



ST. JOHNS LODGE NO. ONE

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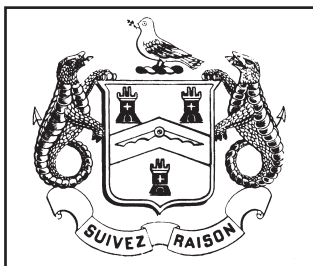
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

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February 2019

**3875th
Regular
Communication**



R.: W.: Robert A. Palazzo
District Deputy Grand Master
Metro District

W.: William B. Ripley
Grand Master of Ceremonies

M.: W.: Glenn S. Carlson
Grand Master

R.: W.: Scott Alger
Grand Marshal

This Month's Communication: February 2019

Return Service Requested



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St. Johns Lodge meets the third Wednesday of every month, except July and August,
at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center, 2115 Broad Street, Cranston, Rhode Island.
Telephone: 401-223-7041



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Wednesday, February 13, 2019
Wednesday, February 20, 2019

St. Johns - Rehearsal MM Degree
St. Johns - Regular Communication

7:00 PM
6:00 PM

Attest: M.: W.: Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr., Secretary

W.: Richard Gonzalez, Master

Master's Message

Greeting My Brothers:

We ended January with the conferral of the Fellowcraft Degree on five candidates. Congratulations are in order to the officers and especially our Senior Deacon, **Josh Irizarry**, whose Middle Chamber lecture was impressive. Kudos to you, brother Senior Deacon. Congratulations are also in order to **Don Williamson**, a past master of St Johns, who was elected for a second time as Potentate of the R.I. Shriners for 2019.



February the officers will be rehearsing for the Master Mason degree to be conferred on March 20th. Also in February, Gaspee Chapter of DeMolay, whom the St. Johns sponsors, will be visiting the lodge again and will be opening their Chapter within a recessed lodge of Master Masons. They will conduct their chapter business and then Jr. Past State Master Councilor **Armando Barragan** will be presenting the *Flower Talk* for our members. Please come and show your support for our Brethren in DeMolay.

May Brotherly Love Prevail

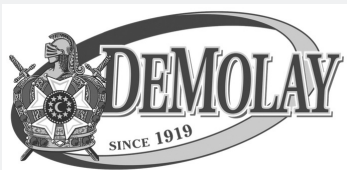
Richard Gonzalez

Richard Gonzalez
Worshipful Master

The **Wilkens Scholarship** applications for 2019 are available. The scholarship is open to the children and grandchildren of members (in good standing) of St. Johns Lodge #1 Providence, as well as members of Rainbow/DeMolay. If you need an application, please email the secretary. They will also be available at the February communication.

February Program:

Gaspee Chapter of DeMolay will open their Chapter and conduct business followed by **Jr. Past State Master Councilor Armando Barragan** presenting the *Flower Talk*.



Check out the Lodge's Web site @
<http://www.stjohns1p.com>

Lodge & District Events

Saturday 2/9/19	Gaspee Chapter DeMoley	10:30 AM
Monday 2/11/19	Redwood Lodge #35	7:00 PM
Tuesday 2/12/19	Overseas Lodge #40	7:00 PM
Wednesday 2/13/19	St. Johns Rehearsal	7:00 PM
Monday 2/18/19	Rising Sun #30	7:00 PM
Wednesday 2/20/19	St. Johns Communication	6:00 PM
Saturday 2/23/19	Gaspee Chapter DeMoley	10:30 AM
Monday 2/25/19	Jenks Lodge #24	7:00 PM
Tuesday 3/5/19	Grand Master's Visitation	7:30 PM
	St. Paul's Lodge #14 (East Bay District)	

Get Well Wishes

William J. DeLuca	401-465-7288
2 Castleton Dr., Cranston, RI 02921-2413	
Edwin Fielder	401-397-5637
85 Lakehurst Drive, Coventry, RI 02816	
Robert Labonte	
c/o VA Home 480 Metacom Ave, Bristol, RI	
Wayne H. Lacy	401-353-2603
12 Gardner Ave., N. Providence, RI 02911	

Let us remember all sick or shut in Brothers who could use a call, card or visit. Please report all such brothers to the Master Richard Gonzalez or any of the following Sick Committee members; Walter Kelly, Kenneth Phillips, and Garabed Emdjian.

Ballot on Petition to Join by Affiliation

Wilson Perez Sr.
Redwood Lodge #35

Wilson Perez Jr.
Redwood Lodge #35

**To Insure Enough Food For All,
Dinner Reservations Are a MUST!!!!**

February 20th Monthly Communication

- 6:00 PM: St. Johns open to transact such business as shall regularly come before it.
- 6:45 PM: **Chicken Parmesan, Baked Ziti, Baked Fish** carrots, garden salad and dessert
- 7:30 PM: Program

Call: Bob Gervais @ 401-861-1757
No later than **Sunday, February 17th** for reservations.
Any Brother with special dietary needs beyond the listed menu,
please inform Brother Bob.

In Memoriam

Brother Norval Edwin Garnett

Corinthian Lodge #27
St. Johns Lodge #1 Providence
Born August 8, 1925
Entered Apprentice, September 24, 1956
Fellow Craft, November 26, 1956
Master Mason, January 28, 1957
Admitted Corinthian Lodge #27,
February 25, 1957
Merged with Thomas Smith Webb Lodge #43
Oct. 27, 1990
Received 50 year medal in 2007
Merged with St. Johns Lodge #1 Providence
May 16, 2012
Passed to the celestial lodge above
December 29, 2018
93 years



Most Worshipful Brother Herbert Henry McGuire

Warwick Lodge #16
Mt. Vernon Lodge #4
St. Johns Lodge #1 Providence
Born September 9, 1928
Entered Apprentice
Warwick Lodge, March 10, 1960
Fellow Craft, April 14, 1960
Master Mason, May 12, 1960
Admitted Warwick Lodge #14, June 9, 1960
Merged with Mt. Vernon Lodge #4 January 6, 2005
Affiliated with St. Johns Lodge #1 Providence
October 19, 2016
Most Worshipful Grand Master 1989
Grand Lodge Distinguished Service Medal 1990
Grand Lodge Exemplary Service Medal May 18, 1998
Exemplary Service Medal Silver Bee Hive May, 20, 2002
Grand Lodge 50 Year Veterans Medal 2010
Mt. Vernon Meritorious Service Medal May 21, 2015
Passed to the celestial lodge above
January 8, 2019, 90 years

Grand Master's Testimonial Dinner

in honor of

Brother Glenn S. Carlson

163rd Grand Master

For the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient
and Honorable Society
of Free and Accepted Masons
For the State of Rhode Island and
Providence Plantations

Saturday April 27, 2019

Jointly Hosted by Manchester #12 &
St. Johns #1 Providence

Valley Country Club

251 New London Avenue Warwick, RI

Cocktail Hour 5 pm Dinner 6 pm

Meal Choices:

Sausage Stuffed Chicken, Fish or Vegetarian option
\$35 Per person

**RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE
BY APRIL 1, 2019**

PLEASE CONTACT

R.: W.: Scott Alger 401.996.5303



Dear Friends,

The members of *Rhode Island Rainbow Girls* are working with the Supreme Assembly to raise funds for the continued maintenance of our beautiful Supreme Temple in McAlester, Oklahoma. We are collecting shoes from January 1, 2019 to May 31, 2019. We are asking for your help with this endeavor. Could you ask each of the Lodges to put this in the monthly communication?

The shoes must have good soles and be in decent condition. Since the collection is done by weight, work boots are a really great addition.

Either Mrs. Deborah Therrien, Supreme Deputy, (401-463-6343) or I may be contacted about picking them up if you do not have a Rainbow Assembly at your Lodge.

This is a project that costs us nothing but could be especially helpful to our Organization.

In Rainbow Love and Service,

Lynn D. Gebler
Past Supreme Inspector
Project Coordinator



St Johns Lodge Number One Providence ~ Officers 2018-2019

Master: W.: Richard Gonzalez ~ email: alchemist184@yahoo.com

Senior Warden: Mazen M. Alsabe Junior Warden: Scott E. Miller

Treasurer: R.: W.: Ronald P. Reed Secretary: M.: W.: Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr. email: secretary1prov@gmail.com

Chaplain: R.: W.: Mekawy E. Elmekawy Associate Chaplain: Robert Larabee



*Senior Deacon: Joshua A. Irizarry Junior Deacon: John B. Paliotta
Senior Steward: Joseph Bernier Junior Steward: John P. Gauthier*



Marshal: W.: Timothy L. Culhane

Sentinel: Hugo Adamas Jr.

Tiler: Garabed Emdjian Associate Tiler: Thomas Kumes

Master of Ceremonies W.: Anthony Marcello, Jr. Associate M.C.: W.: Arthur Bajakian

Musical Director: Frank A. Castellone

Lodge Reporter: W.: Timothy L. Culhane

Finance Committee: W.: Edward D. Bertrand, Edward McDonald, Edward O. Quinn

Living Past Masters of St. Johns Lodge Number One Providence

St. Johns Lodge No. 1P

1971 Hagop Tikoian
1973 John C. Crompton
1975 Robert D. Coleman
1976 Barry A. Phillips
1979 George M. Hanrahan
1980 Carl E. Croft
1981 Ralph DiScuillo
1982 Anthony Marcello, Jr.
1984 Gregory W. Dexter
1985 Robert R. Mason
1986 Elton D. Ricker, Jr.
1993 Anthony Marcello, Jr.
1994-95 Thomas A. Ashley
1999-00 Clarence Soderberg, Jr.
2001 Gregory W. Dexter
2002 William E. Whetstone
2006 Gerald T. Plemmons
2007 Russell A. Kawa
2008 Kenneth B. Phillips
2009 Ronald P. Reed
2010 Edward D. Bertrand
2011 Donald L. Williamson, Jr.
2012 Arthur Bajakian
2013 Richard F. Lynch
2014 Robert J. O'Brien
2015 Timothy L. Culhane
2016 William J. DeLuca
2017 Edward D. Bertrand

Unity Lodge No. 34

1959 Edward S. Angell
1969 George W. Haworth
1981 Bruce E. Lancaster
1982-83 James Spooner
1986 Milton E. Demers
1989-91 Milton E. Demers

Barney Merry Lodge No. 29

1958 Allen R. Bellows
1963 Robert A. Allen
1967 Edward Swiszc
1969 M. Lee Reed
1971 Elmer E. Whetstone
1974 Eugene Pascale
1978 William E. Whetstone
1981 Philip Ovoian
1985 Paul R. Moran
1991 James Wishart
1992-93 Robert B. Ellston
1997-98 William E. Whetstone
2000 Ronald P. Reed

Thomas Smith Webb No.43

1960 Norval E. Garnett *
1966 Donald P. Higgins *
1966 Bogos W. Pelgian ^
1967 Gerald G. Norigian ^
1970 Bernard Labush ^

1971 Robert H. Engelhart
1972 Armenag Palian ^
1982 Steven Babigian ^
1984 Steven Babigian ^
1985 Mohamed H. Hussein ^
1986 Dennis C. Smith
1987 Louis Micheli Jr.
1987-90 Donald P. Higgins *
1988 Thomas F. Gregory ^
1989 Duncan C. Watson
1989 Bryan W. Cooper ^
1990 Steven Skaling ^
1992 Thomas F. Gregory ^
1993 Louis Falaguera
1993 William M. Troberman ^
1995 Joseph Costa
1996 Eugene Thibeault
1999 Frank DiMascio ^
2000 Eugene Thibeault
2004-05 James F. Desmarais
2007 Philip R. Harnett
2008 Robert Boehm
2009 Arthur Bajakian
2010 Gary Moe
2011-12 Dennis Sullivan

(#) Honorary Past Master
(*) Corinthian Lodge No. 27
(^) Orpheus Lodge No. 36

Living Past Grand Masters of St. Johns Lodge Number One Providence

1994-1995 Ralph DiScuillo
2000-2001 Benjamin A. Phillips
2001-2002 Dennis W. Pothier
2002-2003 Robert J. Allen

2003-2004 Joseph B. Brearley
2004-2005 Bradford L. Barco
2005-2006 Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr.
2006-2007 Carl B. Willi

2007-2008 Steven E. Smith
2008-2009 Richard S. Sokoll
2009-2010 Richard L. Ault, Jr.
2014-2015 Wyman P. Hallstrom, III

2015-2016 Raymond E. Hassell
2016-2017 Stephen T. McGuire
2017-2018 Peter Iacobucci

St. Johns Distinguished Service Medal

1967 W.: Kinglsey L. Bennett*
1968 Kenneth W. Fawthrop*
1970 W.: Harold W. Thatcher*
1971 W.: Rufus C. Fuller, Jr.*
1971 W.: J. Harold Robertson*

1975 M.: W.: Wesley Reuter*
1980 W.: Ralph W. Wilkins*
1982 W.: James F. Candelet*
1992 M.: W.: Arthur R. Cole, Jr.*
1992 W.: Anthony Marcello, Jr.

1994 M.: W.: Ralph DiScuillo
1995 R.: W.: Edward L. Calamar, Jr.*
2000 R.: W.: Henry V. Aharonian*
2005 W.: Elton D. Ricker, Jr.
2007 W.: Gregory W. Dexter

2009 R.: W.: Russell A. Kawa
2014 R.: W.: Kenneth B. Phillips

*deceased