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Horace Chase Lodge No. 72, Penacook, NH

TRESTLEBOARD

October 2024

The Master's Message

Brethren,

“Nothing is impossible, the word itself says I'm possible.”

Audrey Hepburn.

Brethren and friends alike, we control much of what goes on in our lives. A positive attitude and perseverance will get you through most any problem. When writing these Trestleboards and Notes from the East, I try to take everyday examples from my own life to make a difference in yours. Life is both a comedy and a tragedy, and at times seems to cross lanes frequently. From my past career to my current job, I have had occasion to meet people at the low point of their lives. Many bring inspiration as they forge ahead, seeing each day as a gift. They smile, laugh, and do their best to focus on the positive, thereby lifting others around them. Others focus on all things negative. Without doubt, we all experience periods of pain and hardness. Each person has their own threshold for what hits them the most. Each person also learns how best to pull themselves back up and rise themselves from these doldrums.

Masonry teaches us of these cycles and also shows us how to move forward. Additionally, our Brethren and Masonic families provide support. Be that positive influence on others and reach out to lift the spirits of those you have not spoken with for some time. Check on a friend or Brother. Let them know you were thinking of them. Recently, I went to a nursing home to check on a Brother who is in his twilight. I had never met this Brother before, but felt as a Masonic Brother, I should not let that dissuade me. This Brother had a roommate, and I began the conversation with a “Hi” and a quick intro of who I was. Nearly two hours later, I left having learned much about these gentlemen, their stories, and their contributions to the world. I left feeling rejuvenated and glad that I had made the trip. When I arrived, they were both half-napping, but when I left, they were fully awake and engaged and thanked me for coming. That day, we made a difference to each other.

For all the public speaking that we do in Masonry, Degree work, allegory, and ritual, personal connections are still the best tool we have to keep this craft thriving. What is easier for you; to ignore an email, or a personal reach out? For many, if not all, it is that email.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 6:30pm Night of Masonic Light	4	5
6 2:00pm Veterans & Special Ladies program	7 9:00–11:00am Coffee social 	8	9	10 6:30pm Night of Masonic Light	11	12 8:00–10:00am Community Breakfast 
13	14 9:00–11:00am Coffee social 	15	16	17 6:30pm Dinner 7:30 pm Stated Meeting (EA Degree)	18	19
20	21 9:00–11:00am Coffee social 	22	23	24 6pm Dinner 7 pm FC Degree	25	26
27	28 9:00–11:00am Coffee social 	29	30	31 6:30pm Night of Masonic Light		

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There are many great Masonic functions occurring both inside and outside your jurisdiction. I recently attended a large New England-wide function in Portland, Maine, where nearly forty NH people from our Masonic families made the trek. The Masonic building was amazing, and so was the fellowship and opportunity to meet people from across New England. At a recent joint visitation of Horace Chase Lodge, there were ten Lodges present, including one Lodge from Massachusetts.

I realize that this type of traveling may not be for all. But every masonic function is an opportunity to meet new people or renew friendships. We have several different events at Horace Chase Lodge this month:

- Sunday, October 6: Veterans and Special Ladies Program starting at 2:00 p.m. Meal provided by Priscilla Chapter (ham loaf, mashed potatoes, hot veggies, and apple crisp and vanilla ice cream).
- Saturday, October 12: Community Breakfast from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. Always great food and fellowship.
- Thursday, October 17: Stated Meeting for Horace Chase Lodge (open on EA degree), with dinner at 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, October 24: Fellowcraft Degree, dinner at 6:00 p.m. and Lodge opening at 7:00 p.m.

Brethren, let me know how to make Masonry a constant in your life. The Lodge and its Officers hope to see and hear from you soon. Stop by a Night of Masonic Light or travel to another Lodge; make Masonry a positive outlet for you. Please check the Horace Chase calendar for upcoming events and reach out if we can assist you. Stay safe and well.

Fraternally,

Scott Nichols
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Don't miss out on anything that happens at the Lodge. If you need a ride to an event, call (603) 682-6482 or email horacechase72@gmail.com.

Living Past Masters

George A. Langwasser	1977
Terry S. Gregg	1979-1980
Dale C. Nudd	1981-1982
Sumner Goldman, PGSB	1989-1990
Albert W. Fifield	1991
Fred W. Courser III	1992-1994
Mark C. Roth, PDDGM, PGC, PGP	1994-1995
Herbert S. Carpenter IV, PDEO	1996-1997
Dana B. Reddish	1997-1998
Robert S. Hansen	1998
Gary E. Roy, PDDGM	1999-2000
Andrew F. Lane	2003-2004
Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., PGM	2005-2006
Donald H. Wheeler, Jr.	2006-2007
Robert M. MacLean, Jr., PGP	2007
Robert C. Lethbridge, GC	2008
Peter D. Crouch, DDGL	2008-2009
David A. Hardy, PDDGM	2010-2011
Louis M. Corson	2011-2012
Joseph A. Hardy	2012-2013
Brian Stiles	2013-2015
Jason M. Valley	2014
James M. Triacca, Honorary	2015
Karl R. Olson, GH	2016-2018
Michael A. Drotar, PGS	2016
Glenn A. Patterson	2017
Rodney W. Sewall, Jr.	2018-2019
Andrew J. Bennert, SGD	2019-2020
Wilmer J. Nemchick	2020-2021
John E. Glover, DDGEO	2022-2023

Brothers Raised in October

David H. Jurta	October 4, 1973
Allan S. McCausland	October 26, 1977
Philip S. Roberts	October 26, 1977
Thomas R. Edney	October 26, 1978
Edwin J. Geffken	October 17, 1995
James D. Hanna	October 13, 1998
Ronald F. Piroso	October 27, 2004
Charles R. Hussman	October 6, 2005
Donald E. Taylor	October 30, 2008
Thomas E. Hemstock, Jr.	October 1, 2016
Teddy M. Metz	October 29, 2022