

Living Past Masters

Carl F. Wheeler PGMAR	1970*
Howard S. Schneiweis	1971*
Mitchell J. Flaster	1972*
William C. Nann	1986
Paul J. Reed II	1988
Richard A. Egan	1990
Stephen J. Hornak Jr. PDRI	1991
Eugene C. Conner	1992
David W. Jones PGC	1994
Rohinton F. Cama	1996
Andrew H. Zagoren	1998
John W. Friedline	1999
Ralph A. Nielsen PDRI	2000 & 2001
Kenneth A. Landau	2002
Glenn C. Eckert	2003 & 2006
Stephen R. Dovidas	2005
Robert J. Krumm PGC	2007
Michael F. Firkser PDDGM	2008 & 2009*
Douglas H. Mount	2008
William Billich PGC	2009
James Iacone	2010
Norman P. Thime	2011
Stephen J. Kedmenec	2012
C. John Lashley DRI	2013
Michael Emerson	2014*
Isidoro Garcia	2014 & 2015
Cristian A. Ossa PGC	2016
Raymond Ortiz II	2017
John Sigismondi	2018 & 2019*
Lou Gendron	2018*
Howard J. Stevenson PGC	1997, 2004 & 2018
Ernest Bagley	2019
Robert. Windisch	2020
Eugene Grace	2020*
JR Almerino	2021

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Ernest Bagley 2021
George Matthes – 2022
Howard Stevenson PCG 2023

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Howard Stevenson PGC – 2021
Jim Iacone PM - 2022
Isidoro Garcia PM – 2023

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance

Senior Warden*
Junior Warden
Senior Deacon

Visiting & Relief

W. Billich PGC*
Senior Warden
Junior Warden

Auditing

R. Ortiz II PM
B. Collier

Lodge Ritual Instruction

Howard J. Stevenson, PGC

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G. Matthes*

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J. Iacone PM
G. Mehra
JR Almerino
B. Nayyar
R. Ortiz II PM
J. Nalepa

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R. Windisch*

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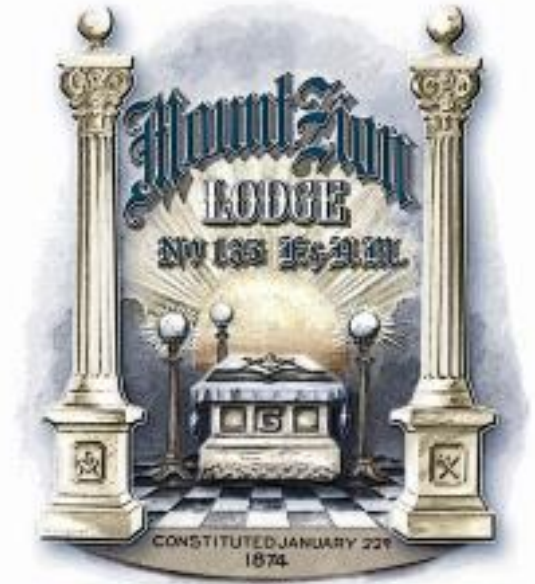
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Mt. Zion Lodge #135 F&AM

Stated Meetings: 1st & 3rd Thursdays @ 7:30 pm.

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May 2021

FREEMASONRY promotes a way of life that binds like-minded men with the principles of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth in order to serve God, Family, Country, Neighbor and Self. -The Grand Lodge of NJ

Brethren,

I hope this message finds you all well and your families safe and sound.

As more of our NJ population completes their vaccination regime the gathering restrictions that



we have been living under are being loosened by the state. Outdoor gatherings are mask optional based on your comfort level if you have been vaccinated and maintain responsible guidelines. All of these developments are directly impacting, in a positive way, our ability to travel to other lodges. On April 22, 2021 Mt. Zion held an EA degree for 3 newly initiated brother's, and it was attended by the WM from Philo Lodge #253 and one of his FC's. Masonic Degrees are again taking place throughout our district and elsewhere throughout the state. Your reluctance to travel, albeit a personal decision, for those of you that feel comfortable should be reconsidered. Lodges are welcoming travelers in a big way! This month we will have 2 speakers: one via Zoom and one in person at Mt. Zion! In speaking with other WM's in our district they too are seeing early signs of regular communication attendance numbers increasing. Please consider joining us for meetings and collation. The expectation is that the 25-person indoor minimum will be increasing in the near future. We have room at every meeting for brothers. If you want to be assured a meeting spot while responsibly maintaining the 25-person limit contact me before and I will add you to the list.

Stay well brothers.

Fraternally Yours,

JR Almerino, WM

Awaiting MM Degree

<i>Jeremiah Hans-Jorie</i>	<i>David Awad</i>
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Awaiting FC Degree

<i>Shawn Rapach</i>	<i>Matthew John Robins</i>
<i>Cristian E. Ossa</i>	<i>Juan Velez-Restrepo</i>
<i>Leon I. Haller</i>	<i>Shiv Patel</i>
<i>Neilon Peters</i>	<i>Morgan Browning</i>

Awaiting EA Degree

<i>Victor Denis</i>	
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Under Investigation

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MT. ZION LODGE #135 F&AM:

5/6 – Regular communication. 7:30pm. Officers only. Max 25 allowed in meeting. Will have partial meeting over Zoom. RW Mike Rothman will Zoom a lecture on “A Path for Successful Membership Growth”

5/13 – Rehearsal. You will be notified by the WM if your attendance is required.

5/20 – Regular communication. 7:30pm. Officers only. Max 10 allowed in meeting. Will have partial meeting over Zoom. RW Mohamad A. Yatim will lecture on “Masonic Membership Promotion and Retention”

5/27 – Rehearsal. You will be notified by the WM if your attendance is required.

OTHER GROUPS:

- Blue Lodge night – 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
- Blue Lodge night – 2nd & 4th Tuesdays
- Rainbow – 1st & 3rd Fridays
- Edison Square Club – 2nd Monday
- Sciots – 4th Monday

IMPORTANT DATES

- **CINCO DE MAYO PARTY!!** Please come out and support our Cinco de Mayo party at the Lodge. Saturday, May 1st starting at noon.
- **Diaper Drive.** We have a Mother's Day goal of 2,500 Diapers by Mother's Day (May 9th). If you are able to donate Diapers, please drop them off at the Lodge.
- **District Picnic!** Get ready for a great time. Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 7th.
- **INSTRUCTION Still happening** on the phone and video chat. PLEASE CALL the Senior Deacon for additional information.

10th DISTRICT INSTRUCTION

- Loyalty Lodge (Union) on May 26th (4th Wednesday). If the 25-person maximum per room rule is still in place, it will be for Masters and Wardens only. If things open up, it will be for all officers.



Cinco De Mayo ... May 1st, noon at the Lodge

The 10th Masonic District

Atlas Pythagoras #10
1101 Central Avenue
Westfield, NJ 07090
1st & 3rd Fridays @ 7:30

Azure Masada #22
1550 Irving Street
Rahway, NJ 07065
1st & 3rd Mondays @ 7:30

Jerusalem #26
107 East 7th Street
Plainfield, NJ 07060
1st Tuesday @ 7:30

Lafayette #27
1550 Irving Street
Rahway, NJ 07065
2nd Friday @ 7:30

Loyalty #33
1912 Morris Ave.
Union, NJ 07083
1st & 3rd Tuesdays @ 7:30

Mt. Zion #135
483 Middlesex Ave.
Metuchen, NJ 08540
1st & 3rd Thursdays @ 7:30

Theodore Roosevelt #219
86 Elm Street
Carteret, NJ 07008
2nd & 4th Mondays @ 7:30