

A stated communication of Harmony Lodge No. 42 A.F. & A.M. was held at the Masonic Temple, 531 Highland Avenue, Waterbury, Connecticut on Thursday, **October 1st, 2026**, with the following officers in attendance:

Worshipful Master:	Kevin Kazlauskas	Senior Warden:	Matthew Renaudo
Junior Warden:	Alex J. DeFranzo	Treasurer:	Michael Kenausis, Absent
Secretary:	Gary A. Byram	Senior Deacon:	Gerry Matthews, Absent
Junior Deacon:	Michael Pranulis	Senior Steward:	Patrick Donnelly, Absent
Junior Steward:	Peter Testa	Chaplain:	Daniel Sharkis, PM
Historian:	Gary Rosengrant, PM	Marshal:	~~Joseph Pisani~~ , PM, Absent
Tiler:	Colten Matthews	Librarian:	~~Joseph Pisani~~ , PM, Absent
Almoner:	RW Kenneth Tarwood, PM	Organist:	RW Don Wismann, PM

In the East: WM Kevin Kazlauskas. **Pro tem':** Secretary, Peter Testa

Past Masters: 9 Past Grand Masters: 1 Grand Lodge Officers: 0 Visitors: 0 Total: 19

Harmony Lodge No. 42 opened on the Master Mason Degree at 7:30 PM by WM Kevin, instructed WB Daniel to lead the craft in prayer, followed by Pledge of Allegiance to our Nation's Flag. WM Kevin then acknowledged MWGM Shane Dufresne and all Past Masters present tonight.

Secretary's Report:

1. **\$115.00** collected for tonight's dinner receipts.
2. Advised the craft that previous meeting minutes were emailed to the membership, to contact Bro, Secretary Gary Byram directly if anyone should have any questions or comments of the posted minutes.
3. Having no further business to present, no follow up questions asked, my desk was found to be clear.

Treasurer's Report: No report given at this time.

WM Kevin Kazlauskas Agenda Topics:

1. Reminded the craft of the October 4th Dyslexia Center Walk Fundraiser where the walk begins at 1pm. IB David Sharkis added that volunteers are still needed to help set-up prior to walkers registering, and then breakdown and clean up afterwards.
2. Our annual Halloween Candy Handout is set for Saturday night, October 31st, where once again we will have tables set up on the sidewalk in front of the lodge. We need donations of bags of candy and gallons of apple cider. Candy will be distributed to the neighborhood kids, and coffee and hot apple cider are being offered to the parents. Volunteers are needed to set up tables, bring out several chairs and an extension cord. RWB Hal Elwell mentioned that several brothers from Zindah Grotto will be supplying toothbrushes and glow ring bracelets to hand out to the kids and on hand to help. The WPD will be contacted to ask for their support to patrol the intersection and provide some traffic control. It should be noted that last year we estimated that well over 400 people stopped by for candy and beverages.
3. A dimit request was submitted by Bro. Eric Bogert over the summer. Motion made to accept his dimit request whereby the craft voted in favor of. Bro. Secretary Gary Byram will be asked to send out a dimit form to Bro. Eric and notify CT-Grand Lodge.
4. WMTC 2nd Annual Blood Drive is set for October 24th in the dining hall from 9AM to 3PM. We want to have a strong turnout from the fraternity and encourage to to spread the word of this event and invite family and friends to donate blood to this most worthy cause.
5. Necrology & Awards Night has been moved to the 2nd meeting of the month, Thursday, November 19th. Brothers assigned to coordinate the night are WM Kevin, IB Russ Griswold, RW Ken Tarwood, RW Hal Elwell, WB Daniel Sharkis, and JS Peter Testa. Relative to the annual Robert S. Walker Award, past award recipients WB Marshal Robinson, PGM, Gerry Matthews and WM Kevin volunteered to serve as the committee.
6. Sickness & Distress: WB Manny Tirado was admitted to the hospital. Bro. Gary will mail him a get-well card and call to follow up. Also Bro. Frank Bombardier's wife will soon be having surgery. Bro. Gary will call to follow up and send a get-well card.
7. The annual meeting and election of officers will take place on Thursday night, December 3rd.
8. WB Daniel Sharkis mentioned that that AASR Valley of Waterbury achieved the "Award of Excellence" for the 3rd year in a row. And then proudly added that two brothers from the Valley of Waterbury, MWGM Shane Dufresne and Bro. SD Gerry Matthews received nominations for the honorary rank of 33rd Degree Master Mason.
9. The DeMolay Doric Chapter will be using the lodge for an event on Saturday, November 14th, starting at 10AM.
10. Reminder to all that the "1776 Colonial Costume Ball "celebrating America's 250th anniversary is being held at Ashlar Village in Wallingford on Saturday night, October 31st. CT-Grand Lodge has posted several emails for the

event. We understand it conflicts with our Halloween Candy Handout event at the lodge; however, both shall proceed with great success.

11. The CT-Grand Lodge semi-annual meeting is scheduled for Saturday October 17th. All master masons are welcome to attend, it is recommended to wear dark suits and ties, and you must have your dues card in hand to gain access.

Having no further lodge business, WM Kevin proceeded to close the lodge at 8:45PM.

Upon review of the minutes, do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or comments. I want to thank Brother J.S. Peter Testa, assisted by RWB Ken Tarwood, for fulfilling my office obligations for this Stated Communication meeting.

Respectfully Submitted

Gary A. Byram

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Secretary