



# Union Lodge No. 479

F. & A. M.

Constituted November 10, 1870



March 2019

Meets the fourth Thursday of each month

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## Elected Officers

**Worshipful Master**  
E. GEORGE OATMAN, JR.  
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**Senior Warden**  
NATHANIEL E. SHERMAN, III  
SW@unionlodge479.com

**Junior Warden**  
SCOTT R. REESER  
JW@unionlodge479.com

**Treasurer**  
WILLIAM L. HERZ, P.M.  
Treasurer@unionlodge479.com

**Secretary**  
STEPHEN L. ROWE, SR.  
Secy0479@pagrandlodge.org

**Trustees**  
ALONZO W. CLEGG, III  
RICHARD A. WOLF, P.M.  
WILLIAM M. EGGLESTON

**Representative in the Grand Lodge**  
ERIC A. BAUSCH, P.M.

**Substitute Representative in the Grand Lodge**  
GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M.

**Lodge Almoner**  
GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M.  
Almoner@unionlodge479.com

**District Deputy Grand Master 40<sup>th</sup> Masonic District**  
TIMOTHY L. PLETCHER, P.M.  
DDGM40@pagrandlodge.org



A Stated Meeting of  
**UNION LODGE No. 479, Free and Accepted Masons**  
will be held in **THE MASONIC TEMPLE**  
201 Washington Street, Birdsboro, PA  
**THURSDAY EVENING MARCH 28, 2019 at 7:00 O'CLOCK P.M.**

### PROGRAM

#### **THE FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE WILL BE CONFERRED**

Recommenders are urged to attend their candidate's degrees.

A southern supper of gumbo, pulled pork and sides will be served prior to the Meeting, at 6 p.m. with dessert being served after the meeting.

### ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held at the Lodge on Palm Sunday, April 14, promptly at 1:00 p.m. As usual there will be prizes, candy, food and fun for children ages 10 and under. This is a FREE EVENT and is open to all. Volunteers are needed and Donations are being accepted by Bro. Bill Herz; contact him at 484-568-2654. Rain (or snow) date is Good Friday, April 19, at 6:00 p.m.

### 40th MASONIC DISTRICT 2019 VISITATION SCHEDULE

The Official Visitations are an opportunity to meet our brethren of the 40th District, as well as enjoy a night of fellowship. We will carpool from Union Lodge, allowing enough time to travel to the various lodges. Most meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. Contact the Worshipful Master if you intend on travelling with us.

April 1st	Phoenix Lodge No. 75	Royersford
April 4th	Springford Lodge No. 553	Royersford
April 8th	Mt. Pickering Lodge No. 446	Chester Springs
April 9th	Perkiomen Lodge No. 595	Red Hill
April 25th (7 p.m.)	Union Lodge No. 479	Birdsboro

### RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER INSTALLATION

Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Brother Thomas Gamon IV, will be installed as the Right Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania on December 27, 2019. Please consider attending his installation. More information will follow as it becomes available.

Bro. Gamon, is a Past Master of Perkiomen Lodge No. 595, Red Hill, and served as District Deputy Grand Master of District 40, 2002-2008; as a Representative in Grand Lodge and an Aide to the Grand Master, 2012-2013; as a member of the Masonic Education Committee, 2010-2011, and the Masonic Villages Board of Directors, 2013-present. He is also a recipient of the DeMolay Legion of Honor.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Wednesday Night  
1st Wednesday of each month  
3rd Wednesday of each month

Union Lodge School of Instruction (SOI) at 7 p.m.  
District 40 SOI - Spring-Ford Lodge No. 553, at 7 p.m.  
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Mar. 27, 2019 - Temple Association Meeting, Union Lodge No. 479 at 6 p.m.  
Mar. 28, 2019 - March Stated Meeting, Union Lodge No. 479 at 7 p.m.  
Apr. 7, 2019 - Anniversary Committee Meeting, Union Lodge No. 479 at 3 p.m.  
Apr. 13, 2019 - Sectional School of Instruction Meeting for Region One at 8 a.m.  
Apr. 14, 2019 - Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Union Lodge No. 479 at 1 p.m.

Membership 12/27/18	No. of Petitions	No. Elected/ Entered	Restored	Deaths	Resignations/ Suspensions	Membership Today
233	1	1	0	0	1	233

## Appointed Officers

### Senior Deacon

ALONZO W. CLEGG, III

### Junior Deacon

DAVID W. BEIDEMAN

### Senior Master of Ceremonies

WILLIAM M. EGGLESTON

### Junior Master of Ceremonies

CHUCK W. FORSYTH

### Pursuivant

STEPHEN A. CIPOLLONE

### Chaplain

ROBERT L. CHAFIN, JR.

### Tyler

IAN K. KARLSON

### Stewards

WILLIAM L. HERZ, P.M.

ROBERT L. CHAFIN, JR.

IAN K. KARLSON

### Representative to the PA Youth Foundation

IAN WEST

### Representative for the Masonic Blood Donor's Club

WILLIAM L. HERZ, P.M.



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## FROM THE DESK OF THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER

Brethren,

Now that the weather is getting warmer, or so I hope, the Lodge will be putting together meetings to start planning for some of the events we have coming up: the Easter egg hunt, car show, golf outing, and sporting clay shoot.

These events take time to plan and the Brothers who chair these events can always use some help. Examples of helping are: asking for donations from area merchants, helping to set up prior to events, preparing food, cleaning up after the event, and most importantly attending the event. I encourage you to come out, get involved, and socialize with some of your Brothers you may not have seen in a while. Remember the lecture at your first degree; come out and see your friends that are now your Brothers.

Sincerely & Fraternally,  
Bro. E. George Oatman, Jr., W.M.

### MASONIC BIRTHDAYS FOR MARCH

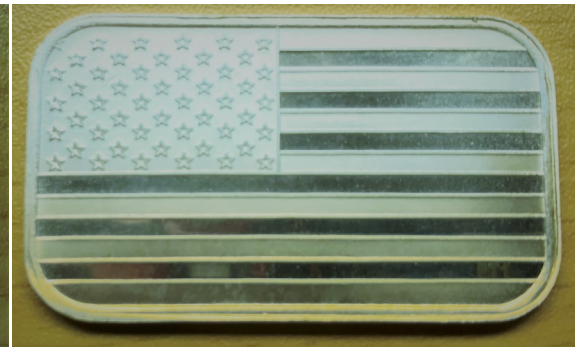
Herbert M. Arnold	3/18/1976	John W. Tschudy	3/1/1990	Brian T. Duffie	3/31/2011
C. Robert Rice, Jr.	3/19/1981	David S. Johnson	3/30/1995	Jesse D. Radcliff	3/24/2016
Frederick W. Love	3/16/1986	Henry H. Hyneman, Jr.	3/14/1996	Ian T. Deering	3/1/2018
George K. Peifer, P.M.	3/3/1988	Carl B. Motta	3/14/1996	Ralph A. Rossi, IV	3/29/2018
Kim B Sweitzer	3/3/1988	Joseph M. Cutler	3/3/2011		

### 150TH ANNIVERSARY SILVER BAR SALE

We are still selling our 150th Anniversary Commemorative Silver Bars and the sales are going quite nicely. There is still time to get yours and support our lodge in hosting our 150th Anniversary Banquet in 2020. This is 1 oz. of pure silver with our Lodge information laser etched onto the front. It is a real collector's item. The price is \$50 per bar, with half of the cost going directly to the Lodge Anniversary fund. You can see Brother Bill Herz at the Stated Meeting or reach out to him or one of the lodge officers to get an order form. Please help support YOUR Lodge for this prestigious event !!



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### 2019 LODGE DUES ARE NOW PAST DUE

#### SUSPENSIONS WILL BE MADE AT THE MARCH STATED MEETING

2019 Dues are *now past due* and are payable immediately to avoid being suspended from Freemasonry.

The Dues for 2019 are \$57.00. Checks are to be made payable to "Union Lodge No. 479." Dues payments may be made at a Stated Meeting or by mailing the payment to:

Brother Stephen L. Rowe, Sr.  
109 Mulberry Place  
Douglassville, PA 19518

### Living Past Masters of Union Lodge

1958.....Oscar M. Huber	1991.....Craig S. Gaul
1959.....G. Raymond Dengler	1992.....Dean A. Miller
Σ 1963.....Carl O. Abbott	1995.....George K. Peifer
1967.....Richard S. Happel	2001.....Mark N. Pellicciotti
1972.....James H. Bitting	2002.....David A. Blank Sr.
1973.....Leon E. Adam	Δ 2007.....Christopher D. Reed
1981.....Thomas C. Keen	2009, 2010, 2011, 2016, 2017.....William L. Herz
1983.....Donald T. Miller Jr.	2012.....Richard P. Almquist Jr.
1985.....Wayne H. Thomas	2013.....Richard A. Wolf
1986.....Terrence H. McCoy	Ψ 2013, 2014.....Eric A. Bausch
1987.....Ronald D. March	2014.....Daniel S. Nichol
1988, 2015.....Glen A. Houck	Ω 2016, 2017.....Eric P. Kissinger
1989.....Terry J. Blizniak	2018.....Eric A. Bausch
1990, 2003, 2004.....John H. Hughes	
Σ.....Florence Lodge No. 949, Kentucky	Ψ.....Vaux Lodge No. 406, Hamburg
Δ.....Shrewsbury Lodge No. 423, Shrewsbury	Ω.....Chandler Lodge No. 227, Reading

### Living 50 Year Members

Harry Paul Painter	5/9/1946
Frank V. Lantz	11/13/1951
Oscar M. Huber, P.M.	5/13/1954
G. Raymond Dengler, P.M.	6/30/1955
R. Kenneth Houpp	11/7/1957
Richard S. Happel, P.M.	2/11/1960
Carroll S. Arnold	12/29/1960
Carl O. Abbott, P.M.	5/11/1961
James R. Livingood	11/16/1961
Emerson W. Gundy	1/18/1962
James H. Bitting, P.M.	12/3/1964
Teddy B. Bitler	6/10/1965
John L. Moore	2/3/1966
Leon E. Adam, P.M.	6/30/1966
William S. Weiler, Sr.	4/20/1967
Darwyn L. Clark	6/6/1968
Robert E. Moore, Sr.	12/15/1969
Dennis R. Rehrer	12/16/1969

#### Committee on Grievance

NOAH H. BROOKS, Chairman  
STEPHEN A. CIPOLLONE

#### Committee on Charity

GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M., Chairman

#### Committee on Furniture

SENIOR WARDEN, Chairman  
WORSHIPFUL MASTER  
JUNIOR WARDEN

#### Committee on Instruction

GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M., V.P.  
WILLIAM L. HERZ, P.M.  
ERIC A. BAUSCH, P.M.

#### Committee on Masonic Education

RICHARD P. ALMQUIST, JR., P.M.

#### Committee on Visitation

GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M., Chairman  
TERRENCE H. MCCOY, P.M.  
JOSEPH J. HAGAN, SR.