

**THE TRESTLEBOARD**  
Humane Lodge No. 21 F. & A.M.  
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**HUMANE LODGE NO. 21 F. & A.M.**  
**31 HANSON STREET**  
**ROCHESTER, NH**

**Free & Accepted Masons**

Constituted March 10, 1810

Chartered July 24, 1811

Stated Meetings First Monday

# HUMANE LODGE NO. 21

Online at: <http://www.HumaneLodge21.org>.

April 2023

## FROM THE EAST

Greetings Brethren,

Last night we had the Grand Master's Town Hall Meeting for the 5th Masonic District. Due to the storm, this meeting was moved from in-person to virtual. I feel that we are very fortunate to have the ability to conduct meetings virtually, but it's nothing like the real thing. This world we live in now has us looking at a screen much too often in my opinion. And in my very bias opinion I think men need our Fraternity now more than ever. With social media being anything but social and folks talking to an AI Chatbot more than their closest friends, fellowship is the answer for a better future.

But I digress. The meeting was very well attended and I find it to be extremely valuable to have a casual setting with the Grand Lodge Officers each year. Rather than a typical business meeting, the Town Hall Meeting allows the Brethren to feel comfortable to express thoughts that have been on their mind and receive feedback from the Grand Master in real-time.

At this meeting we received a review of the Grand Lodge's several endeavors, including the Special Ladies Program, Masonic Education opportunities and the Charity Fund Drive. The Grand Master also announced the District Five officers who were appointed by Deputy Grand Master Right Worshipful Daniel Hotchkiss. One of these appointments is very special to Humane Lodge, our very own Wor. Bro. John Bartoszak will be our District Deputy Grand Lecturer for District 5!

Looking back to March, I have to say we had another successful St. Patrick's Day Celebration. We all had a delicious meal of corned beef and cabbage and enjoyed the afternoon together. Thank you Wor. Bartoszak for all your efforts given to this event.

Our Stated Meeting this month will be on April 3rd and opening on the MM Degree with a meal at 6:30 prepared and served by the members of OES James Farrington-Pleiades Chapter #7. We will have a special presentation by Bro. Calvin Cline in which he will share with us the Masonic Diplomas that he creates. I have seen pictures of them and they look excellent, I'm sure they are even better in person. Come out on April 3rd and see for yourself!

Also this month there will be Treasurer and Secretary Training throughout the jurisdiction. The closest option for us here in Rochester will be on April 14th at Morning Star Lodge No. 17 in Wolfeboro. I highly encourage Treasurers and Secretaries along with any Master Mason to attend one of these sessions. The dates and locations for the other sessions can be found on Grandview.

And as a second reminder, Humane Lodge will once again be hosting a Traditional Masonic Table Lodge. The date will be Saturday, June 17th and you can reach out to make a reservation starting on April 1st. Please contact Wor.

## Past Masters of Humane Lodge No. 21 F. & A. M.

+* Jeremiah H. Woodman	1810-11	+* Arnold M. Ashley, PGM, 33°	1970-71
* Levi Jones	1812-13	* Edward J. Dotson	1972-73
* William Barker	1814	* Robert E. Gray	1974-75
* Pierce P. Furber	1815-16	* Donald S. Hawkins, Jr.	1976-77
* Jeremiah H. Woodman	1817	* Charles H. Weed	1978-79
* Levi Jones	1818	+ Ronald J. Brown, 33°	1980-81
* Joseph Cross	1819-20	Leslie E. Locke	1982-83
* William Jones	1821	* Robert O. White	1984-85
* Levi Jones	1822	William F. Clark	1986-87
+* Charles Dennett	1823-27	+ Edward J. Kelvington	1988-89
* Stephen M. Mathers	1828	H. Stephen Wood	1990-91
* Charles Dennett	1829-37	* Stanley F. Focht	1992-93
* Charles Dennett	1850	William A. Taylor	1994-95
* Josiah B. Edgerly	1851-53	* George A. White	1996-97
* James H. Edgerly	1854-58	Gary A. Pike	1998-99
+* Alexander M. Winn, PGM	1859	George L. Hubbard, Jr.	2000-01
* George Corson	1860	Jeffrey L. Brown, 33°	2002-03
* David Hayes	1861-62	+ Edward J. Kelvington	2004-05
+* Franklin McDuffee	1863-64	* George A. White	2006
+* James H. Edgerly	1865	Arthur A. Trahan	2007
* George Corson	1866	** Frederick M. Steadman	2007
* John S. Parsons	1867-70	Jeffrey L. Brown, 33°	2008-09
* Noah Tebbets	1871	* Stanley F. Focht	2010
* John S. Parsons	1872-73	William A. Taylor	2011
* Russell B. Wentworth	1874-76	David P. Kondrup	2012-13
* Thomas H. Edgerly	1877	Dave R. Nason	2014-15
* Russell B. Wentworth	1878-80	Robert F. Hackett	2016-17
* James E. Edgerly	1881	Patrick Gaudette	2018-19
* John I. Copp	1882-83	John F. Bartoszak, Sr.	2020-21
* Ralph B. Palmer	1884	Patrick Meehan.	2022
* Charles B. Ricker	1885		
* Osman B. Warren	1886-88		
+* John S. Daniels	1889-91		
* Howard E. Grant	1892-94		
* George A. McDuffee	1895-97		
* Frederick E. Small	1898-99		
+* Charles L. Wentworth, 33°	1900-01		
* George P. Furbush	1902-03		
* Louis M. Richardson	1904-05		
* John S. Kimball	1906-07		
* Fred W. Crocker	1908-09		
+* J. Stacy Tripp	1910-11		
+* Eugene C. Howard	1912-14		
* Charles W. Varney	1915		
* Lorenzo W. Clifford	1916-17		
* Albion G. Weeks	1918-19		
* William E. Tripp	1920-21		
+* Clarence L. Woodman	1922-23		
* Joel L. McCrillis	1924-25		
* Horace J. Davis	1926		
* William H. Otis	1927-28		
* Carleton E. Meader	1929		
* James C. Pringle	1930-31		
* Raymond V. Jones, Sr.	1932-33		
* Francis D. Swan	1934-35		
* Joshua Studley	1936-37		
* Donald G. McCallister	1938-39		
+* Robert P. Wilson	1940-41		
* Neal F. Teague	1942-43		
* Downing Osborne	1944-45		
+* Robert P. Wilson	1946		
* Alwyn B. Marble	1947-48		
* George S. Snyder	1949-50		
* Bruce R. DeMerritt, Sr.	1951-52		
* James A. Baxter	1953-54		
+* Walter D. Abbott	1955-56		
*** James Flood	1956		
* John L. Phillips	1957-58		
+ William B. Holmberg	1959-60		
* James H. Edgerly, Jr.	1961-62		
*** Leroy S. Redlon	1961		
* Philip W. Hussey	1963		
+* Frederick H. Heuss	1964-65		
* Austin F. Wilson	1966-67		
* Norman H. Clough	1968-69		

\* Deceased \*\* Honorary + Past District Deputy Grand Master

Bro. John Bartoszak for more information.

As always, continue to look out for your fellow Brothers and our Special Ladies. If you need help or know of a Brother that needs help, please contact me or any of the Lodge officers.

Fraternally,

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## ***Charity (cont'd from March)***

Friendship, Fraternity and Fellowship - this is the soul of Freemasonry, of which charity is but one gesture with a thousand meanings.

Freemasonry not only inculcates the principals of love and benevolence, it seeks to give them actual and living presence in all occupations and intercourse of life. It not only feels, it acts! It not only pities human suffering, it relieves it! Nowhere in the world can a good Mason feel himself alone, friendless or forsaken. The invisible but helpful arms of our Order surround him, wherever he may be.

Mythic story tells us that the ancient gods invisibly and secretly followed their favorites in all their wanderings, and when these were exposed to danger or threatened with destruction, would unveil themselves in their awful beauty and power, and stand forth to preserve them from harm, or to avenge their wrongs. So Freemasonry surrounds all her children with her preserving presence, revealing herself only in the hour of peril, sickness or distress.

***To be continued....***



## **Happy Birthday, Brethren!**

<b>Franklin Torr</b>	<b>April 16</b>	<b>Thomas McDonough Jr.</b>	<b>April 27</b>
<b>Thomas Voss</b>	<b>April 21</b>	<b>Charles Downing</b>	<b>April 28</b>

<h1>April</h1>						
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## ***UPCOMING EVENTS***

A Stated Communication of Humane Lodge will be holden on **Monday, April 3, 2023 at 7:30 PM** - *Any business to come before a Lodge of Master Masons will be completed. A meal will be served at 6:30 PM for those who have made reservations. Reservations are required and can be made with the Secretary Jeff Grant.*

Rehearsals have been scheduled for all officers on **Monday, April 10, 2023** and **April 24, 2023 at 7 PM**. Please contact the Worshipful Master if you cannot attend.

**Treasurer and Secretary Training** will be held on **Friday, April 14, 2023 at Morning Star Lodge No. 17 in Wolfeboro**. *It is encouraged that Treasurers and Secretaries along with any Master Mason to attend one of these sessions. The dates and locations for the other sessions can be found on Grandview.*

**Clarence L. Woodman Chapter Order of DeMolay** meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 7:30 PM, except during July and August.

**Rochester Assembly #11 of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls** meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 PM, except during July and August.

## West Words

Hearty Hello Brethren,

On March 14th, the Grand Master's Town Hall Meeting for District 5 was held online instead of in person due to weather conditions. This was originally to be held in person, but nature made that option not a safe choice, so I am grateful for the times we live in to be able to meet on the level with my fellow brothers. The online experience is not as warm a connection as in person, but it still allows us to meet and discuss many things.

There were many topics discussed at the Town Hall, one of which struck close to home for me. That would be the Special lady's program that you all have read about in my past messages to the Trestle about needing and wanting ideas and people to make the Humane program something to be proud of. As Mason's we vowed as part of an oath to look after and assist these Special ladies of the broken column. I would like to see more than just the seasonal related flowers sent to them.

April is a fresh month for fresh ideas. On the masonic calendar we have Mr. OES on April 1st being held by the Lodge and run by our very own JFP #7 Chapter. The normal list of stated meeting around District 5 of which I'm open to travel with Brothers that wish to attend and show support to fellow lodges. At the end of the month on the last Wednesday there is the Area 51 session. Which for those do not already know it is a time for District 5 and District 1 lodges to gather and gain more light. These sessions are always good and worthwhile for all. So, attend if you can.

Past April and only stepping into the early part of May is Free Comic Book Day in Rochester. Humane has already signed up to be a stop on the scavenger hunt and we secured the opportunity to be a stop that will have an exclusive comic book that no other location will have.

Finally, in closing I will echo the words of Worshipful Meehan and ask that we all continue to look out for your fellow Brothers and our Special Ladies. Never be afraid to ask for assistance If you need it. The Fraternal Brotherhood extends past the Monthly stated meetings.

Fraternally yours,

**Marc Auclair**  
**Senior Warden**

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### HUMANE LODGE #21

## END 68 HOURS OF HUNGER LET'S HELP THE HUNGRY CHILDREN IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

There are two ways to donate. First is money.  
A small donation of \$10.00 will help give a hungry child  
2 breakfasts, 3 lunches, and 3 dinners.  
Second is to donate food products which are much needed  
for the hungry children in our community.  
Please contact the lodge for a list of example food items needed.

### FOOD ITEM LIST:

- Peanut butter – 18 oz size
- Jelly – 20 oz size
- Mayonnaise – 12 oz squeezable
- Canned pasta – beefaroni, ravioli, spaghetti
- Canned spaghetti and meatballs
- Canned soup – 12-20 oz size
- Macaroni and cheese – boxed type
- Canned fruit – 3-4 serving size
- Granola bars/nutrition bars
- Cereal – boxes/bags 5-8 serving size
- Tuna or chicken – 10 oz or smaller cans
- Instant oatmeal
- Swiss miss cocoa mix
- Pop tarts
- Ramen noodles

Drop off locations: Rochester Public Library,  
Rochester Fire Department-Central Station.