



PENNSYLVANIA MASONS

The District 3 Dispatch



What is a Traveling Man in Freemasonry?

This month's Masonic Insight discusses what the traveling man in Freemasonry is. From its beginnings in operative masonry, to the personal journey we all take. Please contact the editor of the District 3 Dispatch to find out how you can also contribute to the monthly newsletter.

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Notes from the Editor: Please submit your inputs for next month NLT the 27th unless you have pending activities that you want to include.

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Events will be updated in the next issue.

From the Desk of Brother Jeffrey R. Miller

District Deputy Grand Master, Third Masonic District



Fraternal Greetings Brethren!

Brethren, Freemasonry is thriving in the Third Masonic District. The Lodges in the district continue to do the work at the highest level. The ritual is what sets Freemasonry apart from the many other fraternal organizations. There is a part for each member if you want it. There are several non-verbal roles in each degree that your Worshipful Master would enjoy you taking part in. Step forward and let your Worshipful Master know that you are ready, willing, and able to contribute to the Lodge's work.

Support Scottish Rite, York Rite, and the many other bodies attached to Freemasonry. If you are not a member of these organizations now is the time to join. They offer additional insight to the Craft as we each travel our personal journey of Freemasonry! Remember that you must be current in your Blue Lodge dues to continue your membership or to join any

of the bodies mentioned above.

I look forward to seeing each of you as I travel the Masonic trail throughout 2025. I will be attending a lot of extra meetings throughout year and hope you will also. I enjoy a good extra meeting and supporting the Brethren who confer and receive the Degrees. Until I see you, please be safe in your travels.

Have a great day in Freemasonry!!

Brother Jeffrey R. Miller
District Deputy Grand Master



From the Desk of Brother Kenneth W. Womack, P.M.

Principal, Third Masonic District School of Instruction



I am hearing good things about everyone's first Lodge meeting of the year going well. I hope everyone is off to a great start and that this first meeting has set the standard for excellent ritual throughout the year. I want to leave you with an admonition that most of you have heard me give before. Just because the first month went well, don't think that you can walk right in the next month and do it again without preparation and practice. Regardless of where you sit in the Lodge, go over that ritual again before the next meeting. Mentally think through the floor work – how do you turn when going to and from your station or to and from the altar. If you do that every month, ultimately you will be one of those Brothers who will have ritual ingrained in your mind for many years to come.

Brother Paul A. Sutcliffe, the regional instructor for Region 2, was present at the SOI on Monday, January 27. Brother Paul provided information on specifically what will be expected from us when we exemplify the Business of the Lodge at the sectional school on Saturday, March 22, 2025. Brother Paul also left some written material, which I will share with Worshipful Masters, that clearly identifies what is expected of us for the sectional school. The sectional school will be held at the Masonic center of York, PA.

For the February 24 SOI, the District 3 sectional school team will once again rehearse the work to be done at the sectional school, to include balloting and service pin presentations. We will re-schedule the Funeral Service and Examination of a Visitor originally scheduled for the February 24 SOI to a later time in the year. I apologize for the changes; however, the final plan for the Spring regional school activity is usually not published until after the District 3 SOI schedule has been approved. I do anticipate one additional rehearsal between February 24 and March 22 to put the final touches on our BOL presentation. We will discuss that at the February 24 SOI.

Brother Paul made one other announcement at the January 27 SOI. Beginning in 2026, the requirement to confer consecutive Enter Apprentice & Fellow Craft degrees on the same day will no longer be mandatory. However, it will remain optional.

I look forward to seeing you all at SOI on February 24t

Sincerely & fraternally,
Brother Kenneth W. Womack
Principal, District 3 SOI

A Freemason's Response

Memorizing our Work

A new initiate just asked me:
"Why do I have to memorize the work?"

I said:
Let me ask you several questions.

Do you have a favorite prayer
you know the words by heart?

He said:
Yes.

Do you know the words to your
country's National Anthem?

He said:
Yes.

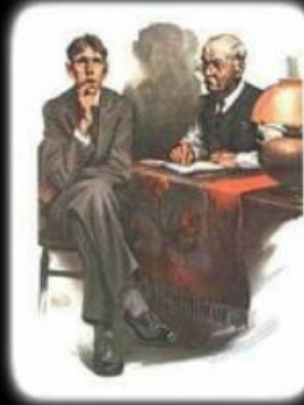
Can you tell me your address
and home phone number?

He said:
Yes.

I said:
Why do you know these things?

He said:
Because they are very important to me.

I said:
I think you just answered your own question.



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GRAND LODGE

of PENNSYLVANIA

Grand Lodge of Pa. Schedule

2025 District 3 School Of Instruction Schedule Monthly SOI Meetings @ 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 27 Funeral Service/Examination of a Visitor/
Balloting - Lodge No. 143

Feb. 24 Business of the Lodge (50-year pin pre-
sentation) - Region 2 Sectional Team

Mar. 24 Entered Apprentice/Fellow Craft Mason
Degrees - Lodge No. 260

Apr. 28 Master Mason Degree - Lodge No. 262

May 26 Table Lodge/Protocol/Mentoring - Lodge
No. 361

Aug. 25 Master Mason Degree/Low Vale Prepara-
tion - Low Vale Team*

Sep. 22 Entered Apprentice/Fellow Craft Mason
Degrees - Lodge No. 315

Oct. 27 Election/Installation of Officers - Lodge
No. 443

Nov. 24 Master Mason Degree - Lodge No. 586

Dec. 22 Business of the Lodge - Incoming Masters

*Mount Zion Lodge No. 774

REGIONAL SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

DATE LOCATION

Saturday, March 22, 2025 - Regional School of
Instruction - York

REGION 2 OFFICER TRAINING SEMINARS

DATE & LOCATION(S)

Saturday, March 8, 2025
York Masonic Center
400 Masonic Drive
York, Pa 17406

Saturday, March 22, 2025
Valley of Harrisburg, AASR
2701 North 3rd Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110

Saturday, April 5, 2025
West Reading Masonic Center
400 South Seventh Street
Reading, Pa 19611

Around the District

Be An Active Member!



Third Masonic District School 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 January 27, 2025. The work of the evening will be Funeral Service/Examination of a Visitor/Balloting presented by Lodge No. 143. All Master Masons are welcome to attend and learn more about our rituals and the Masonic craft. Remember to bring your Candidates so they may participate in District 3 Mentoring.



BLOOD + ORGAN DONOR PROGRAM

The Masonic Blood and Organ Donor Program promotes Masonic blood drives throughout Pennsylvania, heightens awareness and provides educational materials on sharing the gift of life through blood and organ donation. All Pennsylvania Masons are eligible for membership in the Masonic Blood and Organ Donor Program. To become a member complete the New Member Form. Dues are not required for membership in the Blood and Organ Donor Program; however, we still have operating expenses. Donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you for your continued support of this vital program.



The District 3 Dispatch is looking for your help!

We are looking for Masons that want to improve their Masonic knowledge by researching and authoring articles for the Masonic Insight. This is a great way to improve your Masonic knowledge as well as helping to educate your Brothers.

Please contact the Editor at ccalder@pagrandlodge.org if you are interested!

Masonic Insight

A Series In Masonic Education

The Traveling Man in Freemasonry



Freemasonry is an fraternity rich in tradition, symbolism, and philosophical teachings. Among its many terms and concepts, the phrase “traveling man” holds a special significance for Masons, representing not just an individual’s physical journey, but also a metaphor for personal growth and the pursuit of knowledge. In modern Freemasonry, understanding what it means to be a “traveling man” is vital for any Mason continuing his exploration of self-improvement and community engagement.

Historically, the term “traveling man” refers to a Mason on a literal and metaphorical journey. In ancient times, many masons were craftsmen or builders who traveled from place to place to work on various projects. This mobility fostered the exchange of ideas, techniques, and the foundational values of Freemasonry. The “traveling man” was, therefore, not just a vagabond in search of work; he was a bearer of knowledge and a seeker of wisdom.

In contemporary Masonic practice, the term has evolved to embody the journey of personal development and education. A modern traveling man continues his quest for enlightenment and self-discovery. This journey emphasizes the importance of lifelong learning. Freemasons are encouraged to seek knowledge beyond the confines of their local lodge. Whether it’s attending other lodges, engaging with Masonic publications, or participating in seminars and workshops, each experience enriches the Masons understanding and appreciation of the craft.

Moreover, being a traveling man symbolizes the Masonic principle of brotherhood. As Masons travel, they are welcomed into lodges far and wide, creating an instant connection with fellow Masons regardless of geography or background. This camaraderie emphasizes the universal nature of Freemasonry, breaking down barriers and fostering a spirit of unity among its members. The bonds formed through these travels can lead to profound relationships based on shared values, moral teachings, and fraternal support.

The concept also underscores the idea of service to others. The journey of a traveling man involves not only self-exploration but also a commitment to helping fellow beings. Freemasons believe in contributing to their communities, and through their travels, they often find ways to give back, whether through charitable works or active participation in local projects. This sense of responsibility shapes the character of the traveling man, inspiring him to be a positive force in his environment.

In a world that frequently appears divided, the concept of the traveling man serves as a powerful beacon for modern Masons, offering them the opportunity to engage deeply with the rich and diverse tapestry of humanity. This essence of the traveling man encourages Masons to perpetuate an open-minded approach, fostering a genuine willingness to learn from individuals who hold different perspectives and life experiences. Thus, Masons can fully embody the foundational principles of tolerance, empathy, and understanding, which lie at the very core of Masonic teachings.

The journey of the traveling man is not a static or linear experience; rather, it is an ever-evolving adventure filled with unique challenges, enlightening discoveries, and invaluable lessons. Each Mason's individual path reflects personal circumstances and interactions, illustrating the myriad ways in which the principles of Freemasonry can manifest in everyday life. Whether through literary engagement with philosophical texts, stimulating exchanges of ideas with fellow Masons, or the enduring bonds formed through shared experiences, the legacy of the traveling man continues to resonate within the hearts and minds of contemporary Masons.

Moreover, the call to travel transcends mere physical relocation; it embodies a profound invitation to explore the deeper facets of one's character and identity. It encourages the cultivation of friendships founded on mutual respect, understanding, and shared values, while also prompting Masons to contribute positively to their communities and the world at large. Therefore, every modern Mason is not only encouraged but is also duty-bound to embrace the mantle of the traveling man, embarking on a personal quest that seeks to enhance both individual wisdom and communal harmony. This journey ultimately reflects the shared Masonic ideals of brotherhood, self-improvement, and the relentless pursuit of knowledge, culminating in a richer, more connected existence for all involved.

George Washington Lodge No. 143

74 South Second Street, Chambersburg, PA 17201

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

Worshipful Master: Brother Nathan J. Neil

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

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/GW143>

Ladies Night: April 26, 2025

Greetings from the East,

We started this year with a well-attended stated meeting in January. The program was on the history of our lodge. We were visited by Brethren from Acacia Lodge No. 586, who took home the Traveling Gavel. We then visited Acacia Lodge No. 586 at their stated meeting and reclaimed the Traveling Gavel. Additionally, we had two extra meetings in January.

Our February stated meeting will be held on February 14, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. at 74 South Second Street, Chambersburg, PA. A meal will be served at 6:30 p.m. The program for the evening will be on cyber security and presented by Brother Joshua P. Brown, PM.

In addition to our stated meeting, we will be having an extra meeting on February 20,



2025, at 7:00 p.m. We will be conferring the Master Mason degree for Aaron Matthew Wesley.

Please come visit us this month and take home to your lodge the Traveling Gavel.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Nathan J. Neil, Worshipful Master

Carlisle Lodge No. 260

1236 Holly Pike, Carlisle, PA, 17013

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

Worshipful Master: Brother Brandon T. Benner

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

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

Ladies Night: TBD

Greetings from the East

Warmest wishes from Carlisle in these bitter cold days! My thanks to all the visiting brethren who attended our stated meeting in January for the official visit of the District Deputy Grand Master. It was an honor and pleasure to welcome you all and share our meal of pork and sauerkraut.

Those in attendance of the meeting will recall that this year, our lodge will be commemorating the bicentennial of Carlisle Freemasonry with community service. This summer, we will be holding a community blood drive at the lodge – complete with a cookout and fellowship for all who attend. Our goal is a lofty one – 200 pints of blood for 200 years! The members of Carlisle Lodge No. 260 will be working hard in the intervening months to make this event a success and help reach this achievement. We will share details as they develop!

Tuesday, February 18, 2025, our lodge will hold its stated meeting at the Carlisle Masonic Center. This month's program and meal are laid-back and informal – we'll be hosting a trivia night and a meal of pizza, mozzarella sticks, and garlic knots. The stated meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 PM. It would be our pleasure to welcome any visiting brethren who may attend for the evening. Bring your thinking caps, a competitive spirit, and an appetite!

Brother Brandon T. Benner
Worshipful Master,
Carlisle Lodge. No. 260, F&AM

Orrstown Lodge No. 262

3442 Orrstown Rd. Orrstown PA 17244

Thursday, on or before, the full moon at 7:30 p.m.

Worshipful Master: Brother Carl F. Calder, PS

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

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

Ladies Night: May 3, 2025



Greetings from the East,

It's already shaping up to be a very busy and exciting year at Orrstown Lodge. In January we voted on a new petition and will be welcoming in Brother James W. Sleighter's youngest son Isaiah. If your not aware, Brother Sleighter did a fantastic Master Mason degree for his older son Samuel at last years Low Vale. The members also voted to purchase St. Paul Church and make it our forever home. This will be the final step to being back where we belong and calling it our home.

The building committee, officers, and Trustees also accepted an offer on the old Orrstown Bank building and if all goes well, will be closing on that about the same time we close on the church building.

February may be our quietest month this year! We will hold our stated meeting this month on February 6th, which is the first Thursday. Then we begin ramping up for all the events mentioned as well as holding this years oyster feed, which we are calling the "Orrstown Lodge Oyster and Prime Rib Dinner". The flyer is on the next page, but here are some details:

- Dinner will be held on March 13th @ 6:00 PM
- Reservations are required and must be to Brian K. Van Scyoc, PM, Secretary @ (717) 658-3767 or Carl F. Calder, PS Worshipful Master @ (717) 414-8689, no later than March 1st
- You will need to provide choice of dinner with reservation
- We are maintaining the price from last year at \$40
- Proceeds will benefit our building fund

We hope you plan to come. The March meeting will be our official visit and we will be celebrating our 50 & 60 year members.

Brother Carl F. Calder, PS
Worshipful Master,
Orrstown Lodge No. 262

Orrstown Lodge No. 262 Oyster or Prime Rib Dinner

6:00 PM March 13, 2025 at Orrstown Lodge Fellowship Hall

Choice of:
Raw Oysters
Fried Oysters
Oyster Stew
or Prime Rib

\$40*



Served with baked potato and
Sonoma Blend Mixed Vegetables

*RSVP and choice of oysters (choose raw oysters, fried oysters, or both) or Prime Rib.
Contact Brian K. Van Scyoc, PM, Secretary @ (717) 658-3767 or
Carl F. Calder, PS Worshipful Master @ (717) 414-8689
Reservations due no later than March 1, 2025

Location: 3442 Orrstown Rd, Orrstown, PA. Dinner served at 6:00 PM.
Benefits the Orrstown Lodge Building Fund.



Eureka West-Shore Lodge No. 302

910 South Market Street, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

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

Worshipful Master: Brother James McElhenie, Jr.

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

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

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

Ladies Night: September 27, 2025

Greetings from the South,

Brethren, we held our first stated meeting of the year on January 6th, 2025. A fellowship meal of pork and green beans was served before the meeting in the Social Hall and well enjoyed by all. Our meeting was a success and Brother Timothy C. Dedman, PM, Secretary presented membership trends for the lodge and touched on member use of Grandview.



An Extra Meeting was held on January 8th, 2025 where the Entered Apprentice degree was conferred by Brother Omar Dawes, SD, upon Brother William K. Morrison where he was initiated into our lodge and made a Brother of the Craft. This was Brother Omar's first conferral of a degree and exhibited his dedication to learning the work. Subsequently, Brother Freddy X. Lebron, SW, conferred the Fellowcraft Masons degree upon Brother Morrison where he was Passed. This was Brother

Lebron's first conferral of the Fellowcraft Masons degree and likewise demonstrated his continued dedication to learning the work.

Another Extra Meeting was held on Thursday, January 9th 2025 at 7:00 p.m. where the Entered Apprentice and Fellowcraft Masons degrees were conferred upon Brother Mark Andrew Dundore by Brother J. Matthew Seagrist, PM and Brother Freddy X. Lebron, SW respectively whereupon he was entered into Freemasonry and made a Brother of the Craft and subsequently Passed.

When you see our new brothers, please welcome them and show them our fraternal love.

Twelve of our brothers spent an afternoon together and participated in a successful fellowship event, a pheasant hunt, at Martz's game farm in Dalmatia, PA where 200 birds were released and 87 of them were harvested. At least three prospective members also participated. Events like these are a great way to get involved, have a great time, and find new members!



Daughters of the Nile, Ozemb Temple No. 52 held a Cocoa and Canvas Paint Event at the lodge building on January 11th, 2025 where hot cocoa, snacks, paint supplies, and step-by-step instructions were provided. Proceeds benefited the Temple's Ways & Means Fund.



Our February Stated Meeting will be held on Monday, February 3rd, 2025 at 7:30 P.M. The Program for the evening will be "Whiskey and the Masonic Connection" by Bro. Douglas W. Hitz, P.M. February is also our Boy Scout Recognition. If you would like to attend the fellowship dinner before the meeting starting at 6:30 P.M., please RSVP yourself and any guests not later than Friday, January 31st, 2025 by texting or calling Bro. Kenneth L. Rapp at (717) 364-7840.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Brother William C. Olsen, JW
Eureka-West Shore Lodge No. 302

Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315

41 Stewart Place, Shippensburg PA 17257

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

Worshipful Master: Brother John R. Ridgway

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

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

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

Ladies Night: TBD

Welcome, Brother Kasi!

Let us all warmly welcome and congratulate Brother Arbab Naseebullah Kasi as the newest member of Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315! We are truly honored to have him join our Masonic brotherhood and look forward to supporting him on his journey of growth, learning, and fellowship within the Craft. This special occasion was made possible by the hard work and dedication of our degree team, whose efforts ensured a meaningful and memorable experience for Brother



Kasi. Their precision and commitment exemplify the true spirit of Freemasonry.

Special thanks go to Bryan L. Ruth, PM, and Thomas P. Kennedy, PM, for their excellent work in conferring the degrees. Their experience and dedication were instrumental in making the evening both impactful and inspiring. We also extend our heartfelt gratitude to Worshipful Master John R. Ridgway for his steady leadership and guidance throughout this process. His thoughtful direction ensured everything came together seamlessly. Once again, welcome to the brotherhood, Brother Kasi! We are excited to walk alongside you on your Masonic journey.

Stated Meeting Announcement

The next Stated Meeting of Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held on Thursday, February 6, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 41 Stewart Place, Shippensburg, PA. A Fellowship Meal will be served in the Social Hall at 6:30 p.m., featuring Salisbury steak, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, and dessert. Following the meal, Brother Carl Lynch of Acacia Lodge No. 586 will present an engaging program titled "The Founding Fathers." We encourage all brethren to join us for this evening of fellowship, learning, and reflection. Don't miss this opportunity to connect with your brothers and enjoy a night of meaningful discussion.

Extra Meeting Announcement

An Extra Meeting of Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held on Thursday, February 20, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 41 Stewart Place, Shippensburg, PA. During this special evening, the Master Mason Degree will be conferred upon Brother Arbab Naseebullah Kasi. This is a significant milestone in Brother Kasi's Masonic journey, and we invite all brethren to attend and support him as he takes this important step. Your presence and participation will make this occasion even more memorable for our brother.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Brother John R. Ridgway
Worshipful Master

Big Spring Lodge No. 361

131 Centerville Road, Newville, PA 17241

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

Worshipful Master: Brother Phillip S. Hayslett

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

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

Ladies Night: TBD



Greetings from the East,

A Stated Meeting of Big Spring Lodge, No. 361, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held at the Masonic Temple, 131 Centerville Road, Newville, Pennsylvania, 17241, on Thursday evening, February 13, 2025, at 7:30 p.m.

Fraternal Greetings,
Brother Phillip S. Hayslett
Worshipful Master

Mt. Pisgah Lodge No. 443

Third Floor, Truist Bank, Greencastle, PA 17225

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

Worshipful Master: Brother Toby A. Stoner, PM

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

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

Ladies Night: May 17, 2025

Greetings from the East,

A stated meeting of mount Pisgah lodge will be held February 18 at 7:30 above the Truist bank.

Program of the evening is the holy grail Humanity's quest for ultimate Truth and spiritual enlightenment by Bro Bill Britton, PM, Cumberland Valley Lodge No 315.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Brother Toby A. Stoner, PM
Worshipful Master

Acacia Lodge No. 586

33 West Main St, Waynesboro, PA 17268

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

Worshipful Master: Brother John E. Shaffer, PM

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

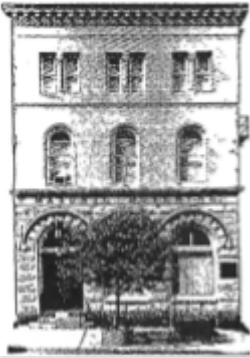
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/acacia586/>

Ladies Night: May 10, 2025

Fraternal Greetings,

Last Month

January 4th: We raised Christopher M. Corle to the sublime degree of Master Mason. Brother Corle was the first Master Mason raised in District 3 in 2025. Having a morning degree was a good opportunity for brothers who struggle with driving late at night to attend. It was a great morning for all involved, and we are excited to welcome Brother Corle to our lodge as he continues his Masonic journey, and he is already working on his Master Builders program (for first year Master Masons).



January 10th: Acacia visited George Washington Lodge No. 143 and successfully retrieved the District 3 traveling gavel.



January 17th: During our Stated Meeting, Worshipful Master Nathan J. Neil and members of George Washington Lodge No. 143 visited us to reclaim the District 3 traveling gavel. This ongoing exchange has been a source of great fun and engagement, contributing to points towards the annual Lodge of the Year award.



This month

February 21st: We will hold our Stated Meeting, during which we will host the District Deputy Grand Master for his Official Visit. On this special evening, the Worshipful Master and the District Deputy Grand Master will present service awards to the following distinguished members:

- 50-year service awards: James A. Bowersox, Donald R. Fitz, Lowell D. Gardenhour, Howard D. Hager Jr., Bary E. Hunsecker, and Donald E. Stoops
- 60-year service award: Larry W. Riddle
- 70-year service award: Richard W. Lohr

Even though some of these members may not be able to attend due to health or travel distance, they will be honored and receive their awards in due time.

We look forward to another month of fellowship and Masonic activities. Stay tuned for more updates and join us in celebrating our members' achievements.

Fraternal Greetings,
Brother Joshua P. Brown, PM Secretary

Mount Zion Lodge No. 774

311 N Second St, McConnellsburg , PA 17233

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

Worshipful Master: Brother William S. Hoffman, PM

Ladies Night: August 16, 2025

Greetings from the East,

Prior to our regular stated meeting we had a soup and sandwich meal and invited the brethren and their ladies to attend. Approximately 30 people were in attendance

We received one petition for membership to join the lodge After the business of the lodge was conducted, we closed our meeting and invited The ladies Back into the lodge room to attend the program for the evening. Brother Robert C Snyder PDDGM Presented a very informative and interesting program On the masonic villages in the state of Pennsylvania Everyone in attendance seem to enjoy it

Our next dated meeting to be held February 10 when we will have a baked ziti and salad meal prior to the meeting at 6 PM. Ladies are also invited. This is open To the brethren in district 3 as well. If you wish to attend, please RSVP to myself one week prior to our meeting at wshms789@yahoo.com or (717)360-5196. Cost will be a goodwill donation only. We will once again close the lodge After our business And invite the ladies back in to attend our program which will be given by brother Douglas Shetron from Acacia Lodge in Waynesboro The title of the program is Born In Blood and should be very informative

Fraternal Greeting,
William S. Hoffman, PM
Worshipful Master

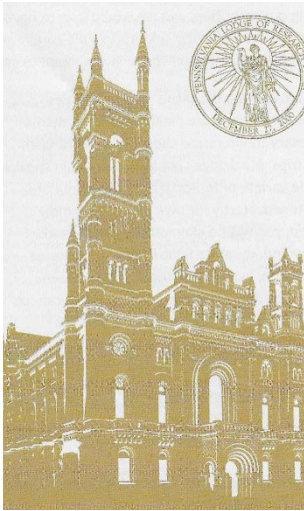
Pennsylvania Lodge of Research

Semi-Annual Meetings at Various Locations

Worshipful Master: Brother Jack H. Speece

<https://palodgeofresearch.org/>

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



Greetings from the East,

The Pennsylvania Lodge of Research is a unique occurrence in the history of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, as this is the first Lodge constituted within our Jurisdiction solely for the purpose of Masonic study. The Pennsylvania Lodge of Research holds only two Stated Meetings each year, with Special Meetings to be held at the discretion of the Worshipful Master. Meetings are held at various Masonic sites throughout the Commonwealth. No Craft Degrees are conferred. The elected Worshipful Master does not receive “the Word of the Chair,” nor does he become a voting member of the Grand Lodge.

The Pennsylvania Lodge of Research will be celebrating its 25th year in 2025. Another volume of the Transactions is scheduled to be published.

In an effort to accommodate more Masons in Pennsylvania, the mid-year meeting will be held in Central Pennsylvania - Altoona, on Saturday, June 14, 2025 at 10:00 AM at the Masonic Hall , 600 Jackson Avenue. The annual meeting will be held on December 13, 2025 at the Scottish Rite Center in Harrisburg at 9:00 AM. Scholarly papers are being prepared for presentation at these meetings. The Lodge is also supporting a special lecture to be presented at the upcoming Academy of Masonic Knowledge. All Masons are invited to join with us in our effort to seek greater light and knowledge

Membership is open to all Master Masons who are members of Lodges recognized by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. To become a member of the Pennsylvania Lodge of Research please use this link to download a petition. The joining fee is \$75, and dues are \$25 per year. Both fee and dues (a total of \$100) must accompany the completed petition.

Questions regarding membership can be emailed to: Lodge.of.Research@pagrandlodge.org. Completed petitions should be sent along with the membership fee to the Secretary, at:

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

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Jack H. Speece, WM
Pennsylvania Lodge of Research

Job's Daughters

Bethel 16, Chambersburg, Pa.

Delaney Stains, Honor Queen

Meets 2nd and 4th Sundays at George Washington Lodge #143

Bethel 19, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

Janeese Hawkins, Honor Queen

Meets 1st and 3rd Sundays at Eureka-West Shore Lodge #302

Fraternal Greetings from PA Job's Daughters! Brethren, have you ever wondered what Job's Daughters is and what exactly do they do? You may have heard or read in communications about the Job's Daughters attending Patton Campus for a weekend, to support the scholarship pageant, JDI Supreme Sessions, and helping with lodge and masonic functions throughout the year. However, you as a Mason can attend a Job's Daughters meeting and earn a requirement towards one of the PA Grand Lodge's Mason awards such as Master Craftsman Award Program.

Bethel 19 meets at Eureka-West Shore Lodge 302 in Mechanicsburg. Bethel 16 meets at George Washington Lodge 143 in Chambersburg. If you or a group of Masons would like to attend a Bethel meeting let me know and I can coordinate with the Bethel Guardians for a visitation.

You can reach me (Greg) at gculp132@comcast.net or 717-752-8069. Looking ahead the Job's Daughters Scholarship Pageant will be held at Masonic Homes in Elizabethtown in the Bosserman Ballroom April 5th at 7pm. All are invited to attend.

Save the date: Bethel 16 will be holding their open installation of officers on Sunday, April 13 at 2:00 pm at the George Washington Lodge. Jason (Acacia Lodge #586) and Sarah Stains daughter Delaney will be retiring as Honored Queen. Harold Heller's (George Washington Lodge #143) granddaughter Hannah Shank will be installed Honored Queen while Jason and Sarah's daughter Reagan will be installed Senior Princess. Everyone is invited to join in the celebration.

Fraternally,
Gregory R Culp
PA Associate Jurisdictional Guardian
Acacia Lodge # 586 Waynesboro
717-752-8069



**Jurisdictional Guardian Council of
Pennsylvania Job's Daughters
International
2025 Miss Job's Daughter Scholarship Pageant**

The 55th Annual Miss Job's Daughter Scholarship Pageant will be held on Saturday, April 5, at 7:30 PM in the Brossman Ballroom, Masonic Village, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania. The primary function of this annual event is to raise funds for scholarships that will be awarded to members of Pennsylvania Job's Daughters at their annual session next year.

Education is a very important part of life for today's youth and as we are all aware, the costs of education increase every year. . **An interesting fact, for the 2024-2025 academic year, the average cost for one year tuition for college students in Pennsylvania alone is approximately \$16000.** I would like you to consider being a sponsor for the 2025 Miss Job's Daughter Scholarship Pageant Please note, the daughters are also asked to obtain donations for this event, and it is quite possible that you may receive a personal letter to sponsor a young lady directly.

A special section of the Program Booklet has been set aside to recognize all sponsors.

THE CONEY ISLAND	\$100.00
DANGER DOG	\$75.00
CHEESE DOG	\$50.00
CORN DOG	\$25.00
CLASSIC FRANK	\$10.00
PATRON LISTING	anything below \$10.00

Please make all checks payable to " JGC" and list in the memo section - 2025 MJD Pageant. Acknowledgment in the Pageant program for all checks received by February 16, 2025.

Your attendance would also be appreciated. Tickets for this event may be purchased at the door.

Again, thank you for your support of our scholarship program.

Fraternally,

Angie Pickel, Pageant Chair
219 E Franklin St
Greencastle, PA 17225
Email: pickelang@gmail.com

Widows Sons

Marked & Hewn - Chambersburg

President Rich "Meat" Kline - Meets Second Sunday of each month at 3:00 PM

Temple Guard - Carlisle/Mechanicsburg

President Russ "Scooter" Miller - Meets First Sunday of the month at 10:00 AM

Website: <https://pawsmra.org>

Greetings from the Widows Sons,



Even though the summer has ended, and riding season is winding down, the Widows Sons is not dormant. With many charity rides planned by many of the state chapters and our annual fall gathering held in October, we are still very busy spreading Freemasonry through the motorcycling community.

The upcoming year is already shaping up to be a busy one for the Widows Sons. The 2025 Grand Master Ride is well into the planning stage and will be held August 1 - 3, 2025, in the Reading, Pa. area.

If you ride a street legal motorcycle, have an MC endorsement on your license, and are a Master Mason, you can be a part of the Widows Sons. Please visit our state website at <https://pawsmra.org/>

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Rich "Meat" Kline, PM
President, Marked & Hewn Chapter

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Russ "Scotter" Miller, PM
President, Temple Guard Chapter

Masonic Golf Clubs



Brothers,

One of the great benefits of Free Masonry is the fellowship amongst brothers. To this end, we the three Masonic golf clubs in the Harrisburg area hope you would consider playing golf in one or all the clubs. The clubs are: Consistory Golf Club, Zembo Shrine Golf Club and the Tall Cedars Golf Club. If you are available and like to golf, please think about playing with us. You need not be a member of these appendant Masonic bodies to participate, just be a Mason in good standing. We use Callaway Handicap system and regardless of your skill level the computer program assigns a handicap for each round every time you play. There is always a chance to win, place and show. Consistory Golf club plays at Rich Valley Golf Course the second Thursday for each month April until October, Zembo Golf Club plays at Dauphin Highlands on the third Wednesday of the month from April until September, and Tall Cedars Golf club plays the last Thursday of the month again from April until October with different course each month. You are not required to play every month and can play as many times as convenient. Your lodge Secretary will have detailed information for each club if you are interested.

Zembo Golf Club - contact is Lee Stump 717-439-4561 (Cell)

Consistory Golf Club - contact is Terry Coffman 717-576-2642 (Cell)

Tall Cedar Golf Club - contact is Bob Griffith 717-215-4363 (Cell)

tallcedarsgolfunit@gmail.com (email)



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