

February 2024



## Temple Lodge No. 9 A.F. & A.M.

Chartered January 16, 1815  
2023-2024

209<sup>th</sup> Year of Fellowship

### From the East – Christopher W. Fitzgerald, WM

As we enter the month of February, let us take a moment to reflect on the past month's events and achievements. On January 11th, we received dispensation to cancel our lodge meeting in order to attend the Official Visit of the MW GM Ronald P. Ferrero to Endeavor No.17. I am pleased to announce that at this event, Temple Lodge No. 9 captured the District III Traveling Gavel with an impressive attendance of 15 members. Your dedication to our Lodge and the larger Masonic community is truly commendable.

Furthermore, at our Stated Communication on January 25th, we were enriched by the knowledge and wisdom shared by WB Stephen Walter, who provided valuable work and instruction concerning the examination of visitors to lodge and the proper manner in which to visit lodges within and outside our jurisdiction. Thank you, WB Walter, for your hard work and dedication to our Lodge.

#### Upcoming Events

February 8th - Stated Communication & Official Visit of the MW GM  
We are honored to host the Official Visit of the MW GM, which will commence with refreshments and dinner at the Milford Senior Center. Lodge will resume at 7:30 pm. The attire for the event is Masonic (coat and tie).

February 10th - Dan Trader Bowling Event  
Join us for the Dan Trader Bowling event at the Milford Bowling Lanes. I extend my gratitude to WB Jim Bennett for his hard work in organizing and ensuring the success of this event.

February 22nd - Stated Communication  
Dinner will be served on the 2nd floor at 6:30 pm, followed by the opening of the lodge at 7:30 pm. For our work and instruction for the evening, JW Curtis Perry will confer the Entered Apprentice Degree upon an eager new candidate. The attire for the evening is Masonic (coat and tie).

March 3rd - Sporting Clay Shoot at Owen's Station  
Save the date for our Sporting Clay Shoot held at Owen's Station in

#### Stated Communications

Second and Fourth  
Thursday of Each Month

7:30 PM

Fellowship with Dinner

6:30 PM

Meetings are not held in  
July and August or on  
Thanksgiving or Christmas  
(when those holidays fall  
on a Thursday)

#### Lodge Officers 2023-2024

Worshipful Master  
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Keith Geise  
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Pete "Ringo" Ringenary –  
Senior Deacon

Rob Watts – Junior Deacon

Sean Barnes – Senior Steward

Tom Postles – Junior Steward

Roland Cohee, Jr., PGC - Chaplain

Mark Bertone – Tiler

Ronnie Joseph - Marshal

Roland Cohee, Jr., PGC –

Lodge Instructor

## Dates to Remember:

**February 8, 2024**

Stated Communication  
Grand Master's Visitation  
Dinner 6:30 PM – Milford Senior  
Center  
Lodge 7:30 PM

**February 10, 2024**

Family Breakfast with the  
Grand Master  
Union Lodge No. 7  
8:00 AM to 11:00 AM

**February 10, 2024**

Dan Trader Bowling Event  
Milford Bowling Lanes

**February 22, 2024**

Stated Communication  
Dinner 6:30 PM/Lodge 7:30 PM

**March 2, 2024**

Officer Leadership Workshop  
Union Lodge No. 7

**March 3, 2024**

Sporting Clay Shoot  
Owens Station

**March 23, 2024**

Semi-Annual Communication of  
Grand Lodge  
Newport Masonic Temple

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## From the East (Cont.)

Greenwood. For any questions about the event, please contact committee chairman WB Stephen Walter.

Brethren, as we approach Valentine's Day, I encourage you to remember your loved ones and incorporate the theme "Family and Fraternity First" into your celebrations. Let us continue to strengthen the bonds of brotherhood and uphold the values of our Craft.



## Living Past Masters of Temple Lodge No. 9

Louis S. O'Day – 1978  
Gilbert H. Emory – 1983  
Steven L. Rogers – 1984  
Jeff Hague, PGMar. – 1989/2007  
William A. Dudley, Jr. – 1990  
William T. Wadkins, PGM – 1992  
Bruce K. Ney – 1993  
Marlin A. Gillespie, PSGD – 1994  
David F. Coady – 1997  
Clarence R. Jackson – 1998  
Joshua J. Willey – 2000  
George Andraea, PSGD – 2002  
George G. Jester, Jr. – 2005  
Michael B. Saba – 2008/2009  
Martin F. Hogan, III, PJGD – 2010  
Chad Robinson, PGMar. – 2011  
A. Daniel Doran, PGMar. – 2012  
Will Currey, PGSB – 2013  
Roland Cohee, Sr. PGT – 2014  
Stephen Walter, PGSB – 2015  
Jim Bennett, PJGS – 2016  
Brandon Smith – 2017  
Steve Kerr – 2018  
Matt Thompson, JGW – 2019  
John Cannon – 2020  
Michael Nichols – 2021  
Christopher Fitzgerald - 2022

## Affiliated Past Masters

James Cooke – 2008  
John W. Marinucci, PGM – 2011  
Matthew D. Hovatter – 2007/08  
James G. Sutton – 1994  
Jeffrey D. Haass, Sr., PGM – 2015  
William C. Thompson, PJGD – 2018  
Charles Randy Wood - 2000

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## Address Correction Requested

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