

February 2025



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

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)*

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Roland Cohee, Jr., PGC –
Lodge Instructor*

Chartered January 16, 1815
2024-2025

210th Year of Fellowship

From the East – Keith Geise, WM

Welcome to February brothers. After the temperatures and snow of the past few weeks it is great to be able to look forward to spring.

Spring is emblematic of new starts, growth, and warmth. Masonry is very much the same. We come together as brothers looking to each other for many of the same things. Each candidate expresses the wish to make a new start and become a better person. We as Masons need to help each other grow and thus the craft will grow. The warmth of fellowships is present at every lodge. I again reinvite those who have not attended lodge in a while to come share that warmth of fellowship.

Temple Lodge #9 has its grand visit coming up on Feb 13th. Tickets are available @ \$45.00 each from a variety of sources including temple9.org, Brothers (SW)Perry, (PM)Walter, and (PM)Robinson. Please reach out to the mentioned brothers or the website for your tickets. There is a event planned for the Ladies while we toil at labor.

This year the dinner is being held at Big Oyster Brewery for a few reasons. The main reason is we as an organization need exposure to the general public. In these times we need to display the good of people just being brothers regardless of the events happening in the world.

As a lodge we have several serious issues that we need to address. As many know our building is growing older by the minute and is requiring some major repairs. We as a lodge need to look past the present to the future of not just the craft but the lodge itself. I am asking all to attend our second lodge in February (27th) to talk about plans to move us forward (lodge will be open to all degrees for this discussion). Remember the past is meant to teach us lessons. The past is not to be lived in or rule what we must do in the present. I look forward to a great discussion and the advancement of well thought out ideas.

Dates to Remember:

February 5, 2025
Officer Practice
7:00 PM

February 12, 2025
Officer Practice
7:00 PM

February 13, 2025
Stated Communication
Grand Visitation
Social Hour – 5:00 PM
Dinner – 6:00 PM
Big Oyster Brewery
Lodge – 7:30 PM

February 27, 2025
Stated Communication
Dinner 6:30 PM/Lodge 7:30 PM

March 1, 2025
Senior Officer Leadership
Workshop
Union Lodge No. 7
8:00 AM

March 20, 2025
Officer Proficiency
7:00 PM

We're on the Web!

Visit us at:

www.temple9.org

From the East (cont.)

In closing I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to the brothers that have been attending officer practice. Having the advice and guidance of brothers that have been there, done that, is invaluable. We invite all to attend, learn, and provide input. Much laughter is had along with learning. Please come out as you can.

Brothers our time on this blue dot is short and fleeting. Enjoy your lives, make positive change, and embrace happiness.

Don't forget officer practices and proficiencies. All are welcome!!

Officer Practice
02/05/2025 at 7:00 PM
02/12/2025 at 7:00 PM

1st Officer Proficiency "Exam"
3/20/2025 at 7:00 PM

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
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 – 2022/23

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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