



December 16, 2021

TONIGHT'S AGENDA:

D.D.G.M. Visit & Apron presentation.

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

WHITESTONE MASONIC TEMPLE

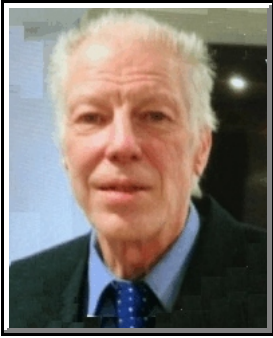
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"Harmony being the support of all institutions, especially this of ours"

<https://RelianceLodge.com/>

Brethren, You are hereby invited and encouraged to attend the

THE MASTERS WORD



My Brethren,

I bid you and your families a healthy and joyous Holiday Season.

Reliance Brothers and their families recently attended the 2021 Social on a Sunday at Westbury Manor. Key to the afternoon s agenda were the outgoing DDGM R. .W. .Jeffery Pickens and the incoming DDGM, Reliance s very own Brother R. .W. .Marshal Shichtman. Both Brothers gave wonderful speeches and the 2nd Kings District looks forward to the new term as we said Thank You Brother Pickens and Welcome and the Best of Luck to Brother Shichtman.

The Ridgewood/Reliance Holiday Party is at hand and Brother Shichtman should be contacted regarding attendance and details. As usual, all payments should go through our secretary, Brother Bob Getschel.

Interview Committees for two petitions for affiliation have been selected and the interviews are scheduled for this month. A vote should occur at the December Meeting if all goes as planned.

Our December Meeting will involve both a Public Apron Presentation to Brother Shichtman, which will be combined with his Official DDGM Visit. This is a special event, as it has been many years since Reliance was graced with such an honor. The ladies are invited and as always are a welcome and integral part of the Reliance Family.

Attire for the December Meeting is Formal for Officers and Business for others.

In closing I beseech the blessing of heaven watch over and keep all our Brethren and their families safe and well. I want to extend my personal wishes to all the Brethren and their families in this most special of seasons.

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I wish you all a Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas and a Happy Kwanzaa. And the Best of Health and Happiness in the upcoming New Year!
Sincerely and Fraternally Yours
W.: Daniel Trembinski, Master.

Daniel Trembinski

PETITIONS

We had two. One for affiliation from a Bro. Peter Ragoussis, a Past Master of Floral Park Lodge. His G.L. # is M123989. He was born in Manhattan, NY on Jan. 21st, 1971. He lives at [REDACTED]. His home phone # is [REDACTED] and his Cell # is [REDACTED]. Spoon95SS@Yahoo.Com is his e-mail address and his vocation is listed as: "Licenced Master Plumber in all 4 boroughs." He's not dimitted from a Lodge at this time. He is a member of Floral Park Lodge No. 1016 & he plans on remaining a member of F.P. Lodge even if he is accepted here. He has never presented a petition to a Masonic Lodge in this state or elsewhere that was rejected or not acted upon. He had read all of the questions and answered them in his own handwriting. He declares that all of the answers are true. It is signed and was presented by Bro. Bob Getschel.

The other one is for affiliation from Bro. John F. Lucas, G.L. # M126747 who was born in Astoria, NY on Oct. 8th, 1944. He lives at [REDACTED]. His home phone # is [REDACTED] and his Cell # is [REDACTED]. His e-mail address is Wingsqtmaj@Msn.Com and his vocation is listed as: "Retired." He's not demitted from a Lodge at this time. He is a member of St. Albans Lodge No. 56 & he does not plan on remaining a member of that Lodge if he is accepted here. He has never presented a petition to a Masonic Lodge in this state or elsewhere that was rejected or not acted upon. He had read all of the questions and answered them in his own handwriting. He declares that all of the answers are true. It is signed, and was presented by Bro. Bob Getschel.

FROM THE JUNIOR WARDEN



Brethren,

I hope this finds you all still enjoying the past Thanksgiving festivities, memories and leftovers! With the December meeting and the visit from our very own DDGM Marshal Shichtman, please accept the following for a Dinner menu and do get in touch with me via text, email or phone no later than the 12th of December.

Salads:

Caesar Salad

Arugula Salad

Grilled Chicken Salad

Main Course:

Sauerbraten

Grilled Swordfish

Knackwurst

Chicken Schnitzel

Coffee and dessert will be provided post Meeting. Wishing all my Brothers a Healthy and Prosperous end of year and a Blessed Christmas and Chanukah.

May the Great Architect shed His Blessing upon Our Lodge and Brethren both near and far.

Please contact me prior to 5pm, December 12th for your choice.

Call or Text me ASAP:

Or send me an e-mail: PaulNZ3@aol.com

Brother Paul N. Zoll III, Junior Warden.

IN MEMORIAM

It greatly saddens me to carry on the information that a Brother of Reliance Lodge No.776, has laid down his working tools of life, passing away on November 12th, 2021.

Bro.Nicholas Peter Stris was 77 years old and had 47 good years with Reliance Lodge.

Brother Nicholas' wife, Betty had Passed two years ago, so condolences can be sent to his brother, Bro.Bill Stris, 41 Parkwold Drive East, Valley Stream, NY 11580-2152

He will be missed. ⑤



SCHOLARSHIPS

Please note that the Frank M. Totton Essay Contest is available for current High School Seniors who are sons, daughters, grandchildren, or a member of the extended family of a Master Mason, or a member of any of the three Masonic Youth groups. The Contest is now receiving all entries online at the Grand Lodge website, www.nymason.org under the committee name, just click!

Contest cutoff date is midnight, Jan 17, 2022. All additional rules are stated on the site. Lodge seal is no longer required.

MASONIC YOUTH

Wantagh Chapter is the only DeMolay chapter in Nassau and needs your help in recruiting members. The age is 12 to 21 for DeMolays and 7 to 11 for Squires. Wantagh Chapter meets first and third Thursdays at the Baldwin Masonic Hall at 7:00 PM.

Wantagh Chapter Order of DeMolay is having a bowling prospect party on December 11, 2021 at Wantagh Lanes on Wantagh Avenue from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Young men, ages 7 through 21 bowl for free! Adults bowling fee is \$20.00. This is two hours of bowling, pizza and soda. Everyone is welcome!

BROADWAY SHOW

Reliance Lodge is going see The Music Man at THE WINTER GARDEN THEATER! We still have a few tickets to go see The Music Man at the Winter Garden Theater on Sunday, May 1st at 3pm.

These are orchestra seats for this show ~ yet YOU can get one for a great discount through your Lodge, only \$50⁰⁰ each!

If there are any questions, please let us know.

RSVP to Bro. Garrett Tavema via email to:

GarrettTaverna@gmail.com or phone at [REDACTED]

Seats are limited so reserve yours fast!

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, December 11th 2021	HOLIDAY PARTY ~ The Reliance / Ridgewood Holiday party will be held at Westbury Manor, located at 1100 Jericho Turnpike, Westbury NY, from 7:00 PM - 11:00 PM. RSVP to Marshal Shichtman at shichtm@aol.com. \$60 a head for our members and their family, friends & prospects; Otherwise \$125 per person.
Second Sunday, Dec 12th 2021	Visitation to the St. Albans Veteran's Home including a BINGO social we will run. Starts 2pm . Could be canceled ~ Call or text the secretary first.
Thursday, Dec. 16th 2021	Our regular 3 rd Thursday meeting of Reliance Lodge No. 776 , Whitestone; DD Visit .
Friday, December 24th 2021	Christmas Eve.
Friday, December 31st 2021	2022 Reliance Lodge DUES due by today.
Thursday, Jan. 20th 2022	Our regular 3 rd Thursday meeting of Reliance Lodge No. 776 , Whitestone.
Thursday, Feb. 17th 2022	Our regular 3 rd Thursday meeting of Reliance Lodge No. 776 , Whitestone.
Saturday, May 1st 2022	Broadway Show ~ Music Man at the Winter Garden Theater on Sunday, May 1 st at 3pm. Tickets are \$50 ⁰⁰ for Members & their family members.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to COVID-19, social distancing measures are STILL in effect. Therefore those with a fever or other "cold symptoms" should stay home. Those without having been vaccinated will not be admitted into the Lodge room or building without a mask on. No shaking of hands or other "grips" will be given. No open tray dinner buffet will be available before the meeting; rather "individually packaged meals" will be available for those who RSVP by the Monday before the meeting.

ON THE TRESTLE BOARD

Awaiting the Degree of Fellowcraft:
Bro. Azizollah E. Haghighy

FROM THE SECRETARY

The year is rapidly coming to a close, yet there is much happening at the lodge. Dues notices went out a while ago for 2022, yet we still have a few Brothers who have not yet paid their lodge dues for 2021; too many Brothers are at risk of being dropped for non-payment of dues (NPD).

I implore you; PLEASE, PLEASE, pay your dues promptly. If you have any issues, please reach out to me, or to the Master as soon as possible. We can only address concerns we know about. Thank you.

Looking forward to seeing you in Lodge!

ELECTED and APPOINTED OFFICERS for 2021-2022

WORSHIPFUL MASTER W. .Daniel Trembinski



SENIOR WARDEN

W. .Rick Gallo (Anna)



JUNIOR WARDEN

Bro.Paul N. Zoll III



TREASURER

R. .W. .Richard Volz



SECRETARY

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



SENIOR DEACON

Bro.Michael J. Monahan

JUNIOR DEACON

Bro.Steve Trachtulec

Sr. MASTER of CEREMONY

Bro. Richard Perez

Jr. MASTER of CEREMONY

R. .W. .Richard L. Giordano

CHAPLAIN

W. .Garrett Taverna

MUSICIAN

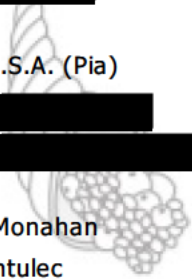
AVAILABLE

TILER

Bro.Nerva Augustin

HISTORIAN

R. .W. .William P. Stris



TRUSTEES:

R. .W. .Robert E. Moore 2021-2024

R. .W. .Marshal D. Shichtman 2020-2023

R. .W. .William P. Stris 2020-2023

