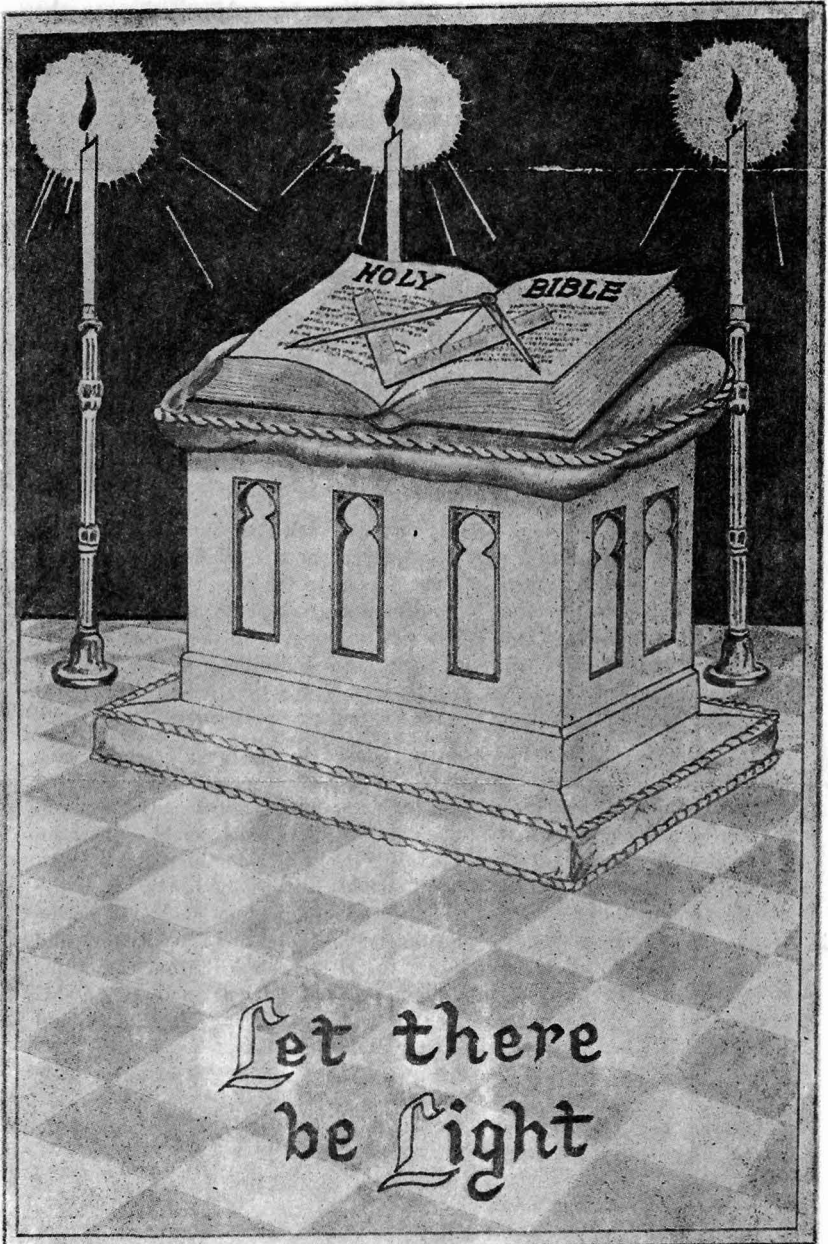


# SHEKINAH LODGE No. 58

Free and Accepted Masons

Millville, New Jersey

Instituted - May 21, 1861



Let there  
be Light

Brethren:

At our Regular Communication in March, a Ways and Means Committee was appointed to find ways to implement the recommendations of the Fact Finding Committee. The Ways and Means Committee concluded that, in order to better handle Building Funds, a Templar Association should be formed; and have presented a motion on the floor which will be voted upon at our May 7th meeting. The motion is that we adopt the following resolution: —

*“Be It Resolved That, a Temple Association, to be known as “Shekinah Lodge No. 58, Masonic Temple Association,” be formed for the purpose to promote among its members activities of a civic, social and cultural nature; to promote good will and feeling among its members and to help them to become better acquainted; to assist one another in their respective endeavors whenever necessary; for the moral and mental improvement of men and others; for charitable purposes; to enjoy and have all the rights and privileges conferred by the State of New Jersey on associations formed under the act of the Legislature including the power to hold, operate, and control, improve, enlarge, and maintain real and personal property so far as said rights, powers, and privileges shall be consistent with, and shall be necessary and desirable for the purposes of the Association.”*

Progressive ideas are being considered and it is hoped that anyone with a question should be present to ask. When was the last time you showed a keen interest in the affairs of your lodge?

Brethren, you may or may not know that under the present interpretation of the property tax laws, properties of fraternal organizations are subject to property tax, just as in the case of your own real estate. This interpretation is causing extreme hardship in the case of many Masonic Lodges in order to pay taxes; even to the extent of some lodges being forced to give up their lodge buildings. It also has prevented some from building new lodges where they might be needed because of inability to pay the tax on the new properties.

However, a bill has been introduced in the State Assembly concerning the exemption from taxation of certain property of fraternal organizations. It was brought up for vote; but was returned to committee where it could very well die unless pressure is brought to bear on our elected representatives to get this bill out of committee and back to the Legislature. This bill is call Assembly Bill No. A-1340. It is the urgent request of the Grand Master, and of Shekinah Lodge in particular that our membership flood the mail of our State Legislators and urge them to do all in their power to release this bill from committee and vote favorably to exempt those properties from taxation. In this area, the people to write to are Assemblymen James R. Hurley and James S. Cafiero, and State Senator Robert E. Kay.

Fraternally,

RUSSELL A. ROBERTS, *Worshipful Master*

**Brethren:**

**You are cordially invited to attend the following communications of Shekinah Lodge:**

**REGULAR COMMUNICATION**

**Friday, May 7, 1971 — 7:30 P.M.**

**Balloting on the following petitions for membership:**

<b>MR. KENNETH STILES</b> 211 N. 12 Street	<b>Age 39 years</b> <b>Carpenter</b>
<b>MR. SEWARD EDSON SHEPPARD</b> 601 Whitall Avenue	<b>Age 39 years</b> <b>President</b>
<b>MR. BARON LEE JONES</b> 207 Columbine Avenue	<b>Age 31 years</b> <b>Foreman</b>

**REFRESHMENTS**

**EMERGENT COMMUNICATION**

**Friday, May 21, 1971 — 7:30 P.M.**

**FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE**

**REFRESHMENTS**

**— Dates To Remember —**

**Tuesday, May 4, 1971 — 7:30 P.M.**

**Twenty-second District Grand Lodge of Instruction at Excelsior Lodge  
No. 54 F. & A. M., Salem, N. J. — Dinner 6:30 P.M.**

**Sunday, May 16, 1971 — 10:00 A.M.**

**Divine Service at Second United Methodist Church**

**Breakfast at Shekinah Lodge Banquet Room 8:45 A.M.**

*Please plan to attend*

**Tuesday, May 18, 1971 — 7:30 P.M.**

**Official Visit of Right Worshipful C. Randall Quay, District Deputy  
Grand Master of the Twenty-second Masonic District to Neptune Lodge  
No. 75 F. & A. M., Mauricetown, N. J.**

**Thursday, May 20, 1971 — 7:30 P.M.**

**District Lodge of Instruction at Brearley Lodge No. 2, F. & A. M.  
53 Bank St., Bridgeton, N. J. Officers should attend - Brethren welcome.**

**Friday, June 4, 1971 — Regular Communication**

**Presentation of 50 Year Gold Tokens to Nine Shekinah Lodge Members  
by R.W. C. Randall Quay, D.D.G.M. of the Twenty-second Masonic  
District. Speaker will be Most Worshipful William Davies, Past Grand  
Master. Dinner 6:30 P.M. Meeting 7:30 P.M.**

**RUSSELL A. ROBERTS, *Worshipful Master***

**Attested: Samuel Davidson, P.D.D.G.M., *Secretary***

**Any Committee report on a petition not complete on scheduled evening  
will be balloted on at a later communication without further printing  
in trestleboard.**

## OFFICERS 1971

Russell A. Roberts .....	<i>Worshipful Master</i>
Richard A. Jervis .....	<i>Senior Warden</i>
Robert F. Andrews .....	<i>Junior Warden</i>
Sheppard W. Hogan, P.M. ....	<i>Treasurer</i>
Samuel Davidson, P.D.D.G.M. ....	<i>Secretary</i>
Norman A. Schanck .....	<i>Chaplain</i>
Frank R. Morris .....	<i>Senior Deacon</i>
George Carty .....	<i>Junior Deacon</i>
Daniel W. Hand, Jr. ....	<i>Senior M. of C.</i>
William H. Stiles .....	<i>Junior M. of C.</i>
Ronald N. Spiels .....	<i>Senior Steward</i>
Norman H. Peek .....	<i>Junior Steward</i>
Carl W. Nixon .....	<i>Marshal</i>
George W. Radcliffe .....	<i>Organist</i>
Daniel W. Hand, Jr. ....	<i>Historian</i>
Edward L. Grau .....	<i>Tyler</i>
John M. Robinson, P.D.D.G.M. ....	<i>Director of Work</i>

## TRUSTEES

Robert D. Barber, P.M.	One Year
Norman H. Fowler, P.M.	Two Years
Walter S. Earling, P.M.	Three Years

## COMMITTEES

FINANCE	RELIEF	SICK
John M. Robinson, P.D.D.G.M.	Delbert H. Pfeiffer, P.G.C.	Edmund K. Reeves, P.M.
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Harold E. Nichols, P.M.	John A. Shea, P.M.	Max C. Whitmore
		Robert T. Shannon, P.M.

## REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

Elville Potter	Kingdon G. Vaughan	Thompson A. Schuler
Russell Bachman	Ronald N. Spiels	Norman H. Peek

## LIVING PAST MASTERS

Sheppard W. Hogan	1917	Howard R. Earling	1944	John M. Robinson, PDDGM	1958
Edward C. Morrison	1921	Marshall H. Roe	1946	Parren S. Knarr	1959
Harold Headley	1922	Kenneth H. Sheppard	1947	William S. Stagg, Jr.	1961
Lester M. Hand	1928	Lewis E. Ferguson, Jr.	1949	Merrill S. Cottrell	1962
Shirley D. Haines	1931	Kenneth H. Whilden	1950	Herbert W. Dunham, Jr.	1963
Justus Llewellyn	1932	Samuel Davidson, PDDGM	1951	William H. Bowen	1964
Delbert Pfeiffer, PGC	1934	Charles F. Finch	1952	Robert D. Barber	1966
Herbert W. Dunham, Sr.	1937	James J. Molloy, Jr.	1953	Vernon C. Minkwitz, Sr.	1967
Edmund K. Reeves	1938	Norman H. Fowler	1954	F. Edward Barsuglla	1968
Walter S. Earling	1939	Robert T. Shannon	1955	Harry H. Potter	1969
Joseph P. Hogan, Jr.	1941	Harold E. Nichols	1956	William H. Goshen	1970
Frank B. Lutz	1943	John A. Shea	1957		

## AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS

George S. Leacock	1945	George G. Chapman	1954
Horace E. Hand	1948	James G. Mathis	1951

## DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

C. Randall Quay - 23 Westwood Terrace - Millville, N. J. 08332 - 825-0110