

GRAND LODGE

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8th Masonic District

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Living Past Masters

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| | Bro Richard L. Lesure | 1961 - 1962 |
| 1. | Bro John R. Mann, Jr. | 1964 - 1965 |
| | Bro Gilbert E. Carey | 1965 - 1966 |
| | Bro Donald H. May | 1971 - 1972 |
| 2. | Bro Brian L. Carley | 1972 - 1973 |
| | Bro Kenneth F. Carpenter | 1977 - 1978 |
| | Bro Robert G. Coonan | 1983 - 1984 |
| | Bro Paul E. Bacon | 1987 - 1988 |
| 1. | Bro Ian F. Smith | 1989 - 1990 |
| | Bro Michael L. Denyou | 1990 - 1991 |
| | Bro Stephen W. Ingraham | 1992 - 1993 |
| | Bro Jon P. Reed | 1993 - 1994 |
| | Bro. John F. Crandall | 1994 - 1995 |
| 2. | Bro Brian L. Carley | 1995 - 1996 |
| | Bro Robert G. Coonan | 1996 - 1997 |
| | Bro Gary W. Younger | 1997 - 1998 |
| | Bro Brent A. LaDeau | 1998 - 1999 |
| 1. | Bro Johann J. Nortz | 1999 - 2000 |
| 1. | Bro A. Stephen Farrington | 2000 - 2001 |
| | Bro Phil F. Bailey | 2002 - 2004 |
| 1. | Bro Johann J. Nortz | 2004 - 2005 |
| 2. | Bro Brian L. Carley | 2005 - 2006 |
| | Bro Stephen N. Page | 2006 - 2007 |
| | Bro William E. Young | 2007 - 2009 |
| | Bro Kenneth F. Carpenter | 2009 - 2010 |
| | Bro Robert M. Baldauf | 2010 - 2012 |
| | Bro Ronald Nichols | 2012 - 2013 |

1. Past District Deputy
2. Past Grand Master of Vermont

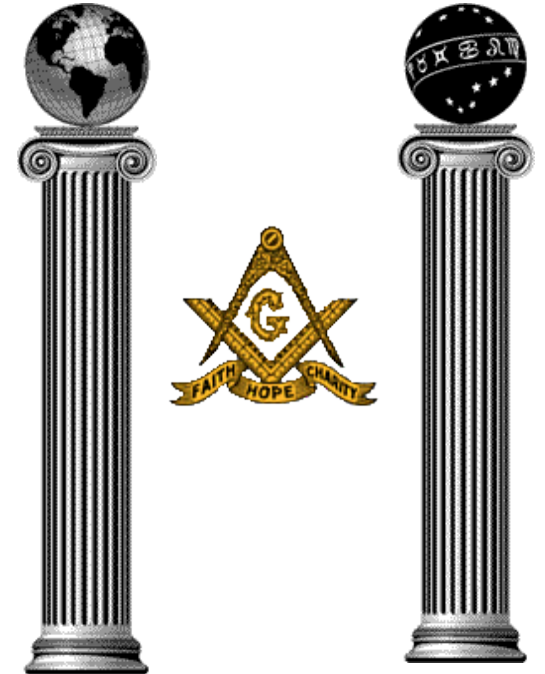
Lest we never forget those who have laid down their working tools and have entered the celestial lodge above.



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~ July 2013 ~

Chartered A.L. 5881

Meets in Masonic Hall on
Third Thursdays at
Six Thirty P.M.

*Brothers in good standing always
Welcome!*

www.brattleborolodge102.org

Place
Stamp
Here

REGULAR COMMUNICATION

The Lodge will be Dark in July and August.

NO MEETINGS!

Have A Wonderful

Summer!

See You in September!

JULY'S CALENDAR

- 3rd 5:30pm Work on Float
- 4th 7:00am Finish Working on Float
10:00am Brattleboro Parade
- 11th 5:30pm Whetstone Dinner Meeting
- 17th 6:30pm Officers Meeting

*Carlos G. Otis Demolay
Wednesdays 7:00PM – 9:00PM*

FROM THE EAST

My Brothers,

Wow what a turn out for the Strolling Of The Heifers Parade. As master it was a great feeling to see the brothers coming together on the level. We also followed it up with a great turn out at Grand Lodge. This all confirms in my mind that Brattleboro Lodge 102 is Alive and Growing. Our next event is the 4th Of July parade, we will have a float for those who wish not to walk. The attire for the parade will be our lodge shirts. I hope many brothers can attend. The float is also for any Masonic body that wishes to attend. I have set a date of July 11th for the brothers of Brattleboro lodge 102 to go together to the Whetstone Restaurant. We will meet at the Lodge at 5:30 PM. Any brothers wishing to attend please call me at 802-258-1356

May God Bless Us All,

Fraternally,
Wor. Brent LaDeau
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Presiding Master

HISTORY OF FREEMASONRY

Early evidence for Freemasonry is very meager and not enough has yet been discovered. The general agreement amongst serious masonic historians and researchers is that Freemasonry has arisen, either directly or indirectly, from the medieval stonemasons (or operative masons) who built the great cathedrals and castles of Europe.

Those who favor the direct descent from operative masonry say there were three stages to the evolution of Freemasonry. The stonemasons gathered in huts (lodges) to rest and eat. These lodges gradually became not the hut but the grouping together of stonemasons to regulate their craft. In time, and in common with other trades, they developed primitive initiation ceremonies for new apprentices.

As stonemasons could easily travel all over the country from one building site to another, and as there were also no trade union cards or certificates of apprenticeship they began to adopt a private word which a travelling stonemason could use when he arrived at a new site, to prove that he was properly trained and had been a member of a lodge. It was, after all, easier to communicate a special word to prove that you knew what you were doing and were entitled to the wages it deserved that to spend hours carving a block of stone to demonstrate your skills.

We know that in the early 1600s these operative lodges began to admit men who had no connection with the trade - accepted or gentlemen masons. Why this was done and what form of ceremony was used is not known. As the 1600s drew to a close more and more gentlemen began to join the lodges, gradually taking them over and turning them into lodges of free and accepted or speculative masons, no longer having any connection with the stonemasons' craft.

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FROM THE SECRETARY

The dinning hall and kitchen are no longer being offered for private or public functions, only Masonic functions. The Lodge trustees have entered into an agreement with the Brattleboro Historical Society for the use of this space for museum displays.

For information regarding these changes, please call at (802) 254-4801.

Fraternally Yours

Bro. Edward J. Morse
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Secretary

DUES BILLS

Dues notice for 2013/14 have been sent out. If you haven't paid your dues for 2012/13, you are now in arrears. If there are extenuating circumstances please notify the secretary in writing.

Grand Lodge Dues are \$15.00
Lodge Dues are \$55.00
Total of \$70.00

Payable to:

Brattleboro Lodge No. 102
196 Main Street
Brattleboro, VT 05301

FROM THE WEBMASTER

Brothers,

Send any thoughts or comments you would like to see in the *Notice* or on the website. WE NEED YOUR help to keep the lodges history accurate. Send your e-mail to:

webmaster@brattleborolodge102.org.

And don't forget, you can also get any prior notice from the website by going to the Trestle Board Section and clicking on the notices.