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The REDWOOD BUILDER



W.: Andrew Brown 2023-2024

REDWOOD LODGE NO. 35 A.F. & A.M., EAST PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND
Constituted June 10, 1878

M.W. Douglas J. Grant
Grand Master
R.W. Michael R. Barbera
Grand Marshal

1464 REGULAR COMMUNICATION
146 ANNUAL COMMUNICATION
Monday May 13, 2024

R.W. Eric E. Grist
District Deputy Grand Master
W. John W. Kent, III
Grand Master of Ceremonies



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REGULAR COMMUNICATION

Second Monday of each Month
(except July & August)

Rehearsals - Wednesday Preceding the Communication,
at 7 p.m.

Read-Through- Second Wednesday Preceding the Communication

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

Second Monday in May

Freemasons' Hall

222 Taunton Avenue

East Providence, Rhode Island

Dates Subject to Change with Dispensation



Officers 2023-2024

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MESSAGE FROM THE SOUTH

Greetings from the South!

The 146th Annual Meeting and Election of Officers for Redwood Lodge will be held on May 13, 2024. The Lodge opens at 4:30PM starting with the Annual Meeting followed by the Election and Installation of Officers at approximately 5:30PM. If the brethren have the confidence to elect me, I look forward to serving as the Lodge's next Worshipful Master. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as Junior Warden this past year. I want to thank W.: Andrew Brown for his excellent leadership this past year and the mentoring that I have received from all the active past masters to prepare me for the coming year. There will be a delicious catered dinner following the Meeting. Please specify if you want Chicken Piccata or Salmon when you make your reservation.

Redwood's history and traditions are a big part of what makes our lodge special, like our annual table lodge which many other lodges do not have. During the past 146 years, Redwood has experienced many good times and unfortunately many not so good times. For the past several years, there have been fewer active members participating in lodge activities and attending lodge meetings. We have relied heavily on our past masters to fill the officer line. My hope is that we can turn our lodge into the lodge it once was, with many members coming to meetings! To reverse the current trend, we need the support of all the brethren. Otherwise, we will collectively need to make a decision about Redwood's future.

For some of us, our families have been a part of this Lodge for generations. I am one of those. I am the third generation to be a proud member of Redwood Lodge. Not only is it important to continue the traditions, it is important to have members come together at our communications as brothers. The Lodge needs your support now more than ever. We want to know how you are feeling about our Lodge and if we still have the spark to continue. Redwood needs more of its members to come, experience its traditions and to make new history to keep our Brotherhood Alive!

Looking forward to greeting you at Redwood's Annual.
Fraternally
Benjamin M. Sholes, Junior Warden

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

If anyone has any issues paying their dues, please contact me and we will work to resolve all issues. All communications will be kept in the strictest confidence.

Redwood Scholarship applications are available from the Secretary. Only students graduating from High School in 2024 and continuing their education are eligible. Applications are due June 1, 2024.

Redwood Communications 2023-2024

Monday, May 13, 2024—Annual Communication

Metro District Annuals

Redwood No. 35
Annual-May 13, 2024

St. Johns No.1 Providence
Annual-June 24, 2023

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1,463 Regular Communication & 146 Annual Communication – Monday, May 13, 2024

COMMUNICATION AGENDA

Open Lodge 4:30 P.M.
Conduct Business
OPEN ANNUAL 5:00 P.M.
COMMUNICATION
Close Lodge 7:00 P.M.

DINNER MENU FOR MAY

Wine and Cheese Reception 6:30PM-7:30PM
Dinner 7:30PM
Menu
Fresh Garden Salad
Penne Marinara with Italian style tomato sauce
Main Course: Choice of Atlantic Salmon or
Sautéed Chicken Piccata
with Oven Roasted Potatoes and Roasted
Vegetables
Dessert: Gregg's Cake
Dinner is \$25.00 per person. Please indicate
choice of Entrée when making Reservation.
Make Reservation by E Mail-
ing: Meals@RedwoodLodge35.com

GRAND LODGE ANNUAL

Monday, May 20, 2024

The Members of Redwood Lodge Wish All of
You a Very Happy Birthday!

*We apologize for any mistakes in Birthday dates
and welcome corrections*

Redwood Masonic Anniversaries

By date you were Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason

May Birthdays

Robert H. Hoffman	May 4
Howard L. Feldman	May 9
Andrew H. Kaplan	May 9
Robert D. Miller	May 9
Barry J. Waldman	May 11
James M. McLellan	May 13
Steven L. Fleit	May 14
Dennis L. DiMauro, Sr.	May 20
Dennis Cipriano	May 21
Richard G. Winkler	May 22
Shai Afsai	May 23
Richard Cohen	May 25
Samuel S. Sholes	May 26
Samuel J. Glicksman	May 28

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY BROTHERS!

MAY MASONIC ANNIVERSARIES

Ethan T. Sholes	27 years
Michael J. Sholes	27 years
Mekawy E. Elmekawy	35 years
Steven L. Fleit	35 years
Mark B. Morse	36 years
Larry Kahn	40 years
Elliot N. Fishbein	45 years
Larry R. Smith	49 years
Howard Miller	54 years
Howard A. London	57 years
Mitchell S. Riffkin	57 years
Howard D. Zisseron	58 years
Stewart C. Davis	60 years
Stanley H. Fishbein	62 years
Norman R. Goodman	62 years
Bernard Wasserman	70 years

Congratulations Brothers!



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2020-2021 Line of Officers

Senior Deacon:
Junior Deacon: Curtis Abbott
Senior Steward: W.: Michael Rogovin
Junior Steward: W.: Roy Gessman
Sentinel: W.: Michael Ponte
Marshal: M.W.: Gary Kaufman
Chaplain: Robert Stahl
Tyler: W.: Robert T. Goff
Electricians: Nathan Rosenbaum
Asst. Grand Lecturer R.W.: John C. Barsoum
Candidate Officer Curtis Abbott



Redwood Lodge Committee Chairs

Redwood Committee: M.W.: Gary Kaufman
Investigations/Prep: Richard Fascia
Finance Committee: W. Andrew Sholes
Scholarship Committee: R.W.: Samuel Miller
Photographer: Curtis Abbott
Meals and Table Lodge: Stewards
Public Relations: W. Robert Goff
Lodge Reporter:
Prince Hall Liaison: R.W. Mark Freedman
The Builder: R.W. Samuel Miller

PAST MASTERS

Redwood Lodge No. 35 A.F. & A.M.

*Noot, Meyer	1878-79	*Coppin, Charles B	1926	Gessman, Norman C	1971	Alfonzo, Javier	2017
*Hartman, Leopold	1880	*Mason, Williams H	1927	*>Bomes, Robert A	1972	Michael Rogovin	2018
*Parker, Melvin	1881	*Mowry, Walter H	1928	*Gordon, Stephen A	1973	Matthew Yaffe	2019
*Spitz, John H	1882	*Wynan, Frederick W	1929	*Maldavir, Melyu S.	1974	Roy Gessman	2020
*Green, Henry	1883	*Beacham, Harold	1930	*Silverman, Edward	1975	Roy Gessman	2021
*Devson, Thomas B.	1884	*Brier, Charles	1931	Beranbaum, Stephen R	1976	>Cory P. Meyette	2022
*Mullen, William H.	1885	*Whitaker, William B	1932	Kortick, Lawrence D	1977		
*Green, William H.	1886	*Taylor, Earl W	1933	*Jenkin, James	1978		
*Mosely, William H.	1887	*Lee, Howard S	1934	*Aron, Donald	1979		
*Burlingame, Alvertus S.	1888	*Garst, Arthur H	1935	R.W. Bromberg, Howard M	1980		
*Clark, James W.	1889	*Baacke, Henry	1936	Kirshenbaum, Allen M	1981		
*Boas, Herman	1890	*Rosen, Harry R	1937	*R.W. Aron, Edward	1982		
*Boulester, James E.	1891	*Hartley, Richard H	1938	Sholes, Andrew G	1983		
*Lincoln, Eugene B.	1892	*Gardner, Joseph J	1939	*M.W. Wasserman, Arnold	1984		
*Southey, Charles R.	1893	*Davis, Harrie S	1940	*Keating, Joseph	1985		
*Hahn, Jerome J.	1894	*M.W. Abedon, Bernard	1941	R.W. Freedman, Mark H	1986		
*Lincoln, Edwin B.	1895	*MacKay, Alexander M	1942	>Krasner, Edward S	1987		
*Butler, Charles L.	1896	*Rosen, Albert L	1943	Chaika, Eric A	1988	Chaplain Emeritus	
*Pierce, Charles E.	1897	*Entwistle, James H	1944	*Myrow, Allan J	1989	*R.W. Judah Rosen-2012	
*Morton, Marcus W.	1898-99	*Ress, Joseph W	1945	*Goodman, Joseph	1990		
*Stanton, James W.	1900	*Perrin, Howard S	1946	=Charleson, James A	1991	Honorary Past Master	
*Perkins, Herbert R.	1901	*R.W. Novogroski, Arthur	1947	Gaffin, Michael M	1992	*R.W. Judah Rosen-2004	
*Bowen, Thomas A.	1902	*Cook, Walter R	1948	M.W. Sokoll, Richard	1993		
*Saunders, Harry L.	1903	*Strauss, Walter H	1949	>Fishbein, Richard J	1994	Affiliated Past Master	
*Albro, Seth M.	1904	*Licht, Frank	1950	R.W. Lewis, Donovan J	1995	*W. Abraham A. Reis	
*Lasell, Clarence K.	1905	*Hendel, Maurice W	1951	Chaika, Eric A	1996		
*Smith, Alfred	1906	*Hill, Henry M	1952	*Crisafulli, Frederick	1997	Honorary Members:	
*Cutler, Harry	1907	*Goodman, Max W	1953	R.W. Elmekavy, Mekavy	1998	*M.W. Alton T. Curti	
*Boas, Bernard	1908	*R.W. Cohen, Gerald P	1954	R.W. Freedman, Mark H	1999	*W. Jacob DeHaan	
*Payson, Stephen R.	1909	*Michaelson, Julius	1955	R.W. Miller, Samuel A	2000	*W. Albert Lavine	
*Haves, James A.	1910	*Kamins, Albert	1956	Hodges, James	2001	*W. Stanley DeHaan	
*Hoffman, Felix V.	1911	*Rubenstein, Louis Barach	1957	*Richardson, Simon J	2002	*W. Gary Rachins	
*Pierce, Benjamin F.	1912	*Bromberg, Morris H	1958	R.W. Miller, Samuel A	2003	*W. John Haidenmenos	
*Moir, George	1913	*Arnold, Siegfried	1958	M.W. Kaufman, Gary S	2004	*W. Elmer Yeav	
*Butler, Charles L. Jr.	1914	*Mushnick, Frederick	1959	Ross, Micah T	2005	*M.W. Paul Cardoza	
*Taylor, Arthur J.	1915	*Milman, Benjamin	1960	Kaplan, Andrew	2006	*M.W. John Lopez	
*Lincoln, Samuel E.	1916	*Mandell, Leonard C	1961	R.W. Freedman, Mark H	2007	*W. James Warner	
*Baldwin, Henry F.	1917	*Haft, LeRoy	1962	R.W. Miller, Samuel A	2008	*W. Lawrence DeHaan	
*Harley, William F.	1918	*>R.W. Brill, Marvin A	1963	R.W. Bartlett, Harley W	2009		
*Locke, Edward J.	1919	*Rothman, Robert H	1964	Ponte, Michael	2010		
*Kelley, J. William	1920	*M.W. Bromberg, Malcolm	1965	Catanzaro, Kevin J.	2011	*Deceased	*Demitted
*Misch, Walter P.	1921	*Schwartz, Abraham	1966	Catanzaro, Kevin J.	2012	*Honorary	>Dropped
*Mason, Earl H	1922	*Rottenberg, Louis	1967	Ponte, Michael	2013		
*Brand, William C H	1923	*Miller, Meyer S	1968	Saunders, Jeffrey	2014		
*Taylor, Burton RRR	1924	*Malinow, Martin S	1969	Cipriano, Dennis	2015		
*R.W. Edwards, Ralph H	1925	*Dressler, Abbott W	1970	Goff, Robert	2016		

PAST MASTERS

Roosevelt Lodge No. 42 A.F. & A.M.

*M.W. Scott, Wilber A	1921-23	*Rouslin, Benjamin	1943	R.W. Sciaraffa, Charles C	1963	*Elman, Arnold	1983
*Green, William	1923	*Blackman, Edward	1944	*Davis, Phillip	1964	*R.W. Wolff, Jacob G	1984
*Docherty, Edgar M	1924	*Emers, Lester D	1945	*Ostrach, Harry	1965	=Bernstein, Joel	1985
*Gregory, Ralph	1925	*Docherty, Bruce M	1946	Finkelman, Gerald C	1966	*LaRose, Harry E	1986
*Vicario, Raphael	1926	*Bloomberg, Harry A	1947	*Cleinman, Samuel	1967	*Smith, Ronald J	1987
*Friedlander, Israel	1927	*Mitzner, William I	1948	*MacDonald, David A Jr	1968	Kahn, Larry	1988
*Pusateri, Augustus	1928	*Goldman, Harry I	1949	*Chaika, William Y	1969	Davis, Alvin Jr	1989-90
*Brown, Charles	1929	*Jagoliner, Harry D	1950	*Limer, Harry	1970	*Smith, Ronald J	1991
*Workman, Samuel H	1930	*Deutsch, Edward	1951	*Ludovici, Peter	1971	*Limer, Harry	1992-93
*Berberian, Arthur S	1931	*Bloomberg, Sheldon O	1952	*Tomasso, George	1972	Budz, Roger F	1994-95
*Garr, Samuel	1932	*Weiner, Benjamin	1953	*Lamorte, Donato	1973	Rossi, Dean M	1995
*Blackman, Abraham	1933	*R.W. Wolff, Jacob G	1954	=Pulner, Edward R	1974		
*Marsella, Augustus	1934	*Klein, Robert A	1955	*Soren, Robert	1975		
*Silverman, Charles L	1935	*Pagano, Nicholas	1956	Tomasso, Steven	1976		
*Greenstein, Jacob	1937	*Fellner, William	1957	Petrarca, Carmine	1977		
*Rothman, Aaron	1938	*Ostrach, Morris L	1958	Miller, Howard	1978		
*Selonek, Leslie M	1939	*Goldberg, Bernard S	1959	*Sugerman, Everett	1979		
*D'Annunzio, Francis	1940	*Silverstein, Al	1960	*Tarocci, Michael	1980		
*Savasta, Stellerio	1941	*Pagano, David	1961	=DeBlois, Donald R	1981		
*Bolotow, Charles	1942	=Dickens, Joseph	1962	Davis, Alvin Jr	1982		