



Stated Meeting 2nd Thursday of each month Dinner: 6:30 p.m. – Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge No.273 12345 Rosecrans Ave

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GOLD TROWEL

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LODGE END

July

1 Monday 7pm TempleBoard/ Executive meeting 4 **Thursday** Dark Independence Day 11 **Thursday** 6:30pm Stated dinner/Meeting 18 Thursday practice 25 **Thursday** 6:30pm OSI (our lodge only)

August

1 Thursday 7pm Executive Meeting 5 Monday 7pm TempleBoard Meeting 8 **Thursday** 6:30pm Stated dinner/meeting 15 Thursday to be determined 22 Thursday TBD 29 Thursday TBD *NO OSI for August



WORSHIPFUL MASTER

<u>Celebrating Independence and</u> Brotherhood: A Masonic Perspective

As the warm breeze of summer carries the scent of barbecues and the distant crackle of fireworks, let us pause to cherish the freedoms we hold dear. In this great country, we have the privilege to express ourselves freely, debate passionately, and remain steadfast in our friendships, even when our opinions diverge.

Our beloved fraternity is the bedrock of our nation, and I am proud to be a Mason, knowing that we can unite as brothers, standing together in harmony despite our differences.



This brings to mind our newest members, who have embarked on a journey that will shape them, just as it has shaped us all. Their enthusiasm and fresh ideas will breathe new life into our Lodge, guided by the wisdom of our seasoned members.

I am honored to welcome our new candidates into the fold, and I treasure the friendships I have forged with each of you. Whether we gather for a stated dinner, embark on a trip together, or simply enjoy each other's company, the memories we create are priceless.

As we celebrate Independence Day, let us remember the values that bind us together as Masons and as Americans. May we continue to uphold the principles of brotherhood, freedom, and mutual respect that define our Lodge and our nation.

Fraternally yours, Mark F. Patton, PM Worshipful Master



JUNIOR WARDEN

<u>Golden Trowel Lodge: A Year of</u> <u>Growth and Fellowship</u>

It's a bustling time at Golden Trowel Lodge, where we've recently welcomed four eager Entered Apprentices, who are already setting



heir sights on becoming Fellow Crafts. We're thrilled to see their progress and the enthusiasm they bring to the lodge.

But wait, there's more! Our lodge is attracting new prospects like bees to honey, and we've also welcomed some dedicated new temple board members who are making a significant impact with their tireless efforts. It's heartwarming to see such commitment to our shared Masonic journey.

Now, let's talk about the highlight of July – our stated dinner! As a former BBQ caterer, I'm bringing back my signature smoked BBQ, which is sure to be a crowd-pleaser. And don't even get me started on the cole slaw (Ask Mary Jo if it's good or not) – it's one of the best you'll ever have! What better way to celebrate the summer than with a feast fit for kings?

As we reach the halfway point of the year, I can confidently say that this has been one of the most remarkable times I've experienced at Golden Trowel Lodge. The energy, dedication, and camaraderie among our members are truly inspiring.

Here's to the rest of the year – may it be filled with even more growth, fellowship, and unforgettable moments!







I'd like to remind everyone about the importance of paying your dues which were due earlier this year. On December 31st our dues are increasing to \$100 a year.

Our lodge offers a lifetime membership, you can calculate it using this formula based on your age at the time of payment. **Lifetime memberships need to be paid by check** using the mailing address below.

		2024	2025
Under age 49	21 times \$75	= \$1575	\$2100
Age 50 - 54	19 times \$75	= \$1425	\$1900
Age 55 - 59	17 times \$75	= \$1275	\$1700
Age 60 - 64	14 times \$75	= \$1050	\$1400
Age 65 & over	11 times \$75	= \$825	\$1100

Paying Yearly Dues

Pay online at **freemason.org** or pay by check for \$75 made out to Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge #273.

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Thank you for your continued support and dedication.

Fraternally, Bill Booth Secretary





NEW BROTHERS











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MASONIC WORD SEARCH



- To build with squared stones.
- A system of giving money, food, or help free to those who are in need.
- An instrument made use of by operative Masons to break off the corners of rough stones
- A device that is used to find direction by means of a needle that always points north. intruder or one who accidentally enters where he is not wanted
- Unit for measuring angles.
- A branch of mathematics that deals with points, lines, angles, surfaces, and solids.
- A person who designs buildings and in many cases also supervises their construction.
- A horizontal plane
- To provide (someone) with a place to stay for a short period of time.
- Something that you must do.
- Having or showing disrespect for religious things.
- Special clothes and decorations (such as a crown or scepter) for official ceremonies.
- According to rite.
- A person whose job is to handle records, letters, etc., for another person in an office.
- Based on guesses or ideas about what might happen or be true rather than on facts.



Living Past Masters of Golden Trowel Norwalk

Alexander, David	1986
Arend, James	2014, 2021
Bohn, Hans	1974
Booth, William	2009
Dawson, James	2021
Easley, Ronald	1975
Evans, Rick	1991, 2005
Gerken, Gary	1995
Gillespie, H. Frank	2000, 1987, 1986
Grubb, Joseph Jr.	2015, 2016
Kirklin, Robert	2004, 2008
Mac Donald, Brett	1989, 1997
Mc Adam, Robert	2002, 2003
Mc Adams, Richard	1986
Mc Elroy, Glenn	1972
Miller, Everett	2006, 1999, 1991, 2003
Miller, George	1982
Mitchell, Robert	2015, 1983
Ogden, Charles	2001, 2002
Patronas, Joseph	2016, 2019, 2018
Patton, Mark	2015, 2017, 2021, 2024
Pool, Roy	1973, 1999
Ricarte, Romeo	2001, 1989
Rodriguez, George	1989
Rose, Charles	1990
Sanderson, Wallace	1975, 1980
Sickles, Robert Jr.	1985
Swanston, David III	1987, 1988, 2013, 2014, 2002, 2001, 1976
Thompson, James	1984
Tripler, William	1991, 1984
Watson, Carl	1971
Weathers, Daryl	1986
Williams, Gordon Sr.	1985, 1969, 1987
Winford, Michael	2011, 1988, 2011



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- Share Photos
- Get updates from the lodge

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