JENKS LODGE No.24

Riverside RI ⁘ Metro District

The Trestle Board

Jenks Lodge #24 Riverside, RI

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Masters Message:

Wardens and Brethren,

As Autumn begins here in New England LOTS of events have already happened and more are coming down the line. Before I give updates on events I would like to discuss a quote I heard from Tom Brady recently:

"Most people don't want to be pushed that hard. They want to be pushed to their level of comfort. And once they're outside their comfort zone, they're like, 'Oh, I'm not used to this. Oh, I don't like this, my heart's beating too fast,' or 'Man, I'm feeling different feelings and emotions.' And it's like, that's where the growth lives. You need coaches that push you outside of your comfort zone because that's how you grow and that's how you begin to develop self-confidence and self-esteem in what you're doing. You try, you fail, they push you to deal with the failure, you get another chance to go out and practice and practice it, then you succeed and you realize, 'Oh, that's what I need to do differently the next time.' As opposed to the athletes who try something that's hard, they fail, and now it discourages them from trying the same thing that's hard again"

Tom Brady's philosophy that true growth requires pushing past our natural limits perfectly aligns with the framework of Freemasonry. When Brady speaks of the discrientation and racing heart that comes with stepping outside a comfort zone, he touches on the purpose of Masonic initiation. Deliberately stripping away comforts and introducing a sense of vulnerability, the fraternity prepares a candidate for profound personal transformation. Just as an athlete has to deal with painful repetitions of physical effort to improve, a Mason learns to use the "Common Gavel" to chip away at their own vices, enduring the discomfort required to transform from a flawed "Rough Ashlar" into a polished stone of moral character.

A key point is neither athletic greatness nor Masonic development happens in isolation. Brady insistence on having coaches to push you through failure is how the Masonic system of mentorship is leveraged, where the entire lodge guides a candidate through old and complex moral lessons. When a Mason struggles to memorize their degree work, they aren't allowed to quit in frustration; they are supported by their brethren to practice, fail, and try again until they succeed. Ultimately, both the legendary quarterback and the historic fraternity share a fundamental truth: our greatest potential is unlocked not when we are comfortable, but when we are challenged, supported and driven to transcend our own limitations.

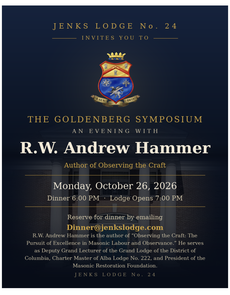
For other events in the district, The Out of the Darkness walks was a success. There was a great turn out for the walk, our very own Grand Master was in attendance! There was also a strong showing the the metro district in with the Grand Masters visitation to Logia Libertad.

As we look to the future, Join us at our Master Mason degree at 12pm(lunch and opening at 1pm) on Sunday October 18th! We will also be putting on the inner door ceremony the night before on Saturday Oct 17th at 4:30pm.

Our October meeting will be our Goldenberg symposium. Our Guest speaker is RW Andrew Hammer author of "Observing the Craft" (more information below). The lodge will open on the Oct 26th at 7 pm. Food will be served at 6p cost is donations only. Notice to follow from our Senior Steward of food Choice(s).

Fraternally,

Andrew (AJ) Brockway WM Jenks #24



October Stated Meeting:

Monday, October 26th

The Annual Eldon S. Goldenberg Symposium

Our October Stated Meeting will feature the annual Goldenberg Symposium.

Guest Speaker R.W.. Andrew Hammer

Dinner: 6:00 PM (Donation-only; a notice regarding food choices will follow shortly from the Senior Steward).

Lodge will be opened in the Master Mason Degree at 7:00pm for its Stated Communication and any business which may regularly come before it.

Click Here To Reserve Dinner for the Master Mason Degree

October Special Meeting:

Sunday, October 18th

Master Mason Degree

Special Communication will be held to confer the Master Mason Degree.

Lunch will be served at 12:00 PM, with the Lodge opening promptly at 1:00 PM.

Lodge will be opened in the Master Mason degree at 1:00pm to confer the Third Degree on four candidates.

Click Here To Reserve Dinner for the Goldenberg Symposium

The Ritual of the Inner Door:

Saturday, October 17th

The Inner Door; an optional and supplemental experience to the three degrees of Freemasonry in the
Grand Jurisdiction of Rhode Island.
Ritual begins promptly at 4:30 PM.

Upcoming Events:

October 19, 2026 - OOGM visit to Rising Sun Lodge #30 @ 7:00pm

October 24, 2026 - RI Rainbow Grand Officers Day, Hope Lodge-@ 1:00pm

October 25, 2026 - Mt. Moriah #9 Fundraiser, Pasta Dinner @ 4:00pm

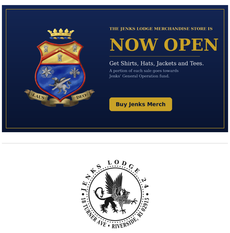
November 7, 2026 - Officer Forum, Logia Libertad #50 @ 7:00pm

November 14, 2026 - St. Johns 1P, Colonial Era Table Lodge @ 6:00pm

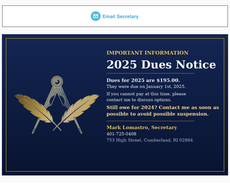
November 16, 2026 - Rising Sun Lodge #30, Table Lodge @ 7:00pm

November 21, 2026 - Grand Lodge - Semi-Annual Communication @ 1:00pm

November 21, 2026 - Grand Lodge - Fall Festival @ 6:00pm



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