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September 2020

Meets the fourth Thursday of each month

Union Lodge No. 479

J. & A. M.

Constituted November 10, 1870

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 SEPTEMBER 24, 2020 at 7:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

PROGRAM

"The Temple of Solomon"

Dinner will be served prior to the meeting at 6:00 P.M. Dessert will be served after the meeting.

IN MEMORIAM

Bro. Harry Paul Painter Entered: May 9, 1946 Died: June 16, 2020

RETURNING TO LODGE

As we return to meeting at the Lodge building, we need to be aware of the new procedures set in place as part of the Union Lodge COVID-19 Preparedness Plan. Upon entering the Lodge building, members and visitors will be directed to wash their hands. The wearing of masks is mandatory as is social distancing while in the Lodge building. When eating a meal, one's mask may be remove once you are seated at a table in the Lodge Social Hall and ready to eat.

In addition to these measures, the Grand Lodge COVID-19 RELEASE Form will be required to be completed by members and visitors. The form is included with this Notice and you are encouraged to read and complete the form prior to entering the Lodge. The form will be witnessed by the Lodge Safety Officer (LSO) or another Officer of the Lodge and then retained by the LSO at the Lodge. The form needs to only be completed the first time a member or visitor enters the Lodge building.

In compliance with Governor Wolf's Order, we are limited to having 25 members or visitors in the Lodge building at a time.

Brother Nathaniel E. Sherman III, Worshipful Master, has appointed Brother Scott R. Reeser, SW, as the Lodge Safety Officer. If you have any questions please contact the Worshipful Master or Bro. Reeser. Their contact information can be found on the left side of the first page of this Notice.

ACTION WILL BE HELD UPON THE FOLLOWING PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP:

Name (See Lodge Notice) Occupation Student **Residence**

Douglassville, PA 19518

Committee of Inquiry: Bro. David A. Blank Sr., P.M., Chairman, Bro. Stephen Cipollone and Bro. Alonzo W. Clegg III

CLAY SHOOTING PARTY

Union Lodge will be holding our 6th Annual Scholarship Fund Clay Shooting Party on September 12th at the Oley Fish and Game, 114 Old State Road, Reading, PA 19606. The Party is between 9:00 a.m. and 12 noon at a cost of \$35 per person.

For further information please contact Brother E. George Oatman, P.M., 484-638-2976, oat36@dejazzd.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Wednesday Night Union Lodge School of Instruction (SOI) at 7 p.m. 1st Wednesday of each month District 40 SOI - Spring-Ford Lodge No. 553, at 7 p.m. 3rd Wednesday of each month District 40 SOI - Spring-Ford Lodge No. 553, at 7 p.m.

Sept 23, 2020 - Union Lodge School of Instruction at 7:00 p.m.

Sept 24, 2020 September Stated Meeting, Union Lodge No. 479 at 7:00 p.m. Oct 24, 2020 October Stated Meeting, Union Lodge No. 479 at 7:00 p.m.

Nov 19, 2020 November Stated Meeting, Union Lodge No. 479 at 7:00 p.m. (3rd Thurs) Dec 17, 2020 December Stated Meeting, Union Lodge No. 479 at 7:00 p.m. (3rd Thurs)

Membership 12/27/19 No. Elected/ No. of Resignations/ Membership Restored Deaths Petitions Entered Suspensions Today 222 0 3 0 1 0 224

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Elected Officers

Worshipful Master NATHANIEL E. SHERMAN, III WM@unionlodge479.com

Senior Warden SCOTT R. REESER SW@unionlodge479.com

Junior Warden GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M. JW@unionlodge479.com

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

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

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

Representative in the Grand Lodge E. GEORGE OATMAN, JR.

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

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

District Deputy Grand Master 40th Masonic District TIMOTHY L. PLETCHER, P.M. DDGM40@pagrandlodge.org



Appointed Officers

Senior Deacon ROBERT L. CHAFIN, JR.

Junior Deacon STEPHEN A. CIPOLLONE

Senior Master of Ceremonies WILLIAM M. EGGLESTON

Junior Master of Ceremonies CHUCK W. FORSYTH

Pursuivant DAVID W. BEIDEMAN

Chaplain ALONZO W. CLEGG, III

> **Tyler** IAN K. KARLSON

Stewards WILLIAM L. HERZ, P.M. ERIC A. BAUSCH, P.M. IAN K. KARLSON

Lodge Safety Officer SCOTT R. REESER 610-413-6861

Representative to the PA Youth Foundation ROBERT L. CHAFIN, JR.

Representative for the Masonic Blood Donor's Club WILLIAM L. HERZ, P.M.



FROM THE DESK OF THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER

Brethren,

The time has arrived to hold our first in person meeting since February! We are very excited to see everyone and hope that you will join us in catching up on some long- awaited conversation and fellowship. The evening's meeting will be held in the Entered Apprentice Degree to accommodate our newest members.

The program for the evening will be "The Temple of Solomon" and will explore a few different aspects of this topic.

The Lodge Safety Officer will be on hand to make sure that masks, hand sanitizer, and social distancing are being enforced for everyone's safety. A waiver will also need to be signed upon entering the building. We are sorry for any inconveniences these new adjustments may says but the health and well being of inconveniences these new adjustments may cause, but the health and well-being of our Brethren is paramount.

It's been a long time since we assembled together, and I'm sure it will be an evening to remember!

Sincerely & Fraternally, Nathaniel E. Sherman, III, W.M.

"Anyone who perceives his shadow and his light simultaneously sees himself from two sides and thus gets in the middle." - C. G. Jung

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS FOR JULY, AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

| George E. Koslow | 7/16/1992 | G. Dean Gaver | 9/3/1998 | Timothy J. Anderson | 9/5/2008 |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| Henry A. Schweitzer Jr. | 7/23/1998 | Barry A. Lucas Sr. | 9/30/1999 | Darrell L. Marcks | 9/6/2012 |
| William L. Herz P.M. | 7/3/2003 | Bryce A. Hart | 9/14/2004 | Randy M. Harders | 9/22/2016 |
| | | Bryan P. Boughter | 9/29/2005 | Steven M Chiffo | 9/23/2017 |
| David A. Blank Sr., P.M. | 8/25/1994 | Jarrett D. Haines | 9/29/2005 | Carl M. Willman | 9/23/2017 |

150TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET

The 150th Anniversary Banquet has been rescheduled for Friday, October 29, 2021

In conjunction with the Anniversary Banquet, the Lodge has been selling tickets for a sportsman's raffle. Due to the rescheduling of the banquet and our inability to meet for the last several months, we have extended the drawing date for the raffle. The drawing will now be held at the re-scheduled banquet or the first stated meting after the tickets have sold out, whichever comes first. Please see the flyer regrading the raffle included with this Notice.

More information concerning the banquet will be forthcoming.

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania Masonic Charities Appéal

Look for the 2020 Annual Masonic Charities appeal letter to arrive in your mail box. Please read the material and consider the needs addressed by the Masonic Charities.

As a Freemason, you set a high standard for yourself. Freemasonry is more than a fraternity - it is a way of life through kindness in the home, honesty in business, courtesy in society, pity and concern for the unfortunate, resistance of the wicked, help for the weak, trust in the strong, forgiveness for the penitent, love for one another and, above all, reverence and love for God.

Please support the necessary programs and services we make possible together.

Please make a contribution by visiting www.pagrandlodge.org and clicking "Masonic Charities" in the banner and navigating to the charity of choice and clicking "Donate Now," Or, mail your contribution to:

Masonic Charities, Office of Gift Planning, One Masonic Drive Elizabethtown, PA 17022

THANK YOU for supporting the Masonic Charities of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

<u>Living Past Masters of Union Lodge</u>

| 1958 Oscar M. Huber 1959 G. Raymond Dengler 1967 Richard S. Happel 1972 James H. Bitting 1973 Leon E. Adam 1981 Thomas C. Keen 1983 Donald T. Miller Jr. 1985 Wayne H. Thomas 1986 Terrence H. McCoy 1987 Ronald D. March 1988, 2015 Glen A. Houck 1989 Terry J. Blizniak 1990, 2003, 2004 John H. Hughes 1991 Craig S. Gaul 1992 Dean A. Miller | $ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | Living 50 Year N Oscar M. Huber, P.M. G. Raymond Dengler, P.M. R. Kenneth Houp Richard S. Happel, P.M. James R. Livingood Emerson W. Gundy James H. Bitting, P.M. Teddy B. Bitler John L. Moore Leon E. Adam, P.M. William S. Weiler, Sr. Darwyn L. Clark Robert E. Moore, Sr. Densid O. Piles |
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| Σ Shrewsbury Lodge No. 423, Shrewsbury | Ω Chandler Lodge No. 227, Reading | David G. Riley |

Ψ...... Vaux Lodge No. 406, Hamburg Committee on Grievance
NOAH H. BROOKS, Chairman

<u>Committee on Charity</u> GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M., Chairman

Committee on Furniture SENIOR WARDEN, Chairmar WORSHIPFUL MASTER JUNIOR WARDEN

<u>50 Year Members</u>

5/13/1954

6/30/1955 11/7/1957

2/11/1960

11/16/1961

1/18/1962

12/3/1964 6/10/1965 2/3/1966 6/30/1966

4/20/1967

6/6/1968

12/15/1969 12/16/1969

6/10/1970

Committee on Instruction GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M., V.P. WILLIAM L. HERZ, P.M. ERIC A. BAUSCH, P.M. TERRANCE H. McCOY, P.M.

STEPHEN A. CIPOLLONE

Committee on Masonic Education NATHANIEL E. SHERMAN, III

Committee on Visitation
GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M., Chairm
TERRENCE H. MCCOY, P.M. _ man JOSEPH J. HAGAN, Sr.