



PENNSYLVANIA MASONS

The District 3 Dispatch



District 3 Traveling Gavel on the Move

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2026 Official Visit Schedule

Completed for this year

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

Event Announcements

Fall Regional School of Instruction

October 24, 2026

Carlisle Masonic Center

1236 Holly Pike Carlisle, PA 17013

Introductions will begin at 8am. We will be demonstrating the 3rd degree, election, and installation procedures. This Regional School is being held jointly with Region 3.

Additional Regional Schools will take place on August 29th in Pittsburgh and November 14th in Allentown.

All WM, SW, JW, Principals, VPs, and Senior Lodge Instructors are expected to attend one or more of these schools.

From the Desk of Brother Timothy C. Dedman

District Deputy Grand Master, Third Masonic District



Brethren of the “Thriving 3rd” Masonic District,

Spring is here, and we are already a quarter of the way through the Masonic year. As we are reminded, “Time is, time was, but no man can say time will be.” Let that serve as a call to action—make each day count and strive to live up to the lessons and charges we so often hear.

I extend my sincere thanks to each lodge for the excellent work displayed during our Official Visits. The strong attendance, the fellowship shown, and the quality of each presentation reflected well on our district and the Craft as a whole.

Our focus now turns to the upcoming Ladies Night banquets. These evenings are more than tradition—they are an opportunity to honor the women who support our work and to remember those who have gone before us. I strongly urge each lodge to personally invite the widows of our departed brethren. If needed, do not hesitate to use Almoner’s funds to ensure they can attend. Their presence matters.

In the months ahead, communities across Pennsylvania will celebrate the 250th Anniversary of our nation. Each lodge should take an active role by connecting with your local “America 250” committees. This is a rare opportunity to demonstrate who we are and what we stand for in our communities—do not let it pass by.

Having now visited each lodge, I have seen firsthand the strength of brotherhood within our district. Now is the time to build on that strength. Reach out—personally—to a brother you have not seen in some time. Invite him back. Re-engage him. That simple act can make the difference.

The vitality of our lodges will not come from programs alone—it will come from personal effort. Make that effort.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Timothy C. Dedman
District Deputy Grand Master
Masonic District 3

From the Desk of Brother Daniel K. Confer, P.M.

Principal, Third Masonic District School of Instruction



Brethren All:

I hope that you will join us on Monday, May 18th for the School of Instruction. The work of the evening is a table lodge and Masonic Protocol exemplified by Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315. Please continue to work on your certifications and let me or the DDGM know when you are ready to certify. I will make sure that someone from the School of Instruction is available to hear the work. Please don't wait until the 11th hour for your certifications! If there is anything I can do to help you get the most out of the School of Instruction, please let me know. The staff and I are here to help you.

Sincerely & fraternally,
Brother Daniel K. Confer, PM - Principal District 3 SOI



GRAND LODGE of PENNSYLVANIA

2026 District 3 School Of Instruction Schedule Monthly SOI Meetings @ 7:30 p.m.

May 18: (Adjust for Memorial Day weekend) Table Lodge, Masonic Protocol (exemplifying proper grips & signs). - Responsibility: Lodge No. 315

Aug. 24: Master Mason Degree with Low Vale degree team. - Responsibility: Low Vale degree team. (302)

Sep. 28: Funeral Service, Examination of a Visitor - Responsibility: Lodge No. 262

Oct. 26: Guide Clinic - Responsibility: Lodge No. 302.

Nov. 16: Election and Installation of Officers. - Responsibility: Lodge No. 143

Dec. 21: Business of the Lodge, as in January of 2026. - Responsibility: Incoming WM's

REGIONAL SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

DATE & LOCATION(S)

October 24, 2026
Carlisle Masonic Center

REGION 2 OFFICER TRAINING SEMINARS

DATE & LOCATION(S)

Regional Officer Training
Saturday September 19, 2026
Harrisburg Consistory

DISTRICT 3 LOW VALE

Hold the Date
District 3 Low Vale
September 16, 2026
Location TBD

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 18, 2026. The work of the evening will be Table Lodge, Masonic Protocol (exemplifying proper grips & signs). - Responsibility: Lodge No. 315.

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!

One of the great benefits of Free Masonry is the fellowship amongst brothers. To this end, we the two 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 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 and the 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.

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)

TALL CEDARS OF LEBANON GOLF UNIT

2026 SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>GOLF COURSE</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>MEAL</u>
April 30, 2026	9:00AM	<u>Blue Mountain G.C</u> Fredericksburg, PA	\$45.00	Included
May 27, 2026	8:30 AM	<u>Deer Valley</u> Harrisburg, PA	\$40.00	Included
June 25, 2026	9:00 AM	<u>Eagles Crossing G.C.</u> Carlisle, PA	\$40.00	Included
July 30, 2026	9:00 AM	<u>Cumberland G.C.</u> Carlisle, PA	\$45.00	Included
Aug 27, 2026	TBD Tee times	Sunset Golf Club	\$45.00	Included
Sept. 24, 2026	9:00 AM	<u>Royal Oaks G.C.</u> Lebanon, PA	\$45.00	Included
Oct. 15, 2026	9:00 AM	<u>Cool Creek G.C.</u> Wrightsville, PA	\$45.00	Included



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JOHN D. COOK, 33°
Secretary

March 1, 2026

GREETINGS CONSISTORY GOLFERS,

One day 70-degree weather then the next week we have snow, well that's Pennsylvania.

With these warm temperatures every other day, can only mean one thing. It's time to start thinking "GOLF". So dig out those golf clubs, dust them off and hit the driving range.

The first Consistory golf outing will be on Thursday, April 9th, 2026; at Rich Valley Golf Course. Tee time for this shotgun start will be **9am**. Please arrive a half hour early to register and get your cart assignments.

Cost of the outing is \$45.00 which includes golf, cart, and lunch.

DON'T FORGET TO BRING ALONG A BROTHER MASON TO ENJOY THE DAY

-----CUT OFF-----

PLEASE RETURN THIS PORTION ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK FOR \$45.00 FOR THE APRIL 9th OUTING. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "CONSISTORY GOLF CLUB" AND RETURN BY APRIL 3rd.

FOURSOME:

Please provide your: Cell Phone Number _____

Email address -----

**RETURN TO: TERRY COFFMAN
505 BOWMAN AVENUE
LEWISBERRY, PA 17339-9513**

Telephone: 717 576-2642 (c)

Masonic Insight

A Series In Masonic Education

Missing Man Table The Ceremony Explained

This is part 2 of a two part series. Part 1 was posted in the April edition

By Brother Ralph Onesti
Jerusalem Lodge 506

Now let us review the meaning of the items on our Missing Man Table:

The table is round: showing our everlasting concern for our men and women still missing.

(Item is placed)

“Remember” Bell rings

The tablecloth is white. The cloth symbolizes the purity of their motives when answering the call to duty.

(Item is placed)

“Remember” Bell rings

A single red rose is displayed in a vase. The red rose reminds us of the life of each of the missing and of their loved ones and close friends who keep the faith and await answers concerning their missing family member or friend.

(Item is placed)

“Remember” Bell rings

The vase is tied with a red ribbon which is a symbol of our continued determination to account for our missing. Although the ribbon has been temporarily broken, it is still firmly in our grasp; and we will continue to search.

(Item is placed)

“Remember” Bell rings

A slice of lemon on the bread plate reminds us of the bitter fate of those captured and missing in a foreign land.

(Item is placed)

“Remember” Bell rings

A pinch of salt on the bread plate symbolizes the tears endured by those missing and their families who seek answers.

(Item is placed)

“Remember” Bell rings

An inverted glass is placed at the place setting. The inverted glass symbolizes their inability to share in this evening’s meal.

(Item is placed)

“Remember” Bell rings

There is a chair tilted forward against the table as though being saved for someone; the empty chair symbolizes that although they are missing, they are not forgotten.

(Item is placed)

“Remember” Bell rings

The candle is reminiscent of the Light of Hope which lives in our hearts to illuminate their way home, away from their captors to the open arms of a grateful nation.

(Item is placed)

“Remember” Bell rings

As this is an example of the ethos of the Military, I believe this demonstrates the ethos of our Masonic Fraternity, and as I remember, there wasn’t a dry eye in the crowd.
Please...pass the tissues.

Respectfully,
Brother Ralph Onesti
Jerusalem Lodge 506

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 Thomas J. Papoutsis

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

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

Ladies Night: May 16, 2026

Greetings from the East,

George Washington Lodge No. 143 is Standing Proud, as it is now decorated for the America 250 Celebration. This was accomplished with the assistance of the Franklin County Visitors Center, who provided the bunting and banners. It is such an honor to be the Custodians of History as our 202-year-old Temple stands, so beautifully adorned, for Our Nations 250th Anniversary.

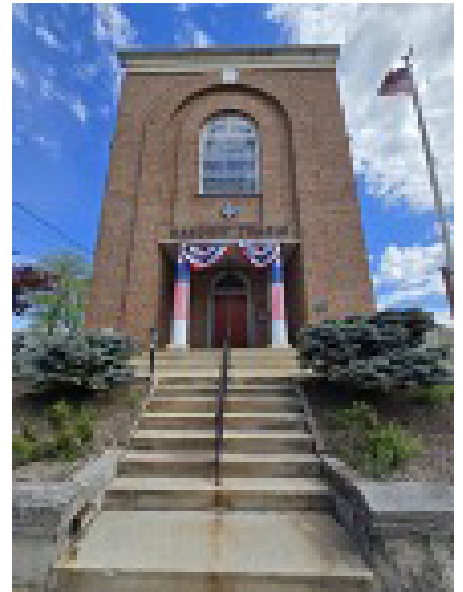
The Officers and Brothers held our Stated Meeting on April 10th, hosting the DDGM and officers from across the District for his Official Visit. It was a very well attended meeting, and it was Great to see and chat with all our visiting District Officers.

The very next morning, Brothers Aaron M. Snyder SW, Jon H. Greenawalt JW and I, left well in advance of the "crack of dawn" for the Grand Lodge to attend regional training. What a Great



time and experience spending the day attending training at the Grand Lodge, enjoying fellowship with Brothers and of course.... Cheese Steaks!! If you have not been to Grand Lodge, You Have To GO!

** Our Ladies Night Banquet is being held on Saturday, May 16th at the Chambersburg VFW Post #1599. Social Hour: 5:30 – 6:30 with light appetizers and cash bar. Dinner: 6:30 – 7:30, Choice of Stuffed Chicken Breast or Roast sirloin of Beef with Parsley Buttered Potatoes, Buttered Broccoli and choice of a tossed salad, coleslaw or applesauce. Entertainment: Loose Screws Jazz Band. Tickets are \$35 per person and can be purchased from the Worshipful Master by calling me at 717-360-5731 or emailing tjpapoutsis@outlook.com RSVP with dinner choice by Saturday May 9th.



In closing, I would like to encourage ALL of you to engage with Brothers, enjoy the fellowship and comradery of OUR GREAT FRATERNITY, and provide service to God, Our Country, Our Neighbors, Our Families and Ourselves! Travel Well Brothers!

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Thomas J. Papoutsis
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: September 19, 2026

Greetings from the East,

Our lodge was pleased to host the District Deputy Grand Master for his official visit on April 21. It was truly a special night for our lodge: attendance was stellar, we shared in Masonic brotherhood from across our district, and we honored three brethren who served our order for 50 and 60 years.

I will momentarily boast that Carlisle – albeit briefly – claimed the Traveling Gavel! A delegation of seven Carlisle brethren visited Acacia Lodge No. 586 on the evening of April 17 and received the gavel. Alas, easy come easy go, as the saying goes. That esteemed gavel rested in our hands a paltry four days before it was claimed by Eureka-West Shore Lodge No. 302 at our stated meeting! Well done, Brothers! We'll get it back one day soon!

Tuesday, May 19, 2026, Carlisle Lodge No. 260 will hold its stated meeting at the Carlisle Masonic Center. At 6:30 PM, we will meet in the social room and share a meal of barbecue sandwiches and blueberry cobbler. The meeting will follow, beginning promptly at 7:30 PM. During our meeting I will share a presentation on Star Wars and Freemasonry, and we'll learn how the Light of Force and the Light of Freemasonry may not be so different! Note that there will be no extra meeting this month.

Lastly, our lodge will once again be holding a blood drive with the American Red Cross this month! Please join us at the lodge on Thursday, May 21 between 12:00 and 5:00 PM to donate blood and aid the Red Cross in their worthy cause. To schedule your appointment, [click here](#) and search "Carlisle Masons".

Fraternally yours,
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 James W. Sleighter, PM

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

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

Ladies Night: June 6, 2026

Hello Brethren of District # 3



Orrstown Lodge's April Stated Meeting started out with a tasty Loaded Baked Potato Bar & Side Salad. We then had a very nice program presented by the Job's Daughters - Bethel #16 from Chambersburg.

Our next Stated Meeting will be Thursday May 28th at 7:30pm. No Meal will be served prior. The speaker of the evening will be Brother Clint Barkdoll from Acacia Lodge # 586. Attorney Barkdoll will be presenting a program on Estate Planning. Topics to be included will be on Wills, and Financial & Health Care Power of Attorney documents. This will be a great night to learn about establishing a firm foundation for your personal family affairs. Planning for the future is one of the most important steps you can take to protect your loved ones and ensure your wishes are honored. Please bring any questions that you may have in regard to any of these concerns.



Right around the corner will be Orrstown Lodge # 262's Ladies Night Banquet. We would love to have you attend solo or to be accompanied by your Lady.

The banquet will be on Saturday June 6, 2026 at Tall Timbers Park located at 3159 Orrstown Road, Shippensburg PA. Social arrival will begin at 6:00pm and the Dinner/Program will begin at 6:30pm.

The Meal will include a Salad and Dinner Rolls, Marinated Pork Loin, BBQ Glazed Chicken Breast, Scalloped Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, and Assorted Desserts and Beverages.



Entertainment will be “Whispering Creek Bluegrass.” This is an easy listening bluegrass band from Adams County PA, who plays & sings bluegrass, folk, country and gospel songs.

Please reach out to me by May 22nd for tickets (\$30.00). 717-860-2431 or jim.terri.sleighter@gmail.com

Looking forward to having you at our events.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Brother James W. Sleighter, PM
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 Freddy X. Lebron

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

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

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

Ladies Night: September 26, 2026



Greetings from the East,

Eureka–West Shore Lodge No. 302 had an outstanding April, filled with fellowship, education, degree work, service, and strong District 3 participation.

We began the month on April 6th with our Stated Meeting and the Official Visit of our District Deputy Grand Master, Brother Timothy C. Dedman. It was a wonderful evening of Masonic fellowship, made even better by a special meal prepared by my wife and our Steward. The meal was very well received, and I extend my sincere thanks to everyone who helped make the evening memorable.

On April 8th, we had the privilege of welcoming a new Entered Apprentice Mason into the Craft. We congratulate our newest Brother and look forward to walking with him as he begins his Masonic journey.

On April 25th, we gathered at the Lodge for a watch party for April's Academy of Masonic Knowledge. With 8 members present, it was a great opportunity to learn together, enjoy fellowship, and continue strengthening our Masonic education.



Later in the month, Eureka–West Shore was once again on the move in District 3. During our District 3 Official Visit to Carlisle Lodge No. 260, we collected the Traveling Gavel and brought it back home. We had 13 members present to help capture the gavel, including 7 Past Masters. To those Past Masters, and to every Brother who came out in support, I say: thank you. Your presence showed strong support for both our Lodge and our District.



Throughout April, we also continued to see strong support for our Help for Our Heroes Challenge. The dedication of our Brethren to this effort reflects the spirit of service that remains strong within Eureka-West Shore Lodge No. 302.

April was a month of momentum, fellowship, and meaningful labor in the Quarry. I am grateful to all the Brethren who continue to show up, lend a hand, support our Lodge, and strengthen the bonds of District 3 Masonry.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Brother Freddy Xavier Lebron
Worshipful Master
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 Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1486480571653567>

Ladies Night: November 5, 2026

April Stated Meeting

Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315 held its April Stated Meeting in Shippensburg, and it proved to be a very enjoyable and meaningful evening for the Lodge. We were pleased to welcome the District Deputy Grand Master, along with Worshipful Masters and officers from throughout District 3. Their presence added greatly to the evening and reflected the strong bond of fellowship shared among the Lodges of our district.

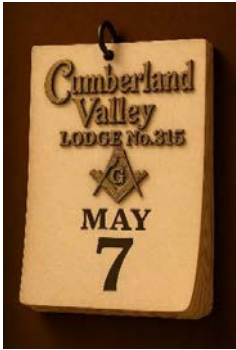
The evening included a fine meal, the regular business of the Lodge, and the kind of brotherly fellowship that makes these gatherings worthwhile. A special highlight was the recognition of several longtime members for their faithful years of service to the Craft. Congratulations are extended to Brother William H. Ruth, Jr., and Brother Richard W. Briggs, Jr., for receiving their 60-year Masonic Service Awards, and to Brother Jay M. Wyrick for receiving his 50-year Masonic Service Award. Their loyalty, dedication, and steady commitment to Cumberland Valley Lodge and to Freemasonry are deeply appreciated and serve as a fine example for all of us.



April Extra Meeting

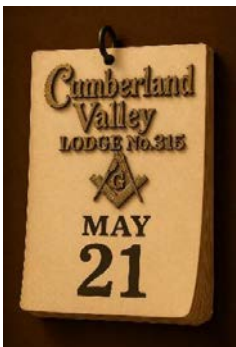
On April 16, Cumberland Valley Lodge held an Extra Meeting and had the great pleasure of conferring the Master Mason Degree upon Brother Thomas Franklin Mills. It was a fine evening of Shippensburg Freemasonry, and we are proud to see Brother Mills further advanced and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Sincere thanks are extended to the degree team, and especially to Brother Thomas P. Kennedy, P.M., who conferred the degree, for helping make the evening so memorable. Congratulations, Brother Mills, and welcome to our newest Brother.

May Stated Meeting



Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315 will hold its May Stated Meeting on Thursday, May 7, 2026, 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., with a menu of sandwich tray, salad, and dessert. The program for the evening will be “Brotherhood in Action,” presented by Brother Arbab N. Kasi, Junior Warden. All brethren are warmly invited to attend and enjoy an evening of fellowship, instruction, and Masonic brotherhood.

May Extra Meeting



Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315 will also hold an Extra Meeting on Thursday, May 21, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 41 Stewart Place, Shippensburg, PA. The Entered Apprentice Mason Degree will be conferred upon Brycen Don Doyle by order of Brother John R. Ridgway, Worshipful Master. All brethren are encouraged to attend and support him as he begins his Masonic journey.

Fraternally and sincerely,
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: October 10, 2026



Greetings from the East,

On Thursday May 14th Big Spring will hold our monthly meeting at 7:30 pm with a presentation on "Masonic Gloves" presented by Bro Robert Lindsay PM.

We will be having a chicken dinner prior to the stated meeting at 6:30. Please come out and see us!

Fraternal Greetings,
Brother Phillip S. Hayslett
Worshipful Master

3rd Masonic District Family Night at the Grove 2026

1 Speedway Drive, Mechanicsburg Pa.



World of Outlaws and the PA Pose



Friday July 31, 2026

All Masonic bodies and their families welcome for a fun evening
Of fellowship and of course racing!!

Gates open at 5:00 pm, racing starts at 7:30 pm

General admission: \$35 Adult \$45 Adult pits
\$15 youth (13-20)

We will gather on the infield near turn one at 6:30 pm for a group photo.

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

Dress is favorite Masonic casual or race attire.

For more information call or text

Greg Culp @ 717-752-8069



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: TBA

Greetings from the East,

A stated meeting on May 19th at 7:30 above the Truist Bank program will be presented by Bro Bill Britton PM

May 2 is our ladies night banquet at Williamson Community Center 1583 Kennedy Ave St. Thomas it is 25.00 per person, Worshipful Masters and Representatives no change.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
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 Gregory R. Culp

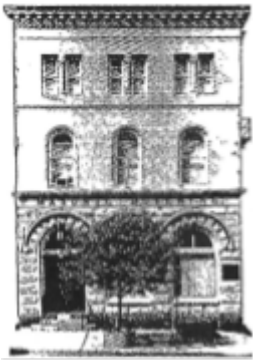
Website: <http://acacia586.org/>

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

Ladies Night: October 24, 2026

Greetings from the East,

Sunday, April 26th, I had the honor to attend Bethel 16 installation of officers meeting. Katie W. was installed as Honored Queen for the upcoming term. I also presented the Bethel with a donation from Acacia to support the daughters and their endeavors.



On Friday, May 15th, we hold our Stated meeting at 7:30 pm with a nice home-cooked meal

by brother Carl Lynch, SW picnic style being served up at 6:30 pm prior to the meeting. The program for the evening, "The Power of 5 Youth Groups and their Masonic importance" will be presented by Brother Zachary E. W. Boyer, DDGM of the 1st Masonic District.



On Saturday, May 23rd, at 8 am, we will gather behind the lodge to finish painting the inside storage units and complete the rehab project.

Saturday, June 6th, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania will be holding Grand Communications in Scranton at 10 am. George Washington Lodge 143 and Acacia Lodge 586 are teaming up and hosting a Grand Communications watch party at the George Washington Masonic Lodge rather than traveling to Scranton. We will be providing breakfast at 8:30 am and then watching the Pennsylvania Grand Lodge Communication on the lodge room TVs at 10 am. We will then provide lunch after the conclusion of the meeting. This is a great way to attend a Grand Lodge function from the comfort of the lodge room and spend time with your brothers. Dress will be Masonic casual.

Fraternal Greetings,
Brother Gregory R. Culp
Worshipful Master



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 15, 2026

Greetings from the East,

Mount Zion Lodge No. 774 will hold its May Stated Meeting on Monday, May 11, at 7:30 PM at 311 North Second Street, McConnellsburg, PA. A meal will be served prior to the meeting at 6:30 PM. Please RSVP to the Worshipful Master by call or text at 717-360-5196 if you plan to attend so the proper amount of food may be prepared. Ladies are invited to attend the meal and program. The program for the evening will be a presentation by Past Right Worship Grand Master Brother S. Eugene Herritt. The topic of the program is not yet decided, but it is sure to be entertaining.

We hope that you can join us for our meal, fellowship, and meeting to follow.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
William S. Hoffman, PM
Worshipful Master

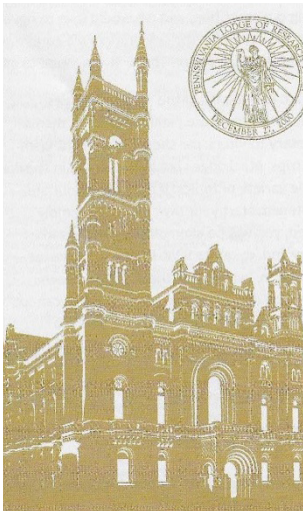
Pennsylvania Lodge of Research

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 No. 1 extends fraternal greetings to our brethren across Pennsylvania's 3rd Masonic district. At the December meeting the lodge heard paper presentations from Bro. Jack Speece and Bro. Justin Pearl on masonic knowledge and the anti-masonic conspiracy theorist James Shelby Downard, respectively. As we turn to A.L. 6026, we extend our thanks to Bro. Jack Speece, PM, outgoing worshipful master, and welcome the following elected officers to serve for the ensuing Masonic year, beginning on December 27th, 2025:

WM	Bro. Jerome J. Phillips
SW	Bro. Jason F. Craig
JW	Bro. William L. Britton
Treas	Bro. Donald Cramer
Sec	Bro. Justin Pearl

Our next stated meeting will be held Saturday, June 20, 2026, at the Valley of Harrisburg Scottish Rite Cathedral 2701 N 3rd St, Harrisburg, PA 17110, USA, beginning at 10:00 o'clock ante meridian, Eastern Time

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. Justin Pearl, 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,
Jerome Phillips, WM
Pennsylvania Lodge of Research



The Right Worshipful Grand Master
Bro. Robert D. Brink, RWGM

*"The History of the Tun Tavern and
the Tun Legacy Foundation"*

Past Grand Commander
Bro. Joshua J. Nay, PM

*"A Brief History of Knights
Templar in Pennsylvania"*

THE PENNSYLVANIA LODGE OF RESEARCH



June 20, 2026



10:00 AM

The Valley of Harrisburg
Scottish Rite Cathedral

2701 N 3rd St
Harrisburg, PA 17110

Opened in the First Degree. Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft Masons welcome!

Job's Daughters

Bethel 16, Chambersburg, Pa.

Reagan 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 Hershey Brownstone Lodge # 666

Hello from PA Job's Daughter's,

The Job's Daughters pageant was held on March 28th at the Zembo Shrine Auditorium in Harrisburg. This was a new venue to us this year. Thank you to Zembo for opening the doors to allow Pennsylvania Job's Daughters to hold a wonderful Pageant this year. Congratulations to the following daughters to serve as Pennsylvania Job's Daughter for this upcoming year. Samantha B. was selected as Pennsylvania Miss Job's Daughter. Samantha is from Bethel 12 in Gettysburg. Reagan S. was selected as Pennsylvania Miss Junior Job's Daughters for the upcoming year. Reagan is from Bethel 16 in Chambersburg. Courtney B. was selected as Pennsylvania Miss Congeniality for the upcoming year. Courtney is from Bethel 21 in Butler.

Bethel 19 Mechanicsburg/ Hershey on May 2nd will be helping with the Water Buffalo Degree Scottish Rite, 2701 North 3rd Street, Harrisburg. On May 23rd, the daughters will also be helping with The Brownstone Lodge in Hershey's Chicken BBQ event with face painting and promotion.

On Sunday, April 26th, Bethel 16 installed Katie W. to serve as Honored Queen for the upcoming term. Bethel 16 invites all Master Masons to join them at their meetings, which will be on Sunday, May 3rd; Sunday, June 14th, and Sunday, June 28th, at 2:00 pm before they take a break for the summer. Bethel 16 will be hosting a promotional event on Saturday, July 11th at the George Washington Lodge. Watch for more details and encourage any young lady between 9-19 to attend and see how they can lead, bloom, and grow as members of Job's Daughters..

Fraternally,
Brother Gregory R. Culp
Associate Jurisdictional Guardian



Widows Sons

Marked & Hewn - Chambersburg

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

Temple Guard - Carlisle/Mechanicsburg

President Mike "Big Stick" Weibley, PM - Meets Third 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 though the motorcycling community.

The upcoming year is already shaping up to be a busy one for the Widows Sons. The 2026 Grand Master Ride will be held in Johnstown, PA, in August. More details will come in next months addition.

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 Fraternally,
Rich "Meat" Kline, PM
President, Marked & Hewn Chapter

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Michael "Big Stick" Weibley, PM
President, Temple Guard Chapter



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