

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 LODGE

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No. 9, F. & A. M.
NOVEMBER, 2020

MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brothers, Family and Friends of Harmony,

So the time has come already and my days serving you as your Worshipful Master are coming to a close. I have spoken to many of our Past Master's about this transition and they all had a similar response. "It's bittersweet." "You'll finally get into the groove and then your time is up." "You're sad to let it go but you're happy to be finished." They were all right! I will miss having the opportunity & honor to serve you as Worshipful Master, but I will always be there to serve my Lodge, Harmony.

PLEASE NOTE: This year ALL ballots for elected Officers will be done via Mail—In Ballot. Ballots will be mailed to your home address, and need to be returned as soon as possible to the R:. W:. DDGM Eric Grist. His address is clearly marked on the Ballot.

I am very excited for Brother Senior Warden, "Wishful", Dave Desplaines to ascend to the East. I have little doubt that he and his Officers will do a fine job as they take on their new roles in our Lodge. One thing that I have learned especially over the past year is that you can not do it alone. I'm not referring to the Master trying to run the Lodge, but rather the Officers can not do all the work themselves. I hope that after being cooped up for months, this may lead some of our members to get reinvested in their Lodge. I'd like to see our sidelines helping with running more of our events and being an intricate part of their success. I know I sure get excited when I see & spend time with my Brothers, even if it's in a parking lot these days.

We have rescheduled our Master Mason Degree for Tuesday, November 10th at 6:00 PM. We are excited as we've been working hard to perfect our ritual. We're even more excited for our candidates who have been working hard on their proficiencies and can not wait to become Master Masons! Brother Senior Steward, Bill LaLiberte has been working for months with our class with the aide of Brothers Wor. Steve Real & Junior Deacon James LaFitte. Fine work gentlemen keeping them engaged during this pandemic as I know it wasn't easy.

A big *Thank You* to all of the Officers I've had a pleasure to serve with. I am humbled and grateful for your efforts and support.

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

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

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There are many people, too many to name, that have helped me along my journey through the Officers line here at Harmony. Thank you all! It has been a fantastic ride and one I will cherish for years to come.

I leave you with parting words of wisdom from none other than George Washington that I thought was fitting with the current social/political climate of our country. May we Brothers & Harmony family be the example that our forefather speaks of.

"To enlarge the sphere of social happiness is worthy of the benevolent design of a Masonic institution; and it is most fervently to be wished, that the conduct of every member of the fraternity, discover the principles which actuate them, may tend to convince mankind that the grand object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race." — George Washington

It was an honor to have served you!

Love and Respect,

Patrick M. Connor, Jr.

Worshipful Master

Harmony Lodge #9, F. & A. M.



"Look well to the East for in one short year"..... We all know the line, but it's true.

November 14th is around the corner and I'll be off and running (if elected). We are living in crazy times with Covid-19 and the limitations we have to adhere to but, at least the Lodge is having meetings again and we can spend time together. Planning the upcoming year has been challenging , but exciting.

I am looking forward to being able to serve the Lodge for my year as Master. There is a strong officer line behind me. If Step-Up night was any indication, with their help and all of you, we should have a great year.

Stay safe and healthy.

Dave Desplaines

Senior Warden



Harmony Lodge No. 9 F.&A.M

Regular Communication

Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at 7:30 PM

Come out & support Worshipful Patrick Connor as he presides over his last full meeting as Worshipful Master of Harmony Lodge!

No Dinner Due to COVID-19 Restrictions

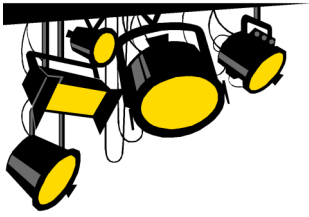
Officers & Members attending the actual meeting are required to follow social distancing measures. Masks, gloves & sanitizer will be available at the Lodge.

For members who would rather social distance and remain safe at home, we will be able to join us via Zoom just after we open Lodge to just before we close Lodge. Just use the link below on the night of Tuesday, November 3rd at 7:30 pm and Wor. Brother Secretary Robert Kempf will admit you.

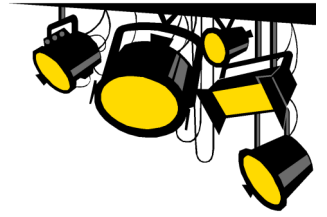
 Powered by **zoom** Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/98034284661>



***Reminder:
In - person attendance is
limited to 66%
of Lodge Room capacity!***



CASTING CALL FOR THE MASTER MASON DEGREE



The Class of 2020 has been working very hard, so plan on coming out to support them as they demonstrate their Fellowcraft proficiencies and take their Third Step in Freemasonry on **Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 6:00 PM** (see additional flyer in this issue).

And while watching the Degree from the sidelines is always exciting, consider taking part as a member of the cast.

Speaking and Non—Speaking parts are available, as a very large cast is required.

If interested, please contact
Brother Senior Steward Bill Laliberte (401-499-7696)
or W:. Mick Torgan (401-477-9362).

The best seat in the house is on the floor!



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
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. Bo Widergren 160 Cumberland Rd., Warwick, RI 02886 (401) 884-9579
Dean Tallman, 15 Adams Dr., Coventry, RI 02886 (401) 828-5995
W.: David DiCecco, 167 High Service Ave., No. Providence, RI 02911 (401) 426-0662
Kenneth Bell, 115 Red Top Rd., Wallkill, NY 12589 (845) 895-1760

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

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 (Claire)
Richard Urquhart Alpine Nursing Home 557 Weaver Hill Rd., Coventry, RI 02816 (401) 397-5001



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

You will note that there is no calendar of upcoming events in this issue.

Due to the ongoing COVID—19 situation, all events previously scheduled are currently on hold until we receive guidance on when we can resume activities.

Please keep an eye on our online calendar at:
www.harmony9.org

**For more up to date information concerning COVID—19,
please visit the following websites:**

RI Dept. of Health: <https://health.ri.gov/covid/>

Centers for Disease Control: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus>

NOVEMBER

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HARMONY LODGE #9

PRESENTS

THE MASTER MASON DEGREE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH AT 6:00 PM



Brethren please join us, we present the Master Mason Degree on Tuesday, November 10th at 6:00 pm. Together we'll Raise our Class of 2020 to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason.



**UPCOMING
EVENTS**



**MARK YOUR
CALENDARS!**

DORIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

ANNUAL MEETING

TO BE HELD DURING HARMONY LODGE'S DECEMBER REGULAR COMMUNICATION

TUESDAY DECEMBER 1, 2020

AT

THE DORIC MASONIC CENTER

1237 RESERVOIR AVE., CRANSTON, RI 02920

7:30 PM Opening for Lodge Business

8:15 PM Lodge goes to Recess for the Annual Meeting



Brother

Harmony Lodge No. 9

Free & Accepted Masons

Cordially invite you to attend our

Annual Communication

Saturday, November 14, 2020

Meeting begins promptly at 1:00 pm

*Semi-Public Installation of Officers
to be held afterwards (approx. 3:00 PM)*

Zoom link:

<https://zoom.us/j/98805671373>

*(Note: Zoom link is for the
Semi - Public portion only)*



PROTOCOL FOR VIRTUAL MEETINGS

PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THEM PRIOR TO SIGNING IN

MEMBER REQUIREMENTS TO ATTEND AND REMAIN

IN A VIRTUAL MEETING

"Best Practice" and/or "Preferred Protocol" shall be that members sign into the meeting 10 to 15 minutes prior to the meetings published start time so they can socialize, help each other with any technical issues, and allow adequate time for the host to verify them prior to the start of the meeting. This advance time shall be used by the host to correct and/or remove any members not properly vetted, dressed, etc. prior to the official start of the meeting.

Proper lodge etiquette for attire must be followed. This includes wearing an apron, tie and jacket.

All members must have a functioning video feed at all times during the time the meeting shall be open.

The video feed will be used in verifying the member's identity and confirm they are in a reasonably secure location (e.g. attending a meeting from the local coffee shop, or while out shopping is **not** acceptable).

Virtual backgrounds shall not be permitted in any manner.

Members shall **not** turn off or darken their video feed unless the meeting is in recess.

Members **must** use their proper names as their screen name so they can be easily recognized. Nicknames, internet handles, and the like are not be acceptable and must be corrected or rejected by the meeting host.

VIRTUAL MEETING CONDUCT

Virtual meetings should be treated with the solemnity they deserve and shall operate in the same manner as an in-person Masonic Lodge meeting, unless specifically noted otherwise in the appropriate approved ritual.

All Brethren in the meeting shall attest, on their honor, that they are properly tiling their location. This should be monitored by all in the meeting with any concerns sent as a private message to the host and/or the Worshipful Master.

No eating or drinking shall be allowed during the meeting. No talking out of turn while in a meeting. If attention is required by an individual member, a chat message may be sent to the Host or the Worshipful Master during the meeting.



Help make a child's Christmas Jolly!

**Harmony Lodge is once again
participating in the
Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program!**

**Please bring an unwrapped toy when attending one of the following events
and make a child's Christmas extra special:**

✓ **Regular Communication 11/3/2020 7:30 PM**

✓ **Master Mason Degree 11/10/2020 6:00 PM**

✓ **Annual Meeting 11/14/2020 1:00 PM**



Heading South for the Winter?

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

***WE ARE COMMITTED TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF OUR BRETHREN
GUIDELINES BELOW ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR OR GRAND LODGE***

- Harmony's Lodge Room shall not exceed 66 percent of Lodge Room capacity (includes Officers and AGL).
- A contact tracing log indicating the name of every person entering the building for each meeting must be recorded in the Secretaries minutes.
- Anyone seeking admission will have their temperature taken via contactless thermometer. Temperature must be recorded on the contact tracing log.
- The following is the tool that should be used for screening prior to entry into the building:
 - **HAVE YOU HAD ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS IN THE PAST THREE DAYS?**
 - **COUGH, SHORTNESS OF BREATH, OR DIFFICULTY BREATHING**
 - **FEVER, CHILLS, MUSCLE PAIN**
 - **SORE THROAT, HEADACHE, NAUSEA OR VOMITING**
 - **DIARRHEA**
 - **RUNNY NOSE OR STUFFY NOSE, FATIGUE**
 - **RECENT LOSS OF TASTE OR SMELL, POOR FEEDING OR POOR APPETITE**
 - **Have you been in close contact (less than six feet) with anyone with COVID-19 or symptoms of COVID-19 in the past 14 days?**
 - **Have you traveled anywhere outside the 50 United States in the past 14 days?**
 - **Have you traveled to Rhode Island from another state for a non-work-related purpose in the past 14 days?**
 - **Have you been directed to quarantine or isolate by the Rhode Island Department of Health or a healthcare provider in the past 14 days? If so, when does/did your quarantine or isolation period end?**
- **IF YOU HAVE ANSWERED "YES" TO ANY OF THE QUESTIONS ABOVE, YOU WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE BUILDING. Please call to discuss when you can return to this facility.**
- Hand sanitizer and soap for washing hands will be available.
- All brothers shall practice social distancing by doing the following:
 - No physical contact such as hand shaking or hugging.
 - Maintain 6 foot distance between each other.
 - Must wear face mask if within 6 feet of another person.
 - Must wash hands frequently.
 - Use hand sanitizer provided by the lodge as needed.
- No contact will be made during the Opening and Closing ceremonies and the following is required:
 - The Senior Deacon must wear a mask and latex or substitute gloves during the arranging and disarranging of the lights.
 - The Chaplain must wear a mask and latex or substitute gloves when attending the altar.
- After the lodge is closed, brothers will not linger in groups larger than 5 and social distancing rules still apply.
- After the lodge is closed, the lodge room, dining area, and bathrooms will be sanitized by assigned brothers as needed.

LIVING PAST WORSHIPFUL PAST MASTERS HARMONY LODGE #9, F. & A. M.

And Recently Deceased Past Masters of Harmony Lodge

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|--------------------------------|------|----------------------------|------|--------------------------------|------|----------------------------|------|
| *George E. Lord, Jr. | 1960 | Elmer H. Palmer | 1977 | M.W. Richard L. Ault, Jr., PGM | 1994 | Todd P. Derksen | 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 | M. W. Kenneth F. Poyton, PGM | 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 | R.W. 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 PAST 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 PAST WORSHIPFUL PAST MASTERS RHODES LODGE #44, F. & A. M.

And Recently Deceased Past Masters of Rhodes Lodge

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|----------------------|------|-----------------------|------|---------------------------------|------|--|--|
| †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 PAST WORSHIPFUL PAST MASTERS NATHANAEL GREENE #45, F. & A.M.

And Recently Deceased Past Masters of Nathanael Greene Lodge

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|----------------------------------|------|------------------------------|------|---------------------------|------|--------------------------|------|
| *Milton A. Phillips | 1960 | *R.W. Earland W. Fielder | 1972 | James W. Dowding | 1984 | ^Ronald L. Bernier, Jr. | 1996 |
| *M.W. Sheffield A. Reynolds, PGM | 1961 | *Anthony A. Pusateri | 1973 | Christopher J. Dawley | 1985 | Charles E. Goins, II | 1997 |
| *Frank D. Whorf | 1962 | R.W. Robert J. Stearns | 1974 | Donald 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 | Mike 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 | | |