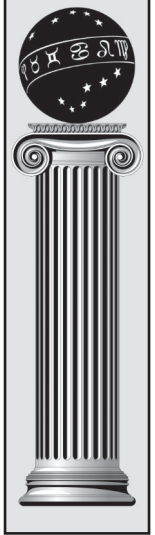


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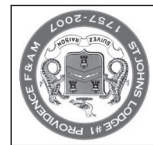


R.: W.: Gilbert J. Fontes Jr.
District Deputy Grand Master
Metro District
W.: Jason M. Nystrom
Grand Master of Ceremonies
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M.: W.: Robert A. Palazzo
Grand Master
R.: W.: Brad Ripley
Grand Marshal

This Month's Communication: June 15, 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.
Telephone: 401-223-7041



Secretary's mailing Address: P.O. Box 8397 Warwick, R.I. 02888-0397
Telephone: 401-323-8955 Email: secretary1prov@gmail.com

Wednesday, June 8, 2022	Officers Rehearsal	7:00 PM
Wednesday, June 15, 2022	St. Johns #1P Regular Communication	6:00 PM
Friday, June 24, 2022	St. Johns #1P 265 th Annual Communication	5:30 PM
Thursday, June 30, 2022	St. Johns #1P Annual Steak Fry	6:00 PM

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

W.: Joshua A. Irizarry, Master

Master's Message

My Brothers,

In what seems like the blink of an eye, my time as Master of Saint Johns Lodge #1 Providence is coming to an end. My sun will soon set in the West, and a new Master will soon rise in the East to open and adorn the day. As sad as I will be to lay down my gavel, I take comfort in Freemasonry's lessons that arriving in the West is not an ending, but a moment of transition filled with hope for what is to come when the glorious new light rises again. I have no doubt that our incoming Master will shine brightly over our worshipful Lodge.



I wish to express my gratitude for the wisdom and counsel I received over the course of my year in the East from our **Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Robert Ellston, Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden Rick Baccus, and Right Worshipful Associate Grand Lecturer Ed Kdonian**. I am also happy that my time will overlap, however briefly, with that of our newly-installed **Most Worshipful Grand Master Robert Palazzo, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master for the Metro District Gil Fontes**, and our new **Worshipful AGL Matt Cerullo**. The Officers and Brothers of Saint Johns Lodge look forward to traveling with you.

Our Annual Joint Visitation with **Euclid Lodge #136 (GLNJ)** on May 14 was a perfect day of fellowship and brotherhood (and food, and drinks, and cigars) that was enjoyed by all who attended. I know my line officers' talents very well, but I was nevertheless awed by the level of precision and professionalism that went into the planning, coordination, and execution of the event under the direction of **Brother Junior Warden Joe Bernier** and captained on the day by **Brother Senior Deacon Jason Shealy**, with the dedicated support of the entire officer line and our newest Master Masons. Our brothers from Euclid Lodge continue to rave about the fantastic time they had with us!

A quick update on last month's Referendum: the motion for a \$30k donation to RIMAP toward their efforts to locate the Gaspee failed to pass with the necessary 5/6ths vote of members present. After the vote, I spoke candidly with several brothers who told me that their concerns were not about the *cause* the donation was going to, but rather the *price tag* of the donation itself, which they felt was higher than our usual expenditures. Taking that counsel to heart, **I will be making a new motion at June's meeting that SJ1P donate \$15k to RIMAP's Gaspee Discovery Project**. I remain steadfast that RIMAP's present efforts to preserve this important moment in our community, state, and national history are a worthy cause for SJ1P to support. As the proposed donation is in line with the level of financial contributions we have traditionally given to other projects in our community, the threshold for this vote will be a simple majority of members present. As before, your comment and informed consent are welcomed.

And with that, my brothers, I close my final message as Master of Saint Johns Lodge #1 Providence. Be safe and be well, now and always. It has truly been my honor to serve you.

W. Joshua A. Irizarry

Joshua A. Irizarry
Worshipful Master



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
Ray Alvarez 914-293-8122
1 Welwyn Lane, Valhalla, NY 10595-1311

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 Joshua A. Irizarry 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

Lodge & District Events

Saturday 06/04/22	Logia Libertad UD	7:30 PM
Monday 06/06/22	Redwood Lodge #35 Annual Communication	7:00 PM
Wednesday 06/08/22	Officers Rehearsal	7:00 PM
Saturday 06/11/22	Gaspee Chapter DeMolay	10:30 AM
Saturday 06/11/22	Gaspee Days Parade	9:30 AM
Monday 06/13/22	Redwood Lodge #35	7:00 PM
Tuesday 06/14/22	Overseas Lodge #40	6:30 PM
Wednesday 06/15/22	St. Johns #1 Providence	6:00 PM
Monday 06/20/22	Rising Sun #30	7:00 PM
Friday 06/24/22	SJ1P Annual Communication and Installation of Officers	5:30 PM
Saturday 06/25/22	Gaspee Chapter DeMolay	10:30 AM
Monday 06/27/22	Jenks Lodge #24	7:00 PM
Wednesday 06/29/22	Collegivm Lvminosvm	7:00 PM
Thursday 06/30/22	St Johns Steak Fry	6:00 PM

June 15th Monthly Communication

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

Call: Brother Senior Steward @ 401-861-1757
or email: reservationsSJ1P@gmail.com

No later than Sunday, June 12th for reservations.

Any Brother with special dietary needs beyond the listed menu, please mention it in your message.

Ballot on Petition to Join by Affiliation

Scott M. Thompson
1564 Cranston Street
Cranston, RI, 02920
Member of Roger Williams Lodge #32

265th Annual Communication of Saint Johns Lodge No. 1 Providence

will be held on

Friday, June 24, 2022

Tiled Opening at 5:30 pm. Semi-public Installation 7pm
Catered buffet dinner following in the
Scottish Rite Dining Hall

Please contact **Brother Senior Steward** at (401) 861-1757 or
reservationsSJIP@gmail.com
if you plan to attend dinner. (Deadline June 7)

Spouses/Partners/Families are welcome to attend
the semi-public portions and dinner, and
should be included in your reservation.

In Memoriam

Worshipful Brother Clark Winslow Cate

King Solomon's Lodge #11

Warwick Lodge #16

Mt. Vernon Lodge #4

St. Johns Lodge #1 Providence

Born, February 14, 1935

Entered Apprentice degree October 10, 1968

Fellowcraft degree December 10, 1968

Master Mason degree January 14, 1969

Signed the By Laws

February 11, 1969

Worshipful Master Warwick Lodge 1986

Illustrious Potentate of R I Shrine 1999

St Johns #1 Providence November 17, 2010

Grand Lodge 50 year Veterans Medal 2019

Departed May 25, 2022

87 years



Congratulations to the Worshipful Master and Officers of
St. Johns #1 Providence for receiving the Grand Master's
Award.

St. Johns Lodge No. 1 Providence

is holding its **Annual Steak Fry**

On: *Thursday, June 30, 2022*

Appetizers and Cocktails – 6:00 Dinner – 7:00 PM

Event is Free and For Members Only

Where: East Greenwich Yacht Club

10 Water Street, East Greenwich, RI

(See enclosed flyer for RSVP info)



Most Worshipful Brother Robert A. Palazzo

Our 167th Grand Master for the
State of Rhode Island
and Providence Plantations

St Johns Lodge Number One Providence ~ Officers 2021-2022

Master: W.: Joshua A. Irizarry
Senior Warden: John B. Paliotta (II Capo) Junior Warden: Joseph J. Bernier
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: Jason Shealy Junior Deacon: Robert Larrabee
Senior Steward: William C. Gouge Junior Steward: Scott C. Alexander



Marshal: W.: Scott Miller
Sentinel: Jeffrey Parker
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, W.: Scott E. Miller, Edward O. Quinn

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 DiScuillo
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

Unity Lodge No. 34

1969	George W. Haworth
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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 DiScuillo
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 DiScuillo
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

St. Johns Lodge No. 1 Providence

Is Holding Its Annual Steak Fry

On: Thursday, June 30, 2022

Appetizers and Cocktails – 6:00 Dinner – 7:00 PM

Event is Free and For Members Only

Where: East Greenwich Yacht Club

10 Water Street, East Greenwich, RI



Reservation Deadline: Friday, June 17th

The menu includes the following: Cheese, Crackers, Veggies with Dip and Fruit, Little Necks on the Half Shell, Stuffed Clams with Cocktail Sauce, Steak, Shrimp, Corn on the Cob and Ice Cream.

Thanks to the members of the Steak Fry Committee who give their time, effort and energy to make this event so special!

Reservations are REQUIRED and are accepted up to room capacity of 100.

A reservation and paid dues required for admission. There are no exceptions!

You are expected to honor your reservation. No-Shows will be charged a \$25 Fee.

How would you like your Steak cooked? () Rare () Med Rare () Medium () Well done

Name _____

Address _____

City and State _____ Telephone _____

Mail your reservation to: Jason Shealy 86 Preston Drive Cranston, RI 02910
Or email: jasonshealy@gmail.com and specify "Steak Fry Reservation" in the subject line.