

~PAST MASTERS~

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| R:W: Santo A. Borello, Sr., PDDGM | 1975;1994-1995 |
| W: William Knieriem | 1976 |
| R:W: Frank Borello, Jr. PDDGM | 1978,199-2000 |
| W: William D. Richter | 1988 |
| W: Peter Brower | 1993-1994 |
| R:W: Donald W. Jorgens, Sr. PDDGM | 1995-1996 |
| W: Eugene Tufaro | 1996-1997 |
| R:W: Edward R. Stouter, PDDGM | 1997-1998 |
| W: Frank J. Borello, III | 1998-1999,2002-2003 |
| W: Richard A. Piper | 2000-2001 |
| R:W: William J. Welsh, PDDGM | 2004-2005,2007-2008 |
| R:W: Thomas Basich PDDGM | 2005-2006,2011-2012 |
| W: David Valvik | 2006-2007 |
| W: Michael D'Avanzo | 2008-2009,2012-2013 |
| R:W: Thomas Carbone GC | 2009-2010 |
| R:W: Michael DeLuca PDDGM | 2013-2014 |
| W: Charles Calderon | 2014-2015 |
| V:W: Thomas Payero | 2015-2016 |
| W: Frank Agostino | 2018-2019 |
| W: Missael Robles | 2019-2021 |
| W: Jason Cohen | 2021-2022 |
| W: Thomas Durbin | 2022-2023 |
| R:W: Michael DeLuca PDDGM | 2023-2024 |

~HONORARY MEMBERS~

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| M:W: William Sardone, PGM | Honorary |
| M:W: William J. Thomas, PGM | Honorary |
| M:W: Vincent LiBone, PGM | Honorary |
| M:W: Edward R. Gilbert, PGM | Honorary |
| M:W: Gary A. Henningsen, PGM | Honorary |
| M:W: Carl J. Smith, PGM | Honorary |
| M:W: Carl J. Fitje, PGM | Honorary |
| M:W: Edward R. Trosin, PGM | Honorary |
| R:W: Gilbert Savitzky, PGS | Honorary |
| R:W: Joseph Quarequio, PGT | Honorary |
| Bro. William Sorensen, DSA | Honorary |
| R:W: Robert F. Demarco Sr | Affiliated |
| R:W: Gerald T. Meyer | Affiliated |
| R:W: Robert Simione | Affiliated |
| R:W: Joseph Ruggiero | Affiliated |



GREAT KILLS LODGE

No. 912 F&AM

CONSTITUTED MAY 9, 1914

Communications
2nd and 4th Thursdays

Tottenville Masonic Lodge
236 Main Street
Tottenville, Staten Island, NY

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NOVEMBER 2024

Brothers.

You are hereby Summoned to the 1943rd Stated Communication of Great Kills Lodge No. 912 F&AM to be held on THURSDAY, November 14th, 2024 at 7:30 pm at the Tottenville Masonic Temple for a Historical Lecture and for the transaction of such business that may be regularly and constitutionally brought before the lodge.

**Dress - Masonic Casual
Collation: 6:30 pm
Gavel: 7:30 pm**

By order of:



**W.: Scott Peretti
Master**

**R.:W.: Thomas Basich, PDDGM
Secretary**

From the East

Brothers.

I have to start out by saying my family & I had a great time at our Halloween Potluck/Costume contest. It was great to see the kids playing together & our wives mingling. I would like to thank all of our cooks; the food was amazing! We even had to grab another table to accommodate all of it. Our Stewards & Masters of ceremony worked nonstop, to make the night a success, thank you too. We also had a great presentation by Stephen Izzo about MMRI, their achievements & what they are currently researching. It's nice to hear what they're doing with our donations.

Our first meeting of the month was our District Deputy Visit. Thank you all for packing the house to support R.:W.: Christopher "R" Deats. He comes out to support everything this district does & it was great to see a packed room. We also came together & passed the hat to raise money for the victims of Hurricanes Helene & Milton. I'm happy to report we raised \$414 & the lodge matched it \$498 to bring it to a grand total of \$912.

We had the first School of instruction on the 12th & just barely won the banner over Tompkins. They are coming out in big numbers this year & it will be tough to win any DD visit or School. Oct 5th we had the Boat ride for God's Special children. I'm so happy that this special event has returned. The smiles we received from our guests will forever be burned into our hearts.

Our only meeting this month will be having a historical lecture by Bro. Rod Rooks. He works tirelessly to dig through old literature to give us some insight into where we came from. Let's come out & learn a little history.

I would like to try & keep our quieter meetings as Masonic Casual. Please try & wear a collared shirt & slacks.

We have a few other important dates this month. Nov 2nd we're doing our first park cleanup at 850 Page Ave from 10am until 1230. It's at the end of Page Ave & a part of Conference House Park. Please remember to wear long pants, closed toe shoes & bring gloves if you have them. Nov 3rd @ 830 Am our Memorial Interfaith Service honoring Bro DSA Thomas Manno & W.: John H. Connell. Breakfast will be served following the service at the Huguenot Masonic temple. M.:W.: William Sardone will be the guest speaker. We also have our annual Charity ball honoring R.:W.: Michael DeLuca. I believe there are a few spots left; please purchase your tickets if you're planning on going. One of our most important events of the year is our Food drive on 11/27. We will be out collecting food donations all day at two shopping centers. Please come out for a few hours & help collect some much-needed food. Once I have the two locations they will be shared with everyone.

Lastly, I would like to try & start a new tradition here at Great Kills. I have met with Santa & we'd like to take a drive around the island on Sat December 7th & visit you in your homes. Our thought was your child can give Santa their Christmas list, or you give Santa a gift you'd like him to present. He will also be there for pictures. Anyone who has children at home & would like a visit, please reach out to me or Santa.

I hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving & gets to enjoy time with their loved ones & family.

Fraternally,

W.: Scott Peretti
Master

Sad Tidings

R.:W.: William Welsh laid down his working tools on October 13, 2024.

Please keep Lady Lina Welsh and the entire Welsh family in your prayers.

Bro. Kenneth Birstler, DSA laid down his working tools on October 21, 2024.

Please keep Lady BJ Birstler, Bro. Robert Birstler, DSA, Bro. Matthew Birstler, and the entire Birstler family in your prayers.

Good Cheer

Bro. John and Lady Joana Dianora are expecting their first in the coming weeks.

ANNUAL DUES

Make Payment



DATES TO REMEMBER

- **11/2 Park Cleanup** - 850 Page Ave 10am-1230
- **11/3 Interfaith Service & Breakfast.** St Paul's Methodist Church 7566 Amboy Rd @ 830 am Breakfast to follow @ 236 Main St
- **11/7 Huguenot's School of Instruction** 236 Main St @ 730 pm
- **11/12 Staten Island 66's School of Instruction.** 236 Main St @ 730 pm
- **11/14 Great Kills meeting,** Historic lecture from Bro Rod Rooks
- **11/16 RMA Charity Ball** Nicotra's Ball Room 7-11pm
- **11/26 Staten Island 66's DD visit** 236 Main St @ 730 pm
- **11/27 Food Drive,** Locations will be posted
- **12/1 Jets/Seahawks**
- 12/7 Santa visit
- **12/12 Great Kills Memorial & Longevity night** (open meeting)
- **12/15 [Great Kills Holiday Party](#)**
- **1/18 Rangers/Blue Jackets**
- **4/25 Laughs for the Craft Comedy Show**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREAT KILLS PILLARS



The pillars will be having a meeting on the third Thursday in November at the social club. We will be appointing officers and discussing future events as well as the pillars members "perks" program.

MASONIC WAR VETERANS



Brothers,

Are you a Veteran?

The primary function of the Post is to provide support to the DDGM at his Official visits and flag presentations at District and Lodge functions.

If you are interested contact Post Commander Bro. Robert Birstler, DSA @ (929) 309-3622.

**Officers of Great Kills Lodge #912 F&AM
2024-2025**

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| Master | W.: Scott Peretti |
| Senior Warden | Bro. Roderick Rooks |
| Junior Warden | Bro. Kenneth Meyers |
| Senior Deacon | Bro. Joseph Franco |
| Junior Deacon | Bro. Lonnie Delon |
| Senior Master of Ceremony | Bro. Thomas Cacase |
| Junior Master of Ceremony | Bro. John Dianora |
| Senior Stewart | Bro. Daniel Maisonet |
| Junior Stewart | Bro. Victor Buttaro |
| Marshal | Bro. Carlo Costantino |
| Tiler | Bro. Ron Barranco |
| Assistant Tiler | Bro. Richard Sciabica |
| Treasurer | Bro. Salvatore Barletta |
| Assistant Treasurer | Bro. Richard Quagliano |
| Secretary | R.:W.: Thomas Basich, PDDGM |
| Assistant Secretary | Bro. John McDougall |
| Chaplain | R.:W.: Michael DeLuca, PDDGM |
| Assistant Chaplain | Bro. Joseph Martelle, Sr., DSA |
| Orator | W.: Frank Borello III |
| Webmaster | Bro. John McDougall |
| Trustees | W.: Michael D'Avanzo |
| | Bro. Joseph Martelle, Sr., DSA |
| | W.: Frank Borello III |
| Historian | Bro. Howard Herbert, DSA |
| Ritual Director | Bro. Matthew Birstler |

COMMITTEES FOR 2023-2024

RITUAL

Worshipful Master
Bro. Matthew Birstler - Ritual Director

BENEVOLENCE

Worshipful Master
R.:W.: Frank Borello Jr – Chairman & Director of Funerals

BLOOD DRIVE and Organ Donations

W.: Michael D'Avanzo

AUDIT and FINANCE

Senior Warden – Chairman Junior Warden
W.: Jason Cohen

Records Retention

W.: Jason Cohen and R.:W.: Thomas Basich Co-Chairs
Bro John McDougall
W.: Frank Agostino
R.:W.: William Welsh

LODGE DEVELOPMENT and MEMBERSHIP RETENTION

Senior Warden – Chairman Junior Warden
W.: Frank Agostino

COMMUNITY RELATIONS/PUBLIC AWARENESS

Michael Deluca- Chairman
Worshipful Master
Senior Warden
Trustees

ENTERTAINMENT, FELLOWSHIP and FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

Junior Warden – Chairman
All Line Officers
W.: Jason Cohen

WIDOWS

R.:W.: Sandy A. Borello, Sr.
R.:W.: Gerald Meyers

BROTHERHOOD FUND

Bro. Joseph Franco - Chairman

MASONIC DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

R.:W.: Frank Borello Jr.
W.: Frank Agostino

SICKNESS and DISTRES

Master – Wardens – Secretary

BY-LAWS

Past Masters
Secretary