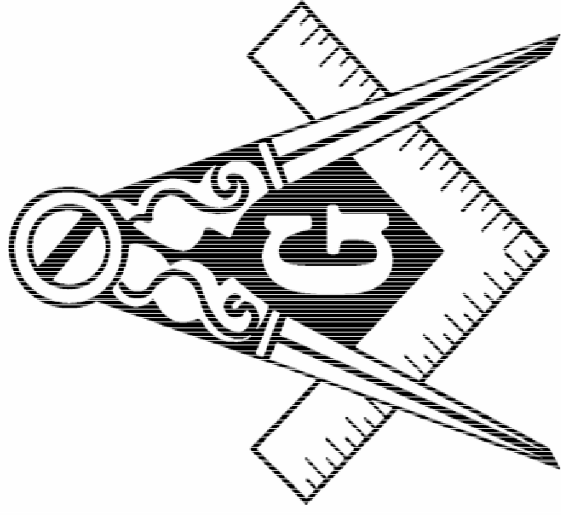


2016  
Mantua Lodge  
No. 95 F&AM

“The Friendly Lodge”  
Constituted January 21, 1869



Regular Communications  
Second Thursday of Each Month  
Except July & August & Legal Holidays

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(856) 468-0770

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# Mantua Lodge No. 95 F&AM

**AL 6016**

**AD 2016**

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Senior Steward  
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Marshal  
Organist  
Historian  
Tyler  
Lodge Ritual Instructor  
Treasure Emeritus  
Chaplain Emeritus  
Tyler Emeritus

1969 Howard A. Aaronson, Jr.  
1975 Frank A. Tarry  
1976 Frank A. Tarry  
1976 Richard S. Subber  
1980 William J. Pollanger  
1981 Joseph A. Sbaraglia, Jr. \*  
1981 Robert E. Peterson \*  
1984 Joseph A. DiNovi \*  
1987 Charles P. Runyan  
1987 William T. Dutka \*  
1989 Charles P. Runyan  
1991 Edward A. Hesley, Sr.  
1995 David K. Martin \*

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### Worshipful Master

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Timothy M. Luko  
Erik S. Hill  
Shawn P. Callahan  
David J. Bagherpour  
Farhad "Fred" Bagherpour  
Carl E. Fratz  
Donald R. Tuttle, GOrg  
Anthony C. Verna, DB  
George M. Somers, PM  
Keith A. Michener, PM  
Frank A. Tarry, PDDGM  
Richard S. Subber, PGC  
Frankie J. "Rusty" Mitchell, PGC

### Living Past Masters

1997 John C. Stephenson  
1998 John P. Senatore  
1998 Richard D. Stahler \*  
1999 Cordelle R. Massi  
2001 Lee J. Sarama  
2002 George M. Somers, Jr. \*  
2004 Leonard J. Rust  
2005 Nelson F. Moyer  
2005 Ellis H. Otto \*  
2006 Patrick H. Capel  
2007 John C. Stephenson  
2008 Nelson F. Moyer  
2009 Bernard Spence

### Distinguished Brothers

Anthony C. Verna, DB

### Honorary Members

Joseph Borrelli, PCG  
David Downing, PDDGM

L. Ernie Forte, PGC  
Frank D. Jones, PDDGM  
H. Wayland Packer, PDDGM

Frankie J. Mitchell, PGC  
Grady D. Young, DDGM

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### Lodge Trustees

Carl E. Fratz 2016  
Donald R. Tuttle, GOrg 2017  
Lee P. Koury, PM 2018

### Temple Trustees

Keith A. Michener, PM, 2016  
Matthew J. Palmerchuck 2016  
Barry J. Strube 2016  
William J. Conover, PM 2017  
John C. Stephenson, PDRI 2017  
Kyle E. Barna, 2017  
Ellis H. Otto, PM 2018  
Timothy M. Luko 2018  
Erik S. Hill 2018

2010 Arlie A. Schiermeier  
2011 Donald R. Tuttle  
2012 Bernard Spence  
2013 William J. Conover  
2013 Keith A. Michener \*  
2014 Lee Koury  
2015 Bernard Spence

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**Most Worshipful Anthony W. Montuori, Grand Master of Masons of New Jersey**  
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**You are Fraternally Invited to Attend the Following  
Communications and Events of  
Mantua Lodge No. 95 and the 21st Masonic District**

**Thursday, April 14, 2016, 7:30 PM**  
**Regular Communication**

Honor our 30-Year Member

Bro. Augustine E. Carre

**Wednesday, April 27, 2016, 9:00 AM**  
**Grand Lodge Annual Communication - Day 1**  
**Bally's Atlantic City**

Dress Code is Suite, Tie, and Apron. Officers should wear their Jewel of Office.

You must present a valid Dues Card to enter.

**Wednesday, April 27, 2016, 6:30 PM**  
**Mantua Lodge Dinner**

We will meet in the 21st District Hospitality Suite at 6:00 PM

Dinner is free to all members of Mantua Lodge in attendance, and their significant others.

**Thursday, April 28, 2016, 9:00 AM**  
**Grand Lodge Annual Communication - Day 2**  
**Bally's Atlantic City**

Dress Code is Suite, Tie, and Apron. Officers should wear their Jewel of Office.

You must present a valid Dues Card to enter.

**Note: Due to Grand Lodge, there will be no DLI this month.**

# Announcements

## Grand Lodge Events

### 2016 Grand Lodge Annual Communication

Wednesday, April 27 and Thursday April 28  
Bally's Atlantic City

### NJ Freemason Magazine—Spring 2016 Edition

[http://www.newjerseygrandlodge.org/pdf/freemason\\_spring\\_2016.pdf](http://www.newjerseygrandlodge.org/pdf/freemason_spring_2016.pdf)

### Pay your Dues by Credit Card

2016 Dues Notices have been mailed out, and were due on **December 31, 2015**. Due to the success from previous years, we are continuing to accept credit cards through PayPal via the Mantua Lodge Website. You will also be able to pay with your credit card at the Lodge. Due to the fees charged by PayPal, there will be a small surcharge of \$4.00 to use your credit card. You can still pay by check, and will not be charged the additional fee.

If you are behind in your dues, or you are having difficulties, please contact the Worshipful Master, or the Secretary, so we can make arrangements.

Any arrangements made will be held in the utmost confidence

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If you would like to receive the Trestle Board via email, please email me at...

[trestleboard@mantualodge.com](mailto:trestleboard@mantualodge.com)

Mailing paper Trestleboards is a huge expense to the Lodge. Receiving your Trestleboard via email is an easy way you can help the Lodge curb expenses.

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#### —Mantua Lodge Hall Rentals—

Members of Mantua Lodge \$250.00 Donation

Non-members but Masons 300.00 Donation

Non-members no affiliation \$350.00 Donation

Contact: William Conover - (609) 970-7224 - [billconover@mantualodge.com](mailto:billconover@mantualodge.com)

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### Remember, Your Lodge Needs Your Continued Support !!!

**2016 Dues are now Past Due.** Paying your annual dues on time is one of the many ways that you can show your continued support.

Website Link—[www.mantualodge.com](http://www.mantualodge.com)

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**Please Note:** We have changed the Mailing Address of the Lodge. We will no longer be using the Post Office Box. For all future correspondence, please us the physical address of the Lodge.

45 Mantua Boulevard  
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# Worshipful Master's Message

Brethren,

You may have noticed that my messages have intended to shed some small light on the Chaplain's part in the first sections. We now arrive at the one that has perplexed me the most. While some of it is simple enough, some verses have confused me and where lost on me. So I set about learning (not memorizing) and found that it is taken from Ecclesiastes 12 and is well explained by a commentary by A. R. Faussett. You will remember the starting verses: "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them"

This lesson from the Bible reminds us that we are not our own, but Gods property. It teaches that our youth is soon replaced by age and age by its infirmities. It prepares us for the lesson of the chaplain's prayer in the second section, the immortality of the soul.

Having learned the meaning of each verse I look forward to hearing our chaplain lead us from the days of our youth as his messages prepare us for a better understanding of the lessons of this degree.

Rather than print the entire explanation here, I will attach the full-length commentary to the email and create a link on our website.

[http://www.mantualodge.com/April\\_2016\\_Message.pdf](http://www.mantualodge.com/April_2016_Message.pdf)

If you would like a printed copy, I will be happy to print it for you and mail it.

Fraternally,

Keith A. Michener, WM

## **21st Masonic District Lodges**

Penns Grove Excelsior No. 54, Carneys Point  
Mantua No. 95, Mantua  
Woodstown No. 138, Woodstown  
Clarksboro No. 87, Clarksboro  
Williamstown, No. 166, Williamstown  
Pitman No. 197, Pitman

1st Wednesday at 7:30pm  
2nd Thursday at 7:30pm  
1st Tuesday at 7:30pm  
1st Monday at 7:30pm  
1st & 3rd Tuesday at 7:30pm  
2nd Tuesday at 7:30pm

# 2016 Grand Master's Golf Outing

## Monday - June 20, 2016

Registration - 11:00 A.M.

Shotgun Start - 12:30 P.M.

Social Hour - 5:30 P.M.

Dinner, Prizes & Awards - 6:30 P.M.

Location - Sea Oaks Country Club, Little Egg Harbor, NJ 08087

Exit 58 GSP - Go To [www.seaoaksgolf.com](http://www.seaoaksgolf.com) For More Detailed Directions

### Outing Price Includes Golf

Lunch Served at the Rear Patio of the Main Club House

Grilled Hot Dogs, Sausage Peppers & Onions, Beer, Water & Soda

Social Hour - Complimentary Cocktail + Cheese Boards & U-Peel-Em Shrimp

NY STRIP STEAK DINNER – Grilled To Perfection The Way You Like It!!

**Only \$160.00 Per Golfer – Dinner Only \$50.00**

Feel Like Staying Over?

*Special Room Rates Have Been Arranged On Site*

*Only \$39.95 PP (Based On Double Occupancy) At "The Inn at Sea Oaks"*

*PLUS - A 25% Discount On a Round of Golf (Subject to Availability)*

*Good Anytime + Free Lunch Coupon At "The Tin Cup"*

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Please Detach & Complete This Form & Mail It With Your Check Payable To:

**"Grand Master's Outing"**

41 Clove Avenue, Sussex, NJ 07464-1901 - Attn: RW James H. Vander Veer

Any Additional Info Contact Jim @ 973-670-3388 or Email: [Jhvv@embargmail.com](mailto:Jhvv@embargmail.com)

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