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The REDWOOD BUILDER



W. Roy Gessman 2020-2021

REDWOOD LODGE NO. 35 A.F. & A.M., EAST PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND
Constituted June 10, 1878

M.W. Robert B. Ellston
Grand Master
R.W. Keith P. Moan
Grand Marshal

**1444 REGULAR COMMUNICATION &
144 ANNUAL COMMUNICATION**
Monday May 9, 2022

R.W. Rick Baccus
District Deputy Grand Master
W. Richard F. Lynch
Grand Master of Ceremonies



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REDWOOD LODGE
No. 35 A.F. & A.M.

REGULAR COMMUNICATION

**Second Monday of each Month
(except July & August)**

Rehearsals - Wednesday Preceding the Communication,
at 7 p.m.

Read-Through - Second Wednesday Preceding the Communication

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

Second Monday in May

Freemasons' Hall

222 Taunton Avenue

East Providence, Rhode Island

Dates Subject to Change with Dispensation



Officers 2021-2022

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Message from the Master

Fraternal Greetings from the (Near) East,

This Masonic Year has easily gone by the fastest of any my prior years, few as they may be. My time in the Craft, as a whole, has been both a whirlwind and a trial-by-fire as I have been tasked with navigating the progressive line much more rapidly than I could have ever anticipated. And, while it has been endlessly challenging, it has also been one of the most fulfilling and meaningful experiences of my life so far.

In April, we conferred the Sublime Degree of Master Mason, for the first time in our lodge in over two years, on two of our most stellar candidates, Br. Curtis Abbott and Br. Matthew Cavallo. I think I can safely speak for everyone when I say the night was nothing short of magical and a most refreshing and much-needed experience for us all. I want to personally thank each and every one of the Brothers, Worshipful Brothers, Right Worshipful Brothers, and even Most Worshipful Brothers that both stepped in and stepped up to make that degree truly one to remember. I know I will never forget it.

Our upcoming communication and annual will fall exactly one month(or meeting) shy of my 4th year as a voting member of Redwood Lodge #35, and as a Master Mason in general. As I contemplate my presumptive role as Master of this lodge it bears heavily on both my mind and heart not only the great responsibility but also the explicit honor bestowed upon me and the trust that this lodge places in me that I will steer us on a true course towards a new horizon of progress and prosperity for the years, and the Masters, to come.

Our Annual Communication will take place on Monday May 9th. The opening will be at 5:30 pm. Dinner will follow at 8:00pm at the nearby Redbridge Tavern. Brothers and Guests will be free to order off of the full menu and checks will be split individually. I truly look forward to seeing and spending time with each and every one of you that is able to attend.

Best of Days,

Br. S.W. Cory Meyette

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

If anyone is aware of any brethren who are sick, injured, or require any services during this crisis, please advise me at the address below.

Our 2022 dues bills are now delinquent. There are still several brothers who have yet to pay their past dues. If you are experiencing problems paying your dues and assessments, please contact me at the address below. All correspondence will be kept confidential.

If you have a child or a grandchild graduating High School this year and going on to college, they may qualify for the Lodge Scholarship. Please contact me for an application

APPLICATION DUE BY JUNE 1, 2022

Contact Information: *SMiller64@aol.com* or 401-523-5720.

METRO DISTRICT

Annual Communications 2021-2022

Redwood No. 35 May 9 2022
Logia Libertad, UD—TBD

District Deputy's Visitations 2021-2022

Completed for this year

* Officer Forum

All officers are requested to attend Visitations and Annuals
Jen's Lodge now meets at St Andrew's Building-18 Turner Ave. E.P.

Redwood Communications 2021-2022

Monday, May 9, 2022-Annual Communication

If at any time you are aware of the passing of a brother or the family member of a brother, please let me know in order that I might inform the Lodge in as timely a manner as possible.

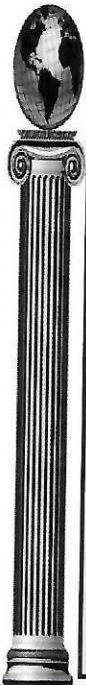
R.: W.: Samuel A. Miller, Secretary



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1,444 Regular Communication & 144 Annual Communication – **Monday, May 9, 2022**



COMMUNICATION AGENDA

Open Lodge 5:30 P.M.

Conduct Business:

OPEN ANNUAL
COMMUNICATION 6:00 P.M.

Close Lodge 7:30 P.M.

Dinner will be at the
Red Bridge Tavern
at 8:00 P.M.

DINNER

Dinner will be at 8:00 P.M.
The Red Bridge Tavern
22 Waterman Avenue
East Providence, RI

We will be ordering from the menu and everyone
will receive individual checks, paying the
restaurant directly

Reservations are a must. Please contact the
Stewards:

Bro. Ben Sholes:
bsholes2009@yahoo.com
Bro. Joseph Maddalena:
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**STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY
BRETHREN**

GRAND LODGE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

MONDAY, MAY 23, 2022

The Members of Redwood Lodge Wish All of
You a Very Happy Birthday!

*We apologize for any mistakes in Birthday dates
and welcome corrections*

Redwood Masonic Anniversaries

By date you were Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason

May Birthdays

Michael J. Rogovin	May 2
Robert H. Hoffman	May 4
Howard L. Feldman	May 9
Andrew H. Kaplan	May 9
Robert D. Miller	May 9
Barry J. Waldman	May 11
James M. McLellan	May 13
Steven L. Fleit	May 14
Barry N. Miller	May 15
Dennis L. DiMauro, Sr.	May 20
Dennis Cipriano	May 21
Richard G. Winkler	May 22
Shai Afsai	May 23
Richard Cohen	May 25
Samuel S. Sholes	May 26
Brett A. Thomas	May 30

May Masonic Anniversaries:

Cory P. Meyette	4 year
Brent A. Thomas	4 year
Wilson Perez, Jr.	7 years
Ethan T. Sholes	25 years
Michael J. Sholes	25 years
Jose J. Brites	26 years
Mekawy E. Elmekawy	33 years
Steven L. Fleit	33 years
Mark B. Morse	34 years
Larry Kahn	38 years
Elliot N. Fishbein	43 years
Larry R. Smith	47 years
Howard Miller	52 years
Howard A. London	55 years
Mitchell S. Riffkin	55 years
Howard D. Zisseron	56 years
Stewart C. Davis	58 years
Marvin G. Jacobson	58 years
Stanley H. Fishbein	60 years
Norman R. Goodman	60 years
Leon R. Resnick	60 years
Bernard Wasserman	68 years

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BROTHERS!

**CONGRATULATIONS
BROTHERS!**





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2020-2021 Line of Officers

Senior Deacon: Andrew Brown
 Junior Deacon: Andrew Liss
 Senior Steward: Benjamin Sholes
 Junior Steward: Joseph Maddalena
 Sentinel:
 Marshal:
 Chaplain: Robert Stahl
 Tyler: Luis Carcamo
 Electricians: Nathan Rosenbaum
 Asst. Master of Ceremonies: Mathew Yaffe



Redwood Lodge Committee Chairs

Redwood Committee: R.W. Mark Freedman
 Investigations/Prep: M.W. Richard Sokoll
 Finance Committee: W. Andrew Sholes
 Scholarship Committee: R.W. Samuel Miller
 Photographer:
 Meals and Table Lodge: Stewards
 Public Relations: W. Robert Goff
 Lodge Reporter:
 Prince Hall Liaison: R.W. Mark Freedman
 The Builder: R.W. Samuel Miller

PAST MASTERS Redwood Lodge No. 35 A.F. & A.M.

*Noot, Meyer	1878-79	*Coppen, Charles B	1926	Gessman, Norman C	1971	Alfonzo, Javier	2017
*Hartman, Leopold	1880	*Mason, Williams H	1927	*Bomes, Robert A	1972	Michael Rogovin	2018
*Parker, Melvin	1881	*Mowry, Walter H	1928	*Gordon, Stephen A	1973	Matthew Yaffe	2019
*Spitz, John H.	1882	*Wyman, Frederick W	1929	*Maldavir, Melvyn S.	1974	Roy Gessman	2020
*Green, Henry	1883	*Beacham, Harold	1930	*Silverman, Edward	1975		
#Dawson, Thomas B.	1884	*Brier, Charles	1931	Beranbaum, Stephen R	1976		
#Mullen, William H.	1885	*Whittaker, William B	1932	Kortick, Lawrence D	1977		
*Green, William H.	1886	*Taylor, Earl W	1933	*Jenkin, James	1978		
*Mosely, William H.	1887	*Lee, Howard S	1934	*Aron, Donald	1979		
*Burlingame, Alvertus S.	1888	*Garst, Arthur H	1935	R.W. Bromberg, Howard M	1980		
*Clark, James W.	1889	*Baacke, Henry	1936	Kirshenbaum, Allen M	1981		
*Boas, Herman	1890	*Rosen, Harry R	1937	*R.W. Aron, Edward	1982		
*Boulester, James E.	1891	*Hartley, Richard H	1938	Sholes, Andrew G	1983		
*Lincoln, Eugene B.	1892	*Gardner, Joseph J	1939	*M.W. Wasserman, Arnold	1984		
*Southey, Charles R.	1893	*Davis, Harrie S	1940	*Keating, Joseph	1985		
*Hahn, Jerome J.	1894	*M.W. Abedon, Bernard	1941	R.W. Freedman, Mark H	1986	Chaplain Emeritus	
*Lincoln, Edwin B.	1895	*MacKay, Alexander M	1942	>Krasner, Edward S	1987	*R.W. Judah Rosen-2012	
*Butler, Charles L.	1896	*Rosen, Albert L.	1943	Chaika, Eric A	1988		
*Pierce, Charles E.	1897	*Entwistle, James H	1944	*Myrow, Allan J	1989	Honorary Past Master	
*Morton, Marcus W.	1898-99	*Ress, Joseph W	1945	*Goodman, Joseph	1990	*R.W. Judah Rosen-2004	
*Stanton, James W.	1900	*Perrin, Howard S	1946	#Charleson, James A	1991	Affiliated Past Master	
*Perkins, Herbert R.	1901	*R.W. Novogroski, Arthur	1947	Gaffin, Michael M	1992	*W. Avraham A. Reis	
*Bowen, Thomas A.	1902	*Cook, Walter R	1948	M.W. Sokoll, Richard	1993		
*Saunders, Harry L.	1903	*Strauss, Walter H	1949	>Fishbein, Richard J	1994		
*Albro, Seth M.	1904	*Licht, Frank	1950	R.W. Lewis, Donovan J	1995	Tyler Emeritus	
*Lasell, Clarence K.	1905	*Hendel, Maurice W	1951	Chaika, Eric A	1996	*Bro. Robert Goudie-2019	
*Smith, Alfred	1906	*Hill, Henry M	1952	*Crisafulli, Frederick	1997		
*Cutler, Harry	1907	*Goodman, Max W	1953	R.W. Elmekawy, Mekawy	1998	Honorary Members:	
*Boas, Bernard	1908	*R.W. Cohen, Gerald P	1954	R.W. Freedman, Mark H	1999	*M.W. Alton T. Curti	
*Payson, Stephen R.	1909	*Michaelson, Julius	1955	R.W. Miller, Samuel A	2000	*W. Jacob DeHaan	
*Hawes, James A.	1910	*Kumins, Albert	1956	Hodges, James	2001	*W. Albert Lavine	
*Hoffman, Felix V.	1911	*Rubenstein, Louis Barach	1957	*Richardson, Simon J	2002	*W. Stanley DeHaan	
*Pierce, Benjamin F.	1912	*Bromberg, Morris H	1958	R.W. Miller, Samuel A	2003	*W. Gary Rachins	
#Moir, George	1913	*Arnold, Siegfried	1958	M.W. Kaufman, Gary S	2004	*W. John Haidenmenos	
*Butler, Charles L. Jr.	1914	*Mushnick, Frederick	1959	Ross, Micah T	2005	*W. Elmer Yeaw	
*Taylor, Arthur J.	1915	*Millman, Benjamin	1960	Kaplan, Andrew	2006	*M.W. Paul Cardoza	
*Lincoln, Samuel E.	1916	*Mandell, Leonard C	1961	R.W. Freedman, Mark H	2007	*M.W. John Lopez	
*Baldwin, Henry F.	1917	*Haft, LeRoy	1962	R.W. Miller, Samuel A	2008	*W. James Warner	
*Harley, William F.	1918	*R.W. Brill, Marvin A	1963	R.W. Bartlett, Harley W	2009	*W. Lawrence DeHaan	
*Locke, Edward J.	1919	*Rothman, Robert H	1964	Ponte, Michael	2010		
*Kelley, J. William	1920	*M.W. Bromberg, Malcolm	1965	Catanzaro, Kevin J.	2011		
*Misch, Walter P.	1921	*Schwartz, Abraham	1966	Catanzaro, Kevin J.	2012	*Deceased #Demitted	
*Mason, Earl H	1922	*Rottenberg, Louis	1967	Ponte, Michael	2013	^Honorary >Dropped	
*Brand, William C H	1923	*Miller, Meyer S	1968	Saunders, Jeffrey	2014		
*Taylor, Burton RRR	1924	Malinou, Martin S	1969	Cipriano, Dennis	2015		
*R.W. Edwards, Ralph H	1925	*Dressler, Abbott W	1970	Goff, Robert	2016		

PAST MASTERS Roosevelt Lodge No. 42 A.F. & A.M.

*M.W. Scott, Wilber A	1921-23	*Rouslin, Benjamin	1943	R.W. Seiaraffa, Charles C	1963	*Elman, Arnold	1983
*Green, William	1923	*Blackman, Edward	1944	*Davis, Phillip	1964	*R.W. Wolff, Jacob G	1984
*Docherty, Edgar M	1924	*Emers, Lester D	1945	*Ostrach, Harry	1965	#Bernstein, Joel	1985
*Gregory, Ralph	1925	*Docherty, Bruce M	1946	Finkelman, Gerald C	1966	*LaRose, Harry E	1986
*Vicario, Raphael	1926	*Bloomberg, Harry A	1947	*Cleinman, Samuel	1967	*Smith, Ronald J	1987
*Friedlander, Israel	1927	*Matzner, William I	1948	*MacDonald, David A Jr	1968	Kahn, Larry	1988
*Pusateri, Augustus	1928	*Goldman, Harry I	1949	*Chaika, William Y	1969	Davis, Alvin Jr	1989-90
*Brown, Charles	1929	*Jagoliner, Harry D	1950	*Limer, Harry	1970	*Smith, Ronald J	1991
*Workman, Samuel H	1930	*Deutch, Edward	1951	*Ludovici, Peter	1971	*Limer, Harry	1992-93
*Berberian, Arthur S	1931	*Bloomberg, Sheldon O	1952	*Tomasso, George	1972	>Budz, Roger F	1994-95
*Garr, Samuel	1932	*Weiner, Benjamin	1953	*Lamorte, Donato	1973	>Rossi, Dean M	1995
*Blackman, Abraham	1933	*R.W. Wolff, Jacob G	1954	#Pulner, Edward R	1974		
*Marsella, Augustus	1934	*Klein, Robert A	1955	*Soren, Robert	1975		
*Silverman, Charles L	1935	*Pagano, Nicholas	1956	Tomasso, Steven	1976		
*Greenstein, Jacob	1937	*Fellner, William	1957	*Petarra, Carmine	1977		
*Roitman, Aaron	1938	*Ostrach, Morris L	1958	Miller, Howard	1978		
*Selonek, Leslie M	1939	*Goldberg, Bernard S	1959	*Sugerman, Everett	1979		
*D'Antonio, Francis	1940	*Silverstein, Al	1960	*Iarocci, Michael	1980		
*Savasta, Stellerio	1941	*Pagano, David	1961	#DeBlois, Donald R	1981		
*Bolotow, Charles	1942	#Dickens, Joseph	1962	Davis, Alvin Jr	1982		