

Aurora Grata Day Star Lodge No. 647

Festive-Board

To partake of fine food, share fellowship, nourish your mind and enrich your spirit in surroundings that embody the richest traditions, customs and ideals for the promotion of beneficent societies throughout the world!

Fraunces Tavern, New York City
Wednesday Evening April 25th 2007

History- Originally built as a home by Stephen Delancey in 1719 this three century old building was later named after Samuel Fraunces the principle Inn Keeper who established its reputation for fine food, drink and the notable air of political climate of the times. Prior to the British occupation the Sons of Liberty held their meetings at Fraunces Tavern. Some addition historical occasions from years past include the farewell address of General Washington to his Officers of the Continental Army in November of 1783 and after the war when New York City was the first Capital of the Union, Fraunces Tavern became the offices of the Departments of Treasury, War and Foreign Affairs. Today with its Museum and Tavern, it stands as an Icon of American History, a window into the past reminding us that our journey has only just begun.

Notes: In observance of this occasion the following terms shall forthwith apply for this evenings festivities

Adam's ale - water
hale - ice
sea dust - salt
casks - bottles
sand - sugar
white powder - white wine
swords - knives

rough ashlar - bread
side arms - salt & pepper
axle grease - butter
charge - to fill
red powder - red wine
cannons - glasses
fire - toast

Program

Greetings- R.W. Ralph Archangel, MC

Invocation- R.W. William Meyer, GDC

Pledge of Allegiance- Assembly

Welcome- W. Richard Izzo, Master

1st Toast - To our First President and Brother George Washington (W. Richard Izzo)

2nd Toast - To President George W. Bush (S.W. Bro. Joseph Burke)

3rd Toast - To M.W. Neil I. Bidnick, G.M. Masons of the State of New York (J.W. Bro. William Murray)

Presentation - The Douglas MacArthur Youth Award will be presented by W. Richard Izzo to our Guest of Honor Mr. John Gavigas!

Response:

4th Toast - To Worshipful Richard Izzo, Master of Aurora Grata day Star lodge No. 647 (W. Mark Amerise)

5th Toast - To our Guests & Friends (R.W. Gary Solberg Sec.)

6th Toast - The "Tilers Toast"

Benediction: R.W. William Meyer GDC