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Constituted March 15, 1919 Coblenz, Germany

This Month's Meeting is on Tuesday, 09 FEB 2010 at 1800 hrs

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Lodge Officers 2009-2010

Worshipful Master W.: Michael J. Barboza	Junior Steward Michael J. Gardiner Jr.
Senior Warden Brad Buckley	Sentinel Augustus Marcello
Junior Warden Manny Lewis	Tyler Richard Laurino PM
Treasurer Frank Dimascio PM	Chaplin Bryan Martin
Secretary Joe Neto PM	Musical Director Jerry Brock
Senior Deacon Stephen Tedeski	Ritual Advisor Joe Neto PM
Junior Deacon Marcus Channell	Lodge Historian Stephen Tedeski
Senior Steward Daniel Lucas	Color Guard NCOIC Daniel Auxier

REGULAR COMMUNICATION

Second Tuesday of each Month (except July & August)

Rehearsals - Tuesday Preceding the Communication, at 1800.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION VETERAN'S DAY

Overseas Lodge #40

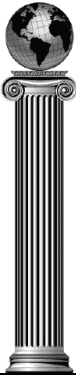
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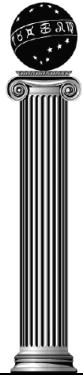




THE OVERSEAS MAIL CALL — MAR 2010



1,319 Regular Communication Tuesday, 09 FEB 2010



Dinner **1800 HOURS**
Opening **1900 HOURS**
 Business and Correspondence
 Examination of EA Degree
 Ballot for Affiliation
 DD Visitation
Closing **After Degree**

TAPS
Condolences to:

Dinner—6:00 PM
 RSVP— overseassecretary09@cox.net or 401-255-7833

FROM THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER



Michael J. Barboza, Master
 Saepius Exertus ~ Often Tested
 Semper Fidelis ~ Always Faithful
 Frater Infinitas ~ Brothers Forever



SHRAPNEL

Samuel Cooperman
 Bernard Freeman
 Frank Yetner
 Robert Chase
 George Feldman
 Earl L. Hodson Sr.
 Frederick W. Suffa
 Henry Zaboski
 William Sweet

TAPS

BIRTHDAYS





THIS MONTH:

- District Deputy Visitation
- Balloting on Brother Richard Pink for affiliation
- Presenting the EA Degree to Candidates Vanna Nhem, Jonny Shay, & Andrew Vogel

I hope that you will be attending to support the Lodge Officers in their degree work and to show Lodge Unity to our Candidates. Please notify the secretary of any personal information changes, ie; phone number, e-mail or address changes.

LAST MONTH:

RECAP & PICTURES

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- SAVE THE DATE - NOT TOO LATE: 12-14 FEB 2010 Annual Sweetheart Weekend
\$199 per couple / 2 nights accommodations / breakfast on Sat. / dinner on Sat. night / hospitality room
Contact the secretary for reservations!
- 7 FEB 2010 Super Bowl
- 20 FEB 2010 Olympic Party at the RI Shrine. Contact the Shrine for ticket info.





The tenets of our institution are brotherly love, relief and truth. The foundation upon which our fraternity was built is based upon Freemasons continually striving to further those tenets. Pursuing brotherly love fosters better relationships between individuals.

From the Editor
A MUST READ
THIS MONTH-

Bigotry and self dealing by or among Masons is not tolerated in our fraternity. Freemasonry teaches men to be just and upright in their path through life. A Mason emulates by his actions the tenets of the Craft. As a fraternity, each brother expects and more especially demands that a brother not stray from those Masonic principles. Brotherly love, relief and truth appear to be a simple concept. Unfortunately for many non Masons, it is unobtainable.

All Masons have learned the meaning of those tenets. Most brothers are able to continually practice out of the Lodge that which they have been taught within. Once learned, most brothers do not stray far from those principles. Freemasonry is a fraternity that has survived over time primarily because each Brother has continued to exhibit those truly Masonic virtues. One's attendance at Lodge only reinforces the lessons attached to those principles.

However, occasionally there are some brothers who forget the true meaning of brotherly love and truth. They become consumed with their own egos and self righteousness. They do not care about the damage that they inflict upon other brothers, the Craft or non masons. When a brother strays down the wrong path, he will never find the right path unless another brother extends his hand and whispers good counsel to the erring brother. Sometimes, the actions of an erring brother are so egregious that most brothers turn away instead of extending a helping hand. Returning an erring brother to the right path is not an easy task and sometimes ends in failure. However, we must for the good of the Craft continually strive to do the best that we can in that endeavor.

Freemasonry has survived because those moral values which we have been taught have won the test over time. One's journey through life is short compared to eternity. One's legacy is not measured by fame and fortune but by the reputation that he has left behind. In our Craft, we are all equal. **By each of us continuing to practice brotherly love, relief and truth, each of us in our own way will contribute in making our society a better place for all to live.**

Fraternally,
W.: Andrew G. Sholes

Officers Forum Dates

February 4, 2010- Mt. Vernon Lodge
March 22, 2010-Jenks Lodge
April 1, 2010-Morning Star Lodge
April 19, 2010-Thomas Smith Webb

Any questions regarding the Officer's Forums-
call RW Paul Kokolsky, Director of Masonic
Education at 401-828-2457

Dates to Remember

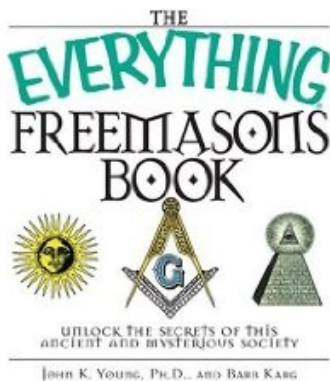
09 FEB 2010 - EA Degree
09 FEB 2010 - DD Visitation
12-14 FEB 2010 - Getaway Weekend
09 MAR 2010 - TBD
13 APR 2010 - TBD
11 MAY 2010 - TBD

DD Visitations-Metro District

February 9, 2010- Overseas 40
March 22, 2010-Jenks 24
April 12, 2010-Daylight 48
April 21, 2010-St. Johns No. 1P

Grand Master's Visitation to the Metro District is at
Redwood Lodge on Monday, February 8, 2010.

BOOK OF THE MONTH:



For centuries, one organization has been rumored to control the destinies of men, cities, and even nations. That society is Freemasonry. Some say the Brotherhood dates back to the building of King Solomon's Temple. Others say the genesis can be traced back to Knights Templar, guardians of the Holy Grail. The *Everything Freemasons Book* is a great introductory book on the Brotherhood that examines all aspects of our society including:

- Myths, legends, and stories of our ancient order
- The closely guarded rituals, symbols, and esoteric arts
- Who's who of famous Freemasons
- Enemies of Freemasonry
- And much more!