

Masonic Birthdays – January 2016

Happy Masonic Birthday to the following Brethren.

<u>Brother</u>	<u>Years</u>
Roger Gaskill	65
Philip L. Hall	62
John G. Senter	61
Kenneth P. Blanchard	54
G. Raymond Palmer	47
Randy S. McMullen	32
Steven F. Maffee	30
David A. Barker	25
Shawn N. Jasper	25
William Luszey	24
Rock W. Romeo	23
Wayne R. Johnson	21
Anthony F. Phillips Jr.	20
Thomas V. Mullen	15
Jason F. Ruimerman	13
Gregory W. Chenevert	10
Matthew A. Stanizzi	5

I wish each of the above Brethren a very happy Masonic Birthday, and invite them to join us at Lodge this month, so that I may personally extend my hand and best wishes.

Guy R. Martineau, W.M.

Attest: Brian J Smith, P.M., Secretary

Lodge Welcome to the Ladies

It is in our hearts, dear sisters,
While the Mason's chain is bright,
To give our warmest welcome
To the best beloved, tonight;
To the wife, so fondly cherished,
To the daughter, sister, true,
To the faithful, tenderhearted –
Shall I say the word? – to you.

We acknowledge countless blessings
From the Bounteous Hand above;
Our bond was first cemented
By Divine assent and love;
We are grateful, truly grateful,
For all gifts He doth bestow,
But our warmest thanks are given –
Shall I say the word? – for you.

Our brotherhood is countless,
From the East unto the West;
In every land, and clime, and tongue,
They range among the best;
And every man a hundred miles
On frosty sod will go,
To give you help, or win a smile –
Shall I say the word? – from you.

Then hail! Adoptive Masonry,
That brings us here together;
May manly arms 'round lovely forms
Protect from Stormy weather;
And when, adown the hill of life,
Our tottering feet shall go,
May our weary steps be comforted –
Shall I say the word? – by you.

By Brother Rob Morris



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Masonic Trestleboard ~ February 2016 ~

Important Lodge Events

EA DEGREE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2016
7:00 PM LODGE OPENS

FC DEGREE (IF ENTITLED)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2016
7:00 PM LODGE OPENS

STATED MEETING

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2016
6:15PM DINNER 7:30 PM LODGE OPENS

MM DEGREE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2016
5:30 PM LODGE OPENS 1ST SECTION
6:30PM DINNER
7:30 2ND SECTION

2ND DISTRICT EVENTS

MASTERS CLASS
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2016
LAFAYETTE-BIBLE #41, GOFFSTOWN

From the East

Congratulations to the newly installed suite of officers for Rising Sun Lodge for the next year. I look forward to the plans and achievements they will make to our lodge during their tenure. I would ask that each member give their full support to each of them as they progress towards the Oriental Chair !

Congratulations to Lenny Perkins who led a fantastic presentation and discussion on Integrity and its ties to Freemasonry. Thank you to Larry Gullett who discussed the upcoming Nova Scotia trip in July as we venture northeast for what I believe is our 12th exchange with John Albro Lodge and our family there. This year's trip will include a play that Mason's and their significant others can both attend. It is sure to be a fun filled weekend with education and great friendships.

We have a very busy year coming up and congratulations to our two new Fellowcrafts who are already working on their lessons and progressing forward. We have an EA degree on February 3rd, FC on February 10th (if entitled), and a MM on February 24th which is our inspection from the DDGL. Please consider coming out to support our new brothers as they progress and enjoy some great times with your brethren.

Not sure how you can help your lodge? We have many activities and tasks that we are working on to help make our lodge stronger so future generations can benefit from it as we have.

Finally, with it being February and Valentine's Day approaching, remember your loved ones and remind them how much you care about them and why. Happy Valentine's Day and God Bless !



Sincerely & Fraternaly,

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Valentine's Day Fun Facts

Here is the most enjoyable and unbelievable collection of Valentine's Day Fun Facts. Share these fun facts with your friends to amaze them this Valentine Day.

- More than 36 million heart-shaped boxes of chocolate are sold for Valentine's Day each year.
- On average, men shell out \$130 each on candy, cards, jewelry, flowers and dates. That's more than double what women commit to spending.
- About 8 billion candy hearts will be produced this year; that's enough candy to stretch from Rome, Italy to Valentine, Arizona 20 times and back again.
- About 1 billion Valentine's Day cards are exchanged in US each year. That's the largest seasonal card-sending occasion of the year, next to Christmas.
- Worldwide, over 50 million roses are given for Valentine's Day each year.
- Women purchase 85% of all valentines.
- In order of popularity, Valentine's Day cards are given to teachers, children, mothers, wives, sweethearts and pets.
- 73% of people who buy flowers for Valentine's Day are men, while only 27 percent are women.
- Men buy most of the millions of boxes of candy and bouquets of flowers given on Valentine's Day.
- In the Middle Ages, young men and women drew names from a bowl to see who their valentines would be. They would wear these names on their sleeves for one week. To wear your heart on your sleeve now means that it is easy for other people to know how you are feeling.
- The Italian city of Verona, where Shakespeare's lovers Romeo and Juliet lived, receives about 1,000 letters addressed to Juliet every Valentine's Day.
- Richard Cadbury invented the first Valentines Day candy box in the late 1800s.
- Alexander Graham Bell applied for his patent on the telegraph, an "Improvement in Telegraphy", on Valentine's Day, 1876.
- The oldest surviving love poem till date is written in a clay tablet from the times of the Sumerians around 3500 BC.
- In Medieval times, girls ate unusual foods on St Valentine's Day to make them dream of their future husband.

These fun facts are brought to you courtesy of
www.stvalentinesday.org

NASHUA & OTHER MASONIC FAMILY DATES:

Rainbow Stated – 1st & 3rd Thursdays

Nashua Assembly No. 9, International Order of Rainbow for Girls will meet at 7:00 pm.

Tuesday, February 9, 2016–Ancient York Lodge

Will hold its Stated Communication at 7:30 pm, to be preceded by dinner at 6:30 pm.

Friday, February 26, 2016– O.E.S.

Pilgrim Chapter No. 55 will hold its' Stated Meeting at 7:30 pm.



Can you cook? Test your culinary skills by signing up to cook a Stated Meeting Dinner this will help Brother Tim Marotte significantly.

2015 ANNUAL DUES IS PAST DUE

2016 ANNUAL DUES IS NOW DUE

You may pay via check, or electronically via the Rising Sun Website. You may also make donations electronically for specific funds as well.

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