



MARCH, 2021

**Two Meetings: Grand Lecturers
Convention via ZOOM on the 18th &
The Fellowcraft Degree**

Wednesday March 31st in person.

Stated Communications on the 3rd Thursday
of the month, September through June

WHITESTONE MASONIC TEMPLE

149-39 11th Avenue, Whitestone NY 11357

"Harmony being the support of all institutions, especially this of ours"

<https://RelianceLodge.com/>

Brethren, You are hereby invited and encouraged to attend the **2,356th Special, Summoned Communication** of

RELIANCE LODGE No. 776, F. & A. M.

at the Whitestone Masonic Temple
149-39 11th Avenue, Whitestone NY 11357

ON THE TRESTLE BOARD:

Wednesday, March 31st, 2021

for the business of reading a petition (see page 4) and a
Fellowcraft Degree on Bro. Richard Albert Perez.

RSVP to the Jr. Warden, Bro. Gallo by 3/22
for a lovely, individually packaged pre-
meeting Dinner, to be served at 6:30PM.

LODGE OPENS PROMPTLY at **7:30PM**

ATTIRE: Officers Formal / Sideliners Business.



Ladies are still asked to NOT ATTEND this evening.

We hope to see you all out with us again REAL SOON!

To all brethren who are unable to attend these communications due to illness or distance, I extend my warmest regards. If you need transportation to or from any meeting, please call the Master or Secretary.

Fraternally,

W.: Garrett L. Taverna, Master

Bro. Daniel Trembinski, Sr. Warden

W.: Rick Gallo, Jr. Warden

Attest:

W.: Robert M. Getschel, Secretary





UPON THE SQUARE

W.: *Garrett L. Taverna*

Dearest Brethren,

As we continue the fight through this pandemic, I hope this notice finds you all in good health. I am happy to report that I have now received both doses of the Moderna vaccine, and hear many more of you are receiving your vaccines as well.

If the COVID pandemic was not enough for us to contend with, Mother Nature has decided to lay the snow on us this winter. Due to inclement weather conditions, our February communication was canceled in person and conducted via Zoom. I thank all for attending the Zoom call and readjusting to the circumstances. I hope all of you managed to fare the storms safely.

For our upcoming regular scheduled March 18th communication we will be hosting the Grand Lecturer's Convention. Due to COVID protocols and restrictions, this communication **WILL NOT BE HELD IN PERSON**, instead it will be conducted via Zoom. Please see the details below:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83715496110?pwd=bmNTSX](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83715496110?pwd=bmNTSXRUamx2MjgwRDZzZXh5SnhZQT09)

[RUamx2MjgwRDZzZXh5SnhZQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83715496110?pwd=bmNTSXRUamx2MjgwRDZzZXh5SnhZQT09)

Meeting ID: 837 1549 6110

Passcode: 620607

As we will not be having an in person meeting on our regular scheduled meeting night, I am calling for a special communication on **Wednesday**, March 31, 2021. This meeting will be to conduct the Degree of Fellowcraft for our Entered Apprentice, Brother Richard Perez. Many of the roles have already been assigned, but if you would like

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to participate in the Degree please let me know as soon as possible. I also strongly encourage all that can attend to do so to make this a memorable evening for our Brother.

As always if there are any Brothers that would like to attend our meetings, but need assistance with transportation please reach out to Brother Secretary or myself and will make arrangements for you. I want to wish you all the best of health.

Stay safe and stay healthy.

Best regards,

W.:Brother Garrett Taverna



PETITION

We received a petition from Mr. Azizollah E. Haghigy who was born in Cavite, Philippines on January 21, 1983. He lives at [REDACTED] and has live there ten years now. His vocation is listed as: "Concierge/Doorman 12 years at the same place [REDACTED])" His e-mail address is [REDACTED] and his home/Cell phone # [REDACTED]. His work # is [REDACTED].

He believes in the existence of one ever living and true God and the immortality of the soul. He states that he has never been convicted of a crime or had been rejected from a Masonic Lodge, anywhere. He has never presented a petition to a Masonic Lodge in this state or elsewhere and was never rejected from a lodge here or elsewhere. He had read all of the foregoing questions and answered them in his own handwriting. He declared that all of the answers are true.

It was signed, and was presented by Bro.Garrett Taverna. He presented his petition with the standard deposit and a "Guarding the West Gate" report via e-mail showing no problems.

THE RUBY KAPLAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

If you are interested and didn't receive the email, please contact me for the necessary paperwork at: [REDACTED]

or Secretary@RelianceLodge.Com

Afterwards, it MUST be snail-mailed to Walter J. Wasnieski 3rd

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Bro. Daniel Trembinski was rushed to LIJ a few weeks ago with severe abdominal pain and was in surgery a few hours later due to 2 blockages found in his small intestine.

Bro. Marshal Shichtman had meniscus knee surgery.

They are both recovering well.

WOODLOCH PINES GETAWAY

Friday through Sunday, June 4th, 5th & 6th 2021

our annual **Member Summer Getaway Weekend!**

By popular demand will once again be at **Woodloch Pines**, on Welcome Lake Rd, in **Hawley, PA** 18428



Please get your RSVPs in to Brother Marshal Shichtman as soon as possible: Shichtm@Aol.Com or by phone:

[REDACTED] Same low rates as last year!

FROM THE JUNIOR WARDEN

Greetings Brethren,

I hope this notice reaches you and your family safe and in good spirits.

It has been a great, challenging beginning of a year, but as always, we will prevail. Please let the Worshipful Master know if you need assistance getting to and from the lodge, or in anything else. We are always here to assist our fellow Brethren.

As life slowly starts to get back to a familiar normal, we are currently planning our Second Degree and other events in the near future. We are hoping to see many of our Brothers at these upcoming events.

May the Great Architect Of The Universe guide you to further light!



Please call BEFORE the 22nd
with you choice of:

- **St. Peter s Fish**

Farm raised Tilapia pan seared and sauteed with zucchini in a lemon butter sauce over mesclun greens and Penne.

- **Chicken Scarpariello Entree**

Tender strips of chicken sauteed with whole garlic, potatoes and sausage in a white wine rosemary sauce.

- **Eggplant Parmigiana Entree**

Triple stack of eggplant with tomato sauce and mozzarella.



W. Rick Gallo, Jr. Warden.

Call or Text me: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] send me an e-m [REDACTED]

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, March 4th 2021	2 nd Kings District Meeting in person @ the Elks Hall & via ZOOM .
Thursday, March 18th 2021	Our regular 3 rd Thursday meeting evening, Reliance Lodge No. 776 will be hosting the District Grand Lecturers Convention via ZOOM. NOT at the Whitestone Masonic Hall!
Wednesday, March 31st 2021	Reliance Lodge No. 776 Special meeting: Fellowcraft Degree.
Thursday, April 8th 2021	2 nd Kings District Meeting in person @ the Elks Hall, NHP & via ZOOM .
Thursday, April 15th 2021	Our regular 3 rd Thursday meeting evening, Reliance Lodge No. 776 , Whitestone.
Saturday, May 15th 2021	The Ruby Kaplan Scholarship Application deadline this year is May 15. Please remember all applications must be mailed to Walter Wasnieski ~ they will not be accepted if handed in. Contact our Secretary for the form.
Friday ~ Sunday, June 4, 5 & 6	Woodloch Pines member getaway weekend of June 4 to June 6. Please get your RSVPs to Brother Marshal Shichtman as soon as possible: Shichtm@Aol.Com or XXXXXXXXXX
Tentative date: Sunday, November 21st 2021	District Deputy Testimonial & Social at Verdi's, in Westbury, from 1-5.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to COVID-19, social distancing measures are STILL in effect. Therefore NOBODY will be admitted into the Lodge room or building without a mask on, or with a fever. No shaking of hands or other "grips" will be given. No dinner buffet will be available before the meeting, but rather "individually packaged meals" with an RSVP by the Monday before the meeting ~ CALL the Jr. Warden to reserve your dinner. Further details will be given before the meeting starts, as regulations change all the time.

ON THE TRESTLE BOARD

Awaiting the Degree of Master Mason:

Bro.Stephen Joseph Trachtulec

Awaiting the Degree of Fellowcraft:

Bro.Richard Albert Perez

ELECTED and APPOINTED OFFICERS for 2020-2021

WORSHIPFUL MASTER W.·.Garrett L. Taverna



SENIOR WARDEN Bro. Daniel Trembinski



JUNIOR WARDEN W.·.Rick Gallo (Anna)



TREASURER R.·.W.·.Richard Volz



SECRETARY W.·.Robert M. Getschel, D.S.A. (Pia)



SENIOR DEACON

Bro. Paul N. Zoll III

JUNIOR DEACON

Bro. Pierre Alcantara

Sr. MASTER of CEREMONY

Bro. Fred Kusterbeck

Jr. MASTER of CEREMONY

R.·.W.·.Richard L. Giordano

PAST~CHAPLAIN

R.·.W.·.Raymond Stern

MUSICIAN

AVAILABLE

TILER

Bro.Nerva Augustin

TRUSTEES:

Bro. Michael J. Monahan 2019-2022

R.·.W.·.Robert E. Moore 2018-2021

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R.·.W.·.William P. Stris 2020-2023