

**REDWOOD LODGE No. 35 A.F. & A.M.**  
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# The REDWOOD BUILDER



**REDWOOD LODGE NO. 35 A.F. & A.M., EAST PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND**  
Constituted June 10, 1878

**This Month's Meeting is on Tuesday, October 13, 2009**  
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## REGULAR COMMUNICATION

Second Monday of each Month (except July & August)

**Rehearsals** - Wednesday Preceding the Communication, at 7 p.m.

**Read-Through** - Second Wednesday Preceding the Communication

## ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

Second Monday in May

**Freemasons' Hall**

222 Taunton Avenue, East Providence, Rhode Island

Dates Subject To Change-Check the Inside of the Builder





**From the Editor:**

Freemasonry has been the focus of many stories. The secrets of the fraternity have provided an allurements for many authors and writers to use the craft as their underlying theme. The mysteries and secrets of the craft have created an atmosphere of awe and respect even amongst those who are not members. As the years have passed, the allurements has not faded and has become stronger.

History is filled with references to Freemasonry and the significance of Freemasons in shaping history. Freemasons have been active participants in the events which over time have become a compilation of facts that eventually becomes history. During the American Revolution, many of the leaders for our independence were Masons. They have been the source and inspiration for many television shows, movie productions and books. The craft has always been distinguished by many of its brothers who have been political and business leaders whether in the United States or in a foreign country. Their actions and leadership eventually become noticed by others. Only after they have passed from the scene does one discover that they were Freemasons. They are humble individuals who do not boast of their Masonic membership, but instead conduct their lives exhibiting the principles and tenets of our institution.

Recently, another book using Freemasons as the background story has been added to the Best Seller's List: Dan Brown's "The Lost Symbol". It is the latest spin on the allegorical symbols and codes of Freemasonry which form the web for his thrilling novel. The publicity associated with this latest attempt to discredit Freemasonry only raises awareness of the craft to all. The effect on Freemasonry is to increase the interest of non Masons to join the craft. Freemasonry has survived over time. It has perpetuated that certain aura of secrecy which peaks the interest of all.

Worshipful Andrew Sholes  
Editor

**Officers Forum Dates**

- February 4, 2010- Mt. Vernon Lodge
- March 22, 2010-Jenks Lodge
- April 1, 2010-Morning Star Lodge
- April 19, 2010-Thomas Smith Webb

The Open House on Saturday, October 17th is the best time to bring prospective candidates to the lodge. We will have the lodge room set up and here to answer any and all questions about Freemasonry. Please make an effort to bring someone to Lodge on this day.

**Masonic Open House**

At the Grand Lodge  
Saturday, October 17, 2009  
10:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Volunteers are Needed  
If you can help please call  
W. M. Harley Bartlett 487-5479

**Dates to Remember**

- October 13, 2009- FC Degree
- October 17, 2009- Masonic Open House
- November 9, 2009- Table Lodge
- December 14, 2009- MM Degree
- January 11, 2010- DD Visitation
- February 8, 2009- GM Visitation to Metro
- March 8, 2010- Program
- April 12, 2010- Awards Night
- May 10, 2010- Annual

Dues Invoices will be mailed in October. Keep a look out for it in the mail. Lodge Dues and Assessments are due on or before January 1, 2010 to be in good standing and allowed in lodge.

**Brethren:**  
This months meeting was to be the District Deputy Visitation to Redwood. However, due to a conflict, the Visitation has been moved to Monday, January 11, 2010

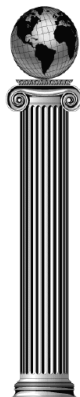
**The Master, Wardens and Officers of Redwood Lodge Wish You a Very Happy Birthday!!**



Kevin Catanzaro	October 1
Frank E. Antin	October 2
Lewis J. Antin	October 2
Fred Ricci	October 3
Melvyn J. London	October 5
Herman V. Blumenthal	October 5
Joel S. Bernstein	October 8
Andrew A. Brown	October 9
Nathan M. Honig	October 10
Dean M. Rossi	October 10
Arnold T. Galkin	October 12

Howard S. Weiss	October 14
Irving J. Waldman	October 15
David E. Penn	October 16
Stephen D. Kasden	October 21
Fredric Magnani	October 23
Micah T. Ross	October 24
Jason L. Blank	October 24
Leslie H. Weisman	October 26
Steven H. Shapiro	October 27
Walter L. Budz	October 30





1,317 Regular Communication - Tuesday, October 13, 2009

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<b>Dinner</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
<b>Opening</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>
Business and Correspondence	
Balloting	
Examination of Candidates	
FC Degree	
<b>Lodge Closing</b>	<b>After Degree Work</b>
<b>Collation</b>	<b>After Closing</b>

**DINNER MENU**

A DELECTABLE SAVORY **MEATLOAF** WITH FRESH FOREST MUSHROOM GRAVY  
 A MARRIAGE OF MASHED SWEET AND WHITE POTATO LIGHTLY WHIPPED TO PERFECTION  
 SNAPPY TENDER BABY GREEN BEANS FINISHED WITH A LIGHT BUTTER SAUCE AND DRESSED WITH TOASTED ALMONDS  
 A BOUNTIFUL CALIFORNIA STYLE GREEN SALAD LACED WITH NAPPA CABBAGE  
 BRICK OVEN ROASTED GARLIC AND NATIVE TOMATO SOUP ACCOMPANIED BY HOUSE MADE HERBED CROUTONS  
 SWEET AND SASSY TOLL HOUSE COOKIE PIE

**BAKED FISH UPON REQUEST**

**\*\*A BROTHER, IF HE SO WISHES, MAY SUBSTITUTE A PERFECT 10 OZ SIRLOIN STEAK BROILED TO PERFECTION FOR A MERE 3 DOLLARS MORE. NOTICE OF QUANTITY IS REQUIRED\*\***

**MEATLOAF/FISH DINNER- \$17.00 OR STEAK DINNER-\$20.00**

**RESERVATIONS ARE AN ABSOLUTE MUST.....WE CAN NO LONGER AFFORD TO BY EXTRA!**

**RSVP TO SECRETARY@REDWOODLODGE35.COM OR 401-369-9400**

***From the Worshipful Master***

I was recently given a copy of "A Centennial History of Redwood Lodge". Last night I took some time to indulge myself with a beginning read. Up to the red chair with a bourbon I went. Rather than a peruse from the beginning, I took some time to leaf through the book. Names and faces that I recognized (and many that I didn't) stared back at me from the past. Malcolm C. Bromberg, in all of his Most Worshipful Grand Master, was featured on page 129. Was that Gerry Cohen on page 105? A kid! Andrew Sholes a Junior Warden, imagine that? I had the pleasure of meeting Stephen Gordon before his untimely passing. And there was Howard Bromberg and others. I then read a list of dates of activities on page 90 for the year 1952-53 that the then Worshipful Master Henry Hill attended. I almost fell out of my chair, there were no less that seven and more than a dozen activities listed for each month. Dinners, Dances, Breakfasts, Regular Communications, Clam Bakes, Ball Games and on and on. There were photographs from The Evening Bulletin (remember that newspaper?) of memorable events.

Naturally, this read caused me to reflect. I began to wonder. With all the marvels that technology has given us, flat screen TV's, twittering, cell phones, cable TV, etc. I thought of all the Brothers of Redwood and all the potential Brothers of Redwood, who were sitting alone, at home, engaged with the dazzle of some gizmo when they could otherwise be in the fellowship of friends.

What I have taken away from my initial read of this fine history is that society has gained much in the development of electronic communication and activities, but it has lost more in regards to the fabric of its culture. Don't loose yourself to the passive reward that television and the internet bring, come on down to the Lodge and let's rebuild the something special that the past world possessed, FELLOWSHIP.

Harley Bartlett  
Master



Please note that the Lodge is trying out a new time schedule.  
**Dinner will be before the meeting and start at 6PM**  
**The Communication will start promptly at 7PM**

