



Rising Sun Lodge #39, F&AM Masonic Trestleboard January 2012

From the East

Happy New Year! Thank you, thank you, and thank you!



Thank you to everyone who made our second annual Masonic Family Pancake Breakfast and Christmas Party a success. We had nearly 100 people fill the fourth floor for fun and fellowship, including Santa! And every child received a present from him, too. Special thanks to **Guy Martineau** for making all the arrangements and cooking; to **John Woodrow, Paul Bielawski** and **Geoff Legg** for helping in the kitchen; to **Stacey Desrochers** and the Rainbow Girls and Pledges for handling the activities; to **Mike Henry, Mark McLaughlin**, and **Brian Smith** for looking after our VIP visitor; to **Larry Gullett** and my wife, **Judy**, for serving; and to everyone who helped with the cleanup!

And finally, thank you for electing me as your Master for a second year. I will work to make you proud of your Lodge, and could use your help along the way.

Thank you to everyone who brought canned goods, hats, and gloves to the December Stated. Your generosity is wonderful.

I hope to see you at the January Stated. If you need a lift, let me know. We'll get you there!

Warmest fraternal wishes,

Bob Porter, W.M.

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Special Communications

Wednesday, January 11, 2012—7:00 PM

Fellow Craft Degree and Proficiencies

Wednesday, January 25, 2012—Master Mason Degree
and Proficiencies

5:30 PM—1st Sect.; 6:30—Dinner; 7:30—2nd Section

Wednesday, February 1, 2012—7:00 PM

Entered Apprentice Degree and Proficiencies

Wednesday, February 8, 2012—7:00 PM
Fellow Craft Degree and Proficiencies

Stated Communications

Wednesday, January 18, 2012

6:15 PM—Fellowship dinner

7:30 PM—Business to include the Annual Meeting with reports of Secretary, Treasurer, and Finance Committee, a history of Rising Sun Lodge, & installation of officers

Wednesday, February 15, 2012

6:15 PM—Fellowship dinner

7:30 PM—Business to include balloting on petitions

Bikes for Books

Last year, Rising Sun donated 24 bicycles to promote reading among students at two Nashua elementary schools. This year we hope to do the same, and **Steve Trachtenberg** has volunteered to chair the program.

If you want to help, contact Steve, either by email at strachtenberg@yahoo.com, or by phone at 352-226-9436. To make a tax-deductible donation, make checks out to Rising Sun Lodge, and print Bikes for Books in the memo field.

New Year, New Dues Card

The Grand Master has stated that you must have a current dues card to vote. An expired dues card will let you into a meeting, just as a demit will do, but will prevent you from voting.

Brethren, dues for 2012 were to be paid by December 31, 2011. If you've already made that payment, we thank you. If you are having financial difficulties, please let us know. Contact the Secretary, so that the Lodge might help.

Masonic Education

"How did you know that?" Brethren, Masters Classes are held monthly throughout the District. Topics cover what every Master Mason should know, and what every Master of a Lodge must know. The next meeting is at St. Mark's Lodge in Derry, on January 14. It runs from 9 to 11 AM.

Upcoming Events

Jan 11th 7:00 PM – Fellow Craft Degree and Proficiencies

Jan 14th 9:00 AM – Masters Class, Derry

Topic: Planning and running a meeting

Jan 15th 7:30 AM to 10:00 AM—Rainbow Pledge

All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast—\$7.00 Donation

Jan 18th Stated Communication & Annual Meeting

6:15 PM – Fellowship Dinner

	7:30 PM – Lodge opens
Jan 25th	Master Mason Degree and Proficiencies
	5:30 PM—First Section
	6:30 PM—Dinner
	7:30 PM—Second Section
Feb 1st	7:00 PM – Entered Apprentice Degree and Proficiencies
Feb 8th	7:00 PM – Fellow Craft Degree and Proficiencies
Feb 15th	Stated Communication
	6:15 PM – Fellowship Dinner
	7:30 PM – Lodge opens

YORK RITE

- Jan 4th 7 PM—Israel Hunt Chapter #8 Rehearsal for Royal Master Degree
 Jan 15th 5 PM— Israel Hunt Chapter #8 Rehearsal for Royal Master Degree
 Jan 22nd 5 PM— Israel Hunt Chapter #8 Rehearsal for Royal Master Degree
 Jan 23rd Israel Hunt Chapter #8 Visitation
 6:30 PM—Dinner
 7:30 PM—Visitation (Royal Master Degree)
 Jan 27th 7 PM—St. George Commandery #9
 Inspection, Manchester-Order of the Temple

Masonic Birthdays January 2012

<i>Brother</i>	<i>Years</i>
Donald C Pickering	63
James A Wood	55
Nelson J Menard	50
Robert L Clark	48
Philip W McCubrey	48
Donald C Shepard	46
Frederick W Pauling	40
Malcolm R Holden, Sr	30
Kurt E Peterson	30
Dennis Webster	30
Richard L Johnston	18
Jeffrey S Stanley	18
Rodney D Gagnon	15

Paul A Sabol	12
Richard F Hartford	11
Paul M Haskell, Sr	6
Bryan E Walch	6
Gregory A Hackney	1

I wish each of the above Brethren a very happy Masonic Birthday, and invite them to join us at Lodge this month, so that I may personally extend my hand and best wishes.

Bob Porter, Wor. Master

Attest: Roger W. Gaskill, P.M., Secretary

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