



# MAIL CALL

## OVERSEAS LODGE NO. 40 F. & A.M., CRANSTON, RHODE ISLAND

Dispensation Granted March 15, 1919 Coblenz, Germany  
Charter Granted May 17, 1920 Coblenz, Germany  
Constituted November 11, 1920 Coblenz, Germany



**This Month's Meeting is on Tuesday, 11 MARCH 2014 at 1900 hrs**

**\*\* REHEARSAL — 04 MARCH 2014 AT 1800 hrs. OFFICERS MUST ATTEND \*\***

[www.OverseasLodge.com](http://www.OverseasLodge.com)



### Lodge Line Officers 2013

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**Junior Steward** -  
**Sentinel** -  
**Marshall** -  
**Tyler** - W.: Dave Goldberg  
**Chaplain** -  
**Musical Director** - Jerry Brock  
**Asst. Grand Lecturer** - RW.: Sam Miller  
**Master of Ceremonies** -

### REGULAR COMMUNICATION

Second Tuesday of each Month (except July & August)

**Rehearsal** - Tuesday Preceding the Communication, at 1800.

### ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

**11 NOV - VETERANS DAY**

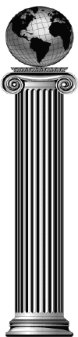
**Overseas Lodge #40**

2115 Broad Street, Cranston, Rhode Island

Dates Subject To Change-Check the Inside of the MAIL CALL



## 952nd Regular Communication Tuesday, 11 MARCH 2014



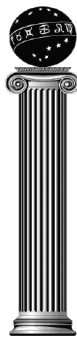
**Dinner** 1800 HOURS

**Opening** 1900 HOURS

General Business

Ballot for Degrees - Candidate Eric P.W. Hall

**Closing:** TBD



**TAPS**



GUY H. PIPER



**DINNER — 1800 hrs.**  
**“IRISH DINNER NIGHT”**  
*Corned Beef & Cabbage*  
*Bangers & Mashed*  
*Dessert*



**\*\*\* RSVP IS REQUIRED — [overseas40.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:overseas40.secretary@gmail.com) or 401-263-7353 \*\*\***



**FROM THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER:**

It was nice to be back in the east again for the February meeting. As anticipated, it was a well attended meeting. We were honored to host Peter Iacobucci, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master for the Metro District and Gil Fontes, Worshipful Master of Ceremonies who brought along with them quite a large and distinguished suite from the lodges across the district. We also had some distinguished visitors from Massachusetts and Connecticut who attended as part of the suite. We were honored to have visitors from our sister lodge in Massachusetts, Major General Henry Knox Lodge. As far as we know, we are the only two lodges in the country that require military service in order to be a member. Thank you Worshipful Wayne Livermore, Brother Bruce M. Newman, Secretary, and Brother Vincent T. Smith, Senior Warden. We were also honored to have official representatives of Most Worshipful Simon R. LaPlace, Grand Master of Connecticut in attendance. Thank you Brothers Carl J. Mossberg, Right Worshipful Grand Junior Deacon, Jonathan E. Wilson, Right Worshipful District Deputy, and Glenn E. Studwell, Associate Grand Marshal. I would also like to thank W.: Tom Holton for an excellent program concerning Cystic Fibrosis. It was very informative and gave all of us an opportunity to help with the cause. All meal donations from February's meeting are going to W.: Holton's Cystic Fibrosis. The Italian themed meal in honor of our District Deputy and the donations for the meal were a success from what I understand. Thank you brothers for giving generously! I also want to quickly mention that there will be two walks in the near future to help fight Cystic Fibrosis. One on 4 May at the Southwick Zoo and the other on 10 May at Slater Park. If you are interested in attending a walk or helping in some other way, please contact W.: Holton at [TMHolton@gmail.com](mailto:TMHolton@gmail.com). Thank you, as always, to those brothers who help fill in our vacant officers positions every month. Thank you, W.: Frank DiMascio, W.: Dale Euga, W.: Joe Bennett, and W.: Stephen Acello. A few days after this meeting, it was my pleasure to attend our sweetheart getaway weekend on Cape Cod. Sue and I had a great time. I cannot thank R.:W.: Mike Barboza and his Lady Sandra Crumby Rosignol for all the hard work they put into our hospitality room this year! I also enjoyed the dinner on Saturday night at Yarmouth House Restaurant despite the snow storm. It was a great time of fellowship for all who attended the weekend. In March, our Entered Apprentices will be taking their proficiencies and preparing for their Fellow Craft degree later in the month. We will also be addressing a wording issue in the changes to the by-laws that were voted on back in January. Thank you to the brother who responded to my message last month! Hopefully we will also be having some new affiliated members signing the by-laws as well. The meal theme for March will be Irish! I wonder how hard it would be to get green beer? I also want to remind you that we have our district charity event coming up on 22, March. If you have not made your reservation yet, please do so by 14, March. I would encourage you all to attend this beautiful Oktoberfest themed dinner and support the Fisher House [www.fisherhouse.org](http://www.fisherhouse.org). Please see the enclosed flyer for details. I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our March stated communication. If you haven't been to lodge in a while, then please come out and see us! Stay warm my Brothers!



*In Essentials Unity  
 In Non-Essentials Liberty  
 In All Things Charity*

*Michael Gardiner Jr. ~ Master*



**FROM THE SECRETARY:**

Hello Brothers:  
 If any Brothers are having financial issues and feel they can not meet their Dues payment, **please contact me** to make other arrangements. Dues payments have been trickling in, but there are many still outstanding. There are lots of events in the jurisdiction coming up, especially ours. I would like to start getting reservations for these events. Any Brothers who would wish to travel with me to visit some of the other Lodges' events, let me know. I have some of the new Masonic Passports this month, let's get the word out and let the other Lodges know that Overseas Lodge is still here! If any Brother would like to mention something in the Mail Call let me know. I could add an editorial column. The last thing to mention, and I'm sure he'll probably kill me, is to mention that our Senior Warden Wor. Manny Lewis is now home resting after a short stay in the hospital. His address is 190 Mill Cove Rd. Warwick, RI 02889 if you would like to send a card or his phone number is on the front page.

One more thing....*Tempus Fugit!*

Fraternally,

*Marcus Channell, P.M.*





**HISTORY OF OVERSEAS LODGE - (CONT.)**

The dispensation dated March 15, 1919 arrived in Coblenz on April 23, 1919. The first meeting of Overseas Lodge No. 1 U.D. was held the next day. All the chairs were held by Rhode Islanders except that of the Senior Deacon. The first Master was M.: W.: Wendell R. Davis , Past Grand Master for the State of Rhode Island! Fifty-four applications were read at that first meeting. It was decided to hold future meetings at the German Masonic Temple. 517 Master Masons were raised in 99 days at fifteen regular and sixty-five special meetings! All work in Overseas Lodge was in accordance with the ritual and established regulations of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.

The second regular communication was held on April 30 in the old German Masonic Temple where Johannis Lodge Frederick Zur Voterlanshiebe met. That lodge was organized in 1812 as an army lodge by German officers serving under Napoleon in Russia. At the second meeting, 46 applications were read and 49 new petitions were received. The first Rhode Islander initiated was Edmund L. Boone from Newport. Those Rhode Islanders that took their degrees in Coblenz were known as the “Made in Germany” members. The state with the largest number of initiates was California.

On a special meeting on May 13, 1919, Col. Harry Cutler, Past Master of Redwood Lodge No. 35 visited and filled in as Senior Deacon. (some things never change!)

The first class of 23 Master Masons were raised on May 17.

*Next month – Attendance grows ...*

**QUOTE OF THE MONTH:**

“A successful man is one who can lay a firm foundation with the bricks others have thrown at him”

- *David Brinkley*

**THIS MONTH:**



**MARCH 2014 - IRISH DINNER NIGHT**



**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

22 MARCH - **METRO DISTRICT "OKTOBERFEST IN MARCH"** (\$25 see enclosed flyer)

29 MARCH - TABLE LODGE at Lafayette Lodge #47 (res. Bob Drisko 401-359-4474 / fgafnd@verizon.net)

6 APRIL - MASONIC VETERANS SPORTING EVENT - P-BRUIINS GAME - BOX SEATS AND BUFFET. (\$30 see enclosed flyer)

9 MAY - BUS TRIP TO **GARIBALDI LODGE** IN NEW YORK CITY FOR AN ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE (\$60)

**BOOK OF THE MONTH: MARIUS' MULES BOOK 1**

*The invasion of Gaul*

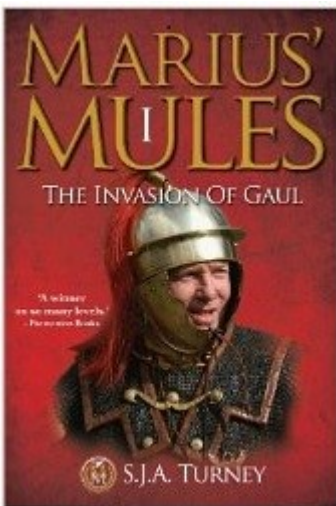
*By: S.J.A. Turney*

I thought I would change it up a little with this book.

It is 58 BC and the mighty Tenth Legion, camped in Northern Italy, prepare for the arrival of the most notorious general in Roman history: Julius Caesar.

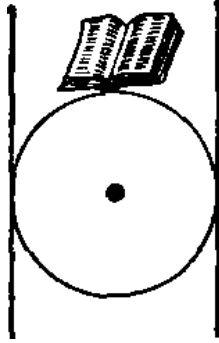
Marcus Falerius Fronto, commander of the Tenth is a career soldier and long-time companion of Caesar's. Despite his desire for the simplicity of the military life, he cannot help but be drawn into intrigue and politics as Caesar engineers a motive to invade the lands of Gaul.

Fronto is about to discover that politics can be as dangerous as battle, that old enemies can be trusted more than new friends, and that standing close to such a shining figure as Caesar, even the most ethical of men risk being burned





**SYMBOLISM:**



[http://www.grandlodgeofvirginia.org/education/programs/monthly\\_talks/DEO/Be\\_The\\_Point\\_Within\\_The\\_Circle.pdf](http://www.grandlodgeofvirginia.org/education/programs/monthly_talks/DEO/Be_The_Point_Within_The_Circle.pdf)



"Spring is here."

**W.I.A.**

Frank Yetner  
PO Box 78 Lecanto, FL 34460-0078  
George Feldman  
40 Sachem Dr. Apt. 208 Cranston, RI 02920  
Henry Zaborski  
125 Brookside Dr. No. Kingstown, RI 02852  
William Floskis  
Alpine Nursing Home  
557 Weaver Hill Rd. Coventry, RI 02816

**BIRTHDAYS**

Charles Alvernaz 3/17/1944  
Harry Bedrosian 3/12/1926  
Francisco Felipe 3/9/1964  
Shelton Golden 3/20/1929  
Joseph Lopes 3/10/1937  
Henry Zaborski 3/21/1933

**M.I.A.**

JOHN O. TATE

If any brothers know of the whereabouts of our missing brethren, contact the Secretary  
Please contact the Secretary regarding  
W.I.A. , M.I.A., or Birthday information.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BROTHERS!!!

**SEND A CARD TO A BROTHER !**

**Officers Forum Dates**

13 Jan 2014 - Redwood Lodge #35 (M)  
4 Mar 2014 - Adelphoi Lodge #33 (EB)  
12 Oct 2013 - Friendship Lodge #7 (N)  
15 Nov 2013 - Manchester Lodge #12 (C)  
8 Jan 2014 - Hope Lodge #25 (S)

Any questions regarding the Officer's Forums-  
call RW Paul Kokolsky, Director of Masonic  
Education at 401-828-2457

**Dates to Remember**

4 MAR - Rehearsal  
11 MAR - Meeting & DDGM Visitation  
22 MARCH - Metro District Oktoberfest  
6 APR - Masonic Veterans P-Bruins Game

**DD Visitations-Metro District**

25 Oct 2013 - Rising Sun #30  
13 Jan 2014 - Redwood #35  
11 Feb 2014 - Overseas #40  
24 Mar 2014 - Jenks #24  
16 Apr 2014 - St. Johns #1 P

**\*Grand Master Visitation\***  
24 Jan 2014 - Rising Sun #30

**OVERSEAS LODGE PAST MASTERS**

WENDELL R. DAVIS -U.D. 1919  
WINFIELD SOLOMON - 1920  
ARTHUR S. VAUGHN - 1921  
HAROLD L. McAUSLAN - 1922  
ASA CUSHMAN - 1923  
JAMES A. TILINGHAST - 1924  
EARL H. MASON - 1925  
CHARLES T. GLINES - 1926  
ARTHUR W. PEACE - 1927  
SAMUEL A. HALL - 1928  
THOMAS J.H. PIERCE - 1929  
RAYMOND L. VAUGHN - 1930  
HAROLD E. STAPLES - 1931  
ALVAH A. FISHER - 1932  
CLIFTON I. MONROE - 1933  
C. RAYMOND WALPOLE - 1934  
EDWIN E. CULL - 1935  
HERBERT H. ARMINGTON - 1936  
HAROLD A. ANDREWS - 1937  
ROBERT HIRONS - 1938  
ROGER E. HARD 1939  
WALTER M. BAKER - 1940  
WILLIAM H. PRESTON - 1941  
ELLWOOD W. WALLING 1942  
EDWARD ANDERSON - 1943

SAMUEL M. EVANS - 1944  
J. ALBERT FRASER - 1945  
ELMER E. LENT - 1946  
FRED H. STANG - 1947  
ELLSWORTH TURNER - 1948  
HERBERT B. MASON - 1949  
ERNEST E. CHASE - 1950  
ARNOLD C. TOWNE -1951  
RUSSELL L. TOMLINSON - 1954  
CLINTON K. DAVIES - 1955  
LEBARON D. GRANT - 1956  
LUTHER R. BEAVERS - 1957  
LEONARD F. STUDD - 1958  
JOSEPH N. CLOSE - 1959  
ARNOLD F. PRATT - 1960  
ALEXANDER M. MOFFAT - 1961  
ARTHUR H. AKER - 1962  
ROBERT COLBURN - 1963  
KENNETH P. TILLINGHAST- 1964  
ROBERT H. PEARSON - 1965  
NORMAN D. TIERNEY SR. - 1966  
DAVID P. KOPECH - 1967  
CHARLES E. ANGELL - 1968  
JOSEPH KEATING - 1969  
CARL W. CARLEEN - 1970

NORMAN D. TIERNEY JR. - 1971  
JAMES A. GODING - 1972  
CHARLES J. ALBEE - 1973  
ROBERT J. MURPHY - 1974  
HYMAN LEVIN - 1975  
WILLIAM J. NICHOLS - 1976  
DAVID A. D'AGOSTINO - 1977  
LOUIS C. ZANNINI - 1978  
ANTHONY M. OLIVIERI - 1979  
FRANK A. YETNER - 1980  
CHARLES NAZARIAN - 1981  
PAUL E. GERSDORFF JR. - 1982  
DAVID A. OGILVIE - 1983  
MORPHIS A. JAMIEL - 1984  
WILLIAM R. SWEET - 1985  
RICHARD J. LAURINO - 1986  
LIVIO MARTINI - 1987  
WILLIAM L. BARTLETT JR. - 1988  
PAUL E. GERSDORFF JR. - 1989  
RALPH RICCI - 1990  
HYMAN LEVIN - 1991  
JOSEPH KEATING - 1992  
RALPH RICCI - 1993  
JOHN W. COOK - 1994  
EARL RANDALL - 1995

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ROBERT M. CHASE - 1997  
EDWIN M. KEENAN - 1998  
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JOSEPH KEATING - 2000  
DAVID A. OGILVIE - 2001  
FRANK DIMASCIO - 2002  
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DAVID A. OGILVIE - 2004  
WILLIAM J. NICHOLS - 2005  
DUNCAN C. WATSON - 2006  
JOSEPH NETO JR. - 2007  
JOSEPH NETO JR. - 2008  
MICHAEL J. BARBOZA - 2009  
BRAD C. BUCKLEY - 2010  
MANUEL M. LEWIS III - 2011  
MARCUS CHANNELL - 2012

