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19th District

October Newsletter Masonic Con Edition!

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2024

District Headlines



19th East



Star in the East lodge visited Mount Hope's Official Visit with RW Lawrence S. Santos via the suit. Because of attendance, they were able to claim their Traveling Gavel!

Meet the Douglas!



The 19th District Merchandise Table



Everything 19th East & West was tasteful represented on our vendor table. We had coins from SITE, Social Harmony, Howland, Mount Hope, Noquochoke and the New Bedford Library all for sale. You could also buy a coin set containing all 6 coins and a free goodie. Jay Lewis' Masonic polos were represented along with Noquochoke and Social Harmony's. Howland Lodge had white and black hats with their lodge seal on them. There was also information for every upcoming event in the district from now till the end of the year. Special shout out to Wm. Sparks, Bro. Silvia and Bro Reed and RW Simmons for all your help making this a successful event for the district!!

19th West



Abraham H. Howland Jr. Lodge had their official visit from RW Lawrence S. Santos on Tuesday October 8th. During this visit, the DDGM awarded the Senior Warden Bro. Adam Miranda with the Master Builders Award. Congratulations Brother!!

A Note from the District Deputy Grand Master's

East

As we step into the crisp autumn air and vibrant colors of fall, I find myself reflecting on all the fellowship and growth we have enjoyed over the past few months. September brought a renewing of officers and new excitement to our lodges. It has been a pleasure to travel and talk with so many brothers. We are fortunate to have many events and opportunities to improve ourselves, our lodges, and our communities.

Our lodges are not merely a physical space; it is a living entity fueled by the spirit of brotherhood and a dedication to the values that define Freemasonry. We all have a part.

Take time to reflect on your own masonic journey. Think about the lessons learned and the teaching of every symbol. Continue to build stronger bonds and shape the future of our craft. We are

Freemasonry in action. Let us all do our part to shape our fraternity for many generations to come. It takes our many hands to make light work. Fraternally,

*RW Joshua David Bumpus
DDGM 19th District East*

West

Brethren,

As we enter the holiday season, I encourage each of us to reflect on our Masonic principles and the importance of caring for one another. This time of year offers a unique opportunity to demonstrate the charity, kindness, and fellowship that define us as Masons.

Let us be mindful of the well-being of our fellow brothers and the wider community. Whether through small acts of kindness or organized efforts to support those in need, our actions can have a lasting impact.

I wish you all a season of peace, joy, and brotherhood.

Fraternally,

*RW Lawrence S. Santos Jr.
DDGM 19th District West*



Lodge of Instruction

Thursday November 21st, 2024



Lodge of Instruction

George H. Taber Lodge in Fairhaven MA @ 6pm

Topic & Speaker Michael Cordeiro

Freemasons & Revolution

Reservations are Required. Call Michael Cordeiro
(508)-636-2234 email: mcdjs4u@gmail.com

Open to the public

Online Dinner Reservations

Please click here to secure your meal



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CANDIDATES CORNER

Entered	Passed	Raised
	<p>* Caleb Joseph Cook – Social Harmony * Connor Liam-James Dahill – Social Harmony * Joshua Michael Tomkiewics – Social Harmony * Anthony Z. Casiano – Social Harmony</p>	<p>* Robert Carl Gonsalves Jr. – Howland * Tom Paul Barry - Tabor</p>

For up-to-date information, please visit 19thmasonic.com



UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENT

Help make your lodge event a success!

Email: bro.ian.harcourt@gmail.com with your info



Mac & Cheese with a movie!
 Friday October 25th
 New Bedford Masonic Lodge
 6pm to 10pm
 *Baked Ritz covered Mac & Cheese
 **Buffalo Mac & Cheese
 ***4 Cheese Mac & Cheese
 All proceeds go to the funding of Thanksgiving Meals for the community!
 RSVP aren't required but are helpful!
 Josh Rankin 774-251-8544



COME AND JOIN US FOR A FUN AND SPECTACULAR

19TH DISTRICT
TRUNK
OR
TREAT

Sunday, October 27, 2024
 3pm - 5pm
 Noquochoke Lodge
 305 Hixbridge Road
 Westport, MA 02790

RSVP by Friday, October 25



1824 2024
 MOUNT HOPE LODGE
 BICENTENNIAL TABLE LODGE

November 1st 2024. Doors open at 5 PM. Table Lodge 6PM - 9 PM.

Masons Only, Officer Dress is Tuxedo, Guests of the Table Lodge are Business Attire.

Admission: \$75 PP to include Bicentennial Coin.

Limited Seating: 70 tickets available. RSVP NLT October 18, 2024.

All Brothers, including Emerg Apprentices & Fellow Crafts, are welcome.



FOR TICKET AND PAYMENT INFORMATION
 CONTACT WOR. LUIS FERREIRA AT
 PHONE: 774-955-8852
 E-MAIL: LFERREIRAO10@GMAIL.COM
 OR SCAN THE QR CODE FOR PAYMENT



Social Harmony Lodge
 11/8 Third Degree
 On Four Fellowcrafts
 Dinner @ 6pm
 Degree @ 7pm
 For meal RSVP's please contact
 Bro. Savery (508)-559-3926 or
Dana.Savery@gmail.com



Veterans Day Dinner
 WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US AT NOQUOCHOKE LODGE
 ON
 NOVEMBER 10, 2024
 AT 5 P.M. TO
 \$25 PER NON-VETERANS

RSVP BY NOVEMBER 8, 2024
 THERE WILL BE A LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS SOLD
 FOR QUESTIONS CONTACT PAUL VENTO
 774-263-6472



George H. Tabor Lodge
 11/11 First degree on cantates
 Dinner @ 6pm
 Degree @ 7pm
 For meal RSVP's please contact Bro.
 Lavendier at (508)-454-3052



Star in The East Lodge
 11/19 Special Night
 First Degree on candidates
 Degree @ 7pm
 No meal will be served on this
 special communication



Noquochoke Lodge
 11/20 Special Night
 First Degree on candidates
 Dinner 6pm
 Degree 7pm
 For meal RSVP's please reach
 out to RW Bergeron at (508)-
 989-5900



2024's Turkeys for the Community

Thanksgiving Eve 4pm-6pm
 (4 set up, 4:15 pic, 4:30 pass out)

Contact Wor. Roderiques Jr. for
 more info text (508)-525-2384.

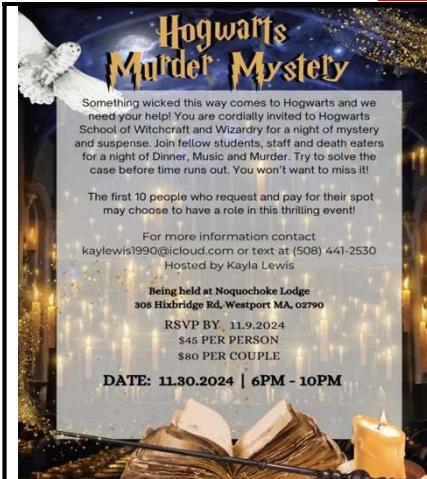




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Ringing of the Bells 2024

December 7th 9am-7pm

Every year, the 19th District masons volunteer their time to ring the bells for the Salvation Army. This is a day of giving to the less fortunate. Sign up today to help your lodge with this important event.



George H Tabor
Masonic Lodge

presents

Cookie Decorating
&
Carol Singing in the
Lodge
Visit with Santa

Saturday, December 7th
5-8 p.m.
All Welcome!!

Breakfast w/ Santa

More information to follow...



Are you ready
to take action
if a friend or
loved one
needs help?

Be prepared and save a
life-saving CPR & AED course!

A CPR and AED course will be held
at the following time and place:

Sat December 14
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
New Bedford Masonic Building
435 County Street
New Bedford, MA
Fee \$25/person

To enroll in this course or learn more, contact:

19thcpr@gmail.com

Scan the QR Code to register



George H. Tabor Lodge presents
the Annual

Polar Plunge

at Fort Phoenix in Fairhaven
1/1/25 8am start



More information to follow...



Noquochoke Lodge
1/15 Special Night

Second Degree on candidates

Dinner 6pm

Degree 7pm

For meal RSVP's please reach
out to RW Bergeron at (508)-
989-5900





Questions

My most beloved mentor sent me a deep and profound question today. In terms of reality everything is inherently good or evil, but is this a manmade concept created to shield us from the idea that good and evil could emanate from the same place? Do we divide good and evil just for our own sanity? The real question to me is what is good and evil? There are things that are considered morally wrong and morally right to the majority of common society, but what creates morality? You could say God creates common morality, and I agree with this statement. But God seems to have his laws and actions that are deemed holy or lead to sin. The real question is how do we fill in the middle, and what creates the middle?

For almost all human existence good and evil has been perceived through millions of different eyes, and hundreds of different cultures. Each and every single one of them having their own abject definition of good and evil. As we know one culture may find polygamy or adultery socially acceptable, but another will punish it under the harshest penalties. But where is the middle? The middle is what we will call "The grey". If we look at good and evil from a purely human perspective, we see that it's defined in its totality by the reason and beliefs of whoever is in the thought exchange. Every man will have his scales of judgment balanced a little biased. We come to the theory of the grey. There is no good or evil, at least not inherently. Good and evil only exist inside the human intellect. Every single action or reaction committed unto mankind or by mankind is committed in the grey, but the perception of the victim, bystanders, or aggressor deem it good or evil. Through the eyes of the aggressor, he could be committing this act for a just and noble reason. But in the eyes of the victim, he is being slain for a petty gambling debt and finds this violence against him purely evil as the reaction does not meet the initial action. The bystander may find it either way, saying the victim should have never gambled his coin away then proceeded to do so on credit. Siding with the aggressor. There are an absolute infinite number of definitions or scenarios of good or evil within this and there is no correct answer. We as humans are inherently grey, and it is our outside influences that communicate a sense of good or evil within us. I believe we are not born with an inherent moral compass or sense of such. We are born into enigma, the grey. We know only the action, but not the sense of it. We create good and evil, the ideas of such are molded like clay inside our minds with every action in our lifetime adding a clump more. Those actions in your life could be God, love, death or the millions of other scenarios. But one thing is for certain, we are born a grey and blank slate, void of all color and opinion, with no sense of good or evil. We are born with just the grey.

Sincerely & fraternally,

Henry W. Davis

DISTRICT HAPPENINGS



Star in The East: Men's Health Group

~Next meeting: December 17th 7pm

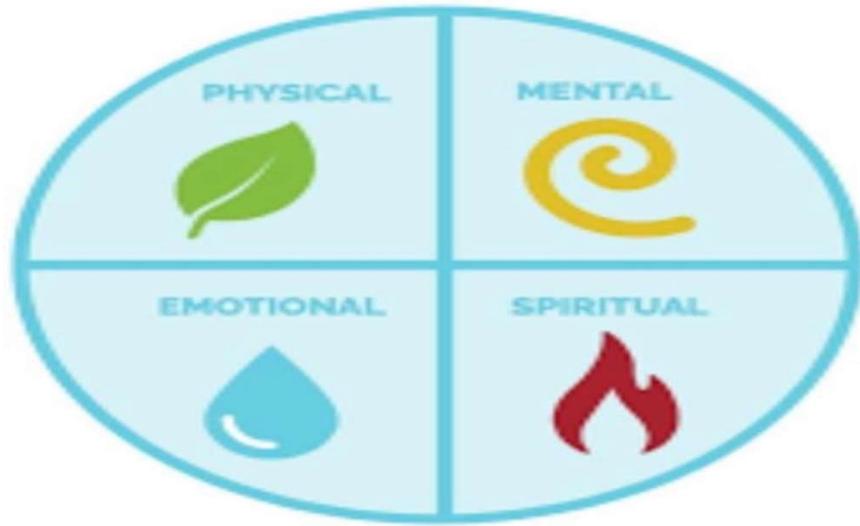
New Bedford Masonic Temple

All Masons are welcome.

~Speaker: Wor. Peter Ham

~Subject: Spiritual Health

Contact Wor. Fernandes for more information



Appendant Bodies

For more information on...

Scottish Rite:

Wor. JP Masella 774.400.4086

York Rite:

Wor. Arthur Dill 774.634.5571

Shriners:

(Aleppo Willington)

RW Michael Gagne 508.496.4852

Grotto:

Wor. Adam Pimentel 508.245.4068

Eastern Star:

WM Judith A. Goss GGCCM

(508)-493-3419

Rainbow Girls:

(Taunton & Middleboro assembly)

Mathew Westgate 508.330.8544

DeMolay:

Dad Mathew Westgate

508.330.8544

Tall Cedar of Lebanon:

Mathew Brodeur 774.263.5018

The Corner Store



New Bedford Library Benefactor Coin

\$30 each

Contact Bro. Rankin 774.251.8544 or
joshuarankin01@gmail.com

All proceeds fund the new Masonic Library!



Noquochoke Moon Coin

SALE!!

***Now through 10/31 @ Midnight only
\$10 per coin a savings of \$5!!!**

Contact Bro. Harcourt 978-551-5782 or
Bro.Ian.Harcourt@gmail.com



Star in The East 200th Anniversary

Coin

\$15 each

Contact Wor Pimentel 508-245-4068 or
bro.adam.pimentel@gmail.com



Mount Hope Lodge "Spinner coin" 200th Anniversary

\$25 each

Contact Wor. Ferreira 774-955-8582 or
lferreira01@gmail.com



Noquochoke Lodge Poker chips

\$5 each

Contact Bro. Lewis 508-994-0123 or
n1vve@msn.com



Social Harmony 200th coin

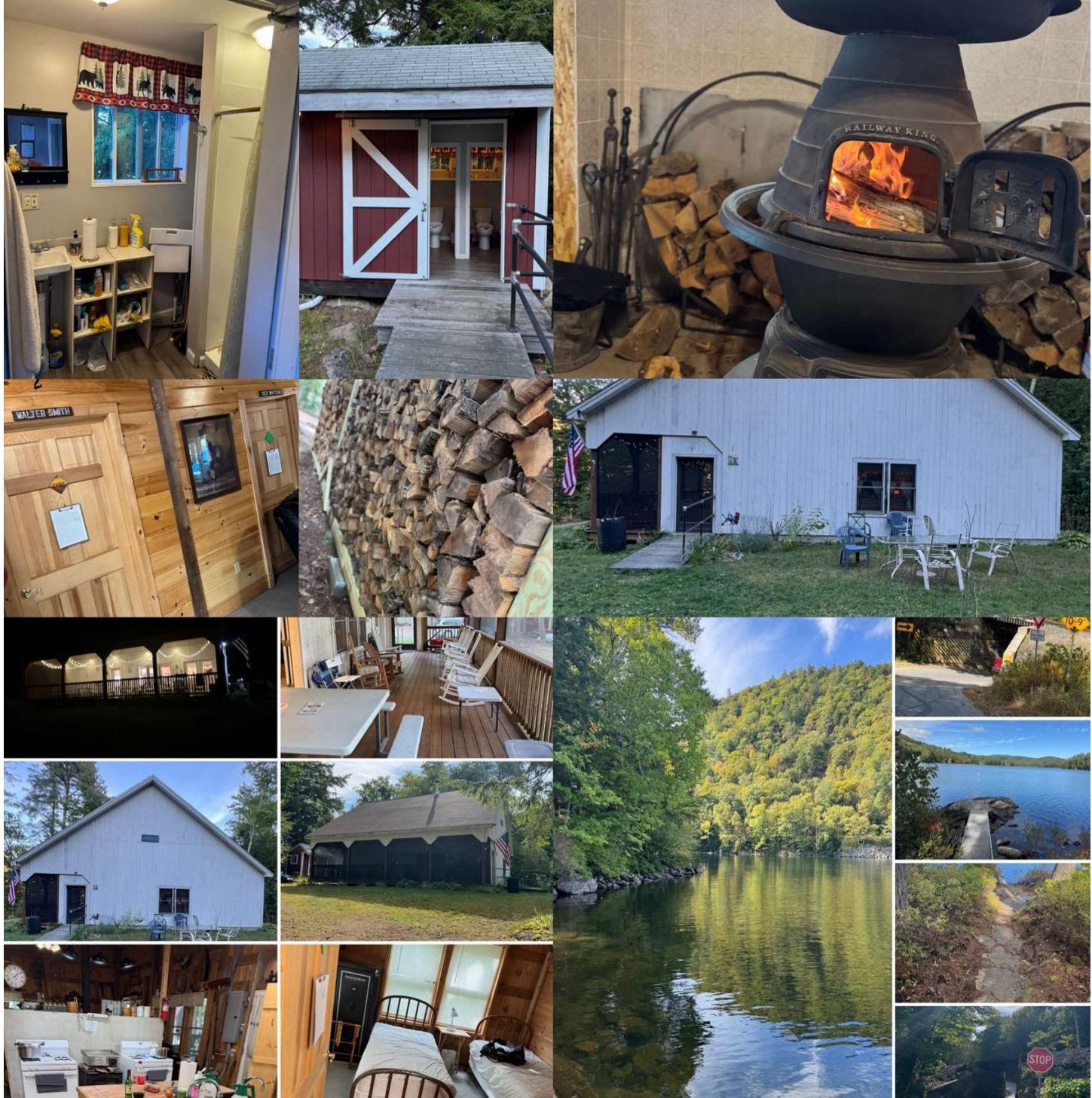
\$10 each

Contact Wor Hartshorn 508-317-7845 or
furface412@yahoo.com



The oldest Masonic Railroad club in America!

Route 93 in scenic New Hampton New Hampshire. Enjoy fishing, hiking, grilling, swimming or just having a cigar by the bonfire. This is the best way to enjoy the atmosphere the lake regions of northern New Hampshire has to offer. To join, contact president Bro. Paul Vento at 774.263.6472 or visit Anchorclubnh.org.



Must be a Master Mason in good standing to join. / Application fee \$75 / Membership fee yearly \$100 / Reservations \$25 per person - per night

Wish you were here....

For up-to-date information, please visit 19thmasonic.com

Cigars & Fellowship at the Lodge

*1st Friday @ Social Harmony lodge in Wareham

*3rd Friday @ Pythagorean Lodge in Marian

No RSVP needed bring your favorite sticks and good conversation. Need more information? Contact Wor. McTague.



***Please Donate gently used clothing to either of these two sites. It helps the lodges, and it helps people in need.**

**USED CLOTHING
DROP OFF**

**Noquochoke Masonic
Lodge**

305 Hixbridge Road
Westport, MA 02790

REDUCE WASTE IN LANDFILLS
CLOTHING USED WORLDWIDE
TAX DEDUCTIBLE

**Fall River Masonic
Associates, Inc.**

152 Columbus Drive
Fall River, MA 02720

REDUCE WASTE IN LANDFILLS
CLOTHING USED WORLDWIDE

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SCENES FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT



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Masonic Con Vendors



Not Pictured: 250th Commemoration Committee Table, Rainbow Girls Table, DeMolay Table, Grand Lodge of Massachusetts Affinity Clubs Table, D&D Dice Table, Masonic Painting Table, Gorra Financial Group Table, Dr. Joseph Warren Foundation, Dumas Reiki and V.V. Alchemy Table, FREA Table, St. Johns #1 New Hampshire Table, Aleppo Shrine Medical Corp. Table, Brothers of the White Ash Tent, Hiram And Solomon Cigars Table, Project Delta, Nava Grotto, Attleboro Cryptic Council Table & Phoenix Royal Arch Chapter Table.

/G\ THE TRAVELING MAN /G\

*Every month we will be looking to feature a brother that has traveled outside the 19th District and tell their story.
(Email Bro.Ian.Harcourt@gmail.com with pictures & trip info).



BRO. CARVALHO & BRO. HARcourt TRAVELED TO MOUNT HOLLIS LODGE IN HOLLISTON MASS.

1st DEGREE ON SEAN DAVID KEAST & EUSEBIO FERMIN GONZALEZ (COURTESY WORK FOR MONTGOMERY LODGE).

THE DDGM OF THE 15 S DISTRICT WAS IN ATTENDANCE, RW GEORGE WOOLWORTH CADWELL.

WOR. JOSEPH POPPER WAS AWARDED HIS PAST MASTER JEWEL & PAST MASTER'S APRON.

ANNUAL MEETING & BUSINESS MEETING.

Do you have a Traveling Man story that you would like to share with the district? YOU COULD BE NEXT... Please reach out to Bro. Harcourt @ Bro.Ian.Harcourt@gmail.com and share your story. You could be featured in the next Traveling Man!



Q.=Question / I.=Ian / J.=Jesse

Q. Was this a planned trip to Mount Hollis Lodge?

I. NOPE! I was on vacation, and I wanted to do some traveling. So, I pulled up Massmasons.org and randomly picked a lodge. Then called Jesse and asked him to go.

Q. How were you two greeted by the brethren present?

I. We were greeted with open arms and hospitality. We were offered dinner, which we graciously accepted.

J. Everyone was so nice and friendly towards us.

Q. You choose a busy night to visit, was that planned?

I. No, I thought it was a regulars business meeting. In fact, I was going to travel to Provincetown MA instead but decided not to because of the distance. This would have been more than twice the ride plus it was a first degree.

J. Nice job Ian! You would pick a long, busy night more than an hour away. Lol

I. Whatever, they were great brothers, and I had fun.

J. So did I.

Q. Were there any other visitors to Mount Hollis Lodge that night?

I. Yes. There were a few brothers from Montgomery Lodge. I imagine that was because Mount Hollis was doing courtesy degree work for Montgomery lodge.

Q. What was for dinner that night?

I. Meatloaf and au gratins potatoes.

Q. Would you return?

I. Absolutely!

J. Yes! We had a good night.



Ezekiel Bates Lodge / 16th Masonic District

Meeting Nights 3rd Wednesday / See Right Worshipful Simmons for more information.



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Masonic Con Speakers



The Speaker Schedule from Masonic Con 2024

-  9:00 AM – Michael Jarzabek
The Continuation of Ancient Traditions
-  10:00 AM – Robert William Marshall
Masonic Highlights from Early Texas
-  11:00 AM – Baruti KMT-Sisouvong, PhD
A Model for Perpetual Growth and Progress: Supporting the Masonic Journey from Self-Interest to Self-Fulfilment and Service
-  12:00 PM – Lunch Period
Take a break and join us for a guided meditation in the Tower Lodge!
-  1:00 PM – Geeg Wiles
Tales from the High Seas: The Adventures of Captain Ahab and Lessons of Brotherhood
-  2:00 PM – Jaime Paul Lamb
The Solomon Magus Tradition
-  3:00 PM – Mark Pearrow
Emotional Intelligence in Freemasonry Leadership
-  4:00 PM – Oscar Alleyne
Music and Freemasonry
-  6:00 PM – VIP Festive Board



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Special Thanks to Right Worshipful Bryan Simons and all the brothers at Ezekiel Bates Lodge!



*We got a chance to catch up with RW Simons after the event and ask him a few questions on his flagship event.

1. Who came up with the idea of Masonic Con (MC) & when was the first event?

The Masonic Con idea stemmed from multiple organizations reaching out to present themselves at our regular meetings. We decided to host them all together at one event, which was the foundation of Masonic Con in 2016.

2. How many MC has Ezekiel Bates hosted?

Since 2016, we have hosted six Masonic Cons in Attleboro and one in New Hampshire.

3. What has worked well, what hasn't worked?

For me, Masonic Con is about the relationships created at the events. There is an esoteric aspect to the birth of friendships when it occurs around people learning together. It creates a bond that is cemented over a good dinner.

4. What were your thoughts on this year's MC?

This year the attendance was down a bit. I think being in the installation season was the main factor. Being an event that nationally draws people, we also conflicted with the Illinois Grand Annual. This caused a couple of favorite vendors to not be able to attend.

5. What speakers and vendors were you most happy about this year?

I'm always happy with our sponsors. We have many that have been with us since the beginning like Michelle Snyder and Ryan Flynn. I hope they do well at the event. They give up a day to be with us, so I always worry that the event doesn't meet their expectations. Speaker wise, I'm never disappointed. The speakers always excel by doing incredible research and exploration to deliver incredible programs to the audience.

6. When will you plan to do the next event?

I'm not sure about the next Masonic Con. If we do it again, it will likely be in a couple of years.

7. You're the chairman on 250th committee. Tell us about the next event.

The 250th Committee is actively working towards the cannon fundraising and preparing for the 250th of Lexington and Concord which you can find more information about here: <https://www.facebook.com/share/2Y2EKiyiZRmBsA8T/?mibextid=9l3rBW>

Stay tune for more information on the next Masonic Con...

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The 19th East District Lodges

Social Harmony	Wareham	1883	2nd Friday
Star In The East	New Bedford	1823	1st Tuesday
Quittacus	New Bedford	1857	2nd Thursday
Pythagorean	Marion	1861	2nd Tuesday
George H Taber	Fairhaven	1872	2nd Monday

The 19th West District Lodges

Mount Hope	*New Bedford	1824	1st Tuesday
King Philip	*Westport	1866	4th Tuesday
Noquochoke	Westport	1878	Saturday on or before Full Moon
Abraham H Howland Jr	New Bedford	1915	2nd Tuesday
Massasoit-Narragansett	*Somerset	1915	1st Thursday

*=Temporary Locations