

Third Masonic District

[Third Masonic District Website](#)

A Tree Is Known by Its Fruit

by Brother Elbert Bede, 33°

Friends are as companions on a journey, who ought to aid each other to persevere in the road to a happier life.

- Pythagoras



When the Master is installed in one of the subsequent bodies of Freemasonry he is admonished substantially as follows:

"You should so conduct yourself and should so lead the lodge that to those in this community the fact that one is a Freemason will be an avouchement of his honesty, his integrity, his temperance and his decency."

This reminds me of the old maxim that a tree is known by its fruit. It is difficult to think of a maxim with more of truth in it. In order to develop a Masonic lesson, in order to develop Masonic symbolism, let Freemasonry be visioned as a great tree towering toward the heavens, with its roots and branches



Event Announcements

May 18, 2022
Past Master's Club Dinner
Carlisle Masonic Center

May 23, 2022
Table Lodge/Protocol/Mentoring
Carlisle Lodge No. 260

September 21, 2022
District 3 Low Vale
Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315
& Mt. Pisgah Lodge No. 443

September 26, 2022
Entered Apprentice Mason Degree
Orrstown Lodge No. 262

October 24, 2022
Fellow Craft Degree
Eureka-West Shore Lodge No. 302

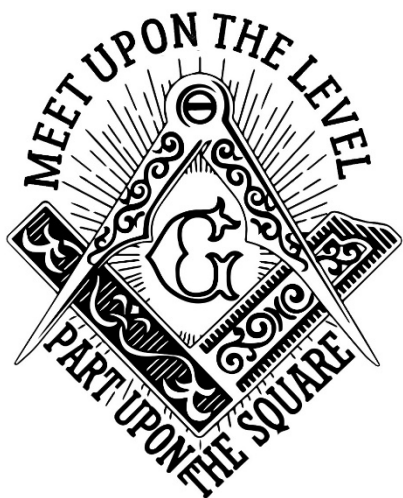
November 28, 2022
Election/Installation of Officers
Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315

December 19, 2022
Business of the Lodge
Incoming Masters

spreading over the world. Its members are its fruit, and it is known by its fruit. It is judged by the acts of its members. Sometimes we hear the question asked by someone speaking disapprovingly of something one of our members has done, "Can such a person be a Freemason?" The reputation of the Masonic tree is such that those who ask the question quoted are amazed and astounded by the possibility that the great Masonic tree may have produced some unfit fruit. The Masonic tree is being judged by its fruit. More frequently we hear the remark, made by one speaking approvingly of the actions of one of our members, "Why, he is a Freemason!" with an inflection which implies that nothing less should be -expected of a Freemason. One making the foregoing remark suggests that the Masonic tree produces only good fruit, sound fruit, fit fruit. Is each of us, as he goes about his daily tasks, so conducting himself-are his actions such-is the language he uses such that even the profane over the world may exclaim with approbation, "Why, he's a Freemason," just as though that were an avouchment of his honesty, his integrity, his temperance, and his decency?

If Freemasonry, as an institution, may be pictured as a great tree, the lodge may be pictured as a small tree. The Master would be the trunk of the tree, the larger branches would be the officers and the smaller branches would be the general membership. With the Master symbolizing the trunk of the tree, he is expected to furnish to the larger branches, the officers, that which will give them strength and wisdom for the tasks that are theirs, and for the higher positions to which they should aspire. With the Master symbolizing the trunk of the tree, he will be in direct contact with his members, the smaller branches. It is his duty to know that they have the food and the drink to be found in the fabric of Freemasonry that come to the Master by way of the roots of the tree. The Master will at all times know how it goes with his members, so that when his term of office ends, the fruit of the tree will be rosily ripened and mellowed.

A tree is known by its fruit. The Masonic tree is known by its fruit. Let each of us so live, so act, so talk, that the world may say of each of us with approval, "Why, he's a Freemason!" Let that be an avouchment of our honesty, our integrity, our temperance, and our decency.



What is Masonry? By Bro. Walter H. Bonn

It's not a sign or handshake, a hall where tilers sit,
It's not a guarded building, where passwords will admit,
It's not a place of symbols, which Wardens oft display,
It's not a lodge of members, who meet in white array.

It is the home of justice, of liberty and truth,
Of loyalty to country, of sympathy for youth,
Of succor for a brother, of gentleness and cheer,
Of tolerance for neighbors, whose life is often drear.

From the Desk of Brother Jeffrey R. Miller District Deputy Grand Master, Third Masonic District



*Brother Jeffrey R. Miller
District Deputy Grand Master*

Fraternal Greetings Brethren!

Freemasonry in the Third Masonic District is alive and doing well!! There is no better place to attend during this time than Lodge with your brethren. The excitement within the district lodges has been exhilarating. Many of the brethren that I have had interactions with were enthusiastic about what the future holds for Freemasonry. The Official visits have been well attended. The Worshipful Masters and other officers have accompanied me on these visits as a means of recognition for their achievements within their lodges. I have had the distinct pleasure of presenting many awards of gold to the brethren in the district. It was a definite honor to present a 75-year membership award to Brother Sam Worley, PM, Orrstown Lodge No. 262. There are several more Official visits planned in May, including Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315. The Grand Master will be presenting Brother S. Eugene Herritt, Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, his 50-year award of gold along with awards to other brethren in the lodge. Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m. I suggest

that you arrive extra early because parking will be at a premium.

Brother Jeffrey M. Wonderling, Right Worshipful Grand Master, has covered the state presenting his program agenda through town hall meetings and open houses highlighting membership. His program agenda promotes informational awareness to prospective applicants, and the value Masonic membership has to offer them. His presentations have stirred excitement among current brethren, and possible new members. The number of degrees conferred within the district has increased since his programs have been put into place. If you desire additional information concerning the Grand Master's initiatives, please contact me.

Brethren, come out to your Lodge this month!! You will surely have an excellent evening renewing your friendship with your brethren! I look forward to seeing each of you as I travel the Masonic trail throughout 2022. Until we meet again, please be safe in your travels.

Have a great day in Freemasonry!!
Jeffrey R. Miller DDGM03



From the Desk of Brother Kenneth W. Womack, PM Principal, Third Masonic District School of Instruction



*Brother Kenneth W. Womack
Principal District 3
School of Masonic Instruction*

Brethren all,

We are starting the season of official visits, ladies night, and anniversary banquets. If you need help or assistance, or just want us to meet with you in your Lodge to provide guidance and suggestions, just let us know. Please don't hesitate to call on one of the principals if you have questions.

We are looking for a very fun SOI on May 23, 2022. We will have what I think might be a first for the work of the evening, or at least no one can remember it from before. Big Springs Lodge No. 361 will exemplify the Table Lodge. We will set tables up (in either the Lodge Room or the social room downstairs) and will go through the ritual and the floor work. This will be a great chance to see how a table lodge works if you haven't seen one before. In addition, it will be a good opportunity for those of you who have been to a Table Lodge to share how it was done in your Lodge or a Lodge you visited. While the basic ritual for the Table Lodge is defined in the Ritual Book, there are options and variations on how the meal is done and how other toasts can be made. So come out and join us for what should be very interesting night. We will also have a discussion on protocol and mentoring by the principals.

Brethren, we look forward to seeing you at SOI on May 23, 2022!

Sincerely & fraternally,

Brother Kenneth W. Womack
Principal, District 3 SOI



Academy of Masonic Knowledge

<https://pamasonicacademy.org/>

The Pennsylvania Academy of Masonic Knowledge strives to create an environment that encourages Masons to seek a greater understanding of the nature and purposes of Freemasonry in all its many aspects – past, present, and future – and to share that understanding with others. To this end, the Academy offers learning opportunities in which Masons may participate in dialogues with similarly inclined brethren, witness prominent Masonic scholars discussing various aspects of Freemasonry, and pursue home study at their own pace and in their own areas of interest, through publications on Masonic subjects recommended by the Academy.

In addition to providing a learning experience for Freemasons, the Academy is a vehicle affording recognition to Masons who share their knowledge of Freemasonry with fellow Masons or the public by the written or spoken word. All Pennsylvania Masons are eligible to participate in the Academy's Certification Process, culminating with the designation as a Master Masonic Scholar. [Click here](#) to enroll. The Committee of the Academy of Masonic Knowledge will attempt to provide to you the basic tools and principles for your study. How well you use these tools in your pursuit of Masonic knowledge will be analyzed and determined through your Evaluation Reports. It is important to your success that you not only know the subject, but that you demonstrate an ability to identify and apply the Masonic principles you have learned. The best ideas are those that work, and the best scholars are leaders who set the pace for putting their thoughts and knowledge into action.

Past Academy Presentation can be viewed [here](#). Upcoming meetings and presentaion can be viewed [here](#). Upcoming Academy Dates: Saturday, October 22, 2022, and Saturday, March 18, 2023

The Masonic Nugget



Senator Harry S. Truman was elected in 1943 to be the first to receive the highest award of the Scottish Rite Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. It was in recognition of his work for Freemasonry and his devotion to duty as a United States Senator in the war effort. Because of Truman's busy schedule the presentation couldn't take place until November 21, 1945., after he had become President of the United States.

The "Gourgas Medal" named in honor of Ill. John James Joseph Gourgas, 33°, the Founder of this Supreme Council, an outstanding leader known to the Craft as the "Conservator of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry." This Medal may be conferred by the Supreme Council, (or by the Sovereign Grand Commander) upon a member of our Jurisdiction, or of any other Jurisdiction with which we are in amity, in recognition of notably distinguished service in the cause of Freemasonry, country or humanity.

Around the District

Be an active member!



Third Masonic District Schools of Instruction

The 3rd Masonic District School of Instruction (SOI) is scheduled to be held on the fourth Monday of each month (with exception to June and July) at 7:30 p.m. at Big Spring Lodge located at 131 Centerville Rd, Newville, PA, 17241.

Our next SOI will be on May 23, 2022. The work of the evening will be the Table Lodge, Protocol, Mentoring exemplified by Carlisle Lodge No. 260.



Third Masonic District Low Vale

Brethren, mark your calendar. On September 21, 2022, Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315 and Mt. Pisgah Lodge # 443 will be co-hosting the Third Masonic District's 2022 Low Vale. More details to follow concerning the location, time, and ticketing of the event.

Third Masonic District Past Master's Club



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Third Masonic District Past Masters Club Meeting

Brother Past Master, you are cordially invited to attend the twelfth annual **"THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT PAST MASTERS CLUB MEETING"** on May 18, 2022. The event will be held at the Carlisle Masonic Center, 1236 Holly Pike, Carlisle, 17013, at 6:00 pm. This will be a stag event. The dress for the evening is coat and tie. **Our guest speaker for the evening is Brother Jeffrey M. Wonderling, Right Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.** The agenda includes dinner, recognition of Past Masters, and Past District Deputy Grand Masters from District 3. We will also introduce the most recent Past Masters from the District. Come and enjoy a great evening of Fraternal fellowship with Brethren who have traveled the same path to the East as you have. A special gift commemorating the evening will be given to all attendees. The cost for the evening is \$32.00. Make your reservations for this memorable evening by returning the completed reservation form below as soon as possible at the address indicated or via email at kenwomack@pa.net. Contact me at (717)462-2669 with any questions.

Name _____ Lodge # _____

Year you were in the East _____ Cost for the evening: \$32.00

Return completed forms to: Brother Kenneth W. Womack PM

1320 Woodward Drive

Carlisle, PA. 17013

Checks made payable to: District 3 School of Instruction

George Washington Lodge No. 143

74 South Second Street, Chambersburg, PA 17201

Second Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Brother John C. Northcott

Worshipful Master

Website: <http://gw143.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/georgewashingtonlodge143>

Ladies Night Banquet June 18, 2022

Fraternal greetings from George Washington Lodge No. 143,

It has been another busy month of travel and events and looking forward to seeing more District Brethren as we continue to plan new events for the upcoming months.

On April 4, 2022, we traveled with the DDGM for an Official Visit and District Oyster Feed at Eureka West-Shore Lodge No. 302. We also traveled on April 14, 2022, to an Official Visit at Orrstown Lodge No. 262 where a representative attended in place of the Worshipful Master, and an Official Visit at Carlisle Lodge No. 260.

Our stated meeting was held on April 8, 2022, with a great program presented by Bro. Daniel K. Confer on the similarities between Masonic and College fraternities. Our Extra meeting was held on April 14, 2022, when Bro. Dennis R. McClanahan, PM conferred the Master Masons Degree on Brad Austin Keesee.

On April 25, 2022, at the District School of Instruction the officers of our lodge were responsible for exemplifying the Fellow Craft Mason Degree. On April 30, 2022, we attended the Ladies Night Banquet held by Mt. Pisgah Lodge No. 443.

Coming up, our next stated meeting will be on May 13, 2022, which is an Official Visit from the District Deputy Grand Master and other Officers of the District. We will have our usual meal beforehand which will include Meatloaf, Roasted Potato's, Broccoli Florets, and Coconut Cake for dessert.

In May, we will participate in three other Official Visits. On May 5, 2022, we will travel with the DDGM to Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315, on May 17, 2022, to Mt Pisgah Lodge No. 443, and finally on May 20, 2022, to Acacia Lodge No. 586.

We look forward to seeing all our brethren at the many events being held this month.

Sincerely and fraternally,

John C. Northcott
Worshipful Master

Carlisle Lodge 260

1236 Holly Pike, Carlisle, PA, 17013

Third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Brother Marc R. Thorne

Worshipful Master

Website: <http://carlisle260.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/St.Johns.260>

Ladies Night Banquet October 15, 2022

Greetings from the East,

As we turn to May, we are reminded of the springtime of life; the revitalizing of nature and of our relationships. May is my favorite month of the year as the weather begins to warm and the flowers are in full bloom. This is a great month for Masonry, and I hope each of you will take part in one of our events over the month.

On May 17, 2022, we will have our Stated Meeting. Prior to the meeting, I will give a short presentation on Cybersecurity Do's and Don'ts. This is meant to help expose the different types of attacks and how to improve your cyber fitness. We'll have light refreshments for the class which will start at 7:00 p.m., followed by our Stated Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Save the date, October 15, 2022, is our Annual Ladies Night Banquet at Mayapple Golf Course. You will receive an invitation in the mail in the next couple of weeks. Please RSVP as soon as possible as seating is limited. The cost of the meal is \$30.00. More details to come as we get closer.

Do you love baseball??? There's only one right answer to that, and of course it is YES! If so, we are looking to have a Masons' Day at the ballpark. Please let me know if you would be interested in a Harrisburg Senators game during the July/August timeframe. This is a great way to see each other during the adjournment period and root for the local team. We need to get at least 50 people to rent out the pavilion. There is a catered all you can eat buffet along with great seats on the first base line. Tickets are \$27.00 for adults and \$17.00 for kids, which includes your ticket to the game and the buffet.

I look forward to seeing everyone throughout the month.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Marc R. Thorne
Worshipful Master

Orrstown Lodge No. 262

41 Stewart Place, Shippensburg PA 17257

Second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Brother Matthew R. Hoch

Worshipful Master

Website: <https://orrstown262.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/OrrstownLodgeNo262>

Ladies Night Banquet May 7, 2022

Greetings from the East,

On April 14, 2022, Orrstown Lodge No. 262 welcomed Brother Jeffrey R. Miller DDGM along with officers from other lodges within District 3. It was with great pleasure that service awards were presented to Brethren who have served in the ranks of the Masonic Fraternity for a period of two score and ten years and 75 years. 50-year members present to receive their awards were Brother Robert E. Mears (Initiated 12/21/1972), Brother Galen L. Myers (Initiated 06/15/1972), and Brother James C. Peterson (Initiated 02/24/1972). Brother Samuel W. Worley PM (Initiated 07/03/1947) was present to receive his 75-year Service Award. Brother Worley served as Worshipful Master of Orrstown Lodge No. 262 in 1954.



A Stated Meeting of Orrstown Lodge No. 262 Free and Accepted Masons will be held at the Masonic Temple, 41 Stewart Place, Shippensburg, PA Thursday May 12, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. The Program for the evening: "Freemasons in the Civil War" presented by Brother Brian K. VanSyoc, PM.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Matthew R. Hoch
Worshipful Master

Eureka West-Shore Lodge No. 302

910 South Market Street, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

First Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Brother William A. Northey

Worshipful Master

Website: <http://eureka302.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/EurekaWestShoreLodge302>

Ladies Night Banquet September 15, 2022

Greetings from the East,

On March 26, 2022, we had several members in attendance at the demolition ceremony in Mechanicsburg as the town makes room to create a new square and park in the borough. It is an exciting time to be part of the community as they continue to improve the borough.



This month we hosted the annual District Oyster feed, with over 60 brethren and family members in attendance. The oyster shucking team was busy in the kitchen, and the fresh raw and fried oysters were enjoyed by all.

At our stated meeting we were honored by an official visit by Brother Jeffrey R. Miller DDGM and Worshipful Masters of the Third Masonic District. Other visiting dignitaries included: Brothers S. Eugene Herritt, RWPGM, Henry J. Federovich, DDGM District 2, Barry A. Martz, Masonic Education Committee, and John L. Stains, PDDGM District 3. The program for the evening was the recognition of our 50- and 60-year Masonic Service members. Brother Dean Otto was present to receive his 50 Year Award from Brother Jeffrey R. Miller, DDGM.

Finally, Brother Worshipful Master Jesse E. Weller and his team of brothers from Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315 successfully confiscated the Travelling Gavel from our lodge. The evening was a great fellowship event.



Aside from the Official Visit at our lodge, Brother Denny Beaver, SW, Brother Rob McCaleb, JW, and I participated in official visits to Orrstown Lodge No. 262 and Carlisle Lodge No 260 this month, each holding their own Masonic Service Award events as well. It is great to see our Fraternity celebrating these long-time members.

At our extra meeting we conferred an Entered Apprentice Degree on Nathan Banic. He was guided by his friend, and one of our newest Master Masons, Brother Daniel Keim. His second line signer, Brother Keith E. Murray, PM, conferred his degree.

And last but not least, our entry addition and remodeling are nearly complete! We are excited that this much needed facelift to our Lodge will be more attractive and inviting.



Some upcoming events to mark on your calendars:

- May 2 – Stated Meeting – Brother Glenn R. Kurzenknabe presentation – “The Masonic Vice Presidents”
- May 4 – Extra Meeting – Conferral of Fellowcraft Degree
- May 18 - Monthly Zoom “Toast to Our Absent Brethren” starting at 9:00 p.m. (room opens at 8:15 p.m.) [CLICK HERE](#)
- July 16 – Lodge trip to the George Washington Masonic Memorial.

Sincerely & fraternally,

William A. Northey
Worshipful Master

Cumberland Valley No. 315

41 Stewart Place, Shippensburg PA 17257

First Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Brother Jesse E. Weller

Worshipful Master

Website: <http://lodge315.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Cumberland-Valley-Masonic-Lodge-No-315-1386129258366656>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1486480571653567>

Ladies Night Banquet April 23, 2022

Greetings from the East,

At our Stated Meeting, April 7, 2022, we honored America's heroes, our first responders. Men and women who put their own welfare on the line to help others in time of need. Invited to be recognized were members from West End Fire and Rescue, Shippensburg EMS, and the Shippensburg Campus Police.

All our first responders do noble work. They deserve our respect and our appreciation. They are truly very special people, because, when everyone else is running away from danger, they run into it. Thank you for always being there for us. Your service is appreciated more than you know. God Bless you and all that you do.



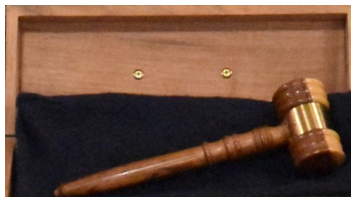
At an Extra Meeting of Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315 Free and Accepted Masons held on April 21, 2022, the Fellowcraft Mason Degree was conferred upon Brothers John Russel Ridgway and Mahmood M.J. Saand. Congratulations Brothers upon your advancement and being passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft Mason.



A Stated Meeting of Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315 Free and Accepted Masons will be held Thursday May 5, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. A Fellowship meal will be served prior to the Stated Meeting in the Social Hall at 6:30 p.m. The menu will include Shrimp Cocktail, Prime Rib au jus, Green Beans, Duchess Potatoes, Ceaser Salad, Carrot Cake, and Ice Cream. The Program for the evening will be the presentation of 50, 60, and 70 Yr. Masonic Awards by Brother Jeffrey M. Wonderling, RWGM.

An Extra Meeting of Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315 Free and Accepted Masons will be held Thursday May 19, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. The Master Mason Degree will be conferred upon Brothers John R. Ridgway and Mahmood M.J. Saand. The Entered Apprentice Mason Degree will be conferred upon Collin J. Taylor.

**Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315 is in possession of the Traveling Gavel.
District 3 lodges please plan your attendance accordingly.**



Sincerely and fraternally,

Jesse E. Weller
Worshipful Master

CUMBERLAND VALLEY LODGE #315

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TO ORDER CONTACT BROTHER JESSE E. WELLER, WM

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Big Spring Lodge No. 361

131 Centerville Road, Newville, PA 17241

Second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Brother Todd L. Johnson, PM

Worshipful Master

Website: <http://bigspringlodgeno361.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/bigspring361>

Ladies Night Banquet October 8, 2022

Greetings from the East,

A stated meeting of Big Spring Lodge No. 361 Free & Accepted Masons will be held Thursday May 12, 2022, at 7:30. There is no formal program for the evening but we will hear continuing reports from our Ritualistic Foundation Rebuilding Team and Masonic Temple committees.

Fraternal Greetings,

Todd L. Johnson, PM

Worshipful Master

Mt. Pisgah Lodge No. 443

Third Floor, BB&T Bank, Greencastle, PA 17225

Third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Brother Toby A. Stoner

Worshipful Master

Website: <https://mtpisgah443.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Mount-Pisgah-Lodge-No-443-668433266645074>

Ladies Night Banquet April 30, 2022

Greetings from the East ,

A stated meeting of Mt. Pisgah Lodge No. 443 Free & Accepted Masons will be held Tuesday May 18, 2022, at 7:30. The lodge will be honored by an Officeial Visit by the DDGM. The program of the evening will be "Guarding the West." Presented by Brother William Britton P.M. Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315.

Have a great day in Freemasonry!

Toby A Stoner

Worshipful Master

Acacia Lodge No. 586

33 West Main St, Waynesboro, PA 17268

Third Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Brother Joshua P. Brown

Worshipful Master

Website: <http://acacia586.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2580660782177324>

Ladies Night Banquet October 1, 2022

From the Desk of the Worshipful Master,

I bring you greetings from Acacia Lodge No. 586. At our last stated meeting we honored our Past Masters. Even though it was Good Friday, and many members had other various obligations, we had nine past masters. Prior to the meeting we enjoyed fried chicken, stewed tomatoes, and mac and cheese.

Our program was Masonic Stories from Past Master D. Lamar Sease. What I took away from his stories was that as we travel through this world, we may often find ourselves in contact with other masons. The fraternity is vast and the friendships we build in the brotherhood can become far reaching. We should keep our eyes open for the signs.

On May 14, 2022, we will be selling food at the Apostles Church Yard Sale fundraiser. This should be a good day of fraternalism.

Our stated meeting in May will be the official visit of our District Deputy Grand Master Jeffrey R. Miller. I look forward to seeing many of our members, as well as guests from around the district. We will be having pizza prior to the meeting.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Joshua P. Brown
Worshipful Master

Pennsylvania Lodge of Research
Semi-Annual Meetings at Various Locations
Brother James E. Green
Worshipful Master

<https://palodgeofresearch.org/>
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/92580616988>



The Pennsylvania Lodge of Research is constituted solely for the purpose of Masonic study. Working under a warrant from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, F. & A.M., the Lodge of Research meets twice a year in different locations around the Commonwealth. During our meetings, Brothers offer presentations on Masonic topics that further our understanding of our Fraternity, including its history, philosophy, and symbolism.

Symbolism

The medallion of the Pennsylvania Lodge of Research depicts a classical female allegorical figure holding a manuscript in one hand and a square and compasses in the other. The sunburst represents Enlightenment. Its symbolism is obvious in depicting the purposes of the Lodge of Research as sharing Masonic Light with others who are following a planned approach to personal character-building and self-improvement, and to encourage an organized process of formal education of the Craft at large.

Regalia

The medallion of the Pennsylvania Lodge of Research depicts a classical female allegorical figure holding a manuscript in one hand and a square and compasses in the other. The sunburst represents Enlightenment. Its symbolism is obvious in depicting the purposes of the Lodge of Research as sharing Masonic Light with others who are following a planned approach to personal character-building and self-improvement, and to encourage an organized process of formal education of the Craft at large.

Membership

Membership in the Lodge of Research is open to all Master Masons who are members of Lodges recognized by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. To become a member, please use the link above to download and complete the petition of membership.

[DOWNLOAD THE PETITION FOR MEMBERSHIP](#)

The joining fee is \$75, and dues are \$25 per year. Both fee and dues (a total of \$100) must accompany the completed petition.

Completed applications should be sent along with the membership fee to the Secretary, at:

Bro. Seth C. Anthony, Secretary
Attn: Lodge of Research
c/o The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, F. & A.M.
1 North Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Questions regarding membership can be emailed to: Lodge.of.Research@pagrandlodge.org

Programs

Information about the Craft in general is shared, and at least two research papers are presented, followed by discussion. Of course, good fellowship is also essential to the success of the Lodge of Research!

The Annual Meeting is held late in the year, at which the election and installation of officers is held. All Master Masons are welcome to attend.

Presenters

Anyone, by invitation of the Master, may present. Brethren interested in submitting papers for possible presentation at future meetings of the Pennsylvania Lodge of Research, or who have Masonic queries they would like answered, should submit them to the Secretary.

Presenters are currently selected by the Master and Senior Warden. The incoming Master is expected to make a presentation of a research paper at the December meeting at which he is installed. Presenters do not have to be members of the Lodge of Research – they only must be invited to speak by the Master.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Brother James E. Green
Worshipful Master