

## Living Past Masters

Howard S. Schneiweis	1971*
William C. Nann	1986
Paul J. Reed II	1988
Richard A. Egan	1990
Stephen J. Hornak Jr. PDRI	1991
Eugene C. Conner	1992
Rohinton F. Cama	1996
Andrew H. Zagoren	1998
John W. Friedline	1999
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 DDGM	2013
Michael Emerson	2014*
Isidoro Garcia	2014 & 2015
Cristian A. Ossa PGC	2016
Raymond Ortiz II ATGM	2017
John Sigismondi	2018 & 2019*
Louis Gendron	2018*
Howard J. Stevenson PGC	1997, 2004 & 2018
Ernest Bagley	2019
Robert. Windisch	2020
Eugene Grace	2020*
JR Almerino	2021
Raymond Fortuna	2022

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John Lashley PDDGM - 2025

### TEMPLE BOARD

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JR Almerino PM - 2024  
Isidoro Garcia PM - 2023

### Finance

Senior Warden\*  
Junior Warden  
Senior Deacon

### Visiting & Relief

William Billich PGC\*  
Senior Warden  
Junior Warden

### Auditing

Ernest Bagley PM 2019\*  
Raymond Ortiz II ATGM  
Roderick Schwarz

### Lodge Ritual Instruction

Howard Stevenson, PGC

### Blood Bank

George Matthes\*

### Level Club

Raymond Ortiz II ATGM (thru 9/2/24)  
George Matthes (thru 9/14/24)  
Izzy Garcia PM (thru 10/24/24)  
Rob Krumm PGC (thru 11/8/24)  
John Friedline PM (thru 2/4/25)  
Gabriel Georgeian (thru 9/15/25)\*  
Mike Firkser PDDGM (thru 4/6/25)  
Shiv Patel (thru 1/20/26)

### Technology Committee

Michael Surowiec\*  
Subir Saha

### Event Planning

Raymond Fortuna PM 2022\*  
Ernest Bagley PM 2019  
Senior Steward  
Junior Steward

### Charity Committec

Gabriel Georgeian\*

### Proxy to Grand Lodge

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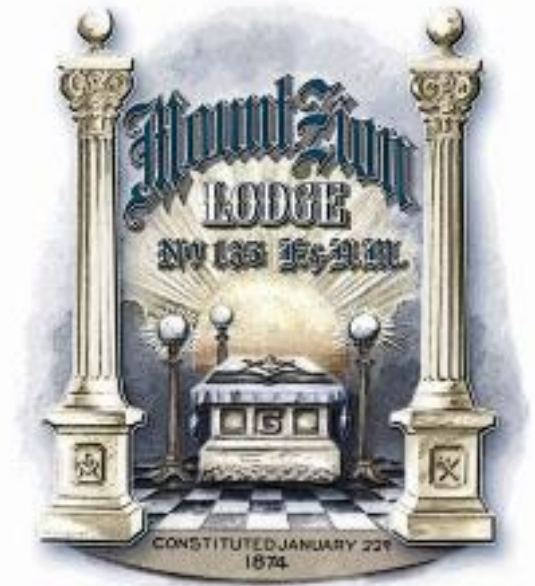
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## Mt. Zion Lodge #135 F&AM

*Stated Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays @ 7:30 pm.  
Rehearsals all other Thursdays @ 7:00pm.*

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# May 2023

Brethren Hello,

May is Mental Health Awareness Month. This national month of awareness and action has been recognized since 1949. Mental health activists and practitioners across the country work to spread the word that mental health is something everyone should care about. Unfortunately, more than 17 million American adults have experienced clinical depression—almost twice as many of them female as male.

Few things in life are more painful than the feeling of helplessness we experience when a brother or friend sinks into a serious depression. If only we could say exactly the right words or just do the right thing, could we lift them out of their emotional darkness?

Major depressive disorder, or clinical depression, is characterized by at least two weeks of loss of enthusiasm for work, hobbies and relationships. In fact, one of the first things you may notice about a brother or friend who has slipped into depression is their withdrawal from social interaction.

Before you jump to the conclusion your friend or brother is depressed, encourage them to see their primary-care doctor. It's important to get a full medical assessment for conditions that may mimic depression. Certain medications also can cause people to feel depressed.

I know this has affected some of your families as it has mine. I challenge you Brethren please be aware of the depression someone might be going through. Notice the signs and get them help. The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-8255. Samaritans: 1-877-870-4673. National Hopeline Network: 1-800-442-4673.

Charles R. Gibardi Jr.  
Worshipful Master  
Mt. Zion Lodge 2023

***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 New Jersey.***

**Awaiting MM Degree**

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**Awaiting FC Degree**

<i><b>Kevin Arnold</b></i> <i><b>Val Veloso</b></i> <i><b>Jhanniny Marin</b></i>	<i><b>Don Deluca</b></i> <i><b>Anthony Egei</b></i>
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**Awaiting EA Degree**

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**Under Investigation**

<i><b>Russ Palankerin</b></i> <i><b>Oleksandr Tokar</b></i>	<i><b>Eric Melo</b></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.

**OTHER GROUPS:**

Rainbow – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays  
Edison Square Club – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday  
Scots – 4<sup>th</sup> Monday

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- **Moms Helping Moms Diaper Drop Off Bin at Mt. Zion 24/7 Please Donate.**
- **May 4<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting 6:30pm dinner, 7:30pm Meeting. Speaker William Bodycombe presenting “Masonic Secrets”**
- **May 6<sup>th</sup> Cinco de Mayo 2PM to 6PM at Mt. Zion Lodge #135**
- **May 9<sup>th</sup> Third and last Town Hall Meeting 6:30PM at Shekinah Lodge, 1317 Fairtown Rd Millville, NJ**
- **May 11<sup>th</sup> Rehearsal 6:30pm dinner, Rehearsal to follow.**
- **May 18<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting 6:30pm dinner, 7:30pm Meeting. Speaker George Matthes presenting “What we owe the brethren of the future”**
- **May 24<sup>th</sup> DLI at Atlas Pythagoras 6:30PM Dinner, Masters and Wardens meeting. DLI at 7PM**
- **May 25<sup>th</sup> Rehearsal 6:30pm dinner, Rehearsal to follow.**
- **June 3<sup>rd</sup> Grand Lodge Emergent Communication at Fellowship Center, 1114 Oxmead Rd, Burlington, NJ. Registration starts at 8AM. Grand Lodge starts at 9AM**

**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***  
105 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.  
Union, NJ 07083  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays @ 7:30

***Mt. Zion #135***  
483 Middlesex Ave.  
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1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays @ 7:30

***Theodore Roosevelt #219***  
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2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays @ 7:30

***Inspiratus #357***  
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2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of Feb, May, Aug and Nov @ 8am