

# Blue Hill Lodge, A.F. & A.M.

Canton, Massachusetts 02021

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Dear Brother:

The 1508<sup>th</sup> Regular Communication of Blue Hill Lodge, A.F. & A.M. will be held at the Masonic Apartments, 21 Church Street, Canton, Massachusetts on:

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009**

6:00 P.M. – Fellowship Period

6:30 P.M. – Pizza Dinner by the officers of Blue Hill Lodge  
Suggested donation \$7.00

7:15 P.M. – Lodge opens on the Master Mason Degree

## **BUSINESS MEETING**

To conduct business that regularly comes before the Lodge, read all communications and pay all bills if approved by the finance committee.

## **BALLOTING FOR THE DEGREES**

**on 1 candidate**

Sponsor: Wor. John L. Ciccotelli

### ***In Memoriam***

#### **BRO. WILLIAM GEORGE HENNESSEY**

Born: Cleveland, Ohio, March 9, 1950

Entered: Blue Hill Lodge, Canton, Massachusetts, Sept. 5, 2000

Passed: Blue Hill Lodge, Canton, Massachusetts, Nov. 11, 2000

Raised: Blue Hill Lodge, Canton, Massachusetts, March 3, 2001

Departed: Cleveland, Ohio, August 28, 2009

#### **BRO. JOSEPH PETROSKY**

Born: Bellingham, Massachusetts, October 17, 1926

Entered: Blue Hill Lodge, Canton, Massachusetts, May 5, 1959

Passed: Blue Hill Lodge, Canton, Massachusetts, October 13, 1959

Raised: Blue Hill Lodge, Canton, Massachusetts, Nov. 10, 1959

Departed: Sharon, Massachusetts October 4, 2009

*May They Rest in Peace*

**2010 Scholarship Application Have Arrived**  
**Call your Secretary if you wish one sent to you!**  
**YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN OR GRANDCHILDREN**  
**WHO WILL BE ENTERING COLLEGE NEXT YEAR NO MATTER WHERE THEY LIVE.**

**Have you paid your 2010 Dues?**

At the present time about 50% of our members have sent in their dues. If you are one of them, Thank You. If you have not sent in your Grand Lodge and Blue Hill Lodge dues, please do so as soon as possible.

**7<sup>th</sup> LODGE OF INSTRUCTION**

Wor. Vincent J. Dymond, *Master*  
Rt. Wor. Frank R. Porter, *Secretary/Treasurer*  
Wor. Gordon L. MacKay, *Sr. Warden*  
Bro. Gary M. Rubin, *Jr. Warden*

**SEVENTH LODGE OF INSTRUCTION**

**MEETS THE FOURTH THURSDAY**

*(Third Thursday in November)*

at the Stoughton Masonic Apartments

Candidates Education 6:00 P.M. – Dinner 7:00 P.M.

Open Lodge of Instruction 7:45 P.M. – Close & Collation at 9:00 P.M.

Thursday, October 22, 2009

Host: Cosmopolitan Lodge

Speaker: R.W. Aaron Manoogian

Subject: The Grand Lodge Constitutions

Thursday, November 29, 2009

Host: AzureLodge

Speaker: R.W. Barry Standish

**Official Visits 2009**

Monday, October 26, 2009 – Cosmopolitan Lodge, Stoughton

Tuesday, October 27, 2009 – J. Philip Berquist Lodge, Foxboro

Monday, November 9, 2009 – St. Alban's Lodge, Foxboro

Thursday, November 12, 2009 – Rising Star Lodge, Stoughton

Wednesday, November 18, 2009 – Gate of The Temple, Stoughton

Wednesday, November 25, 2009 – Azure Lodge, Walpole

Tuesday, December 1, 2009 – Blue Hill Lodge, Canton

*(Final visit for our District Deputy Grand Master)*

## MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

As I start another year as Blue Hill Lodge's Installed Master, I want to sincerely thank my Brethren for taking one more chance with me and allowing me the honor of being the Master of their Lodge for a second time. I hope I don't disappoint. I have spent a great deal of time reflecting on all the successes of this past year as well as the wonderful and dedicated men without whom these successes would have been unlikely.

What stands out most in my mind is how the ritual work by the Lodge's officers swiftly and steadily improved over time. But I was awed by the lack of hesitation and the exceptional quality of their performance when our fine Blue Hill Lodge Officers "stepped up" to their respective next station for a Third Degree in October. Great work, men!

Lest I also forget to mention as well a few prominent events accomplished by some of Blue Hill Lodge's members: the MY CHIP event last November, the Block Party Parade, and the Spring and Fall Square & Compasses Day. Both of these events could not have taken place without the cooperation, commitment, and enthusiasm of a few of our most devoted and steadfast Brethren. All of these individuals take time out of their busy lives to make their community, and to make themselves better men. As our Brethren and friends, we can look up to them as fine examples of Freemasons.

So, what about this year? There are men out there who need our help finding a channel, some guidance and means to find their "inner better man". There are children who may one day need that identification kit with fingerprints, tooth impressions and a DNA sample which could save their lives. There are students who could use a little extra coin to help them pay for their college tuition. There is a lot of need out there these days, and as Masons, we ought to look with circumspection at ourselves to answer the question, "Am I doing enough to make myself a better man and, consequently, the world a better place?"

Every year that goes by is an opportunity that we have been given to prove to ourselves and others that we are the Masons we say we are. Masonry is not a spectator sport. A good Mason gets actively involved whenever, wherever and in whatever he can to fulfill his duties to others. I do try to be that kind of a Mason. Sometimes I succeed. Sometimes I fail, yet I never give up. But I will have THIS year to do it again and I don't want to waste it.

What about you? What do you plan on doing this year to make yourself a better man and your community a better place? If you don't already have plans, there is so much that can be done through *your* Lodge with *your* fellow Masons. And the best part is that when you do these positive activities through Blue Hill Lodge, they simply do not feel like chores because we gain the satisfaction they provide and at the same time we'll have the opportunity to share some good quality time with our Brethren.

Don't wast this coming year. By this time next year, you could be looking back ruefully realizing you can't get it back and wishing you had done more.

I'm happily looking forward to working with all of my Brethren again

this year.

Take care and stay healthy, Wor. John L. Ciccotelli, *Master*