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AMERICAN HERITAGE MUSEUM
568 MAIN STREET
HUDSON, MA 01749
10AM-4PM

AUGUST 12TH

UNION LODGE SUMMER PARTY
COOKOUT 5PM CASUAL ATTIRE
BRO. ERIC NARCISO'S HOME

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE 6TH



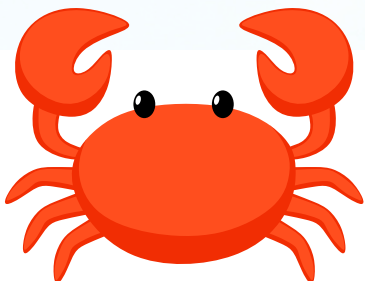


Brethren,

Thank you for your understanding regarding the missed June issue. Life can indeed become hectic during the summer months, but we are excited to bring you updates and news again.

We've decided to adjust our Union Lodge Summer Party to better fit everyone's busy schedules. Instead of the usual weekend event, we're hosting this year's gathering on the second Tuesday of August at Betsy and Bro. Eric Narciso's lovely home in Norwood. Our July cookout had fantastic attendance, and we hope a weeknight will make it easier for more members and their families to join us. Please come prepared with your bathing suits and a beverage of your choice; the Lodge will handle the rest to ensure a fun and relaxing evening. Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

Fraternally,
Andy Knight
Master of Union Lodge (D)



A vibrant summer-themed flyer with a blue background featuring water droplets, a life preserver, a beach ball, a grill with food, a beach umbrella, and a beach towel. The text is centered on a white rectangular area.

UNION LODGE (D)'S

Summer Party

AUGUST 12TH 5:30PM

COME ON DOWN FOR A SPLASH-TASTIC EVENING OF GRILLING AND CHILLING! WE'VE GOT GAMES AND CAMARADERIE GALORE! FRIENDS AND FAMILY ARE ALL INVITED. DON'T FORGET YOUR FAVORITE DRINK, SWIMWEAR, TOWEL, AND A COMFY CHAIR. THE LODGE HAS THE REST COVERED!

**91 BERWICK PL. NORWOOD, MA
BRO. ERIC NARCISO AND FAMILY'S HOME**

GRAND LODGE
OF MASONS IN
MASSACHUSETTS
PRESENTS:

AUGUST 10TH



Masonic Family Fun Day 2025



10AM-4PM



AMERICAN HERITAGE MUSEUM
568 MAIN ST HUDSON, MA 01749

ENTERTAINMENT:

CAR SHOW, LIVE BANDS,
AX THROWING, DUNK TANK,
GAMES, AND MORE!

FOOD:

BURGERS, BBQ, FRIED OREOS,
LOBSTER ROLLS, WAFFLES,
AND MORE!



Life in Dorchester, MA in 1796: A Glimpse into the Past

In the year 1796, Dorchester, Massachusetts was a burgeoning community that exemplified the quintessential New England lifestyle. Nestled just south of Boston, Dorchester was a vibrant agricultural hub, known for its fertile lands and thriving farms. The town was characterized by its picturesque landscapes, with sprawling fields and small, yet bustling, village centers.

For a man living in Dorchester during this period, life was largely centered around farming and family. A typical day would begin at dawn, with the morning sun casting a golden hue over the fields. Men were primarily engaged in agricultural pursuits, tending to crops such as corn, wheat, and rye, or managing livestock. The work was labor-intensive, requiring not only strength but also a deep understanding of the land and the rhythms of the seasons.

Social life in Dorchester revolved around community gatherings at the local church, which served as the heart of the town. Here, residents would congregate for Sunday services, town meetings, and social events. The church was not only a place of worship but also a venue for discussing local affairs and fostering a sense of community.

Education and literacy were valued, with many men having attended local schools during their youth. This period also saw the rise of political engagement, as the echoes of the American Revolution still resonated. Men in Dorchester might have participated in town meetings, discussing and debating issues related to governance and the young nation's future.

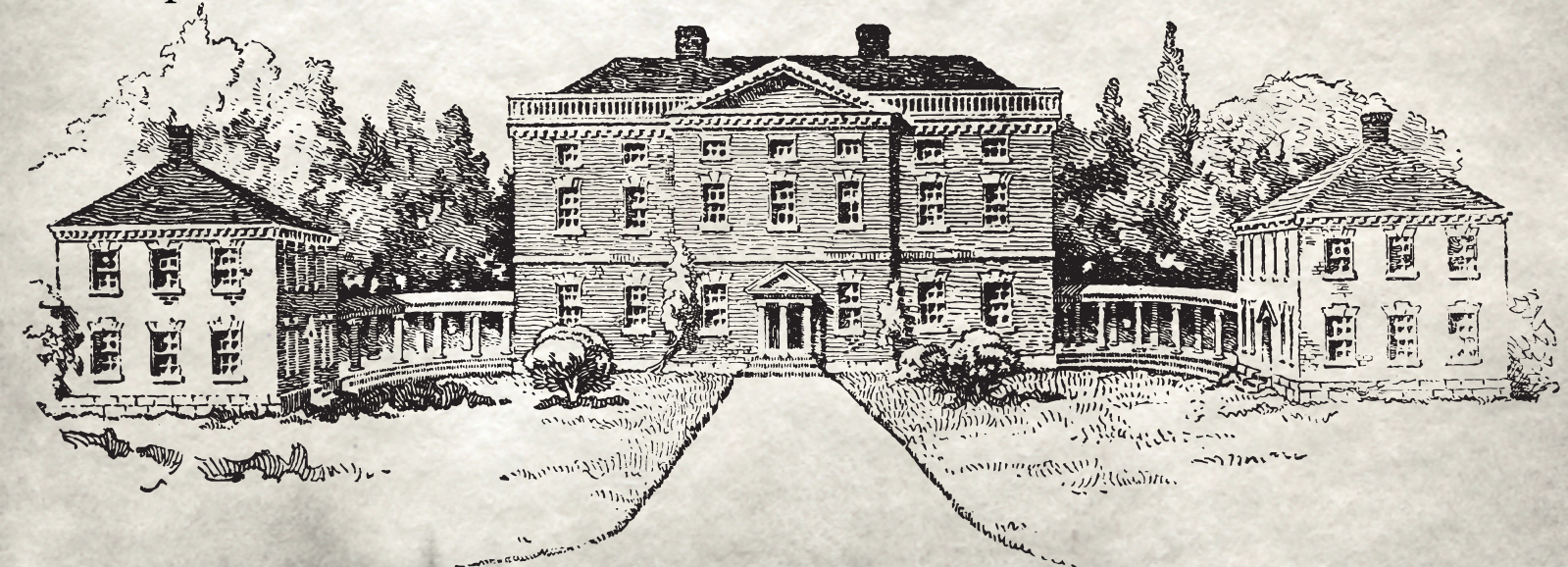
In 1796, Dorchester was a place where tradition met the burgeoning ideas of a new era. For the men who called it home, life was a blend of hard work, community involvement, and the pursuit of a better future for their families. The values of self-reliance, determination, and a strong sense of community were hallmarks of daily life, shaping the history and legacy of this historic Massachusetts town.

Dorchester, Massachusetts, presents a rich tapestry of historical evolution that reflects broader societal changes from its establishment in 1796 to the present day. Originally a rural area with a few scattered farms and a small population, Dorchester was a landscape dominated by agriculture, with its residents engaged in farming activities and enjoying a close-knit community life. As part of the wave of industrialization in the 19th century, Dorchester began to transform significantly.

The construction of railroads and the development of manufacturing industries attracted a diverse influx of immigrants seeking employment and opportunities, which led to a burgeoning population and urbanization.

By the early 20th century, Dorchester had fully integrated into the city of Boston, shedding much of its rural character. The neighborhood witnessed a demographic shift with the arrival of Irish, Italian, Jewish, and later Caribbean and Vietnamese communities, each leaving a lasting cultural imprint.

Today, Dorchester is celebrated for its vibrant multiculturalism, which is evident in its eclectic array of shops, restaurants, and cultural festivals. The neighborhood has undergone significant revitalization efforts in recent years, focusing on economic development and community engagement, while also grappling with contemporary challenges such as gentrification and maintaining affordable housing. Despite these changes, Dorchester remains a testament to resilience and adaptability, embodying a rich historical legacy intertwined with a dynamic and diverse present.



FALL OFFICIAL VISIT SCHEDULE

CELESTIAL LODGE

-9/17/25

LAFAYETTE-DOVER LODGE

-9/25/25

PROSPECT LODGE

-10/6/25

ORIENT LODGE

-10/13/25

WEST-ROXBURY-DORCHESTER LODGE

-11/05/25

RABBONI LODGE

-11/18/25

UNION LODGE

-12/09/25

**AS A REMINDER, TUXEDOS MUST BE WORN TO JOIN
THE SUITE. ATTENDANCE IS REQUIRED BY OFFICERS**

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What is Freemasonry?

In North America today, Freemasons provide relief and assistance to those in need. Masons give almost \$2 million each day to causes that range from operating children's hospitals, providing treatment for childhood language disorders, treating eye diseases, funding medical research, contributing to local community service, and providing care to Masons and their families at Masonic Homes.



Why Union Lodge:

Freemasonry is often seen as a bastion of ancient traditions, characterized by solemn rituals and a profound historical narrative. Yet, within our lodge, this essence has transformed into something that is both deeply rooted in tradition and invigorated by the enthusiasm of our younger members. This blend creates an environment where time-honored values coexist with fresh perspectives, allowing us to engage with the principles of Freemasonry in a way that resonates with everyone, regardless of age.

The youthful spirit of our lodge is one of its defining features. Our younger members play a crucial role in fostering a vibrant atmosphere, where the bonds formed are as important as the values upheld. Humor and camaraderie are central to our culture, through laughter and shared experiences, we break down barriers and cultivate trust. While we embrace modernity, we remain steadfast in our commitment to the foundational Masonic values of integrity, kindness, and personal growth, ensuring that our relationships are both meaningful and supportive.

As we look to the future, our lodge is dedicated to nurturing a vibrant community that honors our rich history while welcoming change. Inclusivity and diversity are at the core of our mission, as we believe that our differences enhance our collective strength. Our active involvement in community service not only aids those in need but also strengthens the connections among our members. By prioritizing educational opportunities, we encourage lifelong learning and personal development, ensuring that we grow both individually and collectively. In this way, our lodge serves as a harmonious blend of tradition and youthful energy, paving the way for a promising future built on the foundation of brotherhood.

Masonic Lodges play a vital role in our communities by offering support through charitable activities, volunteer work, and raising awareness. We aim to assist those in need by organizing blood drives, hosting spaghetti dinners, helping families during the holidays, donating to organizations that support citizens in need, and much more.

By fostering a spirit of generosity and unity, Masonic Lodges like Union Lodge (D) create a network of support that extends beyond their walls, reaching out to touch countless lives. This commitment to service not only strengthens the bonds among members but also enriches the community as a whole. Members actively engage in mentoring programs, educational initiatives, and local partnerships that focus on uplifting individuals and nurturing future leaders.

Through these efforts, Masonic Lodges demonstrate the enduring power of collective goodwill and the impact of a community united in purpose. Whether through small acts of kindness or large-scale projects, the dedication to making a positive difference remains at the heart of their mission, ensuring that the principles of Masonry continue to inspire and uplift for



Recent Photos of Union Lodge