

Living Past Masters

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 E. DeRita	2013
Daniel M. Rzewuski	2014
David W. Shafovaloff	2015
Eric B. Ross	2016
John G. Grossomanides (Honorary)	

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2017

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FRANKLIN LODGE #20

Chartered May 25, 1857



20 Elm Street
Westerly, Rhode Island
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Program:

Entered Apprentice Degree

NEXT COMMUNICATION JUNE 12, 2017

Dinner 6:00 Lodge will open at 7:00

Master's Message

Wardens and Brethren –

This month marks an incredible milestone for Freemasonry. For it was 300 years ago, on St. John the Baptist day, June 24th, 1717 that four existing London Lodges came together and met at the Goose and Gridiron Tavern and there they constituted and formed the first Grand Lodge. To think of how far Freemasonry has grown since then is amazing. There have been challenges and hardships for the craft over the centuries, but it's been the dedication of the countless brethren who believe in the teachings of Masonry that have kept our light burning. Some people would argue that Masonry is heading in a downward trend because there aren't as many members that there once was, but I believe that the craft is as strong now as then because it's the quality of Masons that the craft has today, not the quantity.

Speaking of quality Masons, this month Franklin Lodge will be conferring the entered apprentice degree on one worthy candidate. Even though he is young, at just 18 years old, you get the sense of excitement he has when talking to him. Our candidate Christian is eager to learn and become a mason as his grandfather before him and to visit the lodge in which he belonged and to try to get information on his Masonic career. Personally, I know that's it's exciting to find a relative's information in the archives of a lodge, I did the same thing a couple years ago when I visited my great-grandfathers lodge and was able to read the minutes when he was Raised and to see his signature in their bylaws.

Finally, as we get ready to go dark for the summer, I do want to remind everyone that the Southern District Welcome Event for RW Rick Baccus and RW Rick Lynch is on Sunday August 6th at 4pm at a CT Tigers game in Norwich CT. All are invited and the ticket costs are \$25 for adults and \$15 for kids 12 and under. Anyone can see me for tickets, or they can be purchased at franklin20.org/store.

Fraternally and Respectfully,
Bro. Ralph E. Brunson
Worshipful Master, Franklin #20

Dinner: Lasagna A classic baked Italian style lasagna with layers of pasta, beef & pork marinara and a three cheese blend. Served with garlic bread and caesar salad.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Charity #23** June 8th
- Mt. Vernon #4** June 1st
- Hope #25** June 14th
- Westerly Masonic Foundation**
Monday June 11th 7pm

Masonic Birthday	Raised	
Erastus H. Benn Jr.	6/7/60	57 years
Clayton Brayman	6/13/80	
Joseph P. Giancaspro	6/5/12	
RW Charles C. Maxson	6/19/58	59 years
William B. Thornton	6/27/61	56 years
Benjamin Humphrey	6/14/11	

Tickets to the Welcome to the District Tigers ball game can be purchased on our website or through the Secretary.

www.franklin20.org



CONNECTICUT Tigers ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BBQ PICNIC

Come Welcome The Southern District's New DDGM RW.: Rick Baccus and GMC RW.: Rick Lynch

All are Welcome to Attend!!

**Sunday August 6, 2017
4:05pm Gametime, Gates open at 3pm.**

Kids can run the bases after the game and play catch in the field!!

RSVP at Franklin20.org/store or with Ralph Brunson at 401-644-4525 or rbrunson23@cox.net

**ADULTS - \$25.00
CHILDREN - \$15.00**



MENU CONSISTS OF:

- HAMBURGERS
- CHEESEBURGERS
- DESSERTS
- HOT DOGS
- VEGGIE BURGERS
- SOFT DRINKS
- BBQ CHICKEN
- CORN ON THE COB
- AND MORE...!

**Dodd Stadium Located at
14 Stott Ave, Norwich, CT 06360**

Appointed Officers

Chaplain:	Br. John Huhtala	322-4034	
Senior Deacon:	Br. Carlo Ferraro	741-4034	Lady: Cheryl
Junior Deacon:	Br. Benjamin Headley	742-3867	
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
Musical Director:	W. Br. Leverett Andrews	322-7948	
Sentinel:	Br. Timothy Cavanaugh	860-501-5115	
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

- Br. Timothy Cavanaugh
- Br. Benjamin Headley
- Br. Anthony Pelloni

By-Laws Committee

- W. Ray Geer
- W. Eric Ross
- W. Edward A. Lowe
- W. Paul DeRita

Visiting Committee

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