

**Planning - Buildg. & Grounds**  
Kenneth L. Nielsen PDDGM  
(Chair.)

**Budget/Finance**  
Donald A.C. Black, Jr. PM (Chair.)

**Sickness and Distress**  
Paul W. Hadsall DWA, (Chair.)

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

**Candidate Instruction**  
Donald A.C. Black, Jr., PM (Chair.)

## Committees 2011

**Audit Committee**  
Stephen Lutz, PGSB, (Chair.)

**Masonic Funeral Service**  
Charles P. Kurowsky, PDRI (Co-  
Kenneth L. Nielsen, PDDGM Chair.)

**CST Scholarship Committee**  
Graham Yancolowitz PJGS (Chair)

**Raritan Americus Scholarship**  
(Members as elected)

**Insurance Committee**  
Stephen Lutz, PGSB, (Chair)

**Masonic Blood Bank**  
Paul W. Hadsall DWA, (Chairman)

**Charity/Schneider Memorial**  
Edward L. Londino, PM (Chair)

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

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

Lodges of the 10a District  
**Atlas Pythagoras #10**  
1a & 3a Fridays, 1011  
Central Ave., Westfield  
**Azure Masada #22**  
1st & 3rd Monday  
478 South Ave. E. &  
Thomas St., Cranford  
**Jerusalem #26**  
1a Tuesday, 107 Seventh  
St., Plainfield  
**LaFayette #27**  
2nd Friday, 1550 Irving St.,  
Rahway  
**Loyalty #33**  
1a & 3a Tuesdays,  
1912 Morris Ave., Union  
**Mount Zion #135**  
1a & 3a Thursdays,  
483 Middlesex Ave.,  
Metuchen  
**Theodore Roosevelt #219**  
2nd & 4th Mondays  
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Grand Master of NJ State Masons, M.W. William L. Morris, Jr., and members from Lafayette Lodge No. 27 pays a special visit to Carl B.S. Pedersen, a member for 67 years of the Fraternity, also better known among friends as the "Cheeseman".

**Grand Master of Masons for the S. of N.J.**

**M.W. William L. Morris, Jr**

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**RW Michael Holt DDGM**

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*Lafayette Lodge #27*  
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Lafayette & Washington

**NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2011**

**Original Charter Granted November 9th, 1824**  
**Reconstituted January 11, 1854**

*10th District, New Jersey*

**Communications 2nd Friday**

**Masonic Temple**

1550 Irving Street  
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## From the East. . .

Brethren, for my last message of the year, I wish to celebrate our most beloved Brother Mason. He was our namesake's best friend in America, a Brother and a Father figure as well. For over 200 years some, out of jealousy, or for whatever reason, have tried to disparage our Craft and our most famous Brother, George Washington. Some even claim that the Father of our Country deserted his beliefs in our fraternity, but I credit two credible sources, excerpts from "America's Secret Destiny" by Robert Heironimus, and a speech delivered by Grand Lecturer of South Carolina, Albert G. Mackey, to dispel those myths.

WB Washington was initiated 259 years ago, Nov. 4, 1752 in the Lodge at Fredericksburg, and in 1753 was passed and raised to FC and MM respectively. While Commander in Chief he frequently attended military lodges and as Master, presided over many meetings, even turning down an offer to be a Grand Master. A eulogy given just 2 months after his death indicates that he was Master of Alexandria Lodge even at the time of his death. The lodge was renamed Alexandria Washington in 1805. In an address to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts given in 1797, he stated that the Masonic institution was one whose liberal principles are founded on the immutable laws of truth and justice and whose grand object is to promote the happiness of the human race.

Thirteen months before his death, Washington stated to the Grand Lodge of MD., "So far as I am acquainted with the doctrines and principles of Freemasonry, I conceive them to be founded in benevolence, and to be exercised only for the good of mankind." He believed so strongly in the purest principles of Freemasonry, "Morality, Brotherly Love, and Charity", that RW Bro. Mackey tells a story of the time when a British regiment having retreated after a defeat to Washington's men, left behind a chest of their traveling Lodge's jewels and implements. Possibly seen as an example of Masonic brotherhood a hundred years later to Bro. Chamberlain, Washington had his men, under a flag of truce, return the chest to the British drawing cheers and salutations.

My Brothers, this year I have simply scratched the surface of examples of Masons in the

past and present living up to their oath and obligations. It was designed to tease you into reading more on your own, to satisfy your curiosity, to renew your vows to your Brethren, to be charitable, to speak no evil, and to judge benevolently. I hope to see you at our first annual (at least in many years) George Washington Dinner Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>. God bless you all, and thank you for all your help and advice.

Fraternally,  
Lawrence C. "BO" Bodine  
Worshipful Master 2011

## Save these Dates

**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 AzureMasada/Lafayette** (RW Sheldon I. Wilensky, RW Robert Monacelli, RW Douglas Patrick, RW Michael Holt)

**Wed., March 14, 2012 – District Reception for Atlas Pythagoras/Loyalty** (RW Lawrence Thoma, RW Howard Silverman, RW Bruce Gant, RW John Braun.)

**Note:** Dates of receptions remain the same, but honoree groups have been swapped

### 10<sup>th</sup> District Installations

**Dec. 3 – 2:00pm Mt. Zion #135**

**Dec. 11- 4:00pm AzureMasada #22**

**Dec. 12 - 7:00pm Theodore Roosevelt #219**

**Dec. 16 –6:00pm Atlas-Pythagoras #10**

**Dec. 17 –6:00pm LaFayette #27**

**Dec. 20 – 6:00pm Loyalty #33**

**Jan. 7, 2012 - Jerusalem #26 Time TBA**

All Installations are OPEN

## Trestleboard

**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

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

**Wed., Nov. 9, 2011 7:30pm**  
Rehearsal for EA degree, GLI and opening  
All officers and participants **must** attend

**Fri., Nov. 11, 2011 7:30pm**  
**Regular Communication**  
**Entered Apprentice Degree**  
Officers Dress: **Tuxedo**

**Tues. Nov. 22, 2011 5:00pm**  
10<sup>th</sup> Dist. GLI at Loyalty Lodge #33  
Officers Dress - **Tuxedo**

**Wed., Nov. 23, 2011 7:00pm**  
**DLI at AzureMasada Lodge – Cranford**  
**Qualifying Teams ONLY**

**Fri., Dec. 9, 2011 7:30pm**  
**ANNUAL Lodge Communication**  
**Election of Officers/Trustees/Committees**  
**Suspension of Members for NPD**

**Wed., Dec. 14, 2011 7:30pm**  
Rehearsal for Memorial Service  
All officers and participants **must** attend

**Sat., Dec. 17, 2011 6:00pm**  
**Open Installation of Officers**  
**Qualification of Incoming Master at 5:45pm**  
**Memorial Service**  
Dinner to follow – public invited  
Officers Dress: **Tuxedo**  
PMs may wear purple ties/cummerbunds

## Dates to Remember

**Fri., Nov. 18, 2011 7:30pm**

**Regular Meeting of RACC**  
Nominations for 2012 Officers

Ladies invited for social time after meeting

**Sun. Nov. 27, 2011 9:30am**

**Chapel Escort Duty at Veterans Home**

**Wed., Nov. 30, 2011 7:00pm**

**10<sup>th</sup> Dist. Past Masters & Wardens Meeting**

**Atlas Pythagoras Lodge #10 – Westfield**

Dinner at 7pm; meeting to follow

**Sat. Dec. 10, 2011 7:30pm**

**RACC Trim-A-Tree Party & Elections**

Please bring a covered dish to share

**Sun., Dec. 11, 2011 1 – 3pm**

**Children's Christmas Party**

Sponsored by RACC & Charity Committee

**Reservation deadline is Dec. 4; contact**

**Charlie Kurowsky** (see enclosed/attached flyer)

**Sat. Dec. 17, 2011 9am – 2pm**

**Blood Drive at LaFayette Lodge**

Come and give the gift of life

**Petitions Under Investigation**

Mr. Jerome Edward Mitchell

WB Peter J. Barba – 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. Thomas Donald Simpson

Bro. David Vincent Wells

Bro. Alvin Durae Williams

**Awaiting Master Mason Degree**

Bro. Anthony George Goncalves

**In Memoriam**

**Bro. Charles W. Cook**

EA-4/16/51, FC-5/21/51, MM-6/25/51

Deceased – 09/30/2011

**Bro. Eugene F. Hergert**

EA-1/4/46, FC-2/1/46, MM-4/5/46

Deceased – 10/01/2011

**Wor. Bro. William H. Macfie**

EA-5/15/79, FC-9/18/79, MM-10/16/79

WM (Americus Lodge #83) - 1986

Deceased – 10/20/2011