance – and the many activities at Fred Astaire Dance Studios – emphasize a sense of inclusion and community and can enhance social skills.

The social benefits of dance:

- 1. Improving social skills. The simple aspects asking "May I have this dance?" offer a roadmap for meeting others. It is so much easier to chat in an environment based around the mutual interest of dance. Being part of a class every week allows individuals who are shy or not comfortable in big groups to find a comfort level.
- 2. An improved outlook. Dancers simply feel better dance busts stress, builds strength and puts a smile on everyone's face. A big smile expresses openness and a willingness to engage, and that can help defeat loneliness. Feel better, look better, be better.
- 3. Building self-confidence by learning a new skill. Taking lessons and classes and improving at dance bolsters self-esteem and self-confidence. A feeling of command on the dance floor can begin to translate to the rest of a person's life. Others will respond to the expertise you express on the dance floor.

Over the past few months, Fidelity Members, along with Gaspee Members and Rainbow Girls from various Assemblies, have been hard at work taking lessons in order to participate in this fundraiser. They are following the same curriculum that will be provided to schools who want to participate.

To raise the money needed to institute the program, we will be holding a "Cha Cha for Charity" fundraiser / dance recital on January 11th, at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center. Doors open at 5:00 PM, with performances to begin at 6:00 PM. Tickets are \$25 apiece. In addition to purchasing tickets, please consider buying space in the evening's program for messages or advertisements, and note that there will be a basket raffle, as well.

To purchase tickets and / or to buy space in the program, please contact Brother Senior Deacon Jeremy Newton @ 401-219-0891.





On Saturday November 30th, Harmony Lodge members, along with members from Fidelity Chapter and Woodridge Assembly as well as R:.W:. Gil Fontes, DDGM for the Central Masonic District, all came together to help Epiphany Soup Kitchen prepare a hot meal for close to 60 people.

Above: Left to right: Bro. Ralph Carlini, Katy Harrison, Wyatt Kempf, James Horton, Danny Harrison, R:.W:. DDGM Gil Fontes.

Missing from photo: W:. Patrick Connor (he's behind the camera), W:. Bob Kempf, W:. Mick Torgan

Right: R:.W:. Gil, James, and Danny prepare salad.





Katy Harrison and Bro. Ike Dayacap prepare desserts.

Upcoming Events

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January 4th (Saturday) – Woodridge Rainbow Dinner
January 7th (Tuesday) - Regular Communication 7:30 PM / Dinner 6:30 PM
January 9th (Thursday) – EA Degree Rehearsal 7:00-9:00 PM
January 10<sup>th</sup> (Friday) – DDGM Visitation 7:00 PM Manchester #12
January 10th (Friday) – Fidelity DeMolay 7:30 PM
January 11th (Saturday) - Cha Cha for Charity, 6:00 PM
January 14<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) – Officers' Meeting and 2<sup>nd</sup> EA Rehearsal 7:00 PM
January 14th (Tuesday) – Doric Board 7:30 PM
January 15<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) – Fellow Craft Club 7:30 PM
January 17th (Friday) – Woodridge Rainbow 6:30 PM
January 21st (Tuesday) – EA Degree Rehearsal 7:00 PM
January 24th (Friday) – Fidelity DeMolay 7:30 PM
February 1st (Saturday) - EA Degree & Lectures 11:00 AM; Lunch w/our
                          families @ 3:00 PM
February 4th (Tuesday) - Regular Communication 6:30 PM / Craft Beer & Dinner 7:30 PM
February 8th (Saturday) – DDGM Visitation to Ionic #28 7:00 PM
February 11th (Tuesday) - Officers' Meeting 7:00 PM
February 11th (Tuesday) - Doric Board 7:30 PM
February 14th (Friday) – Fidelity DeMolay 7:30 PM
February 19th (Wednesday) – Fellow Craft Club 7:30 PM
February 21st (Friday) – Woodridge Rainbow 6:30 PM
February 28th (Friday) – Fidelity DeMolay 7:30 PM
February 28th (Friday) – Move Game Dinner Equipment to CPC 6:00 PM
February 29th (Saturday) – Game Dinner Prep at Cranston Portuguese Club (CPC) 7:00 AM
March 1st (Sunday) Henry Rossi Memorial Game Dinner @ Cranston Portuguese Club 12:00
PM
March 3<sup>rd</sup> (Tuesday) Regular Communication / District Deputy Visitation 7:30 PM
March 5th (Thursday) 1st FC Degree Rehearsal
March 7th (Saturday) Woodridge Rainbow 8:00 AM
March 9th (Monday) Grandmaster's Visitation to Redwood Lodge #35 7:30 PM
March 10<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) Officer's Meeting 7:00 PM
March 10th (Tuesday) Doric Board 7:30 PM
March 13<sup>th</sup> (Friday) Fidelity DeMolay
March 15th (Sunday) 2nd FC Degree Rehearsal
March 18th (Wednesday) Fellowcraft Club 7:30 PM
March 20th (Friday) Woodridge Rainbow 6:30 PM
March 24th (Tuesday) 3rd FC Degree Rehearsal (7:00 PM)
March 27th (Friday) Fidelity DeMolay (7:30 PM
March 28th (Saturday) Fellowcraft Degree and Lectures (TBD)
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12	13	14 Officer's Meeting and 2nd EA Rehearsal 7:00 PM Doric Board 7:30 PM	15 Fellowcraft Club 7:30 PM	16	17 Woodridge Assembly 6:30 PM	18
19	20	EA Degree 3rd Rehearsal 7:00 PM	22	23	24 Fidelity Chapter 7:30 PM	25
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LIVING WORSHIPFUL PAST MASTERS HARMONY LODGE #9, F. & A.M. and Recently Deceased Past Masters of Harmony Lodge

*George E. Lord, Jr.	1960	Elmer H. Palmer	1977	M.W. Richard L. Ault, Jr., PGM	1994	Todd P. Dirksen	2011
*Ray C. Arnold	1961	Donald J. Parker	1978	Carl H. Liese	1995	Michael O. Dixon	2012
*Harrie N. Arnold	1962	*R.W. Raymond A. Hargraves	1979	Paul C. Liese	1996	Edward J. Diggle	2013
*Russell M. Birtwistle	1963	*Robert E. Harrop	1980	R. W. Kenneth F. Poyton	1997	Steven Waxman	2014
*Arthur G. Irish	1964	Richard E. Harris	1981	Carmine DePetrillo	1998	Alfred J. Anton	2015
*Arthur J. Dennis	1965	*Josef A. Polichetti	1982	Kenneth A. Angilly	1999	Michael A. Cunningham	2016
*R.W. Robert F. Poyton	1966	*Phillip G. Rollins	1983	*R.W. Joseph B. McGrath	2000	Merrill I Torgan, Jr.	2017
*M.W. Charles M. Menge, PGM	1967	*Ronald S. Page	1984	*Albert N. Phaneuf	2001	Robert P. Izzi, Sr.	2018
*Richard E. Archer	1968	*Daniel A. Falvey, Jr.	1985	^Scott W. Shippee	2002		
†M.W. C. A. Calverly, Jr., PGM	1969	†Richard R. Galipeau	1986	John H. Cirelli	2003		
*R.W. James A. Malcolm	1970	*Robert P. Gorman	1987	Philip N. Crawford	2004		
R. W. Earl E. Goodby	1971	R.W. R. David Armstrong	1988	Arthur J. Kurtz, Jr.	2005		
*Alfred G. Evans, Jr.	1972	Reginald Gotjen	1989	*Alan French	2006		
* L. Kimball Simmons, Jr.	1973	Antonio Perreira	1990	Stephen A. Charron	2007		
*Carl W. Johnson, Jr.	1974	*Robert F. Aguiar	1991	R.W. James I Ogilvie	2008		
*Harry Liese	1975	Edwin T. Carlson	1992	*Jesse H. Edwards, III	2009		
*Larry J. Farnham	1976	*Edwin M. Keenan	1993	Robert J. Kempf	2010		

LIVING WORSHIPFUL PAST MASTERS DORIC LODGE #38, F. & A.M. and Recently Deceased Past Masters of Doric Lodge

*P. Richard Swajian	1960	*M.W. Julio A. Panniccia, PGM	1972	Stephen C. Markham	1984	Thomas P. Piscopio	1996
*Irvin D. Follett	1961	*Leland H. Wilson	1973	Donald M. Aquilante	1985	Thomas P. Piscopio	1997
*Kenneth F. Reed	1962	*George H. Marshall	1974	*Alexander Peligan	1986	Edward A. Eklof	1998
*Erle D. Forrest	1963	†Melvin L. Ayers	1975	*Robert A. Wicklund	1987	^Ronald J. Boswer	1999
*Robert M. Smith	1964	*Michael H. Margolis	1976	M. Paul Rego	1988	†John K. Chin	2000
*David W. Blood	1965	William G. Strozier	1977	M. Paul Rego	1989	^Alan A. Abbott	2001
*John R. Curtin	1966	*Arthur Soder, Jr.	1978	†Alan L. Vogel	1990		
*Donald A. Bostrum	1967	*Melbourne R. Barden	1979	†Alan L. Vogel	1991		
*John W. Boardman	1968	†Robert A. Fife	1980	*James M. Thatcher	1992		
*William H. Hurry	1969	*Frederick F. Fairfield, III	1981	*Steven R. Hayes, Sr.	1993		
*Robert A. Wicklund	1970	*William Savasta	1982	*Steven R. Hayes, Sr.	1994		
*Oscar M. David	1971	*Leland H. Wilson	1983	Donald M. Aquilante	1995		

LIVING WORSHIPFUL PAST MASTERS RHODES LODGE #44, F. & A.M. and Recently Deceased Past Masters of Rhodes Lodge

†Robert A. Cottrell	1960	Herchell J. Talan	1970	*Richard J. Pollock	1980
*George J. Leaver	1961	†James G. Johnson	1971	†Thomas G. Brown	1981
*Michael Lezanic	1962	†Robert C. Johnson	1972	*Philip L. Kershaw	1982
*Frank Allen	1963	†Lewis F. Salk	1973	*Richard J. Pollock	1983
*Walter M. Anderson	1964	*Henry W. Fraser, Jr.	1974	*Charles C. Coakely	1984
*Russell Salisbury	1965	*Carl F. Diaz	1975	*Charles C. Coakley	1985
*Burton Salk	1966	Richard L. Wood	1976	Richard L. Wood	1986
*James H. Winch, Jr.	1967	*Raymond H. Brown	1977	Richard L. Wood	1987
^Herbert N. Clark	1968	*Raymond H. Brown	1978	*M.W. Charles R. Bonnemont, PGM	1988
*Victor H. Persson	1969	^Allyn L. Larson	1979		

LIVING WORSHIPFUL PAST MASTERS NATHANIEL GREENE LODGE #45, F. & A.M. and Recently Deceased Past Masters of Nathaniel Greene Lodge

*Milton A. Phillips *M.W. Sheffield A. Reynolds,	1960 1961	*R.W. Earland W. Fielder *Anthony A. Pusateri	1972 1973	James W. Dowding Christopher J. Dawley	1984 1985	^Ronald L. Bernier, Jr. Charles E. Goins, II	1996 1997
PGM *Frank D. Whorf	1002	R.W. Robert J. Stearns	4074	Donald G. Scott	1000	^Alan A. Abbot	1000
"Frank D. Whorf	1962	R.W. Robert J. Stearns	1974	Donaid G. Scott	1986	"Alan A. Abbot	1998
*Douglas C. Brush	1963	*Charles E. Barker, Jr.	1975	*Ernest E. Widergren, Sr.	1987	*Joseph E. Thompson	1999
*R.W. William A. Carlow, Jr	1964	*Paul B. Alexander	1976	*Arthur F. Chapman, Sr.	1988	Manuel J. Fox, Jr.	2000
†George W. Gange, Jr.	1965	*R.W. J. Elwin Wilcox	1977	*John V. Grieve	1989	*Arthur F. Chapman, Sr.	2001
R.W. Edwin E. Fielder	1966	*Harry J. G. Grattage, Jr.	1978	John H. Grover	1990	Ernest E. Widergren, Jr.	2002
M.W. Elmer F. Perkins, Jr., PGM	1967	*Hyman Lipet	1979	*Albert A. Abbott	1991	*Raymond R. Hogarth	2003
*Arthur B. Worden	1968	*Robert A. Siple, Jr.	1980	†Paul H. Giard	1992		
†Paul A. Kane	1969	*Mark A. Rosenholm	1981	William J. Kitson, III	1993		
*Walter M. Germond, Jr.	1970	*R.W. Gilbert A. Howard, Sr.	1982	Ernest E. Widergren, Jr.	1994		
*R.W. Fred S. Jurmann	1971	*Robert W. Bourne	1983	Timothy P. Madden	1995		