

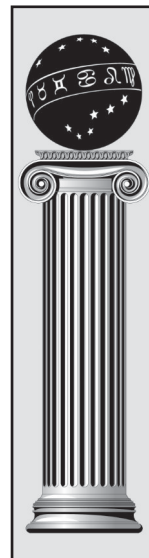


ST. JOHNS LODGE No. ONE

F. & A.M.

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

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December 2022

3915th
Regular
Communication



R.: W.: Gilbert J. Fontes Jr.
District Deputy Grand Master
Metro District

W.: Jason M. Nystrom
Grand Master of Ceremonies

M.: W.: Robert A. Palazzo
Grand Master

R.: W.: Brad Ripley
Grand Marshal

This Month's Communication: December 21, 2022

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St. Johns Lodge meets the third Wednesday of every month, except July and August,
at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center, 2115 Broad Street, Cranston, Rhode Island.
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Wednesday, December 7, 2022
Friday, December 9, 2022

Officers Rehearsal
St. Johns #1 Providence Holiday Party
Cocktail Hour - 6 PM, Dinner - 7 PM

6:30 PM

Wednesday, December 14, 2022
Saturday, December 17, 2022
Wednesday, December 21, 2022

Officers Rehearsal
Holiday Food Baskets
St. Johns #1 Providence Regular Communication

6:30 PM
8:00 AM
6:00 PM

Attest: M.: W.: Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr., Secretary

W.: John B. Paliotta, Master

Master's Message

Hello My Brothers,

We are in our final month of 2022 and it's shaping up to be a busy one. Please keep your attention on the calendar of events.

We had a nice, relaxing, and informative evening at our last communication. Special thanks to Brother **R.:W.: Richard F. Lynch** for a presentation on his journey through Iceland. Very educational with a wonderful presentation. Right Worshipful you never disappoint, thank you!



Our next stated communication will be **Wednesday, December 21 at 6 PM**. Please come out and join us as this will be our last communication of 2022. Our presentation this month is going to be an amazing heart-warming one! I am pleased to announce that we will be having **Vintage Pet Rescue** based out of Foster Rhode Island. This amazing organization focuses on our Senior 4-legged friends. They provide top-notch care and love for these animals while they live out their Golden years. Think of this as the "best of the best" nursing home for them. We will welcome **Kristen Peralta** and her team of volunteers. There will be a presentation explaining everything they provide at this wonderful shelter. And, it gets even better! Kristen and her team will be accompanied by some of their senior residents for us to meet. It will be sure to melt your heart! Invite your family and friends as this program will be semi-public. I encourage everyone to visit their website and their Facebook page: www.vintagepetrescue.org

Prior to our communication on the 21st, I would like to point out two important dates. The first one being **Friday, December 9th**. This will be our **Holiday party** at Alpine country club. This is going to be a beautiful night of family, fun, and great food. I would also like to mention that our many raffle prizes for that evening will be absolutely spectacular! The majority of the proceeds from this raffle will benefit **Vintage Pet Rescue**, with a smaller proceed being allocated to other animal welfare organizations.

Secondly, **Saturday, December 17** at 8 AM we will have our *holiday food basket drive*. Please come out and join us for a great morning of doing great deeds. Daylight lodge will be serving up their delicious breakfast as they do every year following the assembly of baskets. Thank you to everyone in advance for always making this a huge success!

Also, PLEASE Keep an eye on all animals in need or distress, especially during these upcoming cold winter months. I personally thank you, and they do as well.

"An Animals eyes have the power to speak a great language"

On behalf of the Wardens and Officers, I would like to wish you all a **Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah**, and a very joyous, prosperous, and healthy **New Year**. Salute!

Grazie Fratelli Miei

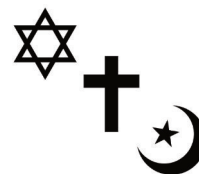
W.: John B. Paliotta

John B. Paliotta

Worshipful Master



**PEACE
ON EARTH**



Lodge & District Events

Friday 12/02/22	Logia Libertad UD	7:30 PM
Saturday 12/03/22	RI DeMolay	10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
	Holiday Bowl	
Saturday 12/03/22	Grand Lodge Fall Festival	6:00 PM
Wednesday 12/07/22	Officers Rehearsal	6:30 PM
Friday 12/09/22	St. Johns 1 P Holiday Party	6:00 PM
	Cocktail Hour-6pm, Dinner-7pm	
Saturday 12/10/22	Gaspee Chapter DeMolay	2:00 PM
	State Suite Visitation	
Monday 12/12/22	Redwood Lodge #35	7:00 PM
Tuesday 12/13/22	Overseas Lodge #40	6:30 PM
Wednesday 12/14/22	Officers Rehearsal	6:30 PM
Saturday 12/17/22	Holiday Food Baskets	8:00 AM
Saturday 12/17/22	DeMolay State	1:00 PM
	Double Degree	
Monday 12/19/22	Rising Sun #30	7:30 PM
Monday 12/19/22	Jenks Lodge No. 24	7:00 PM
Wednesday 12/21/22	St Johns Regular	6:00 PM
	Communication	
Friday 01/06/23	Logia Libertad UD	7:30 PM
Saturday 01/07/23	Jenks Lodge No. 24	7:30 PM
	Annual Communication	
Monday 01/09/23	Redwood Lodge #35	7:30 PM
	DDGM Visitation (Metro)	

Congratulations!!

**R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master
Douglas J. Grant**
Grand Master elect for 2023-2024

December 21st Monthly Communication

6:00 PM:	St. Johns open to transact such business as shall regularly come before it.
6:45 PM:	Dinner A limited number of fish meals available with reservation.
7:30 PM:	Program: Vintage Pet Rescue

Call: Brother Senior Steward @ **401-861-1757**
or email: sj1prov@gmail.com

No later than **Sunday, December 18th** for reservations.
Any Brother with special dietary needs beyond the listed menu,
please mention it in your message.

Get Well Wishes

Edwin Fielder 401-397-5637
85 Lakehurst Drive, Coventry, RI 02816
Peter McConaghy 401-641-5660
81 Norton Avenue, Cranston, RI 02920
Lino Martin
976 Long View Drive, North Attleboro, MA 02760
Darryl Triggs 401-632-6817
31 Remington Farm Drive, Coventry, RI 02816

Let us remember all sick or shut in Brothers who could use a call, card or visit. Please report all such brothers to the Master W.: John B. Paliotta or any of the following Sick Committee members; Walter Kelly, Kenneth Phillips, Garabed Emdjian or contact Bob O'Brien at bob.obrien@gmail.com or 401-487-4750

Ballot on Petition to Join by Affiliation

Stephen Edward Mottau
Manchester Lodge #12

Ballot on Petition to Join by Degrees

Evan Michael Bennett
40 Oakland Ave., Cranston, RI, 02910

Alan Christopher Vukas
174 Pequot Trl., East Greenwich, RI, 02818

Richard Allen Lunn Jr.
998 Main St, Apt. D, West Warwick, RI, 02893

December Program



Vintage Pet Rescue is a Rhode Island based 501c3 non-profit run by **Kristen and Marc Peralta** (who met in an animal shelter in Los Angeles in 2013).

Their mutual love for senior dogs is the driving force behind **Vintage Pet Rescue** and they are committed to rescuing vintage (senior) pets from shelters and assisting owners who can no longer care for their senior pets.

Along with their small team of volunteers, Kristen and Marc give these animals love, attention, and medical care for the last months or years of their lives.

HAPPY HANUKKAH AND MERRY CHRISTMAS
FROM THE MASTER, WARDENS
AND OFFICERS
OF ST. JOHNS NO.1 PROVIDENCE.

GRAND MASTER'S OFFICIAL VISITATIONS

March 1, 2023 **Northern District**
Lafayette Lodge No. 47
March 8, 2023 **East Bay District**
St Albans Lodge No. 6
April 4, 2023 **Central District**
Harmony Lodge No. 9
April 15, 2023 **Mother Lodge**
Roger Williams Lodge No. 32
May 6, 2023 ... **Testimonial Dinner**

METRO DISTRICT MEETINGS

ANNUAL COMMUNICATIONS

Jenks No. 24 – January 7, 2023
Redwood No. 35 – May 8, 2023

Logia Libertad UD – TBA

VISITATIONS

Redwood No. 35 – January 9, 2023
*Jenks No. 24 – March 27, 2023
Overseas No. 40 – April 11, 2023
St. Johns No. 1 Providence – April 19, 2023

*Officer Forum

A Mason's Wife

by Robert Pinkerton

From active Masons, resolute,
Our wives and families we salute;
We surely know the price you pay,
Who sit alone while we're away.

No high degrees on you conferred,
In Lodge, your name is seldom heard;
You serve our cause though out of sight,
While sitting home alone tonight.

Masonic papers list our names,
Awards are given, fit to frame;
But yours is absent...you who strive,
To keep our fortitude alive.

You're part of every helpful deed,
On your encouragement we feed;
Without your blessings, how could we,
Continue acts of charity?

And so, this poem, we dedicate,
To every Master Mason's mate;
And offer our undying love,
Rewards await in Heaven above.

Holiday Food Baskets Saturday, December 17th, 8am Scottish Rite

(with set-up on Friday the 16th)
Please arrive no later than 6 PM)

All brothers who wish to receive a basket please call:
Hugo Adames, Jr. At 401-366-2766 or Tom Kumes at 401-785-1093. Deadline for requesting a Holiday Basket is December 10th.

Thank you.
Hugo Adames Jr



St Johns Lodge Number One Providence ~ Officers 2022-2023

Master: W. John B. Paliotta

Senior Warden: Joseph J. Bernier Junior Warden: Jason Shealy

Treasurer: R. W. Ronald P. Reed Secretary: M. W. Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr. email: secretary1prov@gmail.com

Chaplain: W. Robert J. O'Brien

Associate Chaplain: Peter A. Healey



Senior Deacon: Robert Larrabee

Junior Deacon: William C. Gouge

Senior Steward: Scott C. Alexander

Junior Steward: Jeffrey Parker



Marshal: W. Joshua A. Irizarry

Sentinel: Octavio Gomez

Tiler: Garabed Emdjian Associate Tiler: Thomas J. Kumes

Master of Ceremonies W. Timothy L. Culhane Associate M.C.: R. W. Kenneth B. Phillips

Musical Director: W. Larry Thienel

Lodge Reporter: W. Timothy L. Culhane

Finance Committee: W. Edward D. Bertrand (2023), W. Scott E. Miller (2025), Edward O. Quinn (2024)

Living Past Masters of St. Johns Lodge Number One Providence

St. Johns Lodge No. 1P

1971 Hagop Tikoian
1973 John C. Crompton
1975 Robert D. Coleman
1976 Barry A. Phillips
1979 George M. Hanrahan
1980 Carl E. Croft
1981 Ralph DiScullo
1982 Anthony Marcello, Jr.
1984 Gregory W. Dexter
1986 Elton D. Ricker, Jr.
1993 Anthony Marcello, Jr.
1994-95 Thomas A. Ashley
1999-00 Clarence Soderberg, Jr.
2001 Gregory W. Dexter
2002 William E. Whetstone
2006 Gerald T. Plemmons
2007 Russell A. Kawa
2008 Kenneth B. Phillips
2009 Ronald P. Reed
2010 Edward D. Bertrand
2011 Donald L. Williamson, Jr.
2013 Richard F. Lynch
2014 Robert J. O'Brien
2015 Timothy L. Culhane
2016 William J. DeLuca

2017 Edward D. Bertrand
2018 Richard Gonzalez
2019 Mazen M. Alsabe
2020 Scott E. Miller
2021 Joshua A. Irizarry

Unity Lodge No. 34

1969 George W. Haworth

Barney Merry Lodge No. 29

1969 M. Lee Reed
1978 William E. Whetstone
1985 Paul R. Moran
1991 James Wishart
1992-93 Robert B. Ellston
1997-98 William E. Whetstone
2000 Ronald P. Reed

Thomas Smith Webb No.43

1966 Bogos W. Pelgian ^
1970 Bernard Labush ^
1982 Steven Babigian ^
1984 Steven Babigian ^
1985 Mohamed H. Hussein ^
1986 Dennis C. Smith
1987 Louis Micheli Jr.

1988 Thomas F. Gregory ^
1989 Duncan C. Watson
1989 Bryan W. Cooper ^
1990 Steven Skaling ^
1992 Thomas F. Gregory ^
1993 Louis Falaguera
1993 William M. Troberman ^
1996 Eugene Thibeault
1999 Frank DiMascio ^
2000 Eugene Thibeault
2004-05 James F. Desmarais
2007 Philip R. Hartnett
2008 Robert Boehm
2010 Gary Moe
2011-12 Dennis Sullivan

(#) Honorary Past Master
(*) Corinthian Lodge No. 27
(^*) Orpheus Lodge No. 36



Living Past Grand Masters of St. Johns Lodge Number One Providence

1994-1995 Ralph DiScullo
2000-2001 Benjamin A. Phillips
2001-2002 Dennis W. Pothier
2002-2003 Robert J. Allen
2004-2005 Bradford L. Barco
2005-2006 Wyman P. Hallstrom, Jr

2006-2007 Carl B. Willi
2007-2008 Steven E. Smith
2008-2009 Richard S. Sokoll
2009-2010 Richard L. Ault, Jr.
2014-2015 Wyman P. Hallstrom, III
2015-2016 Raymond E. Hassell

2016-2017 Stephen T. McGuire
2017-2018 Peter Iacobucci
2018-2019 Glenn S. Carlson
2020-2021 Gary S. Kaufman
2021-2022 Robert B. Ellston



St. Johns Distinguished Service Medal

1967 W. Kinglsey L. Bennett*
1968 Kenneth W. Fawthrop*
1970 W. Harold W. Thatcher*
1971 W. Rufus C. Fuller, Jr.*
1971 W. J. Harold Robertson*

1975 M. W. Wesley Reuter*
1980 W. Ralph W. Wilkins*
1982 W. James F. Candelet*
1992 M. W. Arthur R. Cole, Jr.*
1992 W. Anthony Marcello, Jr.

1994 M. W. Ralph DiScullo
1995 R. W. Edward L. Calamar, Jr.*
2000 R. W. Henry V. Aharonian*
2005 W. Elton D. Ricker, Jr.
2007 W. Gregory W. Dexter

2009 R. W. Russell A. Kawa
2014 R. W. Kenneth B. Phillips

*deceased