

TEMPLE LODGE NO. 23

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Summer 2025

Light, Wisdom & Unity



**MESSAGE FROM
LODGE LEADERSHIP**



KEY DATES



**OFFICERS &
COMMITTEES**



**BENEFIT OF
THE CRAFT**

A MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

W.: Carl Thowart
Worshipful Master



Dear Brothers,
I hope this newsletter finds you in good health.

The lodge voted to go dark on the first Monday of July, August and September.

On July 21st we will welcome R.W.D.D. on his official visit, I request the officer wear coat and tie.

On July 12th of our E.A, brother Max McDaniels will receive his Fellow Craft degree at J. Windell Fargis Lodge at 9am.

On the 16th the School of Instruction will be held at Albert J. Russell dinner is at 6pm and instruction will be at 7pm. Fellow Craft Degree will be the study. The NEFMA meeting will be at Mandarin Lodge dinner will be at 6:30pm and meeting will be at 7:30pm. Temple Lodge Annual Shrimp boil will be held I can use all hands to help. Times for boil will be from 11am until 2pm please make plans to attend. **If you have any tickets please try to sell them and bring funds to our 21st meeting.**

On a sad note, Past Master, Worshipful Henry Simmons has laid down his working tools. Please keep his family in your prayers.

Our August meeting will be on 18th of August dinner will be at 6:30pm and meeting to follow at 7:30pm.

Our September meeting will be 15th dinner will be at 6:30pm meeting will follow at 7:30pm I hope to see you there.

- Carl Thowart

W.M. Temple Lodge



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July

 **12th**

**Fellowcraft Degree
At Wendell Fargis**

9 AM

 **21st**

**Stated
Communication**

6:30PM Dinner

7:30PM Degree

August

 **18th**

**Stated
Communication**

6:30PM Dinner

7:30 PM Communication



**KEY
DATES**



LODGE OFFICERS

WORSHIPFUL MASTER CARL THORWART, PM
SENIOR WARDEN DAVID CALLOWAY
JUNIOR WARDEN LAKE G. RAY, IV
TREASURER..... LARRY M. HECHT, PM
SECRETARY JOSE HERVIAS
SENIOR DEACON..... HAMPTON C. RAY
JUNIOR DEACON GARRETT JAFFEE
SENIOR STEWARD MAX D'AMATO
MARSHAL JACOB HECHT, PM
CHAPLAIN BENJAMIN A. HECHT, PM
TYLER SHAWN JASMIN

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Larry Hecht
Jose Hervias

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*Carl Thorwart, PM
Shawn Jasmin

INSTRUCTION
*Carl Thorwart PM
Shawn Jasmin

PETITIONS
*Benjamin Hecht, PM
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*Carl Thorwart PM
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*Gordon Childress PM
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*Larry Hecht, WM
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Jacob Hecht
Shawn Jasmin

MENTORS
*Benjamin Hecht, PM
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Carl Thorwart, PM
Tommy Henricks

*Committee Chairman

LIVING PAST MASTERS

John H. Pratt Lodge Members*

- 1969 Stanley Ruby
- 1975 Seeman Zimmerman
- 1981 Robert L. Howard, Jr.
- 1981 Harvey E. Schlesinger
- 1983 Donald O. Rogers
- 1985 Eugene M. Hagan, Jr.
- 1985 Robert E. Meares*
- 1986 James H. Koivisto
- 1987 R. Carl Thorwart, Jr.
- 1988 Sherwin L. Burman*
- 1991 Donald J. Mock*
- 1991 Bennett A. Tavar*
- 1992 Brian R. Johnson*
- 1996 Robert L. Durst
- 1997 Mark Cartier
- 1998 Billy Heisler
- 2000 James Weese
- 2001 John Barber
- 2002 John Holden
- 2003 Terry Rigdon
- 2004 Ken Harris II
- 2005 Ted Bock
- 2006 Rob Forbus
- 2007 Gaylon Barcom
- 2008 Ted Bock
- 2009 Ed Vaughn
- 2011 Mike Vickers
- 2012 Mike Vickers
- 2013 Gaudelupe "Wally" Ramos
- 2014 Jason France
- 2015 Alan Jordan
- 2016 R.J. Aenchbacher
- 2017 R. Carl Thorwart, Jr.
- 2018 R. Carl Thorwart, Jr.
- 2019 Grover Childress, Jr.
- 2020 Tommy Henricks
- 2021 Benjamin A. Hecht
- 2022 Larry Hecht
- 2023 Jacob Hecht
- 2024 Jacob Hecht

CONNECT WITH US

Temple Lodge is experiencing a Renaissance

More active brothers than in years past, tremendous interest in membership and a commitment to the core principles of Freemasonry.

As we grow and connect with the community, we need our brothers to share and care! Connect with us on social media, visit our website and tell a friend about the exciting transformation underway at Temple No. 23.



www.Facebook.com/TempleNo23



NOT JUST A MAN. A MASON.™

A circular inset image showing a close-up of a smiling man with short brown hair and a light beard, wearing a light-colored shirt. The background of the entire right side of the image is a dark blue gradient with a subtle pattern of small white dots.

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POTENTIAL

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