

THE DEGREE OF MASTER MASON

Monday, April 4, 2016

THE FIRST SECTION OF THE THIRD DEGREE • The Ritual of Raising

In the East • Master: W.: Robert J. Mahony, P.M.

Chaplain: W.: Kevin M. Murphy, P.M. Senior Deacon: Bro. Orlando L. Velez
Marshal: Bro. Kenneth E. Rhodes, Jr.

In the West • Senior Warden: Bro. Edward J. Sanders

Senior Master of Ceremony: Bro. Warren C. Hershkowitz

Junior Master of Ceremony: Bro. James Lawrence, III

Junior Deacon: Bro. Wyeth Fetterman Tiler: Bro. Ricardo Hernandez

In the South • Junior Warden: Bro. Michael S. Wishart

Senior Steward: Bro. Edward Pierre-Paul Junior Steward: Bro. Jason P. Draine

The Working Tools • Bro. Gary M. Anzalone

THE SECOND SECTION OF THE THIRD DEGREE

• **Part One** - The Candidate Entrance and Raising •

Bro. Orlando L. Velez, S.D. • Bro. Wyeth Fetterman, First Ruffian

Bro. James Lawrence, III, Second Ruffian • Bro. Agim F. Gerbeshi, Third Ruffian

Part Two • The Drama of the Hiram Legend

Bro. Michael S. Wishart, Narrator • W.: Kevin M. Murphy, P.M., G.M.H.A.

R.: W.: William D. Borman, Jr., P.C.W., Solomon, King of Israel

Bro. Diego R. Redondo, Hiram, King of Tyre • Bro. Orlando L. Velez, First

Craftsman • Bro. **Need Name**, Second Craftsman • Bro. **Need Name**, Third

Craftsman • Bro. Alan B. Stolzer, D.S.A., Guard • V.: W.: Arthur L. Paolillo,

P.A.G.L., Secretary • W.: Robert J. Mahony, W.M., Seafaring Man

Part Three • Worshipful Master's Instructions to the Newly Raised Brothers

W.: Robert J. Mahony, W.M.

THE THIRD SECTION OF THE THIRD DEGREE

Part One • Historical Lecture • R.: W.: William D. Borman, Jr., P.C.W.

Part Two • Lecture of Forms & Ceremonies

Bro. Michael S. Wishart • Bro. Bro. Wyeth Fetterman

Part Three • The Charge

Bro. Warren C. Hershkowitz

TRESTLEBOARD

Awaiting a Report from The Investigating Committee

(none)

Awaiting the Degree of Entered Apprentice

(none)

Awaiting the Degree of Fellowcraft

Bro. Hubert D. Delany

Bro. James Short

Awaiting the Degree of Master Mason

Bro. Jaime Betancur

Bro. Jeffrey Samy

Bro. Christopher R. Quimby

Bro. Mark J. Schlossberg

Bro. Peter Secada

Bro. Robert A. Esqueda

Bro. Richard S. Murphy



W.: Robert J. Mahony

orders you to reply to this Communication summoning you to attend the 966th Communication of Publicity Lodge M in the Doric Room on the 8th floor of Grand Lodge (71 W 23rd St.) on Monday, April 4, 2016, in time for opening Lodge at 6:09 PM in order to examine or Raise three Fellowcrafts to the Degree of Master Mason and act on items in the agenda herewith.

Attire for the evening will be dark business suit or black tie.

Lodge Brothers will subsequently host Brothers and gentlemen guests at a **Table Lodge commencing at approximately 9:00 PM ?** in the Jacobean Room adjacent to the Doric Room.

Entered Apprentices, Fellow Crafts, and Master Masons attending the Table Lodge must reply no later than noon, Saturday, April 2nd, through our new website – which will accept your \$25-per-person payment for refreshment as well as annual dues for 2015 (\$161) and 2016 (\$163).

Credit-card payment options other than PayPal are now available.

If you prefer to pay by cash, you must make that known in your reply to this Communication.

Attendees should respond at <http://www.publicity1000.org/shop> to purchase meals or pay annual dues. To assure your security, do not click on this or any link embedded in emails – even when the link appears to be in an email from your Lodge.

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AGENDA

Need new Agenda

6:09 Lodge Opening

6:30 Admitting the tardy

6:35 Welcome Guests

6:40 Sickness

6:45 Tidings

6:50 Peditions Read and Assign to
Investigating Committee

6:55 Reports of Investigating Com-
mittee: EA Bro. Samy

7:00 Ballot on Bro. Samy for Mem-
bership

7:15 Miscellaneous Reports

7:20 Discussion & Vote on Pro-
posed Amendment to ByLaws
IV, Section 1 (a)

7:30 3rd Degree First Section and
Raising

8:30 Master Lectures

8:32 Final Call for informing the
Lodge before Closing

8:40 Read & approve minutes (from
an annotated Master's agenda)

8:45 Lodge Closing

9:00 Final Gavel

MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

Our Brothers continue to reveal their zeal for fraternity. We raised five to the Sublime Degree in March and passed two brothers to Fellow Craft. We expect to raise three more on April 4th, but the good news, in my opinion, involves the two memorable rituals presented by our Brothers.

The Ritual of Raising on March 7th featured a Drama where all present admitted to being transfixed at the raising of GMHA. Though all expected to have one more rehearsal and though some of us were unexpectedly absent, the quality of the performance carried the day. The proof of my words is in the remarks of the newly raised Brothers. Ask them. There was no applause. No curtain calls. Only the surprise in all of the actors. One more stellar moment of the evening I cannot reveal until after we raise the next group on April 4th. Yes, a Masonic secret worth waiting for.

I called a Special Communication for Monday, March 14, the morning after the Raising and challenged our Brothers to assemble to pass two Brothers who missed their opportunity to advance in February. Brother Samy came to us from a Connecticut Lodge after years as an Entered Apprentice. Brother Betancur was bound by his military service and we finally had a moment that both could be available.

Our Brothers never hesitated to confirm that the short notice was nevertheless reasonable ~ as each expressed a firm belief to be present and ready. But we needed someone to deliver the MC lecture which Brother Unruh hitherto owned even from his home in Michigan. While Brothers were ready to fly Brother Unruh in for a repeat performance of his February lecture, RW Brother Bill Borman claimed the lecture was still "upstairs" ~ a reference to his memory palace located, we think, in his head even though he knows it by heart.

Publicity Brothers filled all the roles, and though most of the Lodge appeared empty, it never felt empty. I turned to Brother Chaplain John Heck in the East and expressed my wonder at the intimacy our Brothers created in their work.

Join us in Raising three Brothers on April 4th. You can witness RW Brother Borman deliver the Master Mason Lecture. We need all the workmen our Lodge can summon. I promise you a surprise that many saw at our March 7th Ritual, and none of us will reveal until my next message to all.

—W.: Robert J. Mahony ☒

THE CHRONOLOGY OF PUBLICITY LODGE**Publicity Lodge No. 1000**

Letter of Dispensation: December 29, 1921
Charter: October 30, 1922

The Charter Members of Publicity Lodge, who were all members of The Advertising Club of New York City, wanted to name this new Lodge Advertising Lodge No. 1000, but settled for Publicity, a more generally acceptable name for a Lodge in 1921.

On June 13, 1859, Harlem Lodge No. 457, was Chartered by The Grand Lodge of New York. On June 15, 1863, Americus Lodge No. 535, was similarly Chartered.

On December 19, 1986, Harlem and Americus Lodges consolidated to form Liberty Lodge No. 457, named in honor of the Centenary of The Statue of Liberty.

On September 10, 1999, Liberty Lodge No. 457 united with Publicity Lodge No. 1000 to form a consolidated Publicity Lodge No. 1000, Free & Accepted Masons, operating as a Lodge under the Jurisdiction of The Grand Lodge of the State of New, Free & Accepted Masons, of which M.:W.: William J. Thomas, currently serves as The Grand Master.