



**Please join us on  
Thursday October 27th  
(Special Communication!)  
for the conferral of the  
Entered Apprentice Degree**

**Jerusalem Temple Lodge No. 721  
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My Brothers,

It is once more a pleasure to greet you as Master of Jerusalem Temple Lodge No. 721. I make this distinction because I wear several hats in our district and will likely address you in several roles this issue. We have a lot to discuss, so let's get to it! We'll start with the lodge's trestleboard for the next few months.

To begin things off, we will confer the Entered Apprentice Degree at a Special Communication in Thursday October 27th, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. We will have dinner beforehand at 6:30 p.m. To ensure that we do the best degree we can, we will hold a School of Instruction on the Entered Apprentice degree at our regular Stated Communication on Saturday October 22nd, 2005. We encourage everyone to attend this practice and the degree if at all possible! A full list of degree dates will appear in the calendar elsewhere in this issue.

On Saturday November 12th, 2005, we will be tailgating at West Point when Army plays UMass, so we will NOT be holding a regular lodge meeting. Instead, we'll start with breakfast at our tailgating site in H Lot, play some cards, enjoy lunch from our grills then go see the game. Afterward, rather than rush off and fight traffic at the gates, we'll grill whatever is left over for dinner. \$40 includes the game, three meals, snacks, and adult beverages. Plan to bring a friend or two, Masonic or otherwise. For more information, please contact me ASAP!

The fun doesn't end there, though! After an official visit from our District Deputy Grand Master, R\W\ Daniel E. Jonas, on December 10th we'll be looking forward to going out to dinner on Thursday December 29th, 2005. If you would like to join us, please be sure to contact the Junior Warden, W\ Paul B. Serra. The new year will continue our programs when we hope to Raise six new Brothers to the sublime degree of Master Mason on January 28th, 2006. Following the degree, we hope our

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Don't expect perfection in a man because he is a Freemason. If you do, you will be disappointed. Masonry makes a man better, but no human agency can make him perfect. If he is a Mason, you have a right to presume he is a good man, but do not condemn Masonry even if a few Masons turn out bad. Even the Great Teacher Himself had a Judas. The aim and purpose of Masonry is to receive none but good men, keep them good and make them better. Judge the institution not by a few failures, but by the average of its successes. That average is high and it consequently gives standing to its members, but it cannot be an infallible guide.

# On The Trestleboard

Saturday October 22nd 9:00 a.m. (8:00 a.m. Breakfast)  
**Entered Apprentice Degree School of Instruction**

Thursday October 27th 7:30 p.m. (6:30 p.m. Dinner)  
**Special Communication: Entered Apprentice Degree**

Saturday November 12th 9:00 a.m.  
**Tailgating at West Point (No Meeting!)  
*Family and Friends Welcome!***

Saturday November 26th 9:00 a.m. (8:00 a.m. Breakfast)  
**Fellowcraft Degree School of Instruction**

Thursday December 8th 7:30 p.m. (6:30 p.m. Dinner)  
**Special Communication: Fellowcraft Degree**

Saturday December 10th 9:00 a.m. (8:00 a.m. Breakfast)  
**DDGM Visit**

Saturday December 24th  
**No Meeting - Merry Christmas!**

Saturday January 14th 9:00 a.m. (8:00 a.m. Breakfast)  
**Master Mason Degree School of Instruction**

Saturday January 28th 1:00 p.m.  
**Master Mason Degree School of Instruction  
and  
Robert Burns Night (6:00 p.m.)  
*Family and Friends Welcome!***

Saturday February 11th 9:00 a.m. (8:00 a.m. Breakfast)  
**Fellowcraft Degree School of Instruction**

Saturday February 25th 5:00 p.m.  
**Colonial Table Lodge**

Brothers and guests from the district will stick around for our first Robert Burns Night that will follow the degree and will be open to wives and guests also. We hope you will join us for the degree and then an evening honoring the Poet Laureate of Freemasonry with good food, fine whiskey, and great company!

Our final big event of the year will be our Colonial Table Lodge on Saturday February 25th, 2006 when members of the Grand Line will join us for an evening of fun, food, and patriotic fervor. Plans at this time call for an afternoon start to give us plenty of time, a menu from George Washington's table, and souvenir firing glasses.

All of this will take some hard work and money, though. The Lodge worked hard to support the Cornwall Masonic Association with its first annual chicken barbecue last August which yielded a respectable profit for a first outing. Likewise, our Fellowcraft Club has raised money to send a youth to Camp Turk last summer.

The Hudson River Cruise was a blast!. W\ Russ Anderson and his lady, Simone, prepared an outstanding feast of Italian appetizers, dinner, and desserts. Thanks to both of you for your hard work and dedication in creating a most enjoyable evening and congratulations on your new membership in JTL, Russ!

As you can see, we are going to be busy with degree work over the next few months. As always, we need mentors to assist our new brothers in learning their Work. In addition to the usual Proficiencies, we will be providing these new brothers with the Masonic Development Course (MDC) and the Lodge System of Masonic Education (LSOME) program. Please let me know if you can help, not only to develop our new Brothers, but also ourselves!

I look forward to seeing the Brothers of Jerusalem Temple Lodge and guests from around the Orange-Rockland District at these upcoming meetings and events. Until then, I remain

Yours in service to the Craft,  
R\ W\ Joe Leo, Master



Brethren,

We are pleased at the direction that things are heading here at JTL. We are getting several new members and we are doing good things together. We will be having some fun in the coming weeks and I hope that you can join in on some of it.

However, we must keep our focus on the work of the lodge. We will be conferring the Three Degrees and we need to pull together to get it done. I'm sure that we will. That is the spirit that first induced me to join JTL. I am proud to be the Senior Warden and if I can be of service, you can call me at: 845-782-4620 or you can e-mail me at: rwa1033@frontiernet.net.

Yours in service to the craft;  
W\ Robert Adams, Senior Warden

### How True

*A Poem by Bro. Anse Cates*

Oh, yes, we are all Craftsmen  
And very proud to be;  
We wear our pins and rings  
For everyone to see.

But let us pose the question,  
Even though the thought may sting.  
Would you know me for a Mason,  
If you did not see the ring?  
True we show Tenets of our  
Ancient hallowed creed.  
Not just on coat and finger,  
But by words and deed.  
There's one thing to remember,  
If I've learned my lesson well  
My deeds do more convincing  
Than my finger or lapel.

### Six Principles of Freemasonry

*by M\ W\ William F. Saars, Past Grand Master  
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1. To strive earnestly, for a better understanding of the principles and tenets of Masonry taught us in Lodge as they apply to each of us in our daily lives.
2. To practice that friendly consideration and care for the living, young and old, which Masons are taught by the tenets of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth in the fraternal and social brotherhood of the Lodge. To be mindful that the image of Connecticut Blue Lodge Masonry is our Home and Hospital, the last best hope for many of our brethren.
3. To promote harmony and concord among the members of the Lodge; to comfort and assist our sick and infirm; to find, help, aid and assist poor distressed worthy Masons; to provide wise counsel to a brother when necessary, being ever mindful of the five points of fellowship of the Master Mason.
4. To advance the well-being of the Lodge; to experience and cherish to the full the friendly atmosphere of the Lodge and the opportunity it gives for a refreshed vision of tomorrow. To participate with our brethren in mutual Masonic effort for the common good of the Lodge, community and Freemasonry.
5. To be, as Freemasonry teaches, true to our Government; just to our country; patiently submit to legal authority; and to conform in cheerfulness to the laws and policies of the United States of America and to those of our State and Municipal Governments.
6. To be ever mindful of that inexhaustible source of strength available to us from the Great Creator when we implore through prayer, His aid in our laudable undertak-