

History of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15 for the Masonic year 2012 (AL 6012)

Annual Installation of Officers December 3, 2011

A Communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey, on December 3, 2011, with the following officers present:

Keith Herman-WM; David A. Frankel-SW; Greg Vermette-JW; William J. Krassan-Acting Treas.; Wil Parsels-Acting Sec'y; Ira M. Slovin-SD; Erik M. Brown-Acting JD; Daniel E. Wilson-Chap.; Joseph F. Kennedy-Mar.; D, Joseph Rosenberg- JMC; Ben Parvey- SMC; Daniel M. Weiner-Acting SS; Andrew D. Champion- JS; Robert St. Marie-Tyl.; David Leeds-Org., Francis J. Conway-Hist. **Past Masters present herein recorded:** Ian Korman; PGC; Steven M. Preissman; PDDGM, James Miller; PGC, Raymond E. Stitche, Lester E. Brader;Sr; Robert Jentsch,PGC; Donald L. Keppen, Sr.; Michael Whitekettle; Ralph Giordano; M. Michael DiMartinis; Wil Parsels, PGC, David Leeds, William J. Krassan; PDDGM, Arthur L Steinfeld; PGC, Paul R. Schmeck. David Preissman, Edward G. Mozdzen, Howard S. Garabedian; PGC, Francis J. Conway, Raymond R. Newkirk, PGC, Raymond C. Thorne, PGT, William H. Berman, PGM, Howard Z. Kanowitz, PGC, Wade V. Smith, Francis J. Pfeil, Albert L. Hann, PJGD, Francis R. Mitchell, PGM, Larry S. Plaskett, PGM.

Opening

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 5:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree. The Lodge of Sorrow was closed for 2011 and then opened for 2012-2013. All Masters and Past Masters present gathered inside the lodge room to witness the qualification of David A. Frankel, Worshipful Master Elect. WB Keith Herman (WM), WB Ralph Giordano (Mar) and R.W. Ian P. Korman, PGC as Chaplain.

Memorial Service

WB Keith asked all to rise without the sound of the gavel for a memorial service for our departed Brethren.

- *Howard Kanowitz (walked a flower to the altar) for our departed Brother Lee J. Sedlack
- *Raymond Thorne for our departed Brother Arthur Madnikoff
- *Mike DiMartinis for our departed Brother Joseph Asbell
- *Fran Pfeil for our departed Brothers Herbert L. Lavine and David B. Pollack
- *Frank Conway for our departed Brothers C. Leigh Robinson, PM and Alan W. Imhoff
- *Robert Jentsch for our departed Brothers William G. Stout and Henry G. Manley
- *Michael Whitekettle for our departed Brother Lewis J. Hegyi
- *Ian Korman for our departed Brothers William Kerr and John E. Stevens
- *Art Steinfeld for our departed Brother David Redlus, PGC
- *Wade V. Smith for our departed Brother Wilmer O. Hall
- *Jim Miller for all the Armed Servicemen and Women

Installation of Officers

The Installing Master for the Elected Officers was MW Francis R. Mitchell, PGM, with RW Brother Al Hann as Marshal. The Installing Master for all other Officers was MW Larry S. Plaskett, PGM. The Installing Chaplain was MW William H. Berman, PGM. RW Raymond R. Newkirk gave the Ancient Charge.

The Officers of Rising Sun Lodge #15 of F & A M for the ensuing year are as follows:

Br. David A. Frankel—Worshipful Master	Br. Gregory B. Vermette----Senior Warden
Br. Ira M. Slovin-----Junior Warden	Br. Benjamin S. Parvey-----Senior Deacon
Br. Erik M. Brown-----Junior Deacon	Br. William M. Warner-----Senior MC
Br. Daniel E. Wilson-----Junior MC	Br. Joseph A. Ciccone-----Senior Steward
Br. Dan McDonough,Jr.----Junior Steward	Br. Edward T. Lynes-----Chaplain
Br. Vincent M. Capone-----Marshal	Br. Robert StMarie-----Tyler
RW William J. Krassan, PDDGM-Treasurer	RW Wilfred R. Parsels,Jr.PGC-----Secretary
WB Francis J. Conway-----Historian	WB David R. Leeds-----Organist
Br. Benjamin S. Parvey-----	-----Proxy to Grand Lodge

Presentations

Representing the lodge Officers, WB Dave Frankel and Br. Mark Friedrich presented WB Keith with a gift of Ritual Charts lavishly framed for display. RW Wli Parsels presented WB Keith with the Past Master's Apron and Case. RW Steve Preissman presented WB Keith with a Past Master Jewel, donated by WB Charlie Todd. DB Howie Margulies presented a Personal Gavel to WB Dave Frankel. WB Mike Whitekettle presented The Humongous Gavel to WB Dave Frankel

After a few brief announcements by MW William H. Berman, PGM, the lodge was closed at 10:10 PM, whereupon all retired to the banquet room for refreshment and good fellowship.

Lodge Blood Drive Saturday, January 21

Due to the inclement weather (snow and ice) the Worshipful Master, Dave Frankel, asked for extra help to safely transport all of the beds and equipment from the truck into the Lodge to set up for the Blood Drive. The Community Blood Council's staff arrived at 7 AM. Lodge volunteers and blood donors were treated to a fine breakfast!

Regular Communication-January 4, 2012

A regular communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey. The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree. The **District Deputy was recognized**; R.W. Leonard R. March, DDGM of the 18th Masonic District,

Treasurer Report RW Bill Krassan stated that: All bills have been paid to date. The Checking Account Balance is 33,419.74 dollars. The Pay-Pal Account has 1700.00 dollars The Charity Account contains 4000.00 dollars.

Petitions :The Secretary read a petition for "Membership by Initiation" submitted by Mr. Steven Michael Schwartzer. The Secretary affirmed a favorable report.

Committee of Investigation was appointed and consists of Brothers Jay Foster Chairman, Howard Kanowitz and Earnest Dieterle. A favorable report on investigation was read and the secretary affirmed grand lodge clearance for the petitioner. The ballot was spread and Mr. Henry Hadraba was elected to membership by initiation to Rising Sun Lodge #15 of F. & A. M.

Request for Dimit The Secretary reported that Brother Arthur M. Alperstein has requested a dimit from lodge and is in good standing with his dues. The lodge members present granted the request with a majority hand vote.

Outreach Committee: Chairman Bob Wells reported:

Bro. Pete DeCuzzi has passed away. Bro. Stan Levinthal was sent a Get Well Card
Bro. Len Smith is doing well. Bro. Jeff Bilger's Brother has recently died. The Daughter-in-law of Bro. Robert St Marie has passed away. Bob spoke with the Family of Bro. Eugene Janoff who passed away on Jan.3rd. The Wife of Bro. Ed Fayer had a stroke. Visited Bro. Howard Hall who has Multiple Sclerosis. Bro. Al Skorupsky was seen at church and is doing well. Visited Bro. Hans Lang. Bro Ed Grant's is still having back problems

Trustees report

Distinguished Brother Howard Margulies was absent. WB Keith Herman gave report. Brother Mike Phillips was appointed to serve out WB Wade V. Smith's term as Trustee. The Trustees are asking approval of the purchase of a computer for the lodge Treasurer. The Trustees are recommending a separate Bank Account for the Building Fund Donations.

Trustee Finance: Chairman Keith Herman reports that Philadelphia Trust has earned about 7% on Lodge Monies. He is asking approval for 2,154.14 dollars as bond money to release the Exxon Stocks to Philadelphia Trust. An agent for the Chevron stock has to be appointed to facilitate the release of said monies to Philadelphia Trust. A **Motion** was made by Brothers Ben Parvey and Steve Preissman and approved by the membership present to spend the money for the bond and appoint WB Keith as agent.

Capital Planning: Chairman Ben Parvey reports that the committee has been broken into three parts; Construction, Finance and Fundraising. Bro. Matt Stanger has presented a request for waiver and site approval from the Borough of Haddonfield. Authorization from the Historic Preservation Society to repair the concrete steps is in the process. Bro. Dan McDonough has raised 13,000.00 dollars of pledges in the first week of fundraising. A question was taken by Ben from Bro. Ron Brining "Has Tom been replaced as architect of the project and if so does this need approval from lodge". Ben's reply was "No"

Blood Bank Committee Lodge Blood Bank Chairman **Bro. Mike Phillips** reminded members of the upcoming blood drive at Haddonfield Temple on January 21, 2012 and asked for volunteers to help. **Scholarship Committee** ; Chairman Jim Miller announced that the committee meeting will be this coming Saturday morning at 10:00AM inside the Temple.

Announcements: WB Dave thanked those members who volunteered their time at the Masonic Home on Christmas Day and thanked those members who helped with "First Night". There were approximately 600 people who passed through our Temple that evening. 3. Announced that Bro. Mike Phillips would be filling the vacant Trustee seat caused by WB Wade

V. Smith's resignation. WB Dave closed the lodge at 9:05PM, whereupon all retired to the banquet room for refreshment and good fellowship.

Emergent Communication - January 18, 2012

An Emergent communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey, for the purpose of conferring the Fellow Craft Degree.

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree. **Labor** on the Master Mason Degree was closed and the lodge at labor on the Entered Apprentice Degree.

Examination; EA Christos D. Prentzas and EA Donald L. Keppen, Jr. were escorted to the East and there examined in their proficiency in the Entered Apprentice Degree by Bro. Vince Capone. The Worshipful Master greeted MW Wayne D. Mower, PGM of the State of Delaware and introduced him to the Brethren. After MW Mower addressed the Lodge, he was given a round of applause.

Labor on the Entered Apprentice Degree was closed and the Lodge duly at labor on the Fellow Craft Degree.

Conference of Fellow Craft Degree

Being properly dressed and after giving three knocks at the inner door, Brothers Entered Apprentice Christos D. Prentzas and Donald L. Keppen, Jr. were received and then passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft. WB David A. Frankel occupied the Oriental Chair for both sections. Brother Edward T. Lynes delivered the working tools. Brother Erik Brown gave the Fellow Craft Lecture. Brother Daniel Weiner offered the Charge.

Having no further business, WB Dave closed the lodge at 9:45PM, whereupon all retired to the banquet room for refreshment and good fellowship.

Regular Communication - February 1, 2012

A regular communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey. The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree.

Treasurer Report

RW Bill Krassan stated that: All bills have been paid to date. The Checking Account Balance is 12,201.95 dollars. The Pay-Pal Account has 1784.49 dollars. Charity Account contains 4069.00 dollars. The Building Fund stands at 273.00 Dollars

Bills The Secretary read all bills. **Motion** was made by WB Ray Stitcher and Bro. Mike Phillips and approved by the body to pay all bills on the Treasurer's desk and all future bills until next communication. The Bill for Thomas Wagner Architect will be paid when enough money is in the Account.

Communications: All Communications were read by RW Wil Parsels, Jr. Secretary.

Petitions The Secretary read a petition for “**Reinstatement**” submitted by Bro. Carl Keppen. **Committee of Investigation** was appointed and consists of Brothers Gene Fricks Chairman, Jay Foster and Ralph Giordano. The Secretary read a petition for “**membership by initiation**” from Mr. Thomas Charles Jones. Rec. by Bro. Robert Mt Marie and Bro. Robert Catell. Bro. Wil reported that the background check was satisfactory. **Committee of Investigation** for Mr. Jones is: Jay Foster-Chairman, Bob Wells and Dan McDonough.

A favorable report on investigation was read and the secretary affirmed grand lodge clearance for the petitioner. The ballot was spread and Mr. Steven M. Schwartz was elected to **membership by initiation** to Rising Sun Lodge #15 of F. & A. M. The Secretary stated that he held a “Letter of Good Standing” for Bro. Edward Gomez. The Ballot was favorable for Brother Gomez to become a **dual member** of Rising Sun Lodge #15.

Philippine Relief: RW Ron Brining reported that 190.00 dollars was collected along with several other items of value. Bro. Ron explained that he had used the money to purchase many other needed supplies to supplement the donation of goods.

Outreach Committee

Chairman Bob Wells reported: A card was sent to Bro. Howard Hall in sympathy of his sister’s passing. A Get Well Card was sent Bro. Charlie Todd’s Wife, Diane. A Sympathy Card was sent to Bro. Ben Calcott, who lost his wife to cancer. A Fruit Basket was sent to Bro. Len Lang and his wife Hilda. Bro. Len Smith has a tumor in the lung, but is doing quite well. Bro. Ed Grant is continuing to experience back problems. His wife has had several mini strokes. Bro. Hans Lang is back in the Univ. of Penn. Hospital. Bro. Al Hann said that Bro. Rich Amme was quite sick.

Trustees report

Distinguished Brother Howard Margulies reported: Thanks to Bro. Ben Parvey and WB Keith Herman, the paper work was completed to transfer the money from the oil stocks to Rising Sun Lodge. The Annual Report of the Trustees is completed and has been submitted to the Lodge Secretary. The Water problem in the banquet room of the Haddonfield Temple is finally being negotiated with the Insurance Company. The vegetation behind, and the trees in front of the Haddon Heights Temple have been removed. Mozart Lodge has requested purchase of one of the refrigerators in the basement of the Haddon Heights Temple for 100.00 Dollars. The Trustees recommend the Lodge approve the purchase and also recommend that the proceeds go into the Building Fund.

Blood Bank Committee: In spite of the snow fall and a total of 19 pints of blood was donated.

Emergent Communication - February 15, 2012

An Emergent communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey, for the purpose of conferring the Entered Apprentice Degree. The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree.

Labor on the Master Mason Degree was closed and the lodge duly at labor on the Entered Apprentice Degree. At this time several Fellow Craft Mason entered the lodge room to witness the degree.

Conference of Entered Apprentice Degree

Being properly dressed and after giving three knocks at the inner door, Mr. Henry S. Hadraba and Mr. Steven M. Schwartzer were received in due form and made Entered Apprentice Masons. Having no further business, RW Bill Krassan closed the lodge on the Entered Apprentice Degree at 9:17PM, whereupon all retired to the banquet room for refreshment and good fellowship.

News and Announcements from Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A.M. March 30, 2012

Brother Arnold Chassen Loses Home to Fire

Brother Arnold Chassen & family, of Narberth, PA, lost home, automobiles, and personal possessions to a fire on Monday night, March 26th. Brother David Tarditi, who knows the local fire chief, reports that the fire burned out of control for nearly an hour. We will be keeping a close watch on Brother Chassen's situation to see if there is anything the Lodge can do to support or assist. Brother Marty Ellner is a close friend and will be staying in touch.

Brother Ian P. Korman to be Worthy Patron

Brother Ian P. Korman and wife Susan will be installed in an open installation ceremony as Worthy Patron and Matron, respectively, of the Golden Sylvania BGP Link Order of the Golden Chain on Monday April 2, 2012, 7:30 PM, at Congregations of Ner Zedek, located at Bustleton Avenue near Cottman Avenue. Members of the Lodge are invited to attend. The meeting starts 7:30 PM and installation will take place after a short meeting. Congratulations to Brother Ian and Susan!

Worshipful Brother Paul Schmeck to be Honored by Scottish Rite

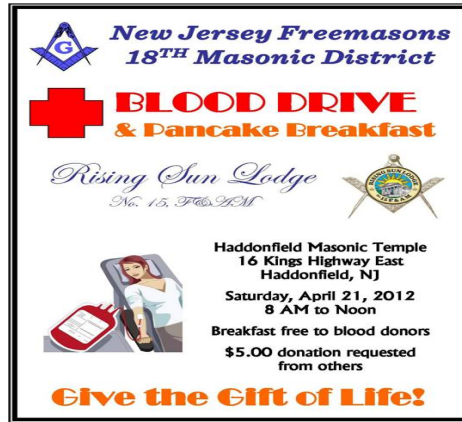
At the March 24th meeting of the New Jersey Council of Deliberation it was announced that WB Paul R. Schmeck has been selected as one of two Valley of Southern NJ recipients of this year's Meritorious Service Award, an award conferred upon 32nd Degree Masons in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite who, by reason of meritorious service of a Masonic character, are deemed worthy of such recognition. Three other Past Masters of Rising Sun Lodge who have been thusly recognized are RW Howard Z. Kanowitz, RW Arthur L. Steinfeld, and WB Francis J. Conway. WB Schmeck will be presented with a special medal, pin, certificate, and cap associated with this honor at the monthly dinner of the Valley of Southern New Jersey, most likely in September.

Update on Brother David Leeds

Brother David Leeds suffered a torn ACL as the result of a skiing accident in Colorado. He says ; "I had a slow twisting rearward fall. Many times like this one, I had simply muscled myself back up on top of the skis, but his time, my knee went "POP" and I ruptured my ACL. "The soothsayer bade, ye: Beware the Ides of March!"

John M. Schreier

Brother John M. Schreier, Raised November, 18, 1953, called from labor February 6, 2012.



The 18th Masonic District held its 2012 Gold Token Night on May 22 at the Adelpia Restaurant.

Regular Communication - March 7, 2012

A regular communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey,

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree.

Treasurer Report: The Checking Account Balance is 12,201.95 dollars. **Motion** was made by RW Saul Tischler and Bro. Greg Vermette and approved by the body to pay all bills on the Treasurer's desk and all future bills until next communication.

Communications: All Communications were read by RW Saul Tischler Acting Secretary.

Demit Being clear on the books, the membership approved a Demit for WB David Richter.

Petitions The Secretary read a petition for "**Membership by Initiation**" submitted by Mr. Mark Anthony Rubino. He was recommended by brothers Todd Augustini and Keith Herman.

Committee of Investigation was appointed for Mr. Rubino and consists of WB David Preissman, Chairman, Bro. Dan Wilson and Bro. Justin Steumpfle. The Secretary read a petition for "**Membership by Affiliation**" from Bro. Sidney M. Grossman, recommended by R.W. Saul Tischler and R.W. Howard Kanowitz.

Balloting A favorable report on investigation was read and the secretary affirmed grand lodge clearance for the petitioner. The ballot was spread and Mr. Thomas Charles Jones was elected to **membership by initiation** to Rising Sun Lodge #15 of F. & A. M. A favorable report on investigation was read and with Grand Lodge Clearance given, Brother Carl Keppen was **reinstated to membership** of Rising Sun Lodge #15.

Outreach Committee

Chairman Bob Wells reported: A sympathy card was sent to family of Bro Martin Silver. Bro. Howard Hall has a cancerous tumor in the lung. He is currently at the Cherry Hill Senior Center.

A visit was made to Bro. Howard. Bro. Ed Grant is continuing to experience back problems. His wife has had several mini strokes. Bro. Hans Lang is back in the Rehab at Manor Care in Voorhees. A sympathy card was sent to the family of Bro. Parker Griffith.

Masonic Scholarship Committee

Chairman Jim Miller reported that the Scholarship Applications have been distributed to the High Schools in Haddonfield and Haddon Twp. The By-Laws for the Scholarship Committee were approved. WB Ralph Giordano asked Bro Jim if applications were given to Paul VI High School. The response was no. No reason was given.

Brother Jack Tarditti was recognized for the donation of a life-time total of **340 units of blood, the highest amount in the county!**

Trustees report

Distinguished Brother Howard Margulies reported: Requested the Lodge purchase a defibulator. He stated that the purchase was inside the lodge yearly budget. A motion was duly made by Bro. Ben Parvey and Bro. Don Keppen and approved by the body to purchase a defibulator for 1600.00 dollars.

Re the sale of the Haddon-Heights Temple—An offer of 375,000.00 was made for the purchase. RW Howard Kanowitz is helping out with the contract agreement. Discussion ensued. A motion was made to accept no less than 350,000.00 net by WB Keith Herman and was approved by the membership present.

RW Howard Kanowitz asked if he should transfer the deed of the HH Temple from Mispah-Haddon Heights Lodge to Rising Sun Lodge. A motion was duly made by Brothers Ron Brining and Ben Parvey and approved by the body to facilitate the deed transfer.

Capital Planning Chairman Ben Parvey reports that Mr John Graham (Construction Superintendent) who was recommended by MW Bill Berman has made a walk through of the temple with WB Dave Frankel. Bro Ben along with his partner are continuing to draft out bids. He also is seeking lodge approval for an asbestos test. A motion was made by Brothers Mike Di Martinis and Howard Margulies and approved by the lodge to spend 2500.00 dollars to hire a testing lab for the determination.

Received DDGM

RW Leonard M. March, DDGM of the 18th Masonic District was received west of the altar with his Marshal RW Dale Lynch, DRI. The District Deputy was accompanied by: MW William H. Berman PGM, WB Donald Elfret, WB Bernard Madgey, WB David Lane Sr., WB Alex LaCrocce, RW Phil DeRoxtra, RW Ben Foster, Jr.PGC, RW Robert Jentsch,PGC, RW Saul Tischler,PGC. RW Peter Boucher,PGC, RW James Miller,PGC, RW Raymond Thorne,PGT, RW Howard Kanowitz,PGC, RW Raymond Taylor,PGC, RW Howard Garabedian,PGC, RW Albert Hann, PJGD, RW Ron Brining,PGH, RW Earnest Fricks,PSGM and RW Dale Lynch,DRI. Grand Honors were given and the Gavel turned over to the DDGM.

The DDGM retired outside the lodge room with the Lodge Secretary and Treasurer to check the books. RW Dale Lynch, DRI addressed the body and critiqued the opening. The Lodge was asked to perform the Entered Apprentice Degree for the benefit of the Craft. Brother Ira Slovin occupied the East.

Emergent Communication - March 21, 2012

An Emergent communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey, for the purpose of conferring the Master Mason Degree. The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree. **Labor** on the Master Mason Degree was suspended and the lodge duly at labor on the Fellow Craft Degree. The Fellowcraft Examination was given by Brother Vince Capone to FC Donald Keppen and Christos Prentzas

Confer Master Mason Degree

Being properly dressed and after giving three knocks at the inner door, Brother FC Christos Prentzas and Brother FC Donald Keppen were received in due form and raised to the sublime Degree of Master Mason. WB David A. Frankel occupied the Oriental Chair for the first section of the degree and delivered the working tools. WB David A. Frankel sat in the East as Solomon for the second section. RW James E. Miller gave the MM Lecture.

Brother Erik Brown gave the Charge RW Raymond C. Thorne was acting Chaplain for the funeral.

March 31, 2012

An Emergent communication of
Rising Sun Lodge #15, USS New Jersey Lodge #62, Collingswood Cloud
Lodge #101, Merchantville Lodge #119, Mozart Lodge #121, Audubon-
Parkside Lodge #218 and Laurel Lodge #237 of Free & Accepted Masons
was opened in the Lodge room, Laurel Masonic Temple, Laurel Springs,
NJ On this 31st day of March, 2012 AD, 6012 AL
For The purpose of conferring all three degrees of Symbolic Masonry.
The degrees were conferred in due and proper order.

Regular Communication - April 18, 2012

A regular communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey. The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree.

MM Exam: Brothers Christos Prentzas, Don Keppen, Jr. and Frank Houston passed the MM Examination in front of the lodge so ably given by Brother Vince Capone. Brother Dan McDonough delivered the Reception Address. Brother Bob Wells recited the Canadian Charge.

Treasurer Report

RW Bill Krassan stated: The Checking Account Balance as of April 18th is 19,263.90 dollars. The Charity Account as of April 18th is 4,070.00 dollars. The Building Fund as of April 1st is 295.06. The Pay-Pal Account as of April 18th is 3,535.65 dollars

Bills were paid and approved.

Communications All Communications were read by WB Ralph Giordano, Acting Secretary.

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Demit: Being clear on the books, the membership approved a Demit for Brother Ronald Monokian.

Reports of committees:

Charitable Donations

A motion was duly made by WB Leeds and RW Brother Krassan and approved by the members present to collectively approve the recommendations of the Charity Committee. They are: 200.00 dollars to Haddon Heights High School Program to stop drugs and alcohol use. 200.00 dollars to New Jersey De Molay (no ad in ad book—direct donation). 200.00 dollars to Angel Flight Organization. 200.00 dollars to New Jersey Order of Rainbow for Girls.

Outreach Committee Chairman Bob Wells reported: A card was sent to Justin Stuempfle in sympathy of the passing of his Grandfather. Bro. Murray Schwartz experienced an auto accident. Bro. Don Keppen, Jr. reported that his dad underwent heart surgery and was recovering well. Bro. Howard Hall is in the Cherry Hill Senior Center suffering with lung Cancer His niece informed us that the doctors don't give him much time to live. Bro. Hans Lang is finally Home and was seen at High-12 on Monday. Bro. Al SKorupsky is doing well. Bro. Almir Bolic was sent a get well card. RW Brother Krassan mentioned that The Wife of Bro. Phil Bahl was about to undergo heart surgery. Bro. Ben Parvey said he met with Bro. Jerry Auspitz and it proved to be a rewarding experience for both men. WB Dave Frankel mentioned that Brothers Howie Margulies, Mark Friedrich and Saul Tischler were not feeling well enough to attend lodge this evening.

Blood Drive Bro Mike Phillips reminded the Brethren of the Blood Drive on Saturday April 21st. There will be a free pancake-breakfast for donors. He asked for volunteer to help with the set-up and break-down. Please arrive about 7:00AM.

Trustees report Vice President Keith Herman reported: The Lodge Security System is still pending completion. The Sale of the Haddon-Heights Temple has fallen through due to the occupancy rating would not meet the needs of the prospective buyer. The water problem at the HH Temple Bldg. is being completed. DB Howie was consulting a professional as to where in the Temple Bldg. the defibrillator should be mounted.

Finance report Philadelphia Trust Co. has 750,000.00 dollars. This is including the oil stock transfer monies.

WB Keith Herman announced that "Gold Token Night" is on May 22nd.



The Rising Sun Bulletin

News and Announcements from Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A.M.
June 1, 2012

Upcoming Events!

MAKE YOUR RESERVATION FOR
Rising Sun Lodge's
*Education Night &
Scholarship Presentations Banquet*

*Dinner at 5:30 PM • \$20
(net proceeds go to scholarship fund)*

**RSVP with choice of entrée to
Worshipful Master David A. Frankel
dafrankel@comcast.net or 856-429-4607
not later than 12 Noon - Monday, June 4, 2012**

Entrée Choice: Sesame Tilapia, Filet Mignon, OR Chicken Marsala

**Eighteenth Masonic District
Grand Lodge of Instruction**

USS NJ Lodge #62, 1201 Berlin Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034

Thursday, June 14, 2012



Social Hour - 5:00 PM
Dinner (optional) - 5:30 PM
GLI 7:00 PM (sharp)



Dinner - \$20.00 – Pay at the Door
Reservation required by June 12
Contact WB George W. Neissner
(856) 985-5825 or geown@comcast.net

Regular Communication-May 2, 2012

A regular communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey.

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree.

Treasurer Report RW Bill Krassan stated: The Checking Account Balance as of April 30th is 18,084.50 dollars. The Charity Account as of April 30th is 4,070.51 dollars. The Building Fund as of April 30th is 295.06. The Pay-Pal Account as of April 30th is 3,681.10 dollars

Bills were paid and approved.

Communications All Communications were read by WB Ralph Giordano, Acting Secretary.

Receipt of Monies The Acting Secretary received 145.00 dollars for the evening dinner receipts. All was paid in cash except for a 10.00 dollar check (#4497) from Brother David Leeds. This money was given to the Treasurer.

Reports of committees:

Charitable Donations

Brother Dave Tarditi, Chairman recommended on behalf of the committee that the Lodge donate the sum of 150.00 dollars to Boy Scout Troop #54. RW Brother Bill Krassan suggested that, because of the time constraints, the lodge approve a donation of 100.00 dollars for the Wheel Chair Track and Field. On a Motion by Brothers Ira Slovin and Greg Vermette and approved by the members present, the lodge approved both donations. They are:

1. 150.00 dollars to Boy Scout Troop #54 (To be presented at next Wednesdays Masters and Wardens Meeting by Brother Jim Miller.)
2. 100.00 dollars to Grand Lodge of New Jersey (Wheel Chair Track & Field)

Masonic Education Chairman WB Keith Herman reported that a Masonic Protocol Class given by RW Len March. The question “Does the Master have a right to raise the lodge and allow Grand Honors to be given” stumped Brother March He said he would research it and have an answer at a later date..

Outreach Committee Chairman Bob Wells reported: A card was sent to the wife of Brother Bahl. A card was sent to the wife of WB Ray Sticher who is having heart trouble. A sympathy card was sent to the family of WB Charlie Todd. A sympathy card was sent to Bro. Kendall Randall regarding the death of his father.

Rise without sound of gavel WB asked all to arise without the sound of the gavel for a moment of silence for our recently departed Brothers, WB Charles Todd, Brother James V. Higginbotham and Brother Harvey Shalette.

Blood Drive Bro Mike Phillips, chairman was absent. WB Dave Frankel reported that 25 pints were donated at the recent blood drive. The next blood drive date is June 21st. at Haddonfield Temple.

Trustees report Vice President Keith Herman reported: The Lodge Security System should be completed after May 5th. The Insurance Claim for the water damage in the Haddonfield Temple basement has been agreed upon. The Lodge is receiving 12,000.00 from the Insurance Company minus 1,000.00 deductible. The Trustees recommend the lodge do (only needed) cosmetic work on the basement and deposit the remaining monies into the Building Fund.

Finance report The oil stock transfer is complete but the Exempt Identification Number (EIN) is from one of the consolidated lodges and needs to be changed. WB Keith said he would take care of the matter.

Capital Planning Chairman Ben Parvey reports that He, Mr John Graham and WB Dave Frankel did a walk-thru of the Haddonfield Temple today. Brother Ben requested a contract. John Graham said he would need a few more days. Bro. Ben said he would like to have two years worth of electric bills to do a study. He also stated that

within the next few weeks we should be getting initial plans and he predicts that the ramp and the bathroom being completed by September or October.

Budget Committee WB Dave Frankel reported that the Budget Committee will have a rough draft by Saturday, May 5th. He asks that the members check the trestleboard for the committee dates.

The lodge was closed at 8:40PM by RW William J. Krassan, PDDGM whereupon all retired to the banquet room for refreshment and good fellowship.

Emergent Communication-May 16, 2012

An Emergent communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey, for the purpose of conferring the Fellow Craft Degree.

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree.

Worshipful David A. Frankel thanked Brother Dan McDonough for the evening repast. WB Dave presented Lewis Jewels to RW Brother James E. Miller, PGC and WB Raymond E. Stitcher, PM.

EA Exam: Labor on the Master Mason Degree was suspended and the lodge duly at labor on the Entered Apprentice Degree. The Entered Apprentice Examination was given by Brother Justin Steumpfle to EA Steven Michael Schwartz. WB Keith Herman congratulated Brother Steumpfle on a superb examination.

Labor on the Entered Apprentice Degree was closed and the Lodge at labor on the Fellow Craft Degree.

Conference of Fellow Craft Degree

Being properly dressed and after giving three knocks at the inner door, Brother EA Steven M. Schwartz was received in due form and passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft. Brother Greg Vermette, SW occupied the Oriental Chair for the first section of the degree and delivered the working tools. WB David A. Frankel sat in the East for the second section and gave the G Lecture. Brother Ben Parvey II, SD, gave the Middle Chamber Lecture.

Having no further business, RW Bill Krassan, PDDGM closed the lodge at 9:25PM, whereupon all retired to the banquet room for refreshment and good fellowship.

Regular Communication - June 6, 2012

A regular communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey.

Education Night

The Lodge Scholarship Committee awarded two scholarships. Recipients were students of Haddon Twp. High and Haddon Heights High; Shane Reilly, Grandson of Brother Bob Reilly and Huan Lin. Shane will be attending Philadelphia College in the fall and Huan will be majoring in Chemistry at Drexel University.

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree.

Treasurer Report RW Bill Krassan stated: The Checking Account Balance as of June 6th is 25,069.66 dollars. The Charity Account as of June 6th is 4,075.03 dollars. The Building Fund as of June 6th is 295.06. The Pay-Pal Account as of June 6th is 3,861.00 dollars.

Bills were paid and approved.

Receipt of Monies: The Acting Secretary received 400.000 dollars for the evening scholarship dinner receipts. All was paid in cash except for a 20.00 dollar check (#2181-TD Bank) from Brother Howard Garabedian, a 20.00 dollar check (#3049-TD Bank) from Brother Jim Miller and 20.00 dollar check (#2363-PNC) from Brother Mark Friedrich. Dues Check from Brother George Ginder--\$143.00 (#4898-Acadia National Bank) Dues Check from Brother Jay A. Hawkins-\$143.00 (#182-TD Bank) Petition Fee from Mr. Michael Kupiec-----\$50.00 (check #9541-TD Bank) Monthly Assessment from O.E.S. #140-----200.00 (check #1097-TD Bank) The evening receipt totaled \$936.00 and was given to the Treasurer taking his receipt for the same.

Petitions ; The Acting Secretary read a petition for Initiation by Membership for Mr. Michael D. Kupiec. A Committee of Investigation was appointed for Mr. Kupiec: WB Jay Foster—Chairman, Brother Ed Lynes and RW Howard Z. Kanowitz.

Dimit

The Acting Secretary announced a request for a dimit from Brother Frank Collins. Following a short discussion about “Life Membership”, the members present granted said dimit by a unanimous hand ballot.

Ballot for Membership by initiation ; The Acting Secretary read a favorable report on Mr. Mark Anthony Rubino. The Ballot was spread and Mr. Rubino was elected to membership by initiation.

Ballot for Membership by Affiliation : The Ballot was spread for Brother Sydney Grobman as a member by affiliation. The Worshipful Master declared Brother Grobman elected provisionally, pending an inquiry as to the prior publication of said ballot.

Outreach Committee Chairman Bob Wells reported: A card was sent to RW Saul Tischler along with a fruit basket. A card was sent to Brother Michael Krassan. A sympathy card was sent to WB Mark Birnbaum. A sympathy card was sent to Catherine Lewis in regards to the passing of Brother Charles Lewis.

Rise without sound of gavel: WB asked all to arise without the sound of the gavel for a moment of silence for our recently departed Brothers, Brother Charles E. Lewis, Brother Martin Glassman and Brother Jack Plaskett

Trustees report Blood Drive Howard Margulies stated that the Haddonfield Temple basement ceiling will soon be repaired. **Finance report** WB Keith Herman said that all assets were aggregated into Philadelphia Trust. **Capital Planning** Chairman Ben Parvey reports that the energy data was compiled and given to Kitchen Associates. The Building Plan was being put on a CD. The contract with John Graham (C. Raymond Davis Co.) would be had within days.

Budget Committee Brother Greg Vermette distributed copies of the preliminary budget for the coming year. A brief explanation was given on most line items. Brother Greg said the budget numbers were not written in stone and probably would be further tweaked in the near future.

The lodge was closed at 9:28PM by RW William J. Krassan, PDDGM whereupon all retired to the banquet room for refreshment and good fellowship.

Emergent Communication-June 20, 2012

An Emergent communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey, for the purpose of conferring the Master Mason Degree.

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 6:30 PM and immediately put on refreshment to accommodate a short practice session by the degree team. Officers present for the opening are as follows: WM-David A. Frankel, SW-Gregory Vermette, JW-Ira Slovin, SD-Michael Phillips, JD-Erik Brown, Chap-Howard Garabedian, Tyl-Robert StMarie, Org-David Leeds, Hist-Frank Conway.

Labor on the Master Mason Degree was resumed at 7:30 PM.

Fellow Craft Exam Labor on the M.M. Degree was suspended and the lodge duly at labor on the Fellow Craft Degree. The F. C. examination was given to Brother Steven M. Schwartzter by Brother Vincent Capone.

Conference of the Master Mason Degree Being properly dressed and after giving three knocks at the inner door, Brother FC Steven M. Schwartzter was received in due form and passed to the sublime degree of Master Mason. W B David A. Frankel occupied the Oriental Chair for the first section of the degree and delivered the working tools. WB David A. Frankel sat in the East for the second section. WB Keith Herman, PM recited the Master Mason Lecture Brother Erik Brown delivered the Charge. WB Ralph Giordano and Brother Greg Vermette operated the slides.

The lodge was closed at 9:45PM, whereupon all retired to the banquet room for refreshment and good fellowship.

Haddonfield Crafts Festival, July 14 - 15

After getting off to a slow rainy start Saturday morning, Haddonfield's Crafts Festival picked up steam and from mid-afternoon through evening had returned to top form under clear skies with hundreds of shoppers strolling both sides of Kings Highway and Tanner Street. Rising Sun Lodge was open to all, giving tours of the Temple, talking Masonry, giving out free hot dogs, and providing a "convenience station" to many of the craftspeople working near the building who had no other convenient access to facilities or air-conditioned relief from the heat.

A Worshipful Master's heartfelt thanks to brothers Bill Warner (and wife Heather), Mike Phillips, Mark Friedrich (and wife Rita), Ed Lynes, Bill Schacht, and Greg Vermette SW, who all contributed time and service to day one of the two-day event. The Festival continued through Sunday, July 15, from Noon to 5 PM.

Emergent Communication - July 18, 2012

An emergent communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey, for the purpose of conferring the Entered Apprentice Degree.

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the MM degree.

M. M. Exam The Master Mason Examination was given to Brother Steven M. Schwartz by Brother Vincent Capone. The Reception Address was recited by Brother Ed Lynes.

Conference of the Entered Apprentice Degree

Being properly dressed and after giving three knocks at the inner door, Mr. Thomas Charles Jones and Mr. Mark Anthony Rubino was received in due form and made a Mason. W B David A. Frankel occupied the Oriental Chair for the first section of the degree and delivered the working tools. Brother Greg Vermette sat in the East for the second section and delivered the EA Lecture. Brother Michael Phillips delivered the Charge. Brother William Warner gave the Reception Address.

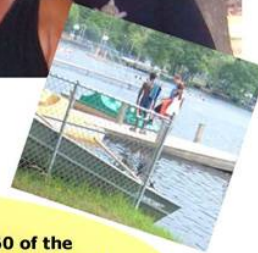
The lodge was closed at 9:35PM by RW Steven M. Preissman, PDDGM, whereupon all retired to the banquet room for refreshment and good fellowship.



The Rising Sun Bulletin

News and Announcements from Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A.M.
August 16, 2012

Lake Garrison Picnic



On Saturday, August 11, 2012 almost 60 of the Brethren and their family members enjoyed the annual Lodge picnic. A great time was had by all! Thanks to WB Mike DiMartinis and Brother Frank Schlegel for organizing and to Brothers Ben Parvey and Chris Prentzas for making sure we had a grill! And thanks to everyone who came and helped make the event another Rising Sun success!



Masonic Home visitation

Rising Sun Lodge visited the Masonic Home on Sunday, August 26.

An outbreak of scabies forced the Masonic Home to close its doors to visitors and volunteers for a short time while the problem was dealt with. All Lodge visitations were cancelled until the issue was resolved and the Home was again open to visitors and volunteers.



Rising Sun Lodge

Requests your attendance at . . .

Ladies' Night

Saturday, September 15th

Casa Bella Trattoria Ristorante

(On Kings Highway, across from Haddonfield Masonic Temple, between Chestnut and Tanner Streets)

5-6 PM: Wine / hors d'oeuvres / appetizers

6-7:20 PM: Dinner (BYOB permitted)

Salad / coffee, tea, soda

Entree Choice: Roasted Dijon Salmon,
Chicken Saltimbocca, or Veal Casa Bella

Dessert: Cannoli, Zeppolli, Coffee

Haddonfield Plays & Players

8 PM: Picasso at the Lapin Agile

Be transported through time and space -- to Paris in 1904, where Albert Einstein and Pablo Picasso have a chance meeting ... a Steve Martin Comedy.

Gentlemen's Dress – Jacket & Tie

\$60 per couple / \$40 per Stag or additional member of your party
Rising Sun Masonic Widows attend as guests of the Lodge

RSVP to: dafrankel@comcast.net or (856) 429-4607

By Wednesday, September 5th – BE SURE TO INCLUDE:

Name, number in party, ENTRÉE CHOICES, and phone or e-mail

Make check payable to Rising Sun Lodge and mail to (or bring to Lodge):

David A. Frankel, WM
59 Treaty Elms Lane
Haddonfield, NJ 08033

Regular Communication - September 05, 2012

A regular communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Communications: Masonic Charity Foundation Scholarships; Masonic Home Car Show; 11th Annual Teddy Bear Golf Classic; Grand Master's Summons for Gala Celebration of the 225th Anniversary of Grand Lodge; Emergent Communication of Grand Lodge September 8; Grand Master's Challenge Shoot

Bills were approved and paid.

Petitions: The Petition for Membership of Mr. Christopher Lee Poitivient was read and will follow the usual course. The Worshipful Master will appoint a Committee of Investigation.

Labor on the Master Mason Degree was closed and the Lodge was declared duly at Labor on the Entered Apprentice Degree. Brother Entered Apprentice Thomas Charles Jones was admitted and demonstrated his proficiency being examined by Brother Vincent M. Capone. Brother Jones was found to be proficient and was complimented by the Worshipful Master on his examination and was applauded by the Lodge.

Worshipful Brother Mohamad A. Yatim, Past Master and Treasurer of Atlas-Pythagoras Lodge #10 was presented. He gave a very interesting and informative lecture and slide presentation on *The Chamber of Reflection*, a part of the Entered Apprentice Degree not practiced in the Jurisdictions of North America but widely used in the rest of the Masonic world. It gives the candidate a chance to ponder and meditate on two questions: 1) If I die now, how do I want to be remembered? and 2) If I am spared to continue living, how will I become better through Masonry? The symbols and objects in the chamber give food for thought and have a close connection with Alchemy. Masonry and Alchemy have similar roots and symbolism and one may have arisen from or with the other.

Labor on the Entered Apprentice Degree was closed and the Lodge declared at labor in the Fellowcraft Degree. That Degree was conferred upon Brother Thomas Charles Jones by the Lodge Officers in advanced stations with Brother Slovin in the East and Brother Vermette in the West for the first section of the degree. The working tools were presented by Brother Prentzas. Worshipful Master congratulated Brother Jones and the officers for their fine job. The Lodge was closed in Due and Ancient Form by the Officers in advanced stations.

Emergent Communication - September 19, 2012

An emergent communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey,

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the MM degree. Officers were in advanced stations for the opening.

Refreshment for Hospice Presentation

The Worshipful Master put the Lodge on refreshment and introduced the guest speakers. Kristen Lorenz, Director of the Masonic Hospice Program, and her Associate described the function of the Masonic Hospice Program and reminded the Brethren of the short term rehab program that is now available at the Home. Both Ladies entertained several questions and when finished were applauded by the audience.

Off Refreshment

Business

WB Dave read the topics for discussion: **New Grand Lodge Program** Brother Saul Tischler informed the membership that Grand Lodge was about to introduce a new Lodge Data Program to assist the Secretaries. This program would eliminate the possibility of a secretary loosing lodge data from his lodge computer.

WB Dave spoke about the possible legislation from Grand Lodge to lower the age for petitioners from twenty-one to eighteen. Before giving the floor to Brother Vermette, WB Dave said that due to the circumstances the lodge would be balloting on the proposed budget for next year during the October communication.

Budget

Brother Greg Vermette said that the budget for next year had not change significantly since he first presented a preliminary one last June. He noted some change and explained the reasoning behind them.

Capital project Brother Ben Parvey updated the membership and said there was a meeting scheduled for this Friday with the contractors and a contract should be signed sometime next week. The construction would begin immediately thereafter. He also outlined some plans for fund raising including a “Cigar Night” at Tavistock Country Club this November, and said a more detailed plan would be submitted at the next B.O.T. meeting.

Charity Account

WB Dave proposed that the Lodge fund a separate Charity Account that would guide the amount of charity the lodge could accommodate. The principle of the fund would not be touched. This would eliminate the need for the charitable donations to be had from the lodge operating budget. It was determined that the lodge bequeathed about five thousand dollars last year and it was suggested that whatever the lodge determined to set aside for the this fund and whatever amount of interest or dividends the fund generated, that the lodge operating budget would fund any deficit needed to maintain the same level of giving. WB Dave also suggested that the lodge withdraw the monies from the existing charity account (@ \$ 4000.00) held by the former Haddonfield-Cherry Hill Lodge from Audubon Bank and transfer it to a Rising Sun Account in Susquehanna Bank.

Scholarship fund Brother Howard Kanowitz was happy to report that the Internal Revenue Service has approved the changes to our Scholarship Fund. This will enable the Scholarship Committee to invest the fund in more lucrative vehicles with higher rates of return. They don't have to be relegated to savings funds.

Announcements WB Dave mentioned that WB Ray Newkirk was back in rehab and not doing so well. He also commented on the condition of WB Ray Sticher . The net cost of “Ladies Night” totaled \$1500.00

Brother Howard Kanowitz was given the floor to speak. Brother Howard paid homage to the recent passing of a great human being. He compared Neil Armstrong (first to walk on the moon) with that of Marconi and Brother Christopher Columbus. Given the enormity of all their achievements, all remained humble. The Lodge was closed in due and ancient form at 9:06 PM

Regular Communication - October 3, 2012

A regular communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey,

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree. The Officers were in advanced stations. WB Dave Frankel occupied the SMC seat and Brother Mark Friedrich the Junior Deacons seat.

Treasurer Report RW Bill Krassan stated: The Checking Account Balance as of October 3rd is 10,891.74 dollars. The Charity Account as of Oct. 3rd is 4,073.10 dollars. The Building Fund as of Oct. 3rd is 295.06. The Pay-Pal Account as of Oct. 3rd is 4,000.00 dollars.

Bills Bills were paid and approved by the review Committee.

Petitions: A Petition was submitted by Mr. Robert E. Hamilton, Jr. for membership by initiation. Recommenders were Brother Robert St Marie and Brother Saul Tischler. The secretary reported that clearance was obtained and his background check proved good.

Committee of Investigation: The Secretary read a favorable report on the investigation of Mr Daniel Joseph Kupiec and Mr. Christopher Lee Poitivient. Both men have Grand Lodge Clearance and have good background checks.

Ballot for Membership by Initiation The Ballot was spread and both men were elected to membership by initiation.

Old Business : WB Dave asked the membership to consider waving the grand lodge assessment for all active military Personnel who are members of Rising Sun Lodge (there being three). After some discussion, a motion was made and seconded by RW Ron Brining and RW Ian Korman and the membership approved the action.

Outreach Committee Chairman Bob Wells was not present but Brother Vince Capone commented on his behalf. He stated that get well cards were sent to the following: Art Steinfeld, Murray Schwartz, Fred Domako, Carol Grant(wife of Ed Grant), Bob Jentsch, Mike Snyder, Howard Hall, Ed Deilke, Stanley Levinthal and Ray Newkirk. WB Dave Frankel added some clarification and said: Brother Fred Domako was suffering from shingles and various other ailments. Brother Ray Newkirk had a toe removed and stent inserted and is now in the Absecon Manor Rehab Center. Brother Mike Snyder was in an accident with an uninsured driver and is recuperating at home with several broken bones in his ankle. Brother Bob Jentsch underwent surgery for an aortic aneurism and suffered a stroke. He is now in Lourdes Rehab.

More Announcements

WB Dave said:

1. DLI on October 10th. Masonic Leadership Conference on October 26th thru 27th. Ben Parvey participating. The Master Mason Degree will be performed by Past Masters at the next emergent meetin. All Past Masters present for the degree will receive a free dinner

that evening. Kudos to WB Paul Schmeck on receiving the Meritorious Service Award from the Scottish Rite. Congratulations to RW Ron Brining for acquiring the Board of Excellence Pin for his proficiency with the lectures.

Greet Past Masters

The Past Masters were received west of the altar and introduced by Brother Ben Parvey, Senior Deacon. After a round of applause they continued East to receive a small token from the Master. They are as follows:

Albert L. Hann, PJGD-1966, Charles G. Turley, PM-1966, Arthur L. Steinfeld, PGC-1979, Ronald W. Brining, PGH-1981, 2002, 2008, 2009, Raymond E. Stitcher, PM-1981, Howard Z. Kanowitz, PGC-1985, Steven M. Preissman, PDDGM-1986, Donald L. Keppen, Sr., PM-1986, Saul M. Tischler, PGC-1988, William J. Krassan, PDDGM-1989, James E. Miller, PGC-1989, 1996, Ralph Giordano, PM-1993, Lester E. Brader, Sr., PM-1994, 2000, Francis J. Pfeil, PM-1999, Leonard M. March, PDDGM-2004, Ian P. Korman, PGC-2004, Dennis D. Probst, Jr., PM-3004, Jay Foster, Jr., PM-2007, Howard S. Garabedian, PGC-2006, Edward G. Mozdzen, PM-2008, Michael P. Whitekettle, PM-2009, Paul R. Schmeck, PM-2010

WB Charles G. Turley took this opportunity to return his Past Master Jewel to the Lodge.

Guest Speaker

Without any further adieu, WB Dave Frankel introduced WB David Pratt, Assistant Provincial Grand Master to the Grand Lodge of England. WB Pratt offered his fraternal greetings from the Grand Lodge of England and proceeded to explained some rolls and responsibilities of Past Masters in England. He noted how important the Book of Constitutions is in English Freemasonry and joked about its ambiguities. He outlined a brief history of Freemasonry in England, gave a description of the Masonic Regalia he brought with him and reminded all that England will be celebrating 300 yrs. of Freemasonry in 2017.

The lodge was closed at 10:35 PM by RW William J. Krassan, PDDGM. WB Dave Frankel along with WB David Pratt assisted RW Krassan in sounding the final gavel.

Emergent Communication - October 17, 2012

An Emergent communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey, for the purpose of conferring the Masater Mason Degree

Past Masters present: Ralph Giordano, Howard S. Garabedian;PGC, Lester E. Brader;Sr, William J. Krassan, PDDGM, Howard Z. Kanowitz,PGC, James Mondelli, Donald Keppen, Sr., Raymond C. Thorne, PGT, Frank Conway, Steven M. Preissman,PDDGM, Jay Foster, Mike DiMartinis. James E. Miller,PGC. Ian Korman, PGC, Keith A. Herman, Saul Tischler,PGC, Paul Schmeck, David R. Leeds, David Preissman, Ronald Brining,PGH, Earnest E. Fricks, Jr.,PSGM, Leonard M. March,PDDGM.

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree. The Officers were in advanced stations.

Rise WB Dave asked all to rise without the sound of the gavel in memory of our departed brethren: WB John Rheingold and WB Raymond E. Stitcher.

FC Exam The Exam was given by WB Rod Williams

Confer MM Degree

The MM Degree was conferred on FC Brothers Patrick John Brennan and James Raymond Murphy. These men were members of Audubon-Parkside Lodge #218

The officers in stations for the degree are as follows:

First Section:

Ron Brining-East
Steve Chapman-SW
Len March-JW
Keith Herman-SD
Les Brader-JD
Saul Tischler-Sec.
Ian Korman-Treas.
Ray Thorne-Mar.
Dan Weiner-Chap.
Vince Capone-JMC
Jason Schmitz-SMC
Howard Garabedian-JS
Gene Fricks-SS
Robert StMarie-Tyl.

Second Section

Jim Mondelli-King Solomon
Steve Chapman-SW
Paul Schmeck-JW
Bill Krassan-SD
Les Brader-JD
Saul Tischler-Sec
Ian Korman-Treas
Ray Thorne-Mar
Dan Weiner-Chap
Vince Capone-JMC
Jason Schmitz-SMC
Gens Fricks-SS
Howard Garabedian-JS
Robert StMarie-Tyl/

Frank Conway-Seafarer
Dave Preissman-JA
Rod Williams-Jo
Jay Foster-JM

Steve Preissman-10 craftsman
Jim Miller-11 craftsman
Anthony Perno-12 craftsman

Ron Brining the working tools
Howard Kanowitz delivered the MM Lecture
Len March the Charge and Jim Miller the Canadien Charge

Greg Vermette and Ralph Giordano-slides

RW Steven M. Preissman,PDDGM, closed the lodge at 9:55PM, whereupon all retired to the banquet room for refreshment and good fellowship.

Rising Sun Lodge #15 F&AM
Cigar Night 2012

November 8, 2012
5:30pm
Tavistock Country Club



\$125
dinner, wine and cigars included

RSVP to Bill Dennis
illack@comcast.net



Restoring Haddonfield's Temple . . .
Revitalizing Our Communities

all proceeds benefit restoration of the Haddonfield Masonic Temple

Regular Communication – November 7, 2012

A regular communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey, this seventh day of November, 2012, AL 6012, with the following officers present herein recorded:

David A. Frankel-WM, Gregory V. Vermette-SW, RW William J Krassan-Treas, RW Saul Tischler-Sec'y, Ira Slovin-JW, Benjamin S. Parvey, Jr.- SD, Erik M. Brown- JD, Chris Prentzas-Acting-JS, Steven Schwartzer-Acting-Mar., William Warner-SMC, Vince Capone-JMC, Dan McDonough-Acting SS, Ed Lynes- Chap., Robert StMarie Tyler,

Past Masters present herein recorded:

Ralph Giordano, Lester E. Brader, Sr, Keith A. Herman, James E. Miller, PGC, Erik Milask, William J. Krassan, PDDGM, Donald Keppen, Sr., David Leeds, RW Saul Tischler, PGC.

Members and visitors as per the register:

An early Thanksgiving Dinner was provided by Jennifer McDonough before lodge opening.

A Presentation of The Daniel Carter Beard Medal was made by RW Jim Miller to WB Nathan Nevins in front of several boy Scouts, Scout leaders and all members present inside the lodge room before opening. WB Nate spoke a few words of appreciation and then recited the Boy Scout oath. He was given a hearty round of applause before descending the podium.

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree. The Officers were in advanced stations.

Worshipful David A. Frankel thanked Brother Dan McDonough for the dinner provided by Brother Dan's wife Jennifer.

Greetings

WB Dave greeted all present. There were no visitors.

Masonic Birthdays

Birthdays celebrated for November and December were:

RW Jim Miller WB Erik Milask WB Dave Frankel Bro. Mark Friedrich

Rise without the Sound of the Gavel

All rose without the sound of the gavel for a moment of silence in honor of our departed Brother Mario Fanelli.

WB Dave informed the brethren that RW Bill Krassan was recently presented the Masonic Service Medal for his untiring work as Photographer.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous two meetings were read by the recording secretary and approved as amended.

Treasurer Report

RW Bill Krassan stated:

1. The Checking Account Balance as of November 7th is 10,850.77 dollars.
2. The Charity Account as of Nov. 7th is 4,073.00 dollars
3. The Building Fund as of Nov. 7th is 295.16
4. The Pay-Pal Account as of Nov. 7th is 4,186.00 dollars
- 5.

Bills were read by the Secretary

Bills already paid and approved by the review Committee:

96.30----- Independent Alarm-HHT
40.00----- Progard-oil tank--HHT
310.00----- Christos Prentzas—Dinner
119.00-----Food and Beverage-Dave Frankel
368.65-----Saul Tischler—TB
274.03-----PSE&G- HHT
5.00-----Grand Lodge
144.43-----Keystone Inspection
81.00-----CCMUA
181.90-----Capital Contractor
96.00-----Independent Alarm
60.80-----Les Brader-cups
184.00-----Ralph Giordano-pumpkins, paint
25.68-----Grand Lodge-dues cards
1272.00-----needy brother
8.62-----Vince Capone-postage
3500.00-----needy brother
10.50-----NJ Water-HHT
113.90-----Comcast

A **Motion** was made by Bill Krassan and Ralph Giordano and approved by the body to pay all bills on the Treasurer's desk and all future bills if found proper until next communication.

Communications

The Secretary read all communications and they are as follows:

1. The letter from the Grand Lodge regarding Hurricane Sandy relief.
2. A letter of appreciation from Shane Reilley for the Scholarship money he received.
3. Letter from Grand Lodge announcing the December 1st date for the Feast of St John.
4. Read a thank you for the contributions to the Dyslexic Children Center.

RW Bill Krassan recommended that the books be **audited** by an **independent auditor**. WB Dave stated that it should be done after January.

WB Dave apologized to the birthday recipients for not getting a birthday notification.

Request for withdraw of petition

Mr Daniel Kupiec asked that his petition for membership be withdrawn. The Secretary noted that a hand ballot was necessary to release Mr. Kupiec. RW Saul made that motion and Brother Ira Slovin seconded. The lodge members present approved the request.

Petitions

A **Petition** was submitted by Mr. Alvin Fredrick Berger, Jr. for membership by initiation.

Recommenders were Brother Louis Gerace and Brother Emil P. Busco.

The secretary reported that clearance was obtained and his background check proved good.

A **Petition** was submitted by Brother Oscar Robert Block for membership by affiliation. The recommenders are RW Saul Tischler and Brother Al Rubin

Committee of Investigation

The Committee of Investigation for Mr Berger consists of: WB Ralph Giordano-Chairman, Brother Andrew Champion and Brother Don Keppen Jr.

The Worshipful Master asked the lodge to remit the dues of Brother Arnold J. Chassen. The hand vote was unanimous to approve the request.

Suspension for NPD

A motion was duly made and approved by the body to ballot collectively on Suspensions for Non-Payment of Dues.

The following brethren were suspended:

Joseph H. Bolam, Almir Bolic, Jason W. Curran, Phillip A. DePietro, Jr., Allyn N. Holtzin, Kenneth L. Horstmyer, Thomas Hyndman, George J. Koritko, Phillip S. Sharman, Robert L. Small, Alvin N. Torgan, Serkan Uluturk, Frank E. Valora, Benjamin F. Watts,^{3rd},

The Secretary announced that about 15,000.00 dollars in dues have already been collected to date.

Budget

Brother Greg Vermette submitted the Lodge Budget for approval.

He gave a brief explanation and said that it hardly changed from his preliminary draft submitted earlier in the year. WB Jim Miller asked about the 10 week club outlay.

Brother Parvey said that the lodge has to ebb the flow of members leaving the Fraternity. This issue should take top priority during the ensuing year. Brother Dan McDonough motioned to accept the budget WB Ralph Giordano seconded the motion and the Lodge unanimously approved it.

Old Business

WB Dave called upon Brother Ben Parvey to report on his experiences at the recent Masonic Leadership Conference. Brother Ben said it was very rewarding, commented on the beauty of the Elizabethtown Facility and noted that the conference was cut short because of the impending Hurricane.

Brother Greg Vermette motioned to have the lodge hold an open meeting for the Installation of Officers on Decemcer 8th. WB Leeds seconded the motion and the Lodge members present approved the request.

Reports of committees:

Charitable Donations

No recommendations were forthcoming.

Strategy&Planning

The Worshipful Master announced that this committee would also be addressing any by-law changes in the future and would from now on be called the Strategy, Planning & By-Laws Committee.

Blood Drive

Brother Mike Phillips declared the books closed for 2012 with the addition of 22 more pints of blood collected on square and compasses day.

Candidate Development

Brother Robert St. Marie assured the lodge that Mr. Christopher Lee Poitivient would be present to receive the Entered Apprentice Degree next Wednesday. He also stated that there was a prospective candidate present at dinner this evening. WB Dave responded by saying in the future the membership present should be made aware of a prospective candidate in the house.

Masonic Education and Mentoring

Brother Vince Capone said that Entered Apprentices Thomas Charles Jones and Mark Anthony Rubino have been unresponsive to his calls. He also said that he and Brother Bob Wells have been working on Mentoring Skills.

WB Dave mentioned that the Grand Lodge has produced a DVD on their Mentoring Program and viewing could be arranged if anyone is interested. Brother Andy Championed volunteered to reach out to Entered apprentice Thomas Charles Jones.

WB Dave notified the body of an upcoming 1 Day Class in February. He noted that all candidates would notified and given the option of participating.

RW Jim Miller asked if it was worth-it to raise candidates who were not interested in doing the work and WB Dave directed him to express his sentiment to the Grand Master.

WB Dave Frankel invoked the symbol of the Beehive as the solution for keeping the new candidates interested in the Fraternity.

Outreach Committee

Chairman Bob Wells reported that he sent Get-Well Cards to:

1. Brother Mike DiMartinis(Broken Arm)
 2. Brother Al Rubin(Heart problems)
 3. WB Mike Snyder(broken ankle)
 4. Brother Bill Whitcraft's wife Theresa(Hip replacement)
 5. WB Nate Nevins(obviously doing better)
 6. Diane Todd(Hernia Operation)
 7. Sympathy Card to Brother Mike Phillips(Father's passing)
 8. Brother Hans Land(in rehab)
 9. WB Bob Jentsch(recouperating home from operation and stroke)
 10. RW Ray Newkirk(rehab after leg amputation)
 11. Brother Al Kerutsky(met in church-doing well)
 12. Brother Ed Grant and wike Carol(bad back-stroke)
 13. Gerry Clark fell mowing his lawn
- Brother Bob asked all to sign the cards outside the lodge room.

Trustees report

There was no trustees report. Distinguished Brother Howard Margulies was not present. WB Keith Herman, Vice Chairman of Trustees, reported that the rumors are true. The Trustees have submitted an informal proposal to USS New Jersey Lodge #62 concerning the purchase of the Haddon Heights Temple. We are awaiting their response.

Capital Planning

Brother Ben Parvey stated that we are very close to signing a contract for construction. He thanked WB Keith Herman for involving Brother Robert Shwartz before signing off. The Fundraising will begin with a Cigar Night at Tavistock Country Club and as of this evening there are 45 reservations with a few more expected. WB Keith Herman and Brother Robert Shwartz will be working together to secure the financing for the first phase.

Announcements

1. Cigar Night tomorrow evening.
2. EA Degree next Wednesday
3. District Lodge of Instruction for all Officers next Thursday
4. Election of Officers for the ensuing Masonic year on Wednesday the 21st.
5. Rising Sun Lodge Masonic Home visitation on Sundat Nov. 25th.
6. Board of Trustees Meeting on Wed. Nov. 28th.
7. A Thank You to Dan McDonough's wife Jennifer for a delicious dinner.

The Stewards retired to prepare for refreshment.

Closing

Having no further business and the Secretary's desk being clear, the lodge was closed at 9:38 PM by RW William J. Krassan, PDDGM.

Emergent Communication-November 14, 2012

An Emergent communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey, for the purpose of conferring the Entered Apprentice Degree, this fourteenth day of November, 2012, AL 6012, with the following officers present herein recorded:

David A. Frankel-SW, Gregory V. Vermette-WM, Absent-Treas, Saul Tischler-Sec'y, Joe Britt-Acting JW, Mark Friedrich-Acting-SD, William H. Warner-Acting JD, Daniel Weiner-Chap., Steven M. Schwartz- Mar., Michael Phillips- SMC, Vince M. Capone- JMC, Christos Prentzas- Acting SS, Daniel Wilson Acting- JS, Robert St. Marie-Tyl., David Leeds –Org

Past Masters present herein recorded:

Ralph Giordano, Howard S. Garabedian;PGC, Raymond C. Thorne, PGT, Ian Korman, PGC, Keith A. Herman, Saul Tischler,PGC, Paul Schmeck, David R. Leeds, Ronald Brining,PGH,

Members and visitors as per the register:

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree. The Officers were in advanced stations.

Worshipful David A. Frankel closed labor on the MM Degree and the lodge duly at labor on the EA Degree.

Greetings to Visiting Masters

WB Dave properly greeted visiting Masters, WB Bernard “Bud” Madgey of Laurel Lodge #237, WB Alex LaCroce of Audubon-Parkside Lodge #218 and WB Robert Hudgens of USS New Jersey Lodge #62. After a hearty round of applause was given, announcements were made, before retiring to sit on the sidelines for the degree.

Greeted Visitors

There were six visitors greeted who also received Master’s Gifts.

Announcements

1. Tomorrow night –DLI for the qualifying teams
2. Sunday Nov. 28th-visitation to Masonic Home
3. Trustees Mtg. on Wed. 28th.
4. Installation on the 8th of December.

Confer EA Degree

The EA Degree was conferred on Mr. Christopher Lee Poitivient, Mr. Edward Trout, Mr. Paul Bonamassa, Jr. and Mr. Scott P. Vicari. The first candidate was with Rising Sun Lodge #15. The three others were for USS New Jersey Lodge #62

WB Dave Frankel occupied the East for the first section and Brother Christos Prentzas delivered the working tools.

The Marshals were:

WB Keith Herman – Mr Poitivient
J. Casey Pierce,PM- Mr. Trout
John Reader,PDRI-Mr. Bonamassa
Dan Walker- Mr. Vicari

Greg Vermette, SW sat in the East for the second section and recited the EA Lecture
WB Bernard “Bud” Madgey gave the EA Charge
Brother Bill Warner delivered the Reception Address

Brothers Howard Garabedian and Ralph Giordano operated the slides.

Having no further business, at 9:40PM Brother Greg Vermette, SW closed the lodge on the Entered Apprentice Degree with Brother Bob Wells reciting the closing charge. All then retired to the banquet room for refreshment and good fellowship.

Annual Communication-November 21, 2012

The Annual Communication of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. was held in the Haddonfield Masonic Temple, Haddonfield, New Jersey, this Twenty-first day of November, 2012, AL 6012, with the following officers present herein recorded:

David A. Frankel-Acting JW, Gregory V. Vermette-Acting WM, RW William J Krassan-Treas, RW Saul Tischler-Sec’y, Ira Slovin- Acting SW, Erik Brown- Acting SD, Keith Herman-Acting JD, Chris Prentzas-Acting-JS, Mark Friedrich-Acting-Mar., Michael Phillips-SMC, Vince Capone-JMC, Don Keppen Jr.-Acting SS, Daniel Weiner-Acting Chap., Robert StMarie Tyler,

Past Masters present herein recorded:

Ralph Giordano, Lester Brader, Keith A. Herman, M. Michael DiMartinis, Howard Z. Kanowitz, PGC, Ian Korman, PGC,William J. Krassan, PDDGM, Donald Keppen, Sr., David Leeds, RW Saul Tischler, PGC.

Members and visitors as per the register:

No dinner was served before meeting.

The lodge was opened in due and ancient form at 7:30 PM and at labor on the Master Mason Degree. The Officers were in advanced stations for the opening.

Greetings

WB Dave greeted all present.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous two meetings were read by the recording secretary and approved by the membership present.

Bills were read by the Secretary

Bills already paid and approved by the review Committee:

1150.00-----Nero's Cigars (Cigar Night)
85.00-----Grand Lodge of NJ (Disaster relief)
119.89-----Dave Frankel (Wine for 11/7 mtg)
311.00-----Chris Prentzas dinner)
254.10-----PSE&G (HT)
10.60-----NJ Water (HHT)
40.00-----Proguard
96.30-----Independence Alarm
168.45-----Vaughn oil
181.90-----Capital Contractor
481.00-----CCMUA
30.00-----GL of NJ
57.12-----Les Brader (supplies)
25.00-----Grand Lodge (background check)
25.00-----Home Fee (Poitevient)
29.79-----Dave Frankel (refreshment)
116.20-----Chris Prentzas (Food)

A **Motion** was made by Brothers Saul Tischler and Ralph Giordano and approved by the body to pay all bills on the Treasurer's desk and all future bills if found proper until next communication.

Communications

The Secretary read all communications and they are as follows:

1. The letter from the Grand Lodge thanking the Lodge for the generous donation to the Hurricane Relief Fund..
2. A letter of appreciation from the Family of WB Raymond Sticher for the beautiful masonic funeral service.
3. Letter from Grand Lodge announcing the December 1st date for the Feast of St John.
4. Read a thank you card from WB Nathan Samuel Nevins for the Scouting Award presentation given to him last meeting.

Petitions

A **Petition** was submitted by Mr. Timothy Michael Boyle for membership by initiation.

Recommenders were Brothers Robert StMarie and Saul Tischler.

The secretary reported that clearance was obtained and his background check proved good. He was recommended to our lodge by Grand Lodge staff.

The Committee of Investigation for Mr Boyle will be appointed at a later date.

The Worshipful Master informed the brethren of the completion of the fireplace installation.

Motion

A motion was duly made by Brothers Saul Tischler and Ira Slovin and approved by the body to open a Lodge of Sorrow for the ensuing Masonic year after the memorial service during the Annual Installation of Officers.

Reports of committees:

Outreach Committee

Chairman Bob Wells reported that he sent a sympathy card to the family of Brother Pat Troutner regarding the passing of his wife. He also asked all members to sign some get-well card upon exiting the lodge room.

Trustees report

Distinguished Brother Howard Margulies was not feeling well and was absent. WB Keith Herman, Vice Chairman of Trustees, reported that there was an interested party looking to buy the Haddon Heights Building.

He also said that there were three interested lenders for the first phase financing and he would explore all three.

Capital Planning

Brother Ben Parvey was absent. WB Dave Frankel reported that there were 56 participants at Cigar Night but he was not privy to the amount of money raised.

The Construction was to start on this coming Monday. The Contractor will be working from 7:30 AM until 4:00PM Monday through Friday. A construction manager will be on site for the full 40 hour week

Announcements

8. Masonic Home Visitation on the 25th of the month.
9. Officers Installation on December 8th. Bacchio's Caterer will provide the Installation Dinner and reservations are needed.
10. Holiday Party for the residents of the Masonic home affiliated with Rising Sun Lodge will be Sunday December 9th. From 1:00PM until 4:00PM.
11. WB David Leeds asked the lodge for 3 to 6 volunteers needed to man "Haddonfield's First Night Celebration". There will be 3 performances in the Temple that evening.

Elections of Officers

A Judge and two Tellers were appointed by the Worshipful Master and they are respectively RW Howard Z. Kanowitz, PGC, WB M. Michael DiMartinis, PM and Brother Frank Schleggel. The Judge read the name of the Nominee for each elected office. The Nominee was then asked if he accepted and if he had a preference as to who would cast a unanimous ballot. Both tellers concurred with the results.

The Elected Officers of Rising Sun Lodge #15 of F. & A. M. for the ensuing masonic year are as follows:

Gregory B. Vermette-----Worshipful Master
Unanimous ballot cast by Brother Mark Friedrich

Ira M. Slovin-----Senior Warden
Unanimous ballot cast by WB Keith Herman, PM

Benjamin S. Parvey II-----Junior Warden (Lester Brader as Proxy for Ben)
Unanimous ballot cast by Erik Brown

RW Ian Korman, PGC-----Treasurer
Unanimous ballot cast by RW Saul M. Tischler, PGC

RW Saul M. Tischler, PGC---Secretary
Unanimous ballot cast by RW William J. Krassan, PDDGM

Brother Erik Brown-----Proxy to Grand Lodge
Unanimous ballot cast by WB Keith Herman, PM

Trustee for Three Years

Michael F. Phillips
RW James E. Miller, PGC (WB Keith Herman was Proxy)
WB David A. Frankel, PM
WB Keith Herman cast a unanimous ballot for all three Brothers collectively

Scholarship Trustee for Three Years

Daniel Wilson
Anthony Montagnero
WB Erik Milask, PM
WB Keith Herman cast a unanimous ballot collectively.

Scholarship Trustee for Two Years

Brother Donald Keppen Jr. was elected to replace WB Raymond Stitche
WB Donald Keppen Sr.,PM cast a unanimous ballot for his son.

Closing

Having no further business and the Secretary's desk being clear, the lodge was closed at 9:05 PM by Gregory B. Vermette, Worshipful Master Elect with Brother Robert Wells reciting the final charge.



Thus concludes the Historical Activities of Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M. for the Masonic year of AD 2012 (AL 6012). These records are respectfully submitted by

Francis J. Conway, PM
Historian, Rising Sun Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M