

M.: W.: Neal I. Bidnick
Grand Master

R.: W.: David Mordo
District Deputy Grand Master



Dear Brother,

You and your Masonic friends are cordially and fraternally invited to attend the 2727th Stated Communication of Arcana Lodge #246, F.& A. M. to be held in the French Doric Room, 10th Floor - Masonic Hall - 71 West 23rd Street, New York, NY 10010

WEDNESDAY EVENING NOVEMBER 8, 2006 AT 7:00 PM

*for the transaction of such business which may regularly and constitutionally be brought before the lodge.
The work of the evening is:*

1. General business meeting – including any discussion on proposals for future by-laws changes
2. Attendance at the District Deputy Grand Master visitation to Perfect Square Lodge No. 204

Officers' Dress: FORMAL

Please join us for dinner on the second floor at 6:00 PM on a :”Dutch Treat” basis.

Contact Bro. Larry Centore if you are interested, so that he can get a proper count.



Dear Brother,

As per Arcana By-Laws Article II section 5, I am invoking my power to suspend the stated meeting which would be held on November 22, 2006, since it falls on the eve of Thanksgiving. Take the opportunity to spend an enjoyable meeting with your family, and consider all that you have to be thankful for.

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Message from the East

Greetings my brothers; it was my greatest honor to have the chance to serve my mother lodge as your Worshipful Master back in May - but when I asked the brothers for their help to bring Arcana Lodge back to a place where we can meet and love one another in the bonds of union, friendship and brotherly love it seems somehow I have failed in communicating duty. Or at least that is how it seems to me by the lack of your attendance at our meetings since May. Remember that we all took the same oath to attend meetings -health and business permitting. Health and business not permitting it would not be within the length of your cable-tow. My brother, we only meet twice a month and yet each month when it's time to go to our meetings there are just enough members to fill the chairs. This is not acceptable. No one can be more busy than me; not only am I the Master of this lodge but I am also the A.G.L for the Fifth Manhattan District, which has eight other lodges in it which all meet on different nights (unlike the Seventh Manhattan District where the lodges all meet on the same night). This is in addition to my busy work hours - yet I always find the time to attend the meetings .I am imploring each and every member to attend the meetings more often. On the average the meetings have been lasting about an hour and a half unless it's a degree meeting or a DDGM visit. If I can find the time with my busy Masonic activity then so can you, Brothers of Arcana Lodge.

Since our last communication, several things have happened. At our September 13, 2006 we voted on the proposed changes to our By-Laws. The proposal changing Article I Section 12 was approved, allowing brothers to be voted for un-affiliation after being one (1) years in arrears, providing that they have been properly notified at least 30 days prior. The proposal to change Article VI section 9 was approved, changing the wording from Salaries and Reimbursements for Officers to Reimbursements for Officers. The other proposals (to raise dues, change the number of meetings to one per month) were not approved. Our current dues are \$65.00 for the Lodge, plus \$30.50 for Grand Lodge assessment, leading to our current dues of \$95.00. I have proposed that the By-Laws be changed to read:

Section 5. Annual Dues. The annual dues of each member shall be the Grand Lodge per capita dues and assessments (which is as of October 2006 Thirty and One Half Dollars (\$30.50)) plus an amount of One Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$120.00), which total shall be rounded to the nearest five (\$5.00) dollars. Thus as of January 2007, each member's annual dues would be One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00). Dues are payable in advance and this formula will commence with dues payable for lodge dues for 2007

Please note that we will be liquidating some of our investments in order to have operating funds for this year – this was required when all of our funds were placed in the investment account in April.

I want to thank all of the brothers who came out for the lodge rededication service. It was a very nice evening and the turn-out was better than what I had expected. We also had a dinner to honor R.:W.: Stephen Kastner, who will be leaving us for Florida. Steve is an living example of the positive attributes of Freemasonry – someone who has been loyal, dedicated and tireless, constantly teaching or helping, and always speaking well of others. We can do well to follow his example, and we hope to have him visit us often in the future.

On another note, what does masonry mean to you? Well to me freemasonry is kindness in the home: honesty in business; courtesy in society; fairness in work; pity and concern for the unfortunate, resistance towards the wicked, help for the weak, trust in the strong, forgiveness for the penitent, love for one another and above all, reverence and love for God.

Freemasonry is a way of life. This is what freemasonry means to me

Fraternally Yours,
V.:W.: Nicholas Panariello
Master, Arcana Lodge

Message from the Secretary:

Brothers, as the Worshipful Master indicated above, we all have obligations to our lodge, as long as our cable tow allows. This past month my cable tow has been somewhat stretched – not by anything major, but I have been significantly busy with work and family, and I have also had important work conflicts which have caused me to miss the past two meetings. Be assured that I was upset at not being able to attend, and I had informed the WM for both occasions. I would like to thank Bro. Phil Weiss for filling in for me on both occasions. I hope to see all of you at the next meeting, even though this bulletin may or may not reach you in time.

There has been some difficulty in putting together the lodge dues bills, but they will go out shortly. You can help out the lodge, however, by sending in dues before receiving your bill - \$100 for 2007. If you do not have a 2006 dues card, you probably owe for that year (\$95); if you don't have a 2005 card, you are in significant arrears and should be forwarding \$90 for that year, as well as contacting me or the Worshipful Master. If you anticipate a problem in paying your dues, contact the Worshipful Master NOW. We have sworn that we will not defraud our lodge; a corollary to this might be that we should not stand on ceremony and wait for our invoice if possible. If you mail a check today to the lodge (at 71 W. 23rd St, New York, NY 10010), you will help the lodge; as well as supporting me by being understanding with the current limits of my cabletow.

Finally, I have started to utilize the lodge website, <http://arcanalodge.com> . I will be putting up copies of various forms, the revised by-laws, and some meeting notices. If you have not already sent me your email address, or if you would like an email address @arcanalodge.com, please contact me at secretary@arcanalodge.com

Fraternally,
W.: Seth Zolot
Secretary, Arcana Lodge

Glad Tidings:

On September 15, R.: W.: Joseph and Anita Homer celebrated their 44th Anniversary.

W.: Jerry Siskin celebrated his 77th birthday September 16th, and his 56th Masonic birthday this month

Bro. Guy Caterina celebrated his 70th birthday during the summer.

Sad Tidings:

On October 14, 2006, Arcana Lodge lost one of its longtime “members”. This “member” was not a brother, but rather a Widow – Mrs. Lillie Weiss, wife of former WM and Secretary W.: Sam Weiss, and mother of Bro. Phil Weiss. Mrs. Weiss was known to many of the senior members of Arcana Lodge, and it was important to her to be kept abreast of the entire goings on” of Arcana Lodge. We not only offer our condolences to Bro. Weiss, but also note that she will be missed by many brothers of this Lodge.

It is with a heavy heart that I inform the members of the passing of W.: Joe Bonsignore’s sister, Marie Louise Florida on Oct 2nd 2006. I just want to send our heart-felt condolences to the entire Bonsignore family for there loss.

It is our understanding that Bro. Omar Peralta lost his father (Bro. Michael Peralta’s grandfather) recently, and they went back to Nicaragua to bury him. Our condolences go out to both of you in your time of sadness.



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Bro. Curtis Ellis

Bro. Jeffrey Berman

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Mr. Colin Profitt

Mr. Jeffrey Stones

Mr. Kevin Eldrich

Coming Events

November 11, 2006

Grand Masters Ball at Leonard's of Great Neck.

November 11, 2006

Tentative date for Skeet shoot.

Please contact Bro. Guy Caterina for more info.

November 19, 2006

Masonic Toys for Tots Charity Ball at Russo's on the Bay.

December 13, 2006

Dinner at El Quijote -- 226 W 23rd St, between 7th & 8th Ave

8pm

<http://cityguide.aol.com/newyork/restaurants/el-quijote/v-106905309>

Cost to be \$60 per person, and includes Beer or Sangria, Tax, & Tip.

November 11th is Veterans Day; Let us remember the sacrifices they make on our behalf.

Arcana Lodge 2006-2007 Officers

W.M. V.: W.: Nicholas Panariello

S.W. Bro. Guy Caterina

J.W. Bro. Lawrence Centore

Treasurer W.: Vincent Scandole

Secretary W.: Seth Zolot

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