

GOING FORWARD



Suffolk Lodge No. 60 F&AM

SUMMER FUN

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It's been a fun summer!



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We've enjoyed fun and fellowship this summer with a couple backyard BBQ social nights, the 4th of July Parade, Fishing Trip, profiicency study groups, and working together for the betterment of our Lodge and Temple.



PRESERVING OUR TEMPLE

Even though our stated communications pause over the summer, that doesn't mean the work does! W.: Tom Pace, Trustee, has been hard at work painstakingly stripping, re-glazing and priming our beautiful antique windows. The right side is ready for paint!



The brothers have also been busy with other projects including clean up and reorganization of our attic & balcony. We purchased a commercial dehumidifier capable of handling the extreme humidity we've been experiencing in the collation room. A single unit replaces the 4 dehumidifiers we had used previously. The collation room door lock has been replaced with a new digital lock. A full report from the Trustees on these and other ongoing maintenance tasks will be provided at our next Stated Communication.

ON CHARITY

Submitted by W: Thomas Pace

The original meaning of the word "charity" comes from the Latin word "caritas," which translates to "love" or "affection." It referred to a selfless act of kindness or goodwill towards others, driven by a sense of compassion and love. But there is substantial distinction between this definition and what it has come to mean in modern times.

In its original meaning, "charity" was rooted in the idea of selfless love and compassion, emphasizing the act of giving or helping others out of a genuine sense of caring. It was less focused on monetary donations and more on personal involvement and direct support. The modern definition of "charity" has evolved to include various forms of assistance, often including financial contributions to organizations or causes. While the essence of helping others remains, the emphasis on monetary support has become more prominent in today's understanding of charity.

In order to move away from the superficial ways that we as men have become complacent, and considering how the world around us is begging for reprieve, it may be fruitful to reconsider our current understanding of this important concept.

Returning to the original understanding of the word "charity" can remind us of the fundamental essence of helping others from a place of genuine care and compassion. It encourages personal involvement, fostering connections and empathy among individuals. Embracing the original meaning can help counter the transactional nature of modern charity, where the focus can sometimes shift more towards tax benefits or public recognition. By emphasizing selfless acts of kindness and direct engagement, we can cultivate a stronger sense of community and address the deeper needs of those we aim to assist.

TRESTLEBOARD

THURSDAY, AUG 31

2ND DEGREE REHEARSAL

Officers & Conductors attendance required, All Fellowcrafts & Master Masons encouraged to attend to rehearse the collective portions of the ritual.

Where: Port Jefferson Masonic Temple

When: Aug 31st, 2023 from 7:30 - 9:00 PM

Attire: Casual

THURSDAY, SEPT 7

SUMMONED COMMUNICATION

Annual Meeting and Budget Vote, Master Masons Only

Where:	Port Jefferson Masonic Temple
When:	Sept 7th, 2023 from 7:30 - 9:30 PM
Attire:	Formal Business Attire, Black/Dark Suits and Ties.

SATURDAY, SEPT 9

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR BRO. BILL GRANER

All welcome, Masons and Non-Masons.

- **Where:** Port Jefferson Masonic Temple
- **When:** Sept 9th, 2023 from 1:00 PM
- Attire: Black/Dark Suits, No pins or Masonic regalia

TRESTLEBOARD

MONDAY, SEPT 11

2ND DEGREE REHEARSAL

Officers attendance required, Master Masons Only

Where:	Port Jefferson Masonic Temple
When:	Sept 11th, 2023 from 7:30 - 9:00 PM
Attire:	Casual

THURSDAY, SEPT 14

SOCIAL NIGHT

All Masons a	velcome
Where:	Port Jefferson Masonic Temple
When:	Sept 14th, 2023 from 7:30 - 9:30 PM
Attire:	Casual

MONDAY, SEPT 18

2ND DEGREE REHEARSAL

Officers attendance required, Master Masons Only

Where: Port Jefferson Masonic Temple

When: Sept 18th, 2023 from 7:30 - 9:30 PM

Attire: Casual

TRESTLEBOARD

THURSDAY, SEPT 21

FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE

Stated Communication

Where:	Port Jefferson Masonic Temple
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When: Sept 21st, 2023 from 7:30 - 9:00 PM

Attire: Tuxedos for Officers, Tuxedo or Black Suit and Tie for Brethren

THURSDAY, SEPT 28

SOCIAL NIGHT

All Masons welcome

Where: Port Jefferson Masonic Temple

When: Sept 28th, 2023 from 7:30 - 9:30 PM

Attire: Casual

BUSINESS

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

2023 DUES

Dues must be paid by December 31st

Brothers, your lodge depends upon timely remittance of dues to operate and maintain our beautiful temple, which is our sanctuary. Please pay your dues on time or better yet, in advance. Dues can be paid by check, cash or credit.

Regular Member Dues: \$400/year 35 Year Member Dues: \$220/year

Please make checks payable to:

Suffolk Lodge No. 60 F&AM

and remit to:

Suffolk Lodge No. 60 F&AM 312 Main St. Port Jefferson, NY 11777

To pay by credit or debit card you may either pay at the bar register at the temple or pay online by going to: <u>https://store.suffolk60.com</u>

Credit transactions incur a service charge.

STORE

SHOPPING

SUFFOLK 60 LAPEL PIN



Item: Suffolk #60 Lapel Button Description: Show your Lodge pride with this handsome Suffolk 60 200th Anniversary Lapel pin. A sharp addition to any Masonic ensemble. Cost: \$ 10:00 - <u>available online</u>

SUFFOLK 60 WINDOW DECAL



Item: Suffolk #60 Window Decal Description: Deck out your ride and be the talk of the town with a nifty Suffolk 60 200thAnniversary window decal Cost: \$ 5:00 - <u>available online</u>

SUFFOLK 60 CHALLENGE COIN



Item: Suffolk #60 Challenge Coin Description: Suffolk Lodge is the oldest masonic lodge on Long Island. Now proudly display your membership with a Suffolk 60 200th Anniversary Challenge Coin Cost: \$ 20.00 - <u>available online</u>

SUFFOLK 60 2022 POLO SHIRT



Item: Suffolk #60 2022 Polo Shirt Description: The 2022 Suffolk Lodge #60 Polo Shirts are now available. This year's version is in a handsome navy blue with gold lettering. Contact W:. Chris Connolly for additional details. Cost: \$ 25.00

REFERENCE

HELPFUL RESOURCES

SUFFOLK60 WEBSITE

https://www.suffolk60.com

SUFFOLK 60 FACEBOOK (PUBLIC)

https://www.facebook.com/Suffolk60/

SUFFOLK MASONIC DISTRICT WEBSITE

https://suffolkmasons.com

SUFFOLK MASONIC DISTRICT BAND

https://band.us/band/70497133

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