

Ruth Lodge No. 89  
7001 Granby Street  
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Louder, Elmar N.	1974	Gouge, Gary M.	2009
Gray, William, Jr.	1975	Pope, Walter H., Jr	2010
Dudley, Daniel S	1986	Shockey, Sandall L.	2011
Barrow, Donald J.	1987	Dees, Patrick W.	2013
Studds, Charles F., Jr.	1989	Honaker, H. Daniel, Sr.	2014
Phelps, John C.	1992	Honaker, H. Daniel, Sr.	2015
Moore, Clark R.	1994	Taylor, Kenneth L.	2016
Gibson, Charles E.	1997	Anderson, Eric D.	2017
Askew, Jerry R.	2001	Chappell, John J., III	2018
George, Ralph Tobie	2006	Chappell, John J., III	2019
Harding, Wallace	2007*	Arab, James P.	2020
McBride, Robert G.	2008	Arab, James P.	2021

\*demitted



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Chartered December 15, 1869  
Stated Communication 2nd Tuesday of each month  
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## From the East

Brethren, I want to give you a brief update on the status of discussions regarding the possible formation of ARC Lodge. A town hall style meeting was held at the end of February to provide an opportunity to ask questions, express concerns, and debate the merits of this effort. Over 40 Brothers from Atlantic #2, Ruth #89, and Corinthian #266 were in attendance. The discussions and debates were both lively and passionate, but more importantly, respectful and civil. It was difficult to tell how many undecided minds were changed but six more Brothers added their names to the ARC Lodge petition when the meeting was over. More meetings and discussions are planned. As of now, everything is still in a holding pattern as the Brethren of the several Lodges continue to debate and discuss this amongst themselves. I will endeavor to relay this important information as it develops.

I encourage you to attend our May Stated Communication. The program this month will be provided members of Job's Daughters. Please join me as we celebrate and support this vital Masonic youth organization. Remember, our Masonic youth are the future of Freemasonry.

Looking further forward, RW Pat Mitskill will present a Saint's John program during our June Stated. Please do your best to attend these informative presentations.

## In Case You Missed It

The program at our March Stated was presented by young men from Demolay. They described their involvement in this Masonic youth organization and how they have grown as mature and responsible individuals because of the lessons learned in Demolay. This once again demonstrates the importance of supporting our Masonic youth organizations.

The program for our April Stated Communication was presented by the Companions of Norfolk United Royal Arch Masons. It was a "Red Coat Night" for Ruth Lodge as the provided information about the York Rite and a continuation of your Masonic journey.

## Sunshine Report

I am sad to report that R.W. George Maxwell laid down his working tools to join our Brethren in that Celestial Lodge not made by hands, eternal in the Heavens. R.W. Maxwell was a Past Master of Ruth and Atlantic Lodges, and a good friend and mentor to many. Please keep his loving widowed wife in your prayers and if within the length of your cable tow, consider a contribution to help her in her time of distress.

## Sunshine Report (cont)

Additionally, several of your Brothers are going through difficult times. Please keep them and all of your Brothers and their families in your thoughts and prayers, and be ever ready and willing to assist a distressed Brother Master Mason.

## Ruth Lodge No. 89 Calendar

May 10	May Stated Communication Dinner at 6:30pm Job's Daughters Presentation	7:30pm
June 14	June Stated Communication Dinner at 6:30pm Saint's John Presentation by Pat Mitskill, PM, PDDGM, and 33rd <sup>o</sup> Scottish Rite	7:30pm

## May Masonic Birthdays

Bro. James Winton Brown	68 years
Bro. Jack Worth Mace	60 years
Bro. Colin Mastin Jones	57 years
Wor. William Maynard Gray Jr.	54 years
Bro. Joseph Raymond McLaughlin Jr.	49 years
Bro. Robert Emmett Nunan	46 years
Bro. Eric Arthur Arllen	36 years
Wor. John Charles Phelps	34 years
Bro. Richard Cecil Leonard	33 years
R.W. Walter Holcomb Pope Jr.	30 years
Bro. Norman Litteral	22 years
Bro. John Joseph Miley	21 years
Bro. Aaron Palmer Whitehurst	10 years
Wor. James Paul Arab	6 years
Bro. David Pechar Dendulk	1 year