

Pulpit Rock Lodge No. 103 F & AM



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555th Communication

From The East:

Brethren,

The New year is upon us and I want to wish you all grand tidings for the New Year. This is a time to look back and reflect on all you have been through in the last 12 months, another trip around the Sun. This is not just a time of reflection but a time to measure and plan, measure your growth and plan your future. Will you sit and be content in safety? Will you be bold and venture into new endeavors? The clock as I continue to remind you, is ticking, do not wait or hesitate get a move on before it's too late. Look ahead with confidence no matter the situation or predicament. We are Masons and we are strong, and will face the New year head on with a plan for good health in body and in mind. Find a hobby which makes you happy, attend lodge and unite with your Brothers. We are so blessed to be here today and to have each other, so I ask you all to do your best in the time you have, take care of yourself and of others, be attentive to what you need and give each other Brotherly Love. Wishing you all the best in this coming year.

Fraternally,

W.∴ James Thoele

Time is the only currency you
spend without ever knowing
your balance. Use it wisely!

Auld Lang Syne

*Should auld acquaintance be forgot
And never brought to mind?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot
And the days of auld lang syne?*

*For auld lang syne, my dear
For auld lang syne
We'll drink a cup of kindness yet
For the sake of auld lang syne*

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Winds From The West

Wisdom cannot be given, it must be obtained through practical application and understanding of knowledge. Masons do this through contemplation (deep reflective thought). Please contemplate on our beautiful Ritual, including the Holy Bible, to obtain Divine Wisdom. As the great Stoic Marcus Aurelius stated, *Everything we hear is an opinion, not a fact. Everything we see is a perspective, not the truth.*

Please help make the world a better place by becoming the best you possible by applying the principles, values, morals, and lesson of Masonry in your everyday conduct. Actions speak louder than words. Listen to people to understand, not simply to respond. Please be at peace with yourself and the world around you. Life is about developing positive and happy relationships. Nothing good comes from negativity. I hope to see you at our January 13th Stated Meeting. Please let me know if you need anything. Stay strong and positive.

R. : W. : Douglas Pabst
Senior Warden

The essence of being an emotionally intelligent person is being able to know when an emotion deserves a response and when an emotion deserves to be acknowledged, experienced, and then politely shown the door.

Mark Manson

*Heart is sea,
language is shore.
Whatever sea includes,
will hit the shore.*

Rumi

Worshipful Master's Theme

HONEY

Harmonize - Bring into agreement or accord, often used in the context of music or relationships, creating a sense of unity, and understanding (unify, synchronize, coordinate)

Organize - To arrange systematically, signifying efficiency and productivity (systematize, coordinate, streamline).

Nurture. - To care for and encourage the growth and development of someone or something, often resulting in positive outcomes and a sense of fulfillment (foster, cultivate, nourish).

Earn. - To acquire through effort or work, indicating a strong work ethic and determination (gain, achieve, attain).

Yield. - Produce or provide, often in a fruitful or beneficial way, resulting in a positive outcome or result (produce, generate, provide).

District 2 Lodges Stated Meetings

Rising Sun #39	3 rd Wednesday
Lafayette-Bible #41	1 st Wednesday
St. Mark's #44	3 rd Monday
Washington #61	3 rd Wednesday
Spicket #85	2 nd Thursday
Ancient York #89	2 nd Tuesday
Pulpit Rock #103	2 nd Monday

Happy January Masonic Birthday Wishes

Paul Martakos 42 Years
W.: Walter F. Freeman 29 Years
R.: W.: Robert S. Bean III 25 Years
R.: W.: Malcolm A. Wooff 16 Years
R.: W.: Douglas A. Pabst 11 Years

Happy January Birthday Wishes

Neil Fineman 7th
Paul Martakos 22nd

January Masonic Education Offerings

13th Stated Meeting Topic: *Hebrew Prayer of Remembrance* by Jon Fuzzell or *Make Your Bed* by RW Douglas Pabst

21st: Districts 6 and 8 Cornerstones Class via Zoom. 7 PM to 8:30 PM. Topic: *Training Junior Officers* by R.: W.: Scott Ayen. Virtual: Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85290043851?pwd=RUZmaVZka3hGaWpRaUY3MThQY1R4Zz09>

23rd: Districts 2 and 3 Cornerstones Class (Network 23) at Benevolent Lodge. Topic: *Balloting* by R.: W.: Douglas Pabst. 7 PM to 8:30 PM (open to all Masons).

29th: Districts 5 and 1 Cornerstones Class (Area 51) at TBD. Topic: *TBD* by TBD. 7 PM to 8:30 PM (open to all Masons).

Masonic Education materials available:

<https://www.nhgrandlodge.org/suggested-reading-for-masons/>

Speaker's Bureau:

www.NHgrandlodge.org click on For Mason Tab and click on Education Committee Speakers Bureau. Select a topic or two and email geo@nhgrandlodge.org or dgeo@nhgrandlodge.org

2024 Officers



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Worshipful Master W.: James D. Thoele (516) 455-5324 jthoele69@gmail.com	Chaplain: Jon P. Fuzzell Marshal: Ricardo Saint-Marc
Senior Warden R.: W.: Douglas Pabst (603) 818-9789 douglaspabst@yahoo.com	Sr. Deacon: Justin W. Brown Jr. Deacon: Adam Ferrara
Junior Warden R.: W.: Robert S. Bean III (603) 770-6886 rs.bean3@comcast.net	Grand Lodge Rep: Justin W. Brown
Treasurer W.: Walter F. Freeman (603) 432-4845 walterf0919@outlook.com	Standing Committee 2024: Ricardo Saint-Marc Adam Ferrara
Secretary W.: David L. Bruce (603) 591-2510 j-dbruce@comcast.net pulpitrock103@gmail.com	

Pulpit Rock Lodge #103, F. & A. M.

Past Masters

Donald A. Pelton	1970 *
Paul J. Haldeman	1971, 73 (GL) *
Edward D. Perkins	1972 (GL) *
John J. Hutchinson, III	1974 / *
Philip E. Colburn, III	1975
Frank G. Bromley	1976 *
James S. Jones	1977 *
George C. Malonis	1978, 79 (GL) *
Donald W. Rankin	1980 *
Keith O. Sanborn	1981, 82 *
David L. Pryor	1983 *
Ralph A. Harmon	1984 (GL) *
William E. Higton	1985, 86, 88, 94 *
Thomas A. Murray	1987
Vincent D. Marinelli	1989
Willis H. Atwood	1990 *
Charles F. Marden	1991 /
Richard E. Wallace	1992, 95 /
George A. Hitchmoth	1993, 96 *
Paul S. Leonard	1997
Robert E. West	1998, 99, 2003 *
Richard G. Hagan	2000 *
Robert A. Barkas	2001 /
William NC Morgan	2002 / *
Robert S. Bean, III	2004, 05 (GL)
Jack L. Caynon	2006, 07 (GL) *
Gerald J. Plamondon	2008, 09 *
Walter F. Freeman	2010, 11 (GL)
James H. Lawrence, III	2012, 13 (GL)
Malcolm A. Wooff	2014, 15 (GL)
Michael F. Yannetti	2016, 17 (GL)
Edgar R. St. Onge	2018, 19
David L. Bruce	2020, 21
Douglas A. Pabst	2022, 23 (GL)

GL: Grand Lodge Officer

/ Demitted

• Deceased

Most Worshipful Grand Master's Theme

Remember who you are and what you came here to do.

IMPROVE: Inspire, Mentorship, Programs, Ritual,
Outreach, Value, Education

From the Secretary

Dues notices for 2025 were sent out this past week either by email or by U.S. mail. Payment is requested in full by December 31st or, if needed, other payment terms can easily be arranged. If any Brother finds that they need help with their dues, please let me or the Worshipful Master know prior to the December Stated meeting on the 9th.

If you have any updates to your personal information, address, phone number or email, please email your updates to pulpitrock103@gmail.com. Login and update your information on Grand View the Grand Lodge Member Portal

https://nh.grandview.systems/users/sign_in

Fraternally,

W.: David Bruce, Secretary

Pelham Square and Compass Building Updates

Our next Square and Compass Meeting will be held on March 24th at 7 PM via Zoom. Please consider donating this year to the Pulpit Rock Lodge West Fund. This fund is dedicated to Building maintenance. Our Building needs a new oil furnace, a new floor in the banquet area, and we have significant drainage/landscaping issues. Any amount is appreciated. Please make your checks payable to the Pelham Square and Compass Club.

**Pulpit Rock
Lodge**

Blue Hive Club

The Buzz



Officers:

President: W. : James Thoele
Vice President: R. : W. : Malcolm Wooff
Secretary: W. : David Bruce

The Blue Hive Club is open to all Masons and their families that wish to learn the fine art of bee keeping. Hope to see more Pulpit Rockers at future events. There is no fee to join.

Please contact W. : David Bruce via email at [j-
dbBruce@comcast.net](mailto:dbBruce@comcast.net) for additional information or to join.

Updates:

Care and observation of our four hives continues. Winterization occurred on 12/1/24. It was a successful year and we did manage to harvest some honey. Stay tuned for upcoming meetings and work days.

WREATHS Across AMERICA

On December 14th Worshipful David Bruce, Right Worshipful Douglas Pabst, Brother Dana Ordway, Brother Moe Lussier, and Brother Dan Juliano placed wreaths on the graves of our Masonic Veteran Brothers in Gibson Cemetery.

Masonic Calendar: January 2025

- **9th:** Spicket Lodge Stated Meeting. Dinner at 6:30 PM. Lodge opens at 7:30 PM
- **13th:** Pulpit Rock Lodge Stated Meeting Dinner at 6:30 PM. Lodge opens at 7:30 PM.
- **16th:** District 2 Officers Group Meeting at Pulpit Rock Lodge. Refreshments at 6:30 PM, Meeting starts at 7 PM.

Please check the Grand Lodge Website, 2nd Masonic District Calendar and Facebook Page for events and Degrees at other Lodges.

2nd Masonic District Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2139277872786430/>

2nd Masonic District Google Calendar

https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=g80350nijqp7i865ipa3f20hg8%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FNew_York

The Granite Cornerstone Podcast: <https://www.facebook.com/granitecornerstonenh>

NH Masonic Education Calendar

https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=mlangis3737%40gmail.com&ctz=America%2FNew_York

Pictures from 12/29/24 Pulpit Rock Lodge Christmas and Hanukkah Party:

