



# 2023 College of Freemasonry

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## **“I Did Not Know That!”** *Interesting Light in Freemasonry*

**Saturday March 4, 2023**

**Check-in: 8:30 am Program begins at 9:30 am**

**Includes: continental breakfast, beverages, and lunch**

**@ Damascus Shrine Center 979 Bay Road, Webster NY 14580**

**Cost is \$10 per person**

**Event is open to anyone interested in learning more about Freemasonry**

Dress: Jacket/Tie



Michael Karpovage



Josef Wages, 32°



William Mann, 32°



Presentation of  
Thomas W. Jackson 33°  
*Award for Excellence in  
Masonic Education*

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### **College of Freemasonry Registration Form**

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Valley of Rochester, 811 Ayrault Road, Suite 3, Fairport, NY 14450.

Contact the Valley Office with any questions: (585) 425-0033

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# 2023 College of Freemasonry Speakers

**William Mann 32°** has enjoyed an extensive and prestigious 30-years as a Freemason. He is a member of Oakville Lodge #400 (1995), Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of Canada, White Oaks Chapter No. 104 (1997). He is also a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason (2005) and is the immediate Past Supreme Grand Master, GCT, Sovereign Great Priory - Knights Templar.

Bill is author of several highly entertaining and controversial books, including *The Knights Templar in the New World*, *The Templar Meridians: The Secret Mapping of the New World*, and *Templar Sanctuaries of North America*. His most recent novel, *The Last Refuge of the Knights Templar in the New World*, was released on April 7, 2020. More information can be found on his books at his website ([www.templarsnewworld.com](http://www.templarsnewworld.com) and [www.innertraditions.com](http://www.innertraditions.com)).

Bill has also appeared on a number of TV documentaries and radio programs highlighting the “hidden history” behind the pre-Columbian exploration of North America and has, most recently, appeared on the hit History Channel series, **AMERICA UNEARTHED**. At the College, Bill will be sharing his research related to the last refuge of the Knights Templar and the burying of the Templar Treasure and the strategic involvement of Native North Americans across North America. His lectures have been well-received around the world.

**Josef Wages 32°** is a member of Plano Lodge 768 and the Scottish Rite Valley of Dallas, SMJ. He is member of the Society of Blue Friars (Masonic authors), a Fellow of the Philalethes Society, and a board member of the Scottish Rite Research Society. He is the editor of several prominent publications including *The Secret School of Wisdom*, *the Authentic Rituals and Doctrines of the Illuminati*, *L'École secrète de sagesse*, *Rituels et doctrines authentiques des Illuminati: Une école secrète de Sagesse*, *On Materialism and Idealism*, and *The Green Book of the Élus Coën*, *The Master's Voice*, and *Les Élus Parfaits une Aventure Transatlantique en 2 volumes*.

He is especially well regarded for his work publishing the *Secret School of Wisdom: The Authentic Rituals and Doctrines of the Illuminati*, where he created a full working manual of the rituals and history of the Illuminati society. He is currently preparing the forthcoming books, *Ecossais Masonry: A History of the High Degrees from the Scots Master to the Order of the Royal Secret*, for the SRRS as well as future projects such as, *The rituals of the Gold and Rosy Cross*. Brother Wages combines a breadth of detailed knowledge about Freemasonry with expertise in non-Masonic secret societies that should lend to a fascinating discussion at the College.

**Mike Kapovage** grew up in Buffalo and Rochester. He is a graduate of Fairport High and RIT. Michael is an award-winning map illustrator, designer, and principal of Karpovage Creative, Inc. Many of you might have heard of his first mystery thriller *Crown of Serpents* featuring a Freemason military historian on a treasure hunt set in Western New York. He has since published a highly popular 3-book series. Think National Treasure meets Indiana Jones. He'll be speaking at the College about his research that has led him to unearth many stories of enemy Masons saving each other on the battlefield. Michael is a member of Fidelity-Hobasco Lodge No. 716 in Ithaca, NY, but has lived in sunny Roswell, Georgia where he does not even own a snow shovel.

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