

Dear Brethren,

You and your Masonic friends are cordially & fraternally **INVITED** to attend the 1,722nd **Stated Communication** of Norsemen Lodge, No. 878 F. & A.M., to be held on

**Thursday Evening,
November 3rd, 2011
At 7:30 p.m.**

for the transaction of such business as may regularly and constitutionally be brought before the Lodge.

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You, your Masonic friends and prospective Masons of good character and rapport are cordially **INVITED** to an evening of fellowship, hosted by Norsemen Lodge on

**Thursday Evening,
November 17th, 2011**

At 7:00p.m. SHARP!

for a short tour of Grand Lodge, to be immediately followed by a Table Lodge
"Feast of the 7 Toasts"

Officers' Dress

November 3rd Tuxedo

November 17th Business Suit

By Order of:

**W.: Jason C. Truce
Master**

Attest:

**B.: Dennis Elliot
Secretary**

This is a true copy of the Summons, the original of which, bearing the raised seal of the Lodge, is appended to the Minutes of this Communication.

FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

I would like to apologize for the tardiness of this notice; work and family commitments got in the way this month, causing me to get started later than I wanted to. As a result, this notice is being sent out as a stand alone, instead of with its usual addendum from the Masonic Short Talk Bulletins. To make up for this, I will be sending out a second notice shortly after our November 3rd Communication.

Our next meeting is November 3rd, and besides our usual business, we will be going over those members who are so far behind in their dues that we are now forced to consider taking the extraordinary action of suspending them for Non Payment. We will also have our Entered Apprentices prove their proficiency in front of the Lodge. Those who do so, will be able to move onto the next Degree.

We will also discuss the upcoming Brother Bring a Friend Night, which has been pushed back to **November 17th** in order to insure maximum turnout more complete planning. I have arranged for a short tour of the building, concentrating on the most interesting and historically important rooms in Grand Lodge. This tour will last approximately 45 minutes and will begin at 7:00pm SHARP! Please endeavor to be there on time. Those who attended the last tour will attest to it's value and I truly feel sorry for those who have not yet experienced it.

As soon as the tour concludes, we will make our way to the American Room on the 19th Floor, where we will enjoy a Table Lodge, or as it is formally known: The Feast of the Seven Toasts. This is a traditional Masonic dinner format that is held in many, if not all of the concordant bodies of Freemasonry and holds important spiritual value within the Craft. Besides that, it is a great event for fellowship and getting to know your Brethren in a less formal setting.

During the Feast, we will be viewing a special presentation from R.:W.: Anthony Cuonzo which will show our new Apprentices and non Mason friends many of the great things that Freemasonry offers.

The Menu is extensive and will consist of several courses and both alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. The cost is \$20.00 per person, which is quite reasonable for the fare being offered. The rest of the expenses, which are considerable, will be covered by the Lodge.

This event is extremely important for many reasons. Besides the obvious, which is to introduce our close friends who we wish to join, thus increasing our ranks with "Good Men" of character, this is also an opportunity to begin building more camaraderie and foster an atmosphere of fraternity and brotherhood amongst our current members.

Besides our members and their friends, we have invited many Brethren from the 3rd Kings District. This makes it even more important that we have a good showing. If we can pull off a successful event, it can build a momentum that will propel us towards our ultimate goals as a Lodge. Please do what you can to help make this evening a smashing success, and represent Norsemen Lodge the way YOU want people to see it.

Faithfully Yours,
W.: Jason C. Truce

Tentative Table Lodge Menu:

Penne ala Vodka
Salad
Soup/Appetizer
Sausage & Peppers
Chicken Cutlet Parmigiana
3 Bean Salad
Potato Croquettes
Soda, Beer, Wine & Punch

**2011 District Deputy Grand Master
Official Visit Schedule**

**November 7th
November 23rd
December 28th**

**Amos Ft. Greene #922
Bay Ridge Lodge #758
A.G.D.S. #647**

TRESTLEBOARD

Awaiting Second Degree

Bro. Mark Evangelista
Bro. Singh Foo
Bro. Bruce Becker
Bro. Yosi Azulay
Bro. Frank Vasquez IV
Bro. Alex Omar Rebaza
Bro. Hector Lorenzo
Bro. Dillion Rodney
Bro. Wilfredo Taveras

Awaiting Committee Report

Bro. Keneth Becker

DATES TO REMEMBER

November 3rd - Stated Communication

Entered Apprentice Proficiency

November 17th - Brother Bring a Friend

Grand Lodge Tour, Table Lodge - Cost: \$20

November 19th - Toys For Tots

December 1st - Stated Communication

Treasurer & Secretary Reports, Act on Delinquents

December 5th - Shriners Benefit Concert

Starring Broadway Performers. At Grand Lodge

IMPORTANT!

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

Please be advised that paying your dues allows the Lodge to operate on a regular basis. If you haven't done so already, please be so kind as to remit your payments as soon as possible. The dues for 2011 are \$147.50.

DUES CARDS COME WITH NOTICES.

Please note the changes as to where payments are to be sent:

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c/o Jason Truce

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M.:W.: Vincent Libone

Deputy Grand Master

R.:W.: James E. Sullivan

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R.:W.: Alfonso Serrano

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R.:W.: David J. McDowell

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Steward

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Bro. George Shabouk

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Tiler

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Chaplain

TRUSTEES

W.: Michael Greber

2011

W.: Joseph Posa

2012

W.: Louis Costagliola

2013

W.: Adam Seminara

2014

Charities

We at Norsemen Lodge are advocates of charitable events. If there are any Brothers who know of an event that we can be part of, please do not hesitate to contact the WM and he will see to it that we lend a helping hand, and if possible, a monetary gift.

NORSEMEN LODGE #878

November 2011



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1st & 3rd Thursdays

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