

JEPHTHA LODGE 494

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GREETINGS FROM THE EAST



Greetings my Brothers,

A heartfelt thank you to all for helping me through the 2021-2022 Masonic year. A Worshipful Master is only as good as the Brothers and Sisters who work with him. Jephtha Lodge has evolved into more than the jewel of the Suffolk district; we are the epitome of true Brotherhood. May our bond never be broken and remain eternal in the heavens.

As we move on to the new Masonic year, I congratulate all the newly elected and appointed officers. Worshipful Master-Elect Br. Michael Crispino was the best Senior Warden ever, and I know he will be a great Master. Senior Warden-Elect Br. Bill Fenty III made sure the Brothers were well feed and he assisted me with many tasks. He will continue to impress on his way to Master. Junior Warden-Elect Br. John A. Lentinello handled his role as Senior Deacon exceptionally well. He was also a great shepherd to the incoming brethren and coordinated the roles of all our degrees. Br. Secretary R.:W.: Tim Tenclay is a true godsend for our lodge. His efficiency is unmatched. Br. Treasurer Rob Gaudioso is the best treasurer in the world! Br. Musician Randy Ivans, what would a degree be without you? You liven up the lodge with every note. Br. Trustees, thank you for all your work in maintaining Jephtha Lodge. W.: Ron Seifried, W.: Dan Bernzweig and Br. Steve Schenker, you were unbelievable in helping me throughout the year! Br. Tyler Gary Osarczuk, thank you for protecting the lodge. You are appreciated. To our Ritual Director, W.: Rich Harris, you far exceeded expectations and you will only get better, thank you.

Past Masters, thank you for your insight. W.: Warren Melnick, you were essential in keeping the Lodge schedules up to date on social media. Bar Committee, thank you for keeping the beer cold and every glass full, and Br. Paul Levy for all your dedication in making everything run smoothly in the bar. Special thanks to Truth Triangle for decorating for all our events and stepping up wherever needed. Br. Drew McCollum, you are the best photographer in the world. Thank you for always making yourself available to me. Br. Bill Friedman & Br. Luke LoPorto, thank you for making my Masonic t-shirt a reality. I dreamt it and you guys made it happen. Congrats to W.: Robert Previto DSA on receiving the Dedicated Service Award which is well deserved for your ritual work. Br. Frankel Enelius & Br. Frank Como, thank you for setting up the lodge and stepping up wherever needed. W.: Anthony Colonna, thank you for going the extra mile to ensure the heat worked on the coldest days of winter. Br. Richard Gentile, you made the *Jephtha Lodge Newsletter* better than ever before, thank you. Thank you to Br. Bill Fenty, Jr. for watching over me like a father. I appreciate you greatly. And my final thank-you to W.: John B. Lentinello for always speaking from his heart. We may not have always agreed, but your advice and suggestions were always sincere and heartfelt.

Congratulations to our Secretary, Br. Tim TenClay, on becoming R.:W.: Tim TenClay on his appointment as Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. Tim is Jephtha's first Grand Lodge officer in 30 years. Bravo Tim, you not only bring honor to yourself, but to all your Brothers at Jephtha Lodge.

Thank you for your dedication, my Brothers, and good luck during this new, upcoming, Masonic year.

To my wife, Anita Campbell, thank you for all your help throughout the year and for coordinating all the Wives and Women of Masons' events. You made the second Mondays very special for our partners.

I wish all my Brothers a very happy Father's Day and everyone a happy Juneteenth Day. We also remember St. John the Baptist in June, one of Freemason's Patron Saints.

I dedicate my year as Master of Jephtha Lodge to W.: Rod Harris and to his memory. I love you my brother and always will. On September 27, 2020, you laid down your working tools and it changed my life forever. May you rest peacefully and eternally in the heavens. You will never be forgotten.

Sincerely and Fraternally Yours,
W.: Jeremiah Campbell

GREETINGS FROM THE WEST



My Dear Brothers,

It has been an honor serving our Lodge as your Senior Warden and I would like to thank you for your help and encouragement throughout the past year. The Senior Warden assists the Worshipful Master, representing him in his absence, keeping harmony in the Lodge, and remembering those in distress and joy with appropriate remembrances. I had not realized the importance and joy it brings to the brother or his family when sending a gift until a family member in distress received one. It brings great joy to the recipient.

It was an enjoyable night on step-up-night, where I took the role of Worshipful Master with 40 brothers as well as our District Deputy, R.:W.: DDGM Jeffery G. Santorello, in attendance. It was also very encouraging and satisfying to see all our new officers actually step up and perform their roles flawlessly. It was a privilege to give awards to both Brothers Per Dobler for finishing his Masonic Development Course and William Friedman for competing his Road to the East Course.

My Brothers, I would like to encourage all to take the Masters Chair Course. I Confirmed with R.:W.: Grand Sword Bearer, Bob Licata, the course is open to all Masons, even if you have no desire to advance East. This is a great way learn about various aspects of the lodge and Masonic etiquette.

It has been a fun and educational journey traveling East with all my Brothers in Masonry who were always there to assist me in whatever role I had. My Jephtha Brothers are truly men of the heart since we put our hearts into all we do, from encouraging each other, doing selfless charity, assisting a brother in advancing, and most importantly, sharing our Brotherly love.

We welcome all as we were once welcomed. Nothing is more rewarding then hugging a Brother, welcoming one we haven't seen in a while, and calling a Brother just to say hi. Trust me, my Brothers, sometimes when I have had a really bad day, coming to Jephtha changes my mood quickly.

I'm asking Brothers who are interested in writing an article for *Celebrating our 3,000th Communication*, to please get in touch with me as soon as possible. It's going to be a big event, and I want the magazine to be passed on and seen until the 4,000th Communication! I'm also asking our Masonic families to send in their feelings about Jephtha. This offer is extended to the Truth Triangles and De Moley who are our future. Perhaps they will be reading the 3000th newsletter at their 4,000th communication!

June is a busy month for our lodge, so please consult the Trestleboard in this newsletter for all that is happening in June and every month thereafter. If you are not on Band, OLP and the Lodge's Facebook page, please subscribe where you'll regularly find all the information about our events and those of our neighboring districts.

I look forward to serving our Lodge, the Craft and you, my Brothers, as your Worshipful Master after my investiture on June 13th. We have an excellent Line of Officers who will help me ensure our Lodge will run smoothly. I couldn't do all this without you, as well as the many quiet Brothers who help when needed.

Thank you again, my Brethren, for giving me the honor of serving you as your Senior Warden. It has been a distinct privilege, and I sincerely look forward becoming your Worshipful Master

Always remember, Jephtha Lodge isn't a place to make friends, but a home to become Brothers.

Happy Father's Day - I wish you and your family a safe and happy summer.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Br. Michael S Crispino, Jr., Senior Warden

GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTH



Brethren, I would like to say that I am humbled and honored by your vote of confidence in me as I look to the Senior Warden's chair in the coming Masonic year. I would again like to thank all those who have helped me in my various responsibilities this past year as Junior Warden. Your help and support made it an extraordinary experience.

Our last event for the Masonic year will be the Installation of Officers on June 13th. This event is open to the public and we look forward to seeing everyone there.

As a reminder, in June we have 2 charity walks:

- Our usual annual Sunrise Walks on Saturday June 18th at 10 AM. The link for sign-up is here <https://www.sunrise-walks.org/longisland/masonsfor sunrise>
- The second charity walk is for a new cause. The United Mitochondrial Disease Foundation. This terrible life-threatening disease has unfortunately afflicted a family member of one of our brothers. This walk will be on Sunday June 12th. The sign-up for this event can be found here <https://www.classy.org/team/427336>

As we close the year, we anticipate a strong showing for Sunrise Walk and the United Mitochondrial Disease Foundation Walk. We will also be hosting another Brother Bring a Friend Night on June 20th at 7 PM.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Br. Bill Fenty III, Junior Warden

Wise people learn when they can; fools learn when they must.

Br. Arthur Wellesley, Duke of Wellington

GREETINGS FROM THE CORNER DESK



Dear Brothers,

I'm writing this on my phone as I sit in the Madrid airport. The friend I have been traveling with got bumped from our flight and I'm waiting for news of his arrival. It is a good time for reflection. The past two weeks have been a whirlwind - emotionally, spiritually, and physically.

It started, of course with the two great privileges of being present for the raising of our new brothers to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason and, just a few days later, serving our Grand Lodge as Chaplain. The very next day, I boarded a plane to Asturias (Spain) for two weeks on the Camino Primitivo - an ancient pilgrimage route between Oviedo and Santiago de Compostela.

I went with an open mind, trying not to force expectations onto the experience, and as I sit here with the walk behind me, I cannot yet tell you what it "meant." It is, like our degrees, an experience that I expect will unfold over time, continuing to hew off my rough edges and, I hope, making me into something better fit for whatever is ahead on this journey we call life.

Why do I bother you with all this personal rambling? Partly, I'm writing cathartically, to let out a bit of what's rolling around inside of me. More so, though, to remind you that our journey of becoming more perfect ashlar - like any pilgrimage - is often a long, slow, difficult, and even painful journey. It is, however, a profoundly good one and, though it is deeply personal, we are not left to do it alone. That is, I would argue, the most important aspect of our Craft; it is what makes us different from other clubs and groups.

Many of our formal activities slow down over the summer months but let me encourage you to continue hewing and honing yourself and remind you that if (or better: when) it gets painful or seemingly impossible, and if (when!) it feels like you are alone or lost, it is not (impossible), and you are not (alone).

Grace and peace,

R.:W.: Br. Tim TenClay, Secretary

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Br. Kevin N. Barret
Br. Patrick J. Brady
Br. Harry R. Burger
Br. Frank G. Como

Br. Jean Pierre David
Br. William P. Fenty, Jr.
Br. Andrew W. Gettis
Br. Norbert Heuser

Br. William F. Hren
Br. Joseph E. Malat
Br. Vladimir A. Nelson
Br. Steven J. Pagano, Jr.

Br. Arthur Perri, Jr.
Br. Michael J. Sienkiewicz
Br. Brian M. Travers

RAISED TO THE SUBLIME DEGREE OF MASTER MASON IN JUNE

Br. Kevin N. Barrett
Br. Chuck A. Brady
Br. Frank G. Como
Br. Frank Corso

Br. Charles B. DiPietro II
Br. Charles B. DiPietro III
Br. Michael Eckstein
Br. William P. Fenty, Jr.

Br. Kenneth H. Gusovius
Br. Cory H. Morris
Br. John D. Mueller, Jr.
Br. Brian E. O'Donoghue

Br. Jake N. Schmigelski
Br. Richard H. Schultze

Although I hold the highest civil honor in the world, I have always regarded my rank and title as Past Grand Master of Masons the greatest honor that had ever come to me.

Br. Harry Truman, 33rd President of the United States



JUNE 1	Wednesday	7:00 PM	INVESTITURE OF BR. MICHAEL S. CRISPINO, JR. AS WORSHIPFUL
June 3	Friday	6:00 PM	Long Island Duck's Game , \$18/ticket. Contact Br. John A. Lentinello to order tickets: john.lentinello@gmail.com.
June 3	Friday	7:30 PM	Truth Triangle
June 5	Sunday	3:00 PM-5:00 PM	Bowling for Veterans , Coram Country Lanes, \$25 for 3 games, food and prizes. 615 Middle Country Road, Coram; phone: 631.732.2022 (All funds donated to Veterans.)
June 5	Sunday	12:00 PM	A Charity Walk for Br. Drew McCallum's nephew in Locust Valley, https://www.classy.org/team/427336
June 12	Sunday	9:00 AM-1:00 PM	Riverhead Masonic Lodge, Pancake Breakfast & Chance Auction ; Adults \$15, Children 4-12 \$7, 3 and under, free. Prizes will be drawn at 12 PM, need not be present to win. Reservations preferred, walk-ins welcome, 631.582.9839.
June 13	Monday	7:00 PM	PUBLIC INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS and COLLATION All Officers In Line, please show up between 5-6:30 PM to have your pictures taken.
June 17	Friday	4:30 PM-8:30 PM	Fishing Trip on the James Joseph II fishing boat, board at the Huntington Town Dock, Harbor Club, which is next to Prime, 95 New York Avenue, Huntington
June 17	Friday	7:30 PM	Truth Triangle
June 18	Saturday	10:00 AM-12:00 PM	Sunrise Walks at Jephtha (Assemble behind the Lodge.) Walk around Heckscher Park in Huntington Village. Shirts are on sale and the public is invited.
June 20	Monday	7:00 PM-11:00 PM	Brother Bring a Friend Night (Dress - Hawaiian shirt)
June 21	Tuesday		First Officer's Meeting via Zoom.
<i>JUNE 24 - FEAST DAY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, PATRON SAINT OF FREEMASONS</i>			
June 28	Monday	7:00 PM	Brother Bring a Friend Night, Dress - Hawaiian shirt
July 7	Thursday	2:00 PM	Long Island Duck's Game , \$18/ticket. Contact Br. John A. Lentinello to order tickets: john.lentinello@gmail.com.
July 13	Wednesday	7:30 PM-9:30 PM	Huntington Historical Society Pub Crawl visits Jephtha.
August 25	Thursday	7:30 PM-9:30 PM	Huntington Historical Society Pub Crawl visits Jephtha.

KEEPING IN TOUCH



BAND (Jephtha): <https://band.us/band/77740271>



FACEBOOK: Jephtha Lodge No. 494



INSTAGRAM: Jephtha 494



MASONS OF JEPHTHA #494: <https://www.jephtha.com>



OUR LODGE PAGE (Jephtha): <https://494-ny.ourlodgepage.com>

WIKIPEDIA

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jephtha_Masonic_Lodge_No._494



GRAND LODGE OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE STATE
OF NEW YORK: nymasons.org/site

W. O. M. *Wives & Women of Masons*

Worshipful Master Jeremiah Campbell and Anita Campbell invite Wives and Women of Masons to join the Masons at their collation on Monday, June 13, 2022, 7:00 PM, at Jephtha Lodge #494, Huntington Village.

Please contact Anita Campbell if you have any questions, 516.805.6194.

MASONIC MOMENT

Because I Am A Mason

I would hope that most of us would do our best for anyone. At the Festive Board following my initiation, one of the speakers told the apocryphal story about the chap whose car got stuck in a flood on his way to a lodge meeting. A passing farmer stopped and towed him clear of the water. On shaking hands to thank him, the driver noticed a familiar grip. "Oh, I see," he said, "You saw my black tie and briefcase and helped me because I'm a Mason - thanks."

"No, my good Brother," the farmer replied, "I helped you because I am a Mason."

(Name withheld by request), London, England, UK
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Respectfully submitted,
Br. Richard Gentile

FAMOUS JUNE MASON

DR. JOSÉ PROTASIO RIZAL MERCADO Y ALONSO REALONDA

June 19, 1861, Calamra, Laguna, Captaincy General of the Philippines, Spanish Empire -
December 30, 1896, Bagumbayan, Manila, Captaincy General of the Philippines, Spanish Empire
Executed by a Spanish firing squad

**National Hero (the "George Washington of the Philippines"),
Masonic Hero, Patriot, Martyr, Ophthalmologist, Writer and Polymath**

José Rizal was the son of Francisco Rizal Mercado y Alejandro and Teodora Alonso Realonda y Quintos, comfortable, middle-class, educated parents, and the seventh of their eleven children. Like many Filipinos he was of mestizo origin (Chinese, Japanese, Spanish and Tagalog ancestry). When he entered the university, he shortened his name to José Protasio Rizal.



At a very young age Rizal proved himself to be very bright, reading and writing at age 5. He graduated from the University Ateneo of Manila with distinction, then continued to obtain a surveyor and assessor's degree and finished a degree of Philosophy in Pre-Law. Learning his mother was going blind, he enrolled in the Medical School of Santo Thomas, specializing in ophthalmology, graduating with distinction in medical and surgical pathology, and obstetrics. He continued his studies in Madrid earning a Licentiate in Medicine, studied ophthalmology at the University of Paris (1885) and earned a second doctorate at the University of Heidelberg. He was 25 when he finished his eye specialization in Heidelberg where he used the newly invented ophthalmoscope (1886). Concurrently, he finished his first novel, *Noli Me Tángere* ("Touch Me Not," [John 20:17], 1887).

In 1891 he published his second novel, *El Filibusterismo* ("The Subversives," 1891). Both of his novels influenced two groups of Filipinos during the Spanish colonial period - peaceful reformists and armed revolutionaries. The novels criticized and condemned Spanish friars and the power of the Church, characters that were drawn from everyday life in the Philippines. These novels, published in Spain, soon made their way to Manila since Rizal sent copies to the Governor-General of the Philippines and the Archbishop. The authorities there quickly labeled him a subversive. The Governor-General, Emilio Terrero y Perinat, a 33° Mason protected Rizal, but the Archbishop became his unrelenting enemy. Rizal felt he could be more persuasive in the Philippines, and against the advice of friends, he returned to Manila on August 5, 1887. Almost immediately, the Archbishop put pressure on the Governor-General to ban Rizal's books which circulated wildly in the capital. The church authorities quickly published a condemnation of his works, and in doing so, sales of his books skyrocketed. The Archbishop put more pressure on Governor-General Terrero to arrest Rizal, and fearing Terrero could no longer protect him, Terrero advised Rizal to leave the Philippines. He placed himself in self-exile in Hong Kong where he had a lucrative and extensive practice as an ophthalmologist. One of his patients was Leonor Rivera, a distant cousin, with whom he had an eight year, chaste relationship. It is thought she was his inspiration for the character of Maria Clara in *Noli Me Tángere* and *El Filibusterismo*. (She was 14 and he 16 when they first met, and the attraction was almost instantaneous.)

While in Hong Kong, a lodge for Filipinos was established in Manila, Nilad No. 44. The lodge made Rizal *Honorable Venerable Master* in absentia, and soon many Filipinos quickly became Masons. When Rizal returned to the Philippines a second time in 1892, Filipino Masonry was well established. The Masons honored Rizal upon his return which only angered the friars. He was arrested, deported to Dapitan (July 6, 1892), lodges were closed, and many active Masons were deported. During this time, the religious authorities made reprisals against the Rizal family, including the arrest of his mother.

When Rizal returned to the Philippines in 1887, his father told him not to see Rivera since it would endanger her family. Nevertheless, he asked his father permission to marry her, and he said no. Rizal and Rivera never met again. He left for his second trip to Europe, and he continued to write to her, but she never responded. Rivera eventually married Henry Kipling, an English railway engineer, whom her mother preferred. Rizal was devastated.

Rizal's German friend, Dr. Adolf Bernhard Meyer, described Rizal's abilities as "stupendous." Rizal was a

true polymath, excelling in painting, sketching, sculpture, poetry, essays, novels, conversant in 22 languages and dabbled with some expertise in architecture, cartography, economics ethnology, anthropology, sociology, martial arts, fencing and pistol shooting.

Rizal is one of the few Filipinos of the 19th century who is well documented because of his prolific writings. Many Rizal scholars often face challenges since he would often switch from one language to another. His diaries also give light to his thoughts and travels in Europe, Japan, the United States, and his self-imposed exile in Hong Kong.

While in Europe during his second stay, Rizal was arrested by the German police because they suspected him of being a French spy after publishing *Dimanche des Rameaux* (Palm Sunday), which discussed Palm Sunday in socio-political terms. ("... all those flowers, those olive branches, were not for Jesus alone; they were the songs of victory of the new law, they were the canticles celebrating the dignification of man, the liberty of man, the first mortal blow directed against despotism and slavery.") Rizal's good friend, Ferdinand Blumentritt, an Austro-Hungarian professor, warned Rizal that his writings, especially his two novels, would cause him to be prosecuted as an inciter of revolution. And as predicted, Rizal was tried by the Spanish military of the Philippines for rebellion, sedition and conspiracy, was convicted on all three charges, and executed because they believed his writings contributed to the Philippine Revolution of 1896, writings that centered on individual rights and freedom. Rizal noted the Philippines were battling "a double-faced Goliath" - corrupt friars and bad government. Rizal's last words were those of Jesus Christ, *consummatum est*, "it is finished." He was 35 years old when he was executed. (Rizal married his common-law wife, Marie Josephine Leopoldine Bracken, just before his execution. Her father was an Irish corporal in the British Army, stationed in Hong Kong, where she was born, and where she and Rizal first met.)

Rizal is thought to be the first Filipino revolutionary whose death was caused entirely by his writings. Through dissent and civil disobedience, he was successfully able to destroy Spain's entitlement to govern.



Rizal was secretly buried in the Pacò Cemetery of Manila in an unmarked grave. His sister, Narcisa, visited gravesites looking for fresh earth and found one with guards at the gate. She gave the caretaker a gift to mark the grave with RPJ, Rizal's initials in reverse. During American rule in 1898 his body was exhumed and is now buried in the Rizal Monument in Manila. (See picture on left.) In his last letter to his family, Rizal wrote, "Treat your aged parents as you would wish to be treated... Love them greatly in memory of me... December 30, 1896."

On his way to Madrid in 1882, Rizal's ship docked in Naples where he saw many posters put up by Masons announcing the death of General Giuseppe Garibaldi (1807-1882, Italy's hero of Italian unification and the creation of the Kingdom of Italy. He was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in Palermo, Italy, 1869, and he was a 33° Scottish Rite Mason.) According to the Filipino historian, Reynold Fajardo, "Rizal must have been impressed because he later wrote about what he saw in a letter to his parents and brothers. The letter marked the first time Rizal made a written mention of Masonry, but it would not be his last." It is also possible his uncle, José Alonzo, a Mason, may have been a Masonic influence since Rizal lived with his uncle for part of his studies while living in Madrid. Alonzo was a Knight of the Order of Carlos III, and later King Amadeo, also a Mason, made him a Knight Commander of the Order of Isabel the Catholic. José Rizal became a Master Mason in 1884 at Acacia Lodge No. 9 in Madrid under the Gran Oriente de España while he was studying medicine. Historians

believe he was 23 when he was raised. Fajardo continues to note, "In accordance with Masonic Practices then observed in Spain, Rizal selected a symbolic name by which he was to be known, "Dimasalang." In 1889 he became a member of the all-Filipino Solidaridad Lodge No. 53 in Madrid. Before leaving Spain, the Gran Oriente de España made Rizal its Grand Representative with the authority to be its representative in France and Germany. (He never served, however, as a Worshipful Master in any lodge.) In 1891 he applied for admission to the Temple de L'Honneur et de L'Union in Paris, France. He truly deserves to be called an international Mason because he was a member of Masonic Lodges in Spain, Germany, France, and possibly England.

Several Masonic lodges are named after José Rizal: José Rizal Lodge No. 22 in Manila, Philippines; Dr. José Rizal (Calamba) Lodge, No. 270, Laguna, Philippines; Isagani Masonic Lodge No. 96, Luzon, Philippines, named after a character in Rizal's novel, *El Filibusterismo*; José Rizal Lodge No. 1172, New York City, composed of natural-born Filipinos; and Gat José Rizal Lodge, Murietta, Southern California.

A special thank you to Rose Friedman, wife of Jephtha Br. Bill Friedman, for recommending José Rizal as a Mason worthy of further study.

Respectfully submitted,
Br. Richard Gentile

All brothers of Jephtha Lodge are encouraged to contribute articles to Masonic Moments, Famous Masons (the same birth month as the month's publication) and Historic Masonic Publications. Kindly submit articles to the Communications Committee: Br. Bill Fenty III (wfenty@gmail.com) and Br. Richard Gentile (rg.jlnews@aol.com) by the 15th of the month for publication the following month. If you have any questions, kindly contact the two brothers above.

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OFFICERS

June 2021 - June 2022

Worshipful Master	W.: Br. Jeremiah Campbell	Jr. Master of Ceremonies	Br. Frank Como
Senior Warden	Br. Michael Crispino Jr	Senior Steward	Br. Frankel Junio
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Br. Robert Wedderburn	

ACTIVE JEPHTHA LODGE COMMITTEES AND FUNDS

Ambassador Calling Committee

To attend to elderly Masons and their needs through frequent phone calls and appropriate action.

Br. Michael Crispino Jr, Administrator

Apparel Committee

To maintain, clean and ready all Masonic apparel for immediate use.

Br. Bill Fenty Jr, Chairman; Br. Chuck Brady, W.: Br. Anthony Colonna, Br. Bill Friedman, Br. Luke LoPorto

Artwork Committee

To design and produce distinctive artwork for Jephtha Lodge.

Br. Chuck Brady, Br. John Hurioglu, Br. Luke Loporto, Br. John Muller, W.: Br. Robert Previto DSA, W.: Br. Ron Seifried DSA

Band App Committee

To keep the *Band* app informative and current.

W.: Br. Jeremiah Campbell, Administrator; W.: Br. Warren Melnick, Co-Administrator

Bar and Libations Committee

To order and stock all drinks and accoutrements and maintain the bar.

Committeemen prepare and serve drinks when appropriate.

Br. Drew MacCallum, Br. Paul Levy, Br. Kenneth J. Siesener

Communications and Newsletter Committee

To ensure Jephtha Lodge communications are correct, timely and promptly disseminated.

To create and publish the monthly *Jephtha Lodge Newsletter*.

Br. William Fenty III, Br. Richard Gentile, Br. Drew MacCallum, W.: Br. Ron Seifried DSA

DJ Entertainment Committee

To organize and provide entertainment at Jephtha Lodge functions.

Br. Geoff Cohen

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To hold education classes in the Masonic Degrees, prepare and deliver educational lectures and Masonic moments at stated communications, review and recommend academic scholarships, and provide reasonable assistance in Masonic education or research to the Lodge and its Brothers, or mandates under the Grand Lodge Constitution.

W.: Br. Robert Previto DSA, Chairman; W.: Br. Dan Bernzweig, W.: Br. Jeremiah Campbell, W.: Br. Anthony Colonna, Br. Michael Crispino, Br. Tom Ferrentino, Br. Mitch Goodkin, W.: Br. Rich Harris, Br. John A Lentinello, W.: Br. John B Lentinello DSA, W.: Br. Ron Seifried DSA, R.: W.: Br. Tim TenClay

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To verify all finances and audits are up-to-date, correct, and certified according to standard accounting procedures.

W.: Br. Jeremiah Campbell, Br. Robert Gaudioso, W.: Br. Richard Harris, Br. Anthony S. Kalabacas, Br. John A Lentinello, W.: Br. John B. Lentinello DSA, W.: Br. Ron Seifried DSA

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To research, verify, record and archive all Jephtha Lodge history.

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To keep *Home* app and *Nest* app up to date and functioning properly.

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To receive, record, and investigate submissions from prospective applicants, interview applicants, and report committee findings to the membership.

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To keep *InVid Elevate* app up-to-date and all security cameras at peak performance.

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To generate funds to support Jephtha Brothers in need.

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To communicate with deceased Brother's widows to ensure their continued well-being, and share any challenges with the Widows, Sickness and Relief Committee.

Br. Tom Montefusco

Masonic Brotherhood Fund

To raise funds in cooperation with the Grand Lodge of New York to support brothers in need.

Br. Chaz Hudak

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To prepare Jephtha Lodge Brothers for their degrees in conformance with the Grand Lodge of New York guidelines.

W.: Br. Jeremiah Campbell, Br. William Fenty III, Br. Anthony Kalabacus, Br. John A Lentinello, Br. Luke LoPorto, R.: W.: Br. Timothy TenClay, Br. Chris Tomasino

Our Lodge Page Committee

To edit and supply *Our Lodge Page* content for completeness and timeliness.

W.: Br. Warren Melnick, Administrator; W.: Br. Jeremiah Campbell, Co-Administrator

Past Master Liaison Committee

To assist the present Worshipful Master as needed.

W.: Br. Anthony Colonna

Photography Committee

To photograph Jephtha Lodge events.

Br. Drew MacCallum

Ritual Committee

To ensure all ritual is properly executed and performed in conformance with the Grand Lodge of New York guidelines.

W.: Br. Jeremiah Campbell, Br. Michael Crispino Jr., Br. William Fenty III, W.: Br. Rich Harris, Br. Anthony S. Kalabacas, Br. John A. Lentinello, Br. Luke LoPorto, Br. John Muller, W.: Br. Robert Previto DSA

Travel Committee

To arrange and oversee the safe execution of all Jephtha Lodge travel.

W.: Br. Warren Melnick, W.: Br. Robert Previto DSA

Truth Triangle Liaison Committee

To coordinate Truth Triangle with Jephtha Lodge news and events.

W.: Br. Anthony Colonna, W.: Br. Rich Harris

Veterans Affairs Liaison Committee

To organize Veterans Affairs with Jephtha Lodge information and activities.

W.: Br. John B Lentinello DSA

Website and Tech Support Committee

To oversee the Jephtha Lodge website, provide tech support as needed, and keep the website up-to-date and running smoothly.

W.: Br. Warren Melnick, Administrator; Br. Drew MacCallum, W.: Br. Ron Seifried DSA

Widows, Sickness and Relief Committee

To remain mindful of and offer appropriate relief to Jephtha Lodge widows, Brothers and their families who are ill or in distress.

Br. Michael Crispino Jr

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