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# Horace Chase Lodge No. 72, Penacook, NH

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# March 2023

# The Master's Message

Brethren,

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for Brethren to dwell together in unity!"

—Psalm 133

These words resonated loud and clear as we gathered together just last week to welcome a new Brother to the Craft. Welcome, Brother Simon! Though the weather meant that the sidelines were not as full as they might otherwise have been, those who were able to attend witnessed an outstanding Degree and a fantastic EA History delivered by our new Junior Warden, Brother Craig Willis. It was truly a night to be reminded of that lesson from Psalm 133.

After a very busy February, March is shaping up to be a somewhat lighter month for us, at least in terms of scheduled meetings. And while this month may have fewer "large scale" events, don't forget that Lodge is always open Monday mornings and Thursday evenings so that we may dwell together in unity with our Brethren! Come by on a Monday morning and have a cup of coffee and a donut with Brother John Moore, or swing by on a Thursday evening to work on your lesson, practice ritual, or just hang out and talk Masonry with me!

This month, Grand Lodge is holding their annual Town Hall meetings across the State. These meetings are an excellent way for Brothers to meet their Grand Master and his line officers in a more casual, laid-back setting. It is also a good opportunity to learn about what's going on at the jurisdiction level. The Town Hall for our District (District 4) is being held at King Solomon's Lodge in Elkins on Wednesday, March 15. Light refreshments will be available at 6:30 p.m., with the meeting starting at 7:00 p.m. See attached flyer for additional information.

Thursday, March 16 is our Stated Communication. This month we will be opening on the EA Degree (so ALL Masons are welcome to attend!). This month's program will be provided by our own Right Worshipful Brother Rob Anderson on a subject which most of us know little to nothing about—the Morgan Affair. Come and hear about who William Morgan was and how he was almost single-handedly responsible for destroying Masonry in America in the early 19th century! For dinner, I have it on good authority that our Stewards are boiling up something appropriate for a meeting so close to St. Patrick's Day! Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m., with Lodge opening at 7:30 p.m.

In Brotherly Love and Friendship,

John E. Glover Worshipful Master Horace Chase Lodge

March 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 6:30 p.m. Night of Masonic Light 7:00 p.m. District 4 & 7 Cor- nerstones (virtual)	3	4
5	6 9:00–11:00 a.m. Coffee social	7	8	9 6:30 p.m. Night of Masonic Light	10	11
12	13 9:00–11:00 a.m. Coffee social	14	15 7:00 p.m. District 4 Town Hall @ King Solomon Lodge in Elkins	16 6:30 p.m. Dinner 7:30 p.m. Stated Communica- tion (open on EA De- gree)	17	18
19 4:00 p.m. OES Priscilla Chap- ter Game Night G A M E N I G H T	20 9:00-11:00 a.m. Coffee social	21	22	23 6:30 p.m. Night of Masonic Light	24	25
26	27 9:00–11:00 a.m. Coffee social	28	29	30 6:30 p.m. Night of Masonic Light	31	

Don't miss out on anything that happens at the Lodge. If you need a ride to an event, call (703) 568–9593 or email horacechase72@gmail.com.

## **The First Line**

It's Lodge Night , and I'm getting ready To assemble myself with the craft I've gone through my lecture so many times Seems I know it now, both fore and aft.

I'm confident I guess. And I should be For I've spoken many months in a mumble I know that the Brethren, will all be impressed When you're good, It's hard to be humble.

So it's out to the car, and away I go Then fear strikes me, clear to the bone I'd better go through this. Just one more time, It's my last chance, while I'm still alone.

I've hardly noticed this trip at all Now suddenly, I'm parking the car My hearts beating wildly. As I climb the stairs I hear voices. Not near, but far.

Their lips are all moving, but I don't hear a word I have to concentrate on my First Line Sure it'll be easier the next time around But the trick is to do it the first time.

The Lodge is now open, and the work has begun The first section's about to come to a close Gee, I should have gone to the men's room. I feel faint, and I can't breathe through my nose.

They've just called my name, and I've taken my place Boy! They don't give a feller much time And I've lost my book in a shirt with one pocket And I can't remember my First Line.

I've learned a good lesson. It is I who's impressed And I shall never forget this first time After all of the prompting, I now am convinced, Know it all, as good as the First Line!!

-Earl W. Owens

#### Living Past Masters

George A. Langwasser	1977				
Terry S. Gregg	1979–1980				
Dale C. Nudd	1981–1982				
Sumner Goldman, PGSB	1989–1990				
Albert W. Fifield	1989–1990				
	1992–1994				
Fred W. Courser III					
Mark C. Roth, PDDGM, PGC, PGP1994-1995					
Robert W. Lawrie, Honorary	1995				
Herbert S. Carpenter IV, PDEO	1996–1997				
Dana B. Reddish	1997–1998				
Robert S. Hansen	1998				
Gary E. Roy, PDDGM	1999–2000				
Andrew F. Lane	2003–2004				
Roger A Becker	2003–2005				
Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., PGM	2005–2006				
Donald H. Wheeler, Jr.	2006–2007				
Robert M. MacLean, Jr., PGP	2007				
Robert C. Lethbridge, GC	2008				
Peter D. Crouch, DDGL	2008–2009				
Robert W. Lawrie	2009–2010				
David A. Hardy, PDDGM	2010-2011				
Louis M. Corson	2011-2012				
Joseph A. Hardy	2012-2013				
Brian Stiles	2013-2015				
Jason M. Valley	2014				
James M. Triacca, Honorary	2015				
Karl R. Olson, GH	2016-2018				
Michael A. Drotar, PGS	2010 2016				
Glenn A. Patterson	2017				
Rodney W. Sewall, Jr.	2018-2019				
Andrew J. Bennert, JGD	2018-2019				
Wilmer J. Nemchick	2019-2020				
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### **Brothers Raised in March**

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Richard D. Jones	March 29, 1949
Robert E. Hansen	March 3, 1960
Robert C. Lethbridge	March 11, 1965
Kenneth O. Taylor, Jr.	March 11, 1967
Donald J. Percy	March 27, 1969
Roy E. Fanjoy	March 8, 1973
Jonathan H. Ruggles	March 28, 1974
Mark H. Tompson	March 25, 1976
Robert B. Hartford	March 8, 1984
Thomas B. Jelley	March 8, 1984
Karl R. Olson	March 7, 1985
David A. Croft	March 28, 1991
David S. Case	March 5, 1992
Harry A. Lewis	March 30, 2000
Jeffrey Allan	March 22, 2007
Glenn A. Patterson	March 29, 2007
Timothy J. Lynch	March 11, 2010