

**Planning - Buildg. & Grounds**  
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Paul W. Hadsall DWA, (Chair.)

**Ritual**  
Charles P. Kurowsky PDRI, (Chair.)

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**Raritan Americus Scholarship**  
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## Committees 2011

**Insurance Committee**  
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**Publicity/Chamber of Commerce**  
Peter Barba, PM (Chair)

**Website**  
John Kolchin, PM, (Chairman)

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(2 years)  
Kenneth L. Nielsen,  
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(1 year)

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Terence J. Gerak, PGO  
Christopher Bergacs, (2  
years)  
Bruce Kovacs, PM  
Frank Bines, PM (1 year)

Lodges of the 10<sup>th</sup> District  
Atlas Pythagoras #10  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays, 1011  
Central Ave., Westfield  
AzureMasada #22  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday  
478 South Ave. E. &  
Thomas St., Cranford  
Jerusalem #26  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 107 Seventh  
St., Plainfield  
LaFayette #27  
2<sup>nd</sup> Friday, 1550 Irving St.,  
Rahway  
Loyalty #33  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays,  
1912 Morris Ave., Union  
Mount Zion #135  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays,  
483 Middlesex Ave.,  
Metuchen  
Theodore Roosevelt #219  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays  
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## Officers for 2011

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July 2011, Lafayette Lodge #27, excursion to Gettysburg.. A fantastic trip and very educational. God Bless our Country

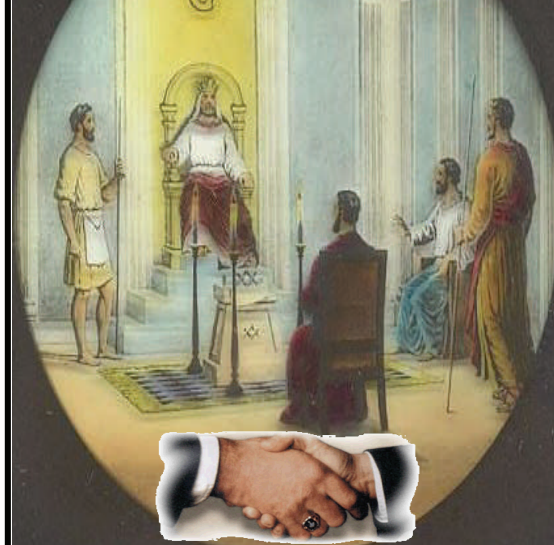
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Lafayette Lodge  
#27 Free & Accepted  
Masons



OCTOBER 2011

Original Charter  
Granted November 9, 1824  
Reconstituted January 11, 1854  
10<sup>th</sup> District, New Jersey

Communications 2nd Friday  
Masonic Temple

1550 Irving Street  
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## From the East. . .

Brethren, the recent devastation by Hurricane Irene reminded me of the true meaning of Charity. Charity is one of Freemasonry's most valuable principles, if not the most important. It is a universal characteristic and the cornerstone of all Lodges. At LaFayette Lodge, our charity endeavors are in part community based. The members of LaFayette take great pride in our Lodge being one of the anchors of Rahway's downtown revitalization in recent years. We support our local Chamber of Commerce, the Police and Fire Departments, Rahway's YMCA, local children's programs, the Arts Center, and the Arts Guild. We also help the Menlo Park Veterans Home and give to the Masonic Children's Dyslexia Center and provide several college scholarships. More importantly, we lend a helping hand to Masonic Brothers and Sisters.

The true underlying Masonic meaning of Charity is caring for others in need. The Latin word, "caritas", which is often translated as Charity, really means, "Love for others". This is the foundation of our Masonic edifice. Specifically, Irene created havoc for at least four of our Brothers, one from out of state serving in the military. Basement property and first floor possessions being so damaged in one home, it took several days to clean up and organize the mess. WB Bill Weber, visiting from Peru, led the way, assisting in the cleanup and repairs from morning till night for several days. Countless Brothers and even some of their friends aided him and the relatives for those several days when I am sure they had other things they wanted and needed to do. Some assisted another Brother whose possessions were ruined in a storage unit that was also flooded.

In the Entered Apprentice Degree, it is said, "Freemasonry is founded on the purest principles of Morality, Brotherly Love, and Charity". Later it is said, "The greatest of these is Charity; for...Charity extends beyond the grave, through the boundless realms of eternity." Charity has a deeper, underlying Masonic meaning. Not only is it extending assis-

tance to those in need. It also implies goodwill to all of mankind, especially our Brethren. We should not only provide material assistance but also give advice and support, and lift up our Brothers, spiritually and morally. This is what is meant by Brotherly Love, or True Friendship. "The greatest Charity Freemasonry provides for its members is Charity of Thought. The greatest relief it can render is relief of the Spirit." So Mote it Be.

Lawrence C. Bodine,  
Worshipful Master 2011

## Trestleboard

**Mon., Oct. 3, 2011 6:30pm**  
LaFayette Past Masters meeting with  
SW Romano **to be followed by**  
Rehearsal for Past Masters EA degree  
All officers and participants **must** attend

**Wed., Oct. 12, 2011 7:30pm**  
Rehearsal for Past Masters EA degree  
All officers and participants **must** attend

**Fri., Oct. 14, 2011 7:30pm**  
**Regular Communication**  
**Silver Token Night**  
25, 30, 35, 40 and 45 year members honored  
Officers Dress: **Business Suit**

**Wed., Oct. 26, 2011 7:00pm**  
**DLI at Loyalty Lodge #33 – Union**  
Masters and Wardens meet at 6pm

**Fri., Oct. 28, 2011 7:30pm**  
**Emergent Communication – PM EA Degree**  
Officers Dress: **Tuxedo**

**Fri., Nov. 4, 2011 7:30pm**  
**Dinner to Commemorate Masonic Birthday**  
**of Wor. Bro. George Washington and**  
**Past Masters Night - \$10pp**  
Contact WB John Kolchin for reservations by  
Friday October 28

**Fri., Nov. 11, 2011 7:30pm**  
**Regular Communication**

## Save these Dates

**Sat., Oct. 15, 2011 11am – 2pm**  
**Statewide Square and Compasses Day**  
Contact WB Don Black, Jr. for information

**Tues. Nov. 22, 2011 – 10<sup>th</sup> Dist. GLI**  
at Loyalty Lodge #33 5pm

**Sat., Dec. 10, 2011 – Feast of St. John Dinner –**  
**Fellowship Center Burlington**  
\$50pp 5:30 Social Hour 6:30 Welcome  
6:45 Dinner 8pm Program

**Thurs., Feb. 9, 2012 – District Reception for Atlas**  
Pythagoras/Loyalty (RW Lawrence Thoma, RW Howard Silverman, RW Bruce Gant, RW John Braun.)

**Wed., March 14, 2012 – District Reception for Azure-**  
Masada/Lafayette (RW Sheldon I. Wilensky, RW Robert Monacelli, RW Douglas Patrick, RW Michael Holt)

## Dates to Remember

**Sept. 30 thru Oct. 2, 2011**  
**Annual Catskills Weekend at**  
**Glenbrook Farm – Round Top, NY**  
**Sat. Oct. 1, 2011**

**Reception for RW Gerald Sharpe JGW**  
Fellowship Center – Burlington

**Sat. Oct 8, 2011 9am – 2pm**  
**Blood Drive at LaFayette Lodge**  
Come and give the gift of life

**1 – 5pm Rib Fest at Philo Lodge**  
\$20pp Benefits Menlo Park Veterans Home  
For reservations and ticket information please  
contact Ray Campbell [Atpdisp@hotmail.com](mailto:Atpdisp@hotmail.com) or  
on his cell @ 732-245-8921.

**Fri., Oct 21, 2011 7:30pm**  
**Regular Meeting of RACC**  
Ladies invited for social time after meeting

**Sat., Oct. 22, 2011 6-9pm**  
**RACC Annual Crab Fest - \$20pp**  
Sausage sandwiches for landlubbers  
Open to the public

**Sun., Nov. 6, 2011 9:30am**  
**Official Visit of MW William L. Morris to**  
**Menlo Park Veterans Home**

## In Memoriam

**Bro. Hans Arthur Tonnesen**  
EA-4/26/45, FC-2/14/46, MM-3/28/46  
Deceased – 09/08/2011  
**Bro. John A. Dickert**  
EA-11/15/65, FC-1/17/66, MM-2/21/66  
Deceased – 04/07/2010

**Petitions Under Investigation**  
Jerome Edward Mitchell  
99 Markowitz Street Carteret, NJ  
Police Officer – Carteret PD  
WB Peter J. Barba – Chmn.

Thomas Donald Simpson  
23 Guisborough Way Edison, NJ  
Commercial Real Estate Broker  
WB Donald A.C. Black, Jr. – Chmn.

**Awaiting Entered Apprentice Degree**  
Mr. Robert Paul Black  
Mr. Douglas Christopher Greenberg

**Awaiting Fellowcraft Degree**  
Bro. Joseph Vincent Caplette  
Bro. Ramon Antonio DeLaCruz  
Bro. Celal Steve Koch  
Bro. Michael Robert Ross  
Bro. David Vincent Wells  
Bro. Alvin Durae Williams

**Awaiting Master Mason Degree**  
Bro. Anthony George Goncalves

## Farm House Wish List

The Masonic Charity Foundation is in the process of renovating the Farmhouse next to Fellowship Center. In our endeavors to restore the house, we are concentrating on 2 periods of time - the early 1800's and the 1860's. We are asking your assistance to make this possible and have compiled a "Wish List" of items and furniture from these 2 time periods. We are in need of any assistance you can provide either in the form of material or money. Please see the Lodge Secretary for a copy of the Wish List, or contact MW Joseph Rival at (856) 768-0312 or [wemisslp@comcast.net](mailto:wemisslp@comcast.net).