

## 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
Frank Parker	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
Ray Fortuna	2022

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Subir Saha – 2022  
Howard Stevenson - 2022  
Jeremiah Hans-Jorie - 2024

### TEMPLE BOARD

Jim Iacone PM - 2022  
Isidoro Garcia PM – 2023  
JR Almerino - 2024

### 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

### AD HOC COMITTEES:

#### Blood Bank

G. Matthes\*

#### Level Club

C. Gibardi\* (thru 9/22/22)  
I. Garcia PM (thru 10/24/24)  
R. Ortiz II PM (thru 9/2/24)  
G. Matthes (thru 9/14/24)  
G. Georgian (thru 9/26/22)  
M Firkser PDDGM (thru 1/24/22)  
R. Krum PGC (thru 11/8/24)

#### Technology Committee

S. Saha\*

#### Event Planning

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#### Charity Committee

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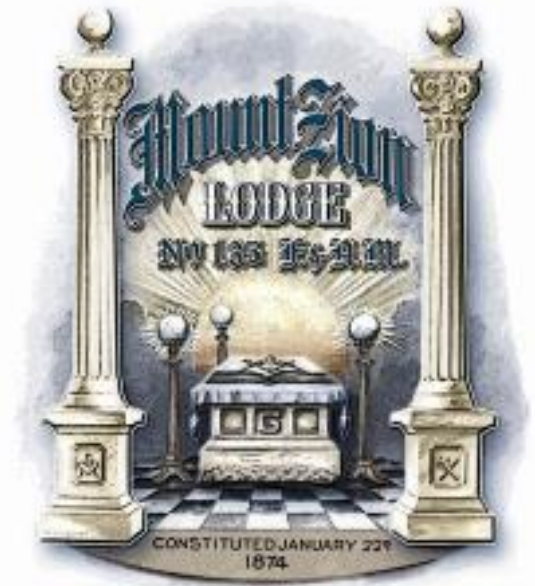
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## Mt. Zion Lodge #135 F&AM

Stated Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays @ 7:30 pm.

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<http://mtzion135.org>

# February 2022

*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,

We are two-thirds through the winter solstice, and with each passing day we gain 2 more minutes of daylight; and as the daylight continue to increase, so too should our



quest for more light and knowledge in Masonry increase. We have come a long way in a very short period of time; we however, still have a very long way to go and to get there we must travel together.

Just as a Brother looks to the Three Great Lights for guidance through life and as his Masonic Moral Compass, when the vagaries of life become challenging and a heavy burden, he must realize that every Brother is a trusty friend, in whose fidelity he could with safety confide.

So my Brother, let us make the most of our time spent together in Lodge this year and be there to support each other as we grow stronger from our collective knowledge and experiences.

Don't worry about your heart

It will last as long as you live – WC Fields –free mason 1880- 1946

Fraternally Yours,

*Ray Fortuna, WM*

Awaiting MM Degree

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Awaiting FC Degree

<i>Leon I. Haller</i>	<i>Matthew John Robins Juan Velez-Restrepo</i>
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Awaiting EA Degree

<i>Lawrence Singer</i>	
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Under Investigation

<i>Victor Denis William Bodycombe</i>	<i>Russ Palankerin</i>
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**Instruction:** Every Thursday night at 6pm @ Mt. Zion Lodge. All EAs, FCs and unheard MMs expected to attend. Please call SD.

**MT. ZION LODGE #135 F&AM:**

**2/3 – Regular Communication 7:30pm. 6:30 dinner.**

**2/10 – Rehearsal. All Officers required to attend.**

**2/17 – Regular Communication 7:30pm. 6:30 dinner. OFFICIAL VIST of the DDGM,**

**2/24 – Rehearsal. All Officers required to attend.**

**OTHER GROUPS:**

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

**PLEASE REGISTER IN GRANDVIEW**

If you have not done yet, Register now!

[https://nj.grandview.systems/membership\\_registration](https://nj.grandview.systems/membership_registration)

Enter your info:

**Lodge Number :** 135

**Member ID :** Id number in your Dues Card

**Last Name:** (Case Sensitive e.g. Smith )

Follow the rest of the instructions when you get in and enter your email. Send email or call if you have questions or having issues: 732.735.4908;

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

- **Diaper Drive.** If you are able to donate Diapers, please drop them off at the Lodge.
- **Saturday, February 26th, 2022 A Night at the Races Fundraiser – Crescent Shrine, 700 Highland Drive, Westhampton, NJ.**  
Please join MW Robert V. Monacelli for an exciting evening of fun benefitting the Masonic Charity Foundation. Doors open at 6:00 PM. Tickets are \$30 per person.
- **SuperBowl Party, Feb 13, starts at 4:30pm, JERUSALEM Lodge.**

**10<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT INSTRUCTION**

- Wednesday, February 23rd 6:30PM.  
Atlas Pythagoras Lodge, Westfield NJ.  
Open to all Master Masons. Please come out and support your District and Lodge! Masters and Wardens meet at 6:30pm.  
Dress is Masonic Casual. Lodge Officers are strongly encouraged to attend, all others are welcome.

**The 10<sup>th</sup> Masonic District**

**Atlas Pythagoras #10**

1101 Central Avenue  
Westfield, NJ 07090  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays @ 7:30

**Azure Masada #22**

1550 Irving Street  
Rahway, NJ 07065  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays @ 7:30

**Jerusalem #26**

107 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Plainfield, NJ 07060  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday @ 7:30

**Lafayette #27**

1550 Irving Street  
Rahway, NJ 07065  
2<sup>nd</sup> Friday @ 7:30

**Loyalty #33**

1912 Morris Ave.  
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**Mt. Zion #135**

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**Theodore Roosevelt #219**

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