

Living Past Masters

Thomas E. Melanson	1965
Neil H. Thorp	1970
William S. Penhallow	1972
George Mayhew Jr.	1974
Joseph Brearley*	1980
Raymond A. Geer	1982
Robert E. Jacques	1983
John L. Holliday, Sr	1984
Harold T. Prosser, Jr	1985
Fredrick J. Krus, Jr	1989
John H. Williams, III	1990
V. Lehman Woods	1991
Edward A. Lowe	1992
Arnold J. Daley	1994
Leverett F. Andrews, Jr.	1995
Brian E. Thorp	1996
Charles L. Niles, Jr.	1997
John Holliday, Sr.	2002
Jerry I. Duhamel, Jr.	2004,05,06
Timothy J. McLellan	2007,08
David E. Crandall	2009
Robert F. Raby	2010
Edwin G. Hoffman	2011
Galen "Skip" Hoffman	2012
Paul DeRita	2013
Daniel Rzewuski	2014
David Shafovaloff	2015
John Grossomandes (Honorary)	

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2016

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Happy New Year!



FRANKLIN LODGE #20

Franklin Lodge Annual

Saturday January 14th 2017

Lodge opens at 5:00 Dinner 6:00 Installation 7:00



20 Elm Street
Westerly, Rhode Island
401-596-2925



Program: Duhamel Scholarship awarded

and a look towards 2017

NEXT COMMUNICATION JANUARY 10, 2017

Dinner 6:00 Lodge will open at 7:00

Master's Message

Wardens and Brethren –

I wish all of you a Happy New Year, and I hope your holidays were filled with things that brought gladness to your heart. It was good to see the turnout for the Christmas party; the kids (and adults) seemed to enjoy it! We have a busy month ahead of us, with our regular communication, the annual meeting of the lodge for the election of officers, and the Grand Master's visitation to his mother lodge. I hope to see you at every event, but it is most important to come on Saturday January 14 for the annual.

At our January meeting it will be my pleasure to award Mr. Fred Wright with the Edward Leon Duhamel scholarship for 2016. Mr. Wright was the only applicant this year. This scholarship fund allows Franklin to dispense approximately \$2500 a year to descendants of any Freemason in the jurisdiction to be used for post-secondary education. Please get the word out about the scholarship to those who are eligible, the application can be found on our website, <http://www.franklin20.org/>. It would be good to spread the wealth. Our DDGM, RW Andre H. Faria, and his GMC W. Brandt Evans will be in attendance that evening; officers will hold a quick rehearsal for the installation either before or after the meeting.

The Grand Master, MW Stephen T. McGuire, will visit his mother lodge, Mount Vernon #4, on Thursday February 2. All officers should plan to attend; we will enter with the DDGM at 7:15.

Finally, this is my last message from the East. I was honored to be elected your Master, and I have done my best to keep the light of our great fraternity burning bright. I could not have done it without the aid and assistance of my brothers as we labored in the quarries over the past twelve months. I look forward to continuing my service to the brethren and the lodge.

Fraternally and Respectfully,
Bro. Eric B. Ross
Worshipful Master, Franklin #20

Greetings from the West

As this masonic year is coming to an end, I first and foremost want to congratulate Worshipful Eric Ross on a magnificent year. It has been an honor and a pleasure sitting as his Senior Warden for the past year.

I am here to enjoy Freemasonry, enjoying Masonry is one of the most important commitments to the craft. Without that enjoyment, none of us would continue to do what we do. We all have a role to play in ensuring each of our members feel fulfilled from their membership and gain the most from it. So, with that said, that is one of my goals for 2017. All of our Brethren that belong to Franklin, as well as visitors should feel the fulfillment of what Freemasonry has to offer. I know this is not an overnight task, but I have already spoken to several brethren that feels the same way as I. It gives me great pleasure to hear the enthusiasm in their voices as thoughts come together on what can help our members.

I was once told the most un-masonic things that can be said are "We have never done it that way and We have always done it that way". I have thought about that a lot and I have come to realize that somethings do need to change. So, 2017 we will be trying new things to bring light to the Brethren as well as our community. Without trying new ideas, we won't know what works and what will benefit the craft.

I have truly enjoyed the Craft since I joined in 2010 and I look forward to the continued success of Franklin Lodge in 2017 and years beyond.

Fraternally,
Ralph Brunson
Senior Warden

Dinner: Ceasar Salad & Chicken Pot Pie

Boneless, Skinless Chicken Breast Sautéed with Garden Vegetables, Fresh

Herbs in a Creamy Chicken Stock Served in a Classic Pie Crust.

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS	RAISED
James Collins	1/15/57 60 years
George Cruickshank	1/7/58 59 years
Robert Greene Jr.	1/11/94
Galen Hoffman	1/9/07
Tony Keller	1/13/98
George Mayhew	1/11/66 51 years
Russell Merritt	1/7/58 59 years
Matthew Lewiss	1/12/71
W. Charles L. Niles Jr.	1/14/54 63 years

DATES TO REMEMBER **Westerly Masonic Foundation**

Monday January 9th 7:00 PM

Mt. Vernon #4 Jan 5th

Charity #23 January 12th

Hope #25 January 11th

Grand Masters Visitation to his
Mother Lodge

Mt. Vernon February 2nd

Appointed Officers

Chaplain:	Br. John Huhtala 322-4034	
Senior Deacon:	Br. Brett Marggraff 378-6474	Lady: Elaine
Junior Deacon:	Br. Carlo Ferraro 741-4034	Lady: Cheryl
Senior Steward:	Br. Anthony Pelloni 741-5035	Lady: Katie
Junior Steward:	Br. Robert Tierney 714-1673	Lady: Laura
Marshal:	W. Br. Tommy Stafford 348-2072	Lady: Doreen
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Sentinel:	Br. S. Benjamin Headley 742-3867	
Tiler:	W. Br. Edwin Hoffman 377-2899	Lady: Diana
Historian:	Br. Scott Bill Hirst 377-4643	
Ritual Advisor:	W. Br. Ray Geer 860-608-5265	Lady: Sue

Committees

Trustees

R.W. Jerry Duhamel
W. Neil H Thorpe
W. Eric Ross

Finance Committee

W. Leverett F. Andrews Jr.
W. William Penhallow
Br. John G. Grossomandes

By-Laws Committee

W. Neil H. Thorpe
Br. Brad Johnson
W. Edward A. Lowe
R. W. John H. Williams

Visiting Committee

W. David Crandall
W. Leverett F. Andrews Jr
W. William Penhallow
W. Galen "Skip" Hoffman