



PENNSYLVANIA MASONS

The District 3 Dispatch *Special June Edition!*



District 3 Past Masters Club Dinner

District 3 Past Master Club Dinner was a big success. Thanks to Bro. Eric T. Downs for an outstanding program on the Revolutionary War battle that nearly won the war for the British. A great night of food and fellowship.

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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,

As we enter June and the summer months, we are afforded an opportunity to pause and reflect on the first part of the year, prepare for the months ahead, and experience Freemasonry in a different way through fellowship, family activities, and community events.

The beginning of the year has been filled with meetings and activity throughout our district. From the presentation of a new District Deputy in January, to all nine lodges hosting their official visits, to our stated meetings, extra meetings, and Schools of Instruction, the calendar has been full. Because these events come in such rapid succession, we sometimes fail to pause and recognize all that has been accomplished.

I have been pleased not only with the ritualistic work I have witnessed throughout our lodges, but also with the enthusiasm shown for fellowship, community involvement, and Masonic education. At our most recent School of Instruction, nearly every lodge announced a social event planned for the summer months. This is encouraging and speaks to the vitality of our district. These gatherings strengthen the bonds of brotherhood, provide opportunities to involve our families, and remind us that Freemasonry extends beyond the walls of our lodge rooms.

As we move into a season that often brings a different pace to our lives, the Masonic tool of the 24-inch gauge offers an important reminder. While we often think of this working tool as teaching us to divide our day wisely, it also reminds us that all our time is precious and limited. It teaches us the importance of balance—between labor and refreshment, service and family, duty and rest.

I encourage each of you to take time to reflect on the good work being done throughout our district, attend one of the many events being hosted by our lodges this summer, and continue strengthening the bonds of brotherhood that make the Third District thrive. Let us also use this season to prepare for the many opportunities that await us in the latter part of the year.

Have a safe, enjoyable, and productive summer. May we continue to exemplify the principles of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth, carrying the lessons learned within our lodge rooms into our homes, workplaces, churches, and communities.

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 enjoy your summer break and activities!

We will see you again at the August 24th School Of Instruction where we will be doing the Master Mason Degree with Low Vale degree team. - Responsibility: Low Vale degree team. (302)

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



GRAND LODGE of PENNSYLVANIA

Masonic Events

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

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

Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2026
Location: Camp Tuckahoe Scout Camp, 400
Tuckahoe Rd, Dillsburg, PA
Dinner at 6:30, Degree at 7:30
See flyer for details and dinner tickets

Civil War Lodge of Research No. 1865, A.F. & A.M.

July 18, 2026, at 10:00 AM at Acacia Lodge No. 586 in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania

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 August 24, 2026. The work of the evening will be Master Mason Degree with Low Vale degree team. - Responsibility: Low Vale degree team. (302).

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!



DISTRICT 3 LOW VALE

RAISING BROTHERS.
STRENGTHENING BROTHERHOOD.

SEPTMBER 16, 2026



at **CAMP TUCKAHOE
SCOUT CAMP**

HOSTED BY
EUREKA-WEST SHORE LODGE NO. 302

400 TUCKAHOE RD,
DILLSBURG, PA 17019
BRING A LAWN CHAIR



DINNER
6:30 PM



DEGREE
7:30 PM

MASTER MASONS ONLY



MEAL INCLUDES:
STEAK, BAKED POTATO,
VEGETABLE, AND DRINK



SCAN TO
GET TICKETS



DINNER COST: \$30

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)

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





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!

Valley **BARBEQUE**

Dinner and Cigar Smoker

**SATURDAY
AUGUST 2ND
1-7PM**

**Eat in or
Takeout!**

20.00 pp
Order your
tickets before
they sell out!

BBQ chicken
Coleslaw
Potato salad
Corn on the cob
Buttered roll
Dessert

**Contact the Valley Office at
717-238-8867 or email;
john@valleyofharrisburg.org**

REGISTER TODAY!

Register online at our website!
<https://cdcofcentralpa.org/golf>

Captain Name

Contact Cell Number

Contact Email

Team Member #1

Team Member #2

Team Member #3

Team Member #4

I would love to make a donation in the amount of:



EVENT INFO

Registration fee includes:

Greens Fees
Golf Cart
Lunch

Two non-alcoholic beverages on the course

\$125 per person

\$500 foursome

Other games of chance and auctions at the tournament

Make Checks payable to:

CDC, Inc.

Send Registration Forms to:

Golf Tournament Regis.

29 Greenmont Drive

Enola, PA 17025

Want to pay with credit?

Register online

<https://cdcofcentralpa.org/golf>



Range End Golf Club

303 Golf Club Avenue
Dillsburg, PA 17019

July 17, 2026

Shotgun Start at 8:30 AM

Registration due by July 1

Register online at our website!
<https://cdcofcentralpa.org/golf>

GOLF TOURNAMENT

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Want to support a good cause and get your name or company an opportunity to show your support?

Why not become a sponsor?

Sign Sponsor
\$100

Listing in Program and sign on course



Gold Sponsor
\$500

Listing in Program & sign on the course



Platinum Sponsor
\$1000

Listing in Program
Green Sign
Foursome

TOURNAMENT SPONSORSHIPS



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Listing in program & sign at two holes



Beverage Sponsor
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Listing in program
Sign on beverage Cart
Foursome



Golf Cart Sponsor
\$2000

Listing in program
Sign on participant's golf carts
Foursome



Who We Are
Children who participate in the program receive at no cost one-on-one multi-sensory reading and written language tutoring. School teachers and other interested individuals have received training to become certified tutors at no cost. The Children's Dyslexia Centers strive to give each child the tools they need to have a successful and happy life.

Our Mission

Is carried out free of charge, without regard to race, color, sex, creed, sect, or Masonic affiliation





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