

May 2025



PENNSYLVANIA MASONS

The District 3 Dispatch



RWGM Larry A. Derr Visits District 3

Officers of Lodge No. 143 with RWGM Larry A. Derr, RWJGW Lynn B. Baker, RWPGM S. Eugene Herritt and Brother Jeffery R. Miller, DDGM

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361 – February 13

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

Event Announcements

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!

Freemasonry in the Third Masonic District is alive and well. There is no better place to spend an evening than with your Brethren in Freemasonry!!! As I visit the Lodges in the District there is an excitement for Freemasonry. It is refreshing. Many of the Brethren that I have interactions with are enthusiastic about what the future holds for Masonry. The official visits have been well attended. The Worshipful Masters and other officers accompanied me on the visits as a way of recognizing them for their achievement in their own Lodges. I had the distinct pleasure of giving many awards of gold to Brethren in the district. It was great hearing what the Brothers have to say after they received their awards. Many of the Brothers were somewhat emotional as they received the award. Several commented that they wished they had gone through the chairs and made the journey to the East in their Lodge. They expressed that as they matured in age, they re-

alized being a Worshipful Master in District Three is a great accomplishment. It is never too late to become an officer in your Lodge or learn a Degree. You will notice a great sense of pride as you do the work. Contact your Worshipful Master and he will let you know what is required and help you along on your journey!!

May 12th is the final District 3 official visit at Mt. Zion Lodge No. 774 for 2025. They will be having a steak night and a program for the ladies. Please let Worshipful Master, William Hoffman know if you would like to attend so he has enough steaks. Be there and support your Brethren of Mt. Zion Lodge.

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 2025. Until we meet again, 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



Brethren,

NOTE: The May 2025 SOI has been changed to Monday, May 19th to avoid the Memorial Day Holiday. Brethren are reminded that SOI does not meet in June or July but resumes again in August.

At the April 28 SOI, Big Spring Lodge No 361 exemplified the Table Lodge. Table Lodges are not done frequently, and this session addressed questions and issues about how Table Lodges can and should be conducted. If your Lodge has not done one, I encourage you to include one in your programs next year.

The next challenge for District Three will be the 2025 Ritual Competition scheduled for Saturday, June 14, 2025, at the West Reading Masonic Temple, 400 S. 7th Ave, Reading, PA. The ritual for the competition will be the Examination of a Visitor using only Option 3 (visitor's

name is not known to any member or visiting brother). Brothers should be aware that this is the ritual used in the Lodge when a visitor arrives late for the meeting. The ritual will require the following participants:

- Worshipful Master
- Senior Warden
- Senior Master of Ceremonies
- Pursuivant
- Chairman of Examination Committee
- 2nd Member Examination Committee
- 3rd Member Examination Committee
- Visitor

I received what is supposed to be the final ritual and expected floor work guidance and will share that with Worshipful Masters for circulation. We will designate the competition team shortly after the April 28 SOI and will use the May 19 SOI date to rehearse for this competition. I anticipate one additional rehearsal prior to the competition. If you would like to participate in this team, please advise your WM as soon as possible.

Just a reminder that the District Three Low Vale is scheduled for Wednesday, September 10 at the Narrows Rod and Gun Club in McConnellsburg. Mt. Zion Lodge No. 774 is the sponsoring Lodge. The SOI team assembled by Mt. Zion Lodge will rehearse for the Low Vale on August 25.

Brethren, I look forward to seeing you at the **SOI on May 19.**

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



3rd Masonic District

Family Picnic

You and your family are cordially invited to attend a day of fun, family, and fellowship with your brothers from the 3rd Masonic District.

When: Saturday July 19th, 2025, 12:00pm

Where: North Newton Township Park 528 Oakville Road,
Shippensburg, PA 17257

All you care to enjoy Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and Baked Beans! If you can, Please bring a dish to share with everyone

Park amenities include:

- Playground
- Ball Field
- Basketball Court
- Volleyball Court
- Horseshoe Pits
- Walking Trail



GRAND LODGE of PENNSYLVANIA

Grand Lodge of Pa. Schedule

****There are changes to the below schedule****

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

Apr. 28 Table Lodge/Protocol/Mentoring - Lodge No. 361

May 19 Regional Competition Preparation (Examination of a Visitor) - Competition Team

Aug. 26 Master Mason Degree/Low Vale Preparation - Low Vale Team*

Sep. 22 Funeral Service/Examination of Visitor/Balloting - Lodge No. 143

Oct. 27 Election of Officers (Ballot Box) - Lodge No. 262

Nov. 24 Open Installation of Officers - Lodge No. 443

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 May 19, 2025. The work of the evening will be Regional Competition Preparation (Examination of a Visitor) - Competition Team. 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

A Brief History Of Masonic Charity



Charity is a universal characteristic of Masonry. It has been said that “the Masonic Way is to give without remembering and to receive without forgetting.”

Shortly after 1717, when Lodges were still associations of stoneworkers and masons, the cessation of cathedral building and the expansion of overseas trade lessened the importance of the masons’ companies, and they had to change to survive. From active trade associations whose primary function was the regulation of workers and their qualifications, as well as their working conditions, wages, rights and responsibilities, they gradually became mutual benefit societies concerned largely with charity and relief for the destitute and unemployed.

The earliest surviving Masonic documents, “Old Charges” or “Gothic Constitutions,” dating from circa 1390 to the mid 18th century, outline a masons’ duties to his God, his master, his family and society in general. Rev. Dr. James Anderson condensed these ideals into the preface of the 1723 “Book of Constitutions.” In operative terms, the “Old Charges” called on the stone masons to assist a strange mason with up to two weeks’ work and lodging. In speculative terms, they directed masons to aid the needy and act with charity toward all mankind.

In Dorothy Ann Lipson’s book, “Freemasonry in Federalist Connecticut, 1789-1835,” she describes how: “Masonic charity differed in its underlying assumptions and in its style from civic charity. In Connecticut, charity was available to the settled members of a town, regulated by law, and invoked in times of extreme need and as a last resort. Persistent vestiges of the older Puritan ethic, which associated misfortune with divine retribution, made appeals to civic charity a painful necessity. Masonic charity, more broadly defined than its civic counterpart, was available to its members in times of personal crisis wherever they were.” She also notes: “Masonic charity was secret, unlike civic charity whose administration made the entire town privy to the needs of each recipient. The derogation of character implicit in acknowledging poverty must have compounded suffering. In contrast, the Masons asked, ‘What has the world to do with private transactions, whether a widow, an orphan or a pilgrim has obtained relief?’” A touching example of this private, compassionate relief during personal crisis is cited: “Federal Lodge in Watertown, Conn., purchased a cow for the use of a widow and her children, and the cow was carried on its books for several years as a Lodge asset, presumably to spare the family the embarrassment of accepting charity.”

An interesting account of the Masonic relief provided after the Great Chicago Fire of 1871 was presented to the Illinois Lodge of Research by Illustrious Brother Samuel K. Zipp. Six miles long and three miles wide at the time, Chicago had a population of 334,000. The fire destroyed more than half of the city area and sent many thousands into the streets homeless, penniless and desperate. At the time the fire started, Freemasonry in Chicago was flourishing, with 31 Masonic Halls in operation. Brethren were in dire straits; their families scattered, their homes gone and everything they owned lost. Masonic leaders formed committees to administer relief. As word of the losses spread,

contributions amounting to \$83,089.06 in cash and \$7,545.44 in supplies were received by the Masonic Board of Relief, hailing from Brethren and Lodges from Maine, Pennsylvania, Louisiana, Illinois, Dakota Territory and British India. Appendant bodies donated thousands in addition. In fact, the response was so great that on Feb. 1, 1872, reports communicated that sufficient funds had been received to meet all legitimate needs; yet, still more contributions arrived.

The influenza outbreak of 1918 devastated the world, killing an estimated 50 million people in contrast to the 16 million who died during World War I. With soldiers trekking across battlefields and returning home, the virus spread rapidly. One-fifth of the population worldwide suffered from the influenza outbreak to some extent, and one-fourth of Americans contracted it. The influenza epidemic struck the Elizabethtown, Pa., area as severely as other locations. In a grand gesture of service to the community, doctors transferred the Masonic Homes residents without influenza from the Philadelphia Freemasons Hospital to the Grand Lodge Hall Infirmary and opened the on-site hospital to community members with influenza. "This became a splendid asylum for the sorely stricken families of the vicinity who had no place else to go," the Committee on Masonic Homes reported. During the several months the hospital took patients from the community, 82 people with no Masonic affiliation received the best treatment possible. As a result of quarantines and precautions, no Masonic Homes residents or guests died from the influenza epidemic.

Following the formation of the Masonic Service Association in 1919, Masonic relief was provided to numerous countries and within the United States following natural disasters including earthquakes, tornados, floods, hurricanes/typhoons, tsunamis and wildfires, as well as terrorist attacks.

Following the attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, medical professionals from Shriner's Hospitals, including Dr. Robert Sheridan, Assistant Chief of Staff at the Boston Shriner's Hospital, helped to provide emergency care for victims in New York City. They were part of the Burn Response Team of the Disaster Medical Assistance Team which is activated by the Office of Emergency Preparedness under the oversight of FEMA. Shriner's Hospitals are also a part of the National Disaster Medical System, a first-response network of hospitals across the United States pre-identified to help in crisis situations. Although Shriner's Hospitals are pediatric hospitals, dedicated to treating children, Shrine leaders stated that in light of the scope of this tragedy, they would assist adult victims, if needed.

Charity is at the core of Freemasonry. It has been since the founding of this great fraternity, and continues to evolve to meet the changing needs of society.

Sources: www.msana.com; Short Talk Bulletins, May 1962, November 1979, May 1991, July 1997; Emessay Notes, December 2001, March 2013.

Photo: Statue by William Rush, 1756-1833, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia

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,

In April, George Washington Lodge No. 143 was honored to receive Brother Larry A. Derr, Right Worshipful Grand Master, at our stated meeting on April 11, 2025. During the evening, several service awards were presented to members who have reached fifty- and sixty-year milestones in their Masonic journeys. Additionally, our lodge was proud to receive the Lodge of the Year award for District 3 for 2024, with Brother Todd E. Foltz recognized for his outstanding service as Worshipful Master last year. Brother John C. Northcott, PM, was honored with the Master Pillar Award, and Brother Aaron M. Snyder received the Master Builder Award.

It was truly inspiring to see the lodge so full, and it was a great honor to welcome Brother Larry A. Derr, RWGM, to our lodge. I would like to personally thank everyone who helped prepare for the Grand Master's visit; your efforts ensured that the evening's work was both smooth and memorable.

Also in April, we visited Acacia Lodge No. 586 and proudly brought home the Traveling Gavel, which is now residing at George Washington Lodge No. 143.

Our next stated meeting will be held on May 9, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. at 74 South Second Street, Chambersburg, PA. A meal will be served at 6:30 p.m., with donations accepted for the cost of the meal. Darwin Seiler will be presenting a program on Jacksonian Democracy. There will be no extra meeting in May.

Finally, I wish to thank everyone who attended our Ladies Night Banquet on April 26, 2025. The evening was well attended, and I believe everyone enjoyed a wonderful night of fellowship.

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: July 12, 2025

Greetings from the East,

A Stated Meeting of Carlisle Lodge, No. 260, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held at the Masonic Temple, 1236 Holly Pike, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, 17013, on Thursday evening, May 20, 2025, at 7:30 p.m.

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: June 7, 2025



Greetings from the East,

On Tuesday, April 22, 2025, Orrstown Lodge No. 262 closed a chapter of our history and officially began a new one when we took ownership of St Paul Lutheran Church. This ended the “nomad” period of Orrstown Lodge’s history and provides us a permanent home again.

This does not mean that things get easy now, instead we have lots of physical work to do. There are many things that need to be completed to finish off the Lodge room, build a preparing room, and examination room. Come be a part of Orrstown Lodge’s future and visit us at our

May stated and extra meetings.

On May 14th, at 7:00 o’clock PM, we will be conferring a Master Mason Degree on Brother Isaiah Sleighter. Brother James W. Sleighter, PM, will be performing the degree on his son. Once this is completed, it will mark the 6th degree Brother Sleighter has performed for his sons, conferring all three degrees for each. Quite a milestone in our opinion.

This months stated meeting will be held on May 8, 2025, at 7:30 o’clock PM.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

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

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, our April stated meeting and official visit was held on April 7th, 2025. A 75-year service award was presented to Glenn W. Bushey additionally we had 4 eligible for 60-year service awards and 13 eligible for 50-year service awards.

An Extra Meeting was held on April 9th, 2025 where the Master Mason degree was conferred by Brother Robert E. McCaleb III, PM upon Brother William K. Morrison where he was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason.

The lodge hosted the Mechanicsburg North Rotary Club Annual Beer and Wine fundraiser on April 26th, 2025 where there were over 150 participants, including brethren, who attended with numerous breweries, wineries, and distilleries.

Our May Stated Meeting will be held on Monday, May 5th, 2025 at 7:30 P.M. The Program for the evening will be "Lessons Taught for PA Fellowcrafts" by Bro. Richard J. Kellinger. 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, May 2nd, 2025 by texting or calling Bro. Kenneth L. Rapp at (717) 364-7840.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
James C. McElhenie, Jr., WM
Eureka-West Shore Lodge No. 302

EUREKA – WEST SHORE LODGE NO. 302

CONTINENTAL HUNT 2026



Saturday, January 31, 2026

MARTZ'S GAP VIEW HUNTING PRESERVE

610 GAME FARM ROAD

DALMATIA, PA 17017

THIS IS AN ALL DAY EVENT. COST IS \$350.00 PER GUN, 22 GUNS MINIMUM, 33 GUNS MAXIMUM, 10 PHEASANTS PER GUN, LUNCH IS PROVIDED, A ROUND OF WOBBLE TOSS, THEN A WALK UP FOR PHEASANT. THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE WALK UP, FOR THE DOG AND THE HANDLER.

RSVP AND PAYMENT IN FULL TO: SCOTT S FOGLE BY JANUARY 15, 2026 @ 717 648 5528 FEEL FREE TO CALL OR TEXT QUESTIONS. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO BE GIVEN AT LEAST A MONTH IN ADVANCE.

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE LODGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND!!

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

Ladies Night: June 14, 2025

Brethren,

Spring has arrived in full force, and with it, the spirit of renewal that echoes so deeply in our Masonic hearts. April is moving along swiftly, and our lodge has already shared in the warmth of brotherhood and the work of the Craft.

This month, we were honored with the Official Visit of Brother Jeffrey R. Miller, accompanied by the Worshipful Masters of District 3 along with their Senior and Junior Wardens. The evening began with a hearty meal and fellowship that set the tone for what was a meaningful and memorable night in the lodge. Following tradition, we opened a Master Mason Lodge in due and ancient form, reminding all present of the enduring foundation upon which our fraternity is built.

The lodge attended to several items of regular business before holding a vote that welcomed Brother Albert L. Adams as a transfer into our lodge. We also had the privilege of accepting Joseph C. Dyson as a new candidate to begin his journey through the degrees of Freemasonry. Let us each be mindful of the role we play in mentoring and guiding our new brother as he travels the path, we have all walked.

In honor of the 25th Anniversary of the Academy of Masonic Knowledge, the lodge received a commemorative stone and a program booklet from the Worshipful Master. This was presented in memory of Brother Thomas W. Jackson, the first Chairman and a founding member of the Academy. His contributions to Masonic education and the Craft at large remain a lasting legacy. May his example remind us of the importance of learning, wisdom, and commitment to truth.

Two significant moments marked our gathering—both deeply moving and rooted in the finest traditions of the Craft. Brother Jack L. Kelley Sr. was recognized for 50 years of service in Freemasonry and our lodge. In a poignant and symbolic presentation, he was brought to the East by his son-in-law and grandson, Brothers Thomas M. White, PM, and Jason E. White, PM. Brother Jason had the distinct honor of pinning the 50-year emblem to his grandfather's lapel. It was a powerful scene that reminded us of all of the familial and generational ties that Freemasonry nurtures.

We also honored Brother Fred F. Doyle, PM, for 50 years as a Past Master of our lodge. He was

recognized with a commemorative plaque presented by Brother S. Eugene Herritt, RWPGM. This moment acknowledged not just the years, but the legacy of leadership and the impact one man can have on the direction and spirit of a lodge. A poignant thread ties these brothers together: Brother Doyle, as Worshipful Master, conferred the degrees upon Brother Kelley many years ago. To see them both honored on the same evening was a fitting tribute to a brotherhood that endures.



Both honorees spoke from the heart, sharing reflections on what Freemasonry has meant in their lives. Their words served as a gentle but firm reminder: our duty as Masons is not only to preserve the past, but to build upon it. We must continue forward in our work with purpose, resolve, and fidelity to the principles that define us.

After a few words by the District Deputy Grand Master, and other brethren, the lodge was closed in Harmony.

Looking ahead, our next Stated Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 1, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 41 Stewart Place, Shippensburg. Prior to the meeting, a fellowship meal will be served in the Social Hall at 6:30 p.m., featuring baked glazed ham, mac and cheese, seasoned green beans, and chocolate cake. The evening program will feature a presentation by Worshipful Master John R. Ridgway on Brother John Paul Jones. We encourage all brethren to attend and participate in this time of learning and camaraderie.

An Extra Meeting will follow two weeks later on Thursday, May 15, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., also at the Masonic Temple. On this evening, the Entered Apprentice and Fellowcraft Degrees will be conferred upon Brother Joseph C. Dyson, marking the beginning of his journey in the Craft. Let us come together to support and guide him as he takes his first steps in Masonry.

Lastly, please note the date change for our annual Ladies Night, now scheduled for Saturday, June 14, 2025. The event will be held at the American Legion Post 223, located at 100 Dykeman Road in Shippensburg. Join us for an evening of fun, laughter, and great company as we honor the ladies who support us in our Masonic journey. The cost is \$30 per person, and tickets may be obtained through the Worshipful Master, Junior Warden, or Senior Warden. We look forward to celebrating together.

Sincerely and fraternally,
Bro. 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, May 8, 2025, at 7:30 p.m.

Fraternal Greetings,
Brother Phillip S. Hayslett
Worshipful Master

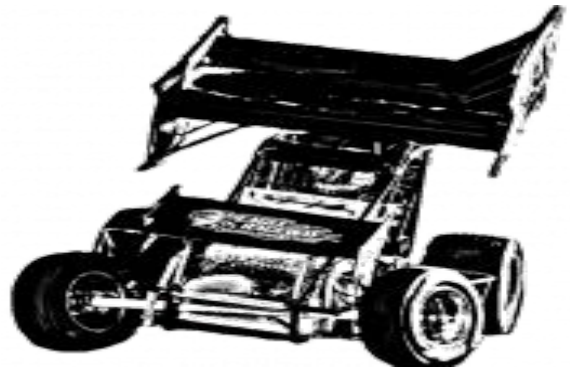


3rd Masonic District

Family Night at the

Grove 2025

Join your Masonic brothers and their families for a night of fellowship while enjoying the Fan Appreciation Night at Williams Grove Speedway on Friday, August 1, 2025



Details:

Gates open at 5:30 pm, racing starts at 7:30

Pits will be open free of charge from 5:30 to 6:15 without a pit pass. Enjoy autographs and photos with your favorite 358 and 410 drivers.

We will gather on the infield near turn one at 7:15 for a group photo.

General admission: \$ 20.00 Adults Adult pits \$10.00 plus admission (\$30)

\$10.00 youth (13-20)

12 & Under FREE

Bring a lawn chair if you wish to watch from the infield or a blanket or padded seat for grand stands seats. There are concessions to purchase or BYOB.

For more information call or text Greg Culp @ 717-752-8069

1 Speedway Drive, Mechanicsburg Pa.



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,

May program is presented by Brother John D Cook PDDGM . Program TBD

Ladies night banquet is May 17 @ 5583 Kennedy Ave St. Thomas meal served at 6:00

Menu is ham balls Roast beef mashed potatoes gravy pepper slaw corn filling apple sauce cake and ice cream.

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

Job's Daughters

P E N N S Y L V A N I A



Pennsylvania Job's Daughters cordially invites your members and their family to attend the **4th Annual Masonic Family Picnic** on **Saturday, June 28, 2025, at 4:00 pm** at the **American Legion Post 262 Pavilion** 3030 Table Rock Rd, Biglerville, PA 17307.

Menu: fried chicken, hot dogs, side dishes, desserts, and beverages

Paper products will be provided.

Join us for:

- Games for youth & adults
- Raffle drawings
- Opportunity to learn about other Masonic organizations.
- Meet new friends
- Yard Games

Any questions and to RSVP to by June 20:

Melinda Culp, PJG
Jurisdictional Guardian Secretary
717-752-8070

Zachary Boyer, PAJG
Fraternal Relations Chair
717-968-7562

****Please share this invitation with all members****

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/>

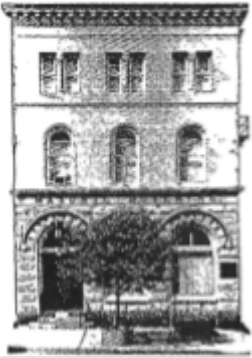
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/acacia586/>

Ladies Night: May 10, 2025

Greetings from the East,

A Stated Meeting of Acacia Lodge, No. 586, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held at the Masonic Temple, 33 West Main Street, Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, 17241, on Friday evening, May 16, 2025, at 7:30 p.m.

Fraternal Greetings,
Brother John E. Shaffer, PM





Acacia Lodge No. 586

Free and Accepted Masons
33 W. Main St. Waynesboro, PA 17268

It is my honor and privilege to extend an
invitation to you and your lady to attend
our Annual Ladies Night Banquet.

RSVP



Saturday May 10th, 2025 @ 5PM



at
Solomon's Evangelical Lutheran Church
4856 Wayne Rd. Chambersburg, PA 17202


John E. Shaffer, PM Worshipful Master



Dinner:
Oven Baked Chicken, Roast Beef
Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans,
Creamed Lettuce



w/ Rolls, Butter, Coffee, Hot Tea & Water

Dessert:
Assorted Pies, and Ice Cream



Worshipful Masters (or Representative) - no charge
Master Masons and/or guests - \$20 per person

RSVP w/ meal choice by April 28th to:
Brother Joshua P. Brown, PM Secretary
(240) 217-0767 or secy0586@pagrandlodge.org



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,

Mount Zion 774 Initiated one new member at an extra meeting the end of March. At our stated meeting in April approximately 30 members and guests enjoyed a pulled pork dinner prior to the meeting. After we conducted the business of the lodge, we closed the meeting and invited the guests back into the lodge room to receive a very interesting and informative program about the Widows Sons Masonic Riders Association. The program was given by our very own brother Christopher Landry. We also have an extra meeting scheduled for May 4 at 3 PM to initiate another new member. The first and second degree will be conferred together that day

Coming up at our stated meeting on May 12 we will be visited by DDGM Brother Jeffrey R Miller for his scheduled official visit. Also At the meeting, we will have recognition of 50 and 60 year members. There will be a very interesting program for the ladies downstairs while we are conducting our business upstairs . Prior to the meeting at 6 PM we will be having a steak, baked potato and salad meal Anyone wishing to attend, please RSVP to the worshipful master so the correct amount of steaks may be prepared cost is \$20 per person Ladies are also invited to attend.contact information is wshmsh789@yahoo.com, or 717-360-5196.

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.

The Pennsylvania Lodge of Research will be celebrating its 25th year in 2025. 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.

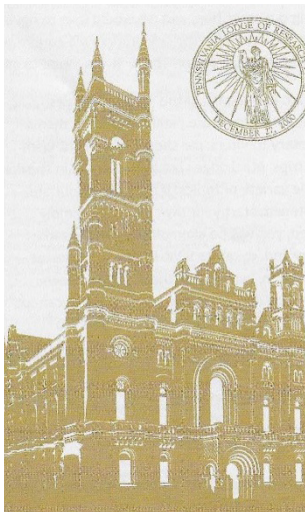
Two speakers are scheduled: Jerry Hamilton will speak on the "Regius Poem or Halliwell Manuscript" and Ronald E. Stuver will present "Exactly Different - Masonry in Pennsylvania and Ohio". A special presentation from RWPGM Eugene Herritt for the 25th Anniversary of the Lodge of Research will be made. Lunch will be provided for a \$15 donation. 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.

Hannah Shank, 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

Hello from PA Job's Daughter's,

Bethel 16 hosted a reception to honor Delaney Stains, Miss Job's Daughter and Miss Congeniality 2024-2025 on March 30. Following the reception, Jeffrey R. Miller, DDGM, was recognized for his support of Job's Daughters with a plaque. We appreciate all the support from the 3rd Masonic District Brothers.

The Miss Job's Daughters pageant was held on April 5th. The pageant was held in the Brosserman Ballroom at Masonic Village in Elizabethtown at 7 pm. Georgia Smeltzer from Bethel 1, York was crowned Pennsylvania Miss Job's Daughter's for the 2025-26 year. Katie Welper from Bethel 16, Chambersburg was crowned Miss Jr. Jobbie for the 2025-26 year. Hannah Shank from Bethel 16, Chambersburg was named Miss Congeniality for the 2025-26 year. Hannah is also the Daughter HIKE Coordinator currently raising money for the HIKE charity. I would like to thank everyone who attended the pageant and supported the daughters. The daughters very much appreciate your support!

On April 13th Bethel 16, Chambersburg held their installation of officers at the George Washington Lodge. Hannah Shank was installed as Honored Queen, Reagan Stains was installed Senior Princess and Katie Welper was installed Junior Princess for the ensuing term. There was a celebration meal held after the installation.

Please mark your calendars for the 4th Annual Job's Daughters Masonic Picnic June 28th at 4pm. The picnic will be held rain or shine at the American Legion Woods in Biglerville. The event is free, and all are welcome to attend. Please RSVP if you plan to attend to Greg Culp at 717-752-8069 call or text.

Fraternally,
Gregory R. Culp
PA Associate Jurisdictional Guardian
SW Acacia Lodge # 586



Delaney Stains Reception as Miss Job's Daughter and Miss Congeniality with members of Bethel 16 Chambersburg.



Honoring District Deputy Jeffrey R. Miller for his support of Pennsylvania Job's Daughters with members of Bethel 16, Chambersburg.



Above Left: 2025-2026 Pennsylvania Job's Daughters Misses Katie, Georgia and Hannah
 Above Right: Hannah Shank Honored Queen Bethel 16 Chambersburg
 Left: Officers installation Bethel 16 Chambersburg

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,



Riding season is now upon us. If you have a desire to ride with like minded Master Masons, and share the Masonic life with other motorcycle riders, please contact one of the Widow Sons chapters near you. With many charity rides planned by many of the state chapters and our annual fall gathering held in October, we are 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, and will be back in Gettysburg, PA.

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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