



# Union Lodge No. 479

F. & A. M.

Constituted November 10, 1870



November 2020

Meets the fourth Thursday of each month

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## Elected Officers

**Worshipful Master**  
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**Senior Warden**  
SCOTT R. REESER  
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**Junior Warden**  
GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M.  
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**Treasurer**  
WILLIAM L. HERZ, P.M.  
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**Secretary**  
STEPHEN L. ROWE, SR.  
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**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.  
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**District Deputy Grand Master 40<sup>th</sup> Masonic District**  
TIMOTHY L. PLETCHER, P.M.  
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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 NOVEMBER 19, 2020 at 7:00 O’CLOCK P.M.**

### PROGRAM

#### History of Union Lodge

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

### EXTRA MEETINGS

Extra Meetings of Union Lodge No. 479, Free and Accepted Masons, for the conferral of degrees, will be held in the Masonic Temple, 201 Washington Street, Birdsboro, PA on:

**THURSDAY EVENING December 3, 2020**  
**At 7:00 O’CLOCK P.M.**

The Entered Apprentice Mason’s Degree will be conferred.

- AND -

**WEDNESDAY EVENING December 9, 2020**  
**At 7:00 O’CLOCK P.M.**

The Entered Apprentice Mason’s Degree will be conferred.

Recommenders are urged to attend their candidate’s degrees, by Order of the Worshipful Master.  
A dinner of Stuffed Shells will be served prior to the meeting with light refreshments being served after.

### TEMPLE ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Temple Association’s Quarterly Meeting will be held in early December. The members will receive due and timely notice of the date and time of the meeting. All members are encouraged to attend.

**Grand Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania**  
**Philadelphia, PA, September 22, A.D. 2020, A.L. 6020**

To the Members of the Grand Lodge:

The December Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, F&AM will be conducted at 7:00 o’clock, p.m. on Wednesday, December 2, 2020. Due to the current situation and restrictions the Communication will be conducted virtually for which you are encouraged to view the streamed event from your location.

You may view from your home on any device having the capability to access YouTube videos: a computer, smart phone, tablet or smart/internet access TV.

Go to this URL: <https://youtu.be/ucPjozbzi5Q>

By Order of the R.W. Grand Master.

Mark A. Haines  
R.W. Grand Secretary

### UPCOMING EVENTS

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

- TBD - Annual Food Drive - Exeter & Douglassville Redner’s Markets
- Nov 19, 2020 - November Stated Meeting, Union Lodge No. 479 at 7:00 p.m. (3rd Thurs)
- Dec 03, 2020 - Extra Meeting to confer 1 EA Degree, Union Lodge No. 479 at 7:00 p.m.
- Dec 09, 2020 - Extra Meeting to confer 2 EA Degrees, Union Lodge No. 479 at 7:00 p.m.
- Dec 17, 2020 - December Stated Meeting, Union Lodge No. 479 at 7:00 p.m. (3rd Thurs)

Membership 12/27/19	No. of Petitions	No. Elected/ Entered	Restored	Deaths	Resignations/ Suspensions	Membership Today
222	3	3	0	1	1	223

## 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

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### Representative to the PA Youth Foundation

ROBERT L. CHAFIN, JR.

### 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,

Happy Anniversary! 150 years is quite an accomplishment! Although our big anniversary plans have been put on hold until next year, that won't stop us from celebrating right here at the Lodge. A delicious meal will be served beforehand, and an informative program on the history of our amazing lodge will be presented during the meeting.

The end of the year is now at hand and the holiday season fast approaching. During this time, let us never forget the important role that family and friends play in our lives. They often give us an invaluable chance to reflect on who and what we truly are as men, and also help to teach us the many ways of improving upon ourselves.

Thank you to all the attending Past Masters for helping with last month's program. To all the Past Masters who could not attend, Thank You Brethren, for your service as well.

Please join us this month for another fine evening of food, fellowship, and brotherhood. We look forward to seeing you there.

*"Wise men learn when they can;  
fools learn when they must."  
Bro. Arthur Wellesley  
1st Duke of Wellington*

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

## MASONIC BIRTHDAYS FOR NOVEMBER

R. Kenneth Houp	11/7/57	Michael R. Rogers	11/22/88	Noah H. Brooks	11/23/11
James R Livingood	11/16/61	Michael R. Schmehl	11/1/90	Mark T. Gyomber	11/23/11
Carl P. Hernandez Jr.	11/15/73	Daniel W. Nelson	11/3/94	James R. Care III	11/29/12
Michael E. Hernandez	11/15/73	E. George Qatman Jr.	11/7/96	Alonzo W. Clegg III	11/29/12
Glen A. Houck, P.M.	11/23/83	Robert F. Bickhart	11/18/03	Chuck W. Forsyth	11/29/12
Patsy R. Romano Jr.	11/23/83	Eric S. Kupper	11/28/03	Russell C. Hittle	11/24/14
Keith E. Grant	11/6/86	Andrew R. Lee	11/26/08	M. Carl DeGrazia	11/12/15
Terry L. Sittman	11/13/87	Ian A. West	11/4/10	Ian K. Karlson	11/2/17
Timothy B. Bitler	11/22/87	Bradley A. Whitman	11/18/10	Gerald L. Keiffer Jr	11/2/17
Roger A. Kennedy	11/24/87	Douglas M. Johnson	11/19/11	Robert L. Chafin Jr.	11/16/17

## UNION LODGE "CAT'S MEOW" KEEPSAKE SALE

Cat's Meow keepsakes of the Birdsboro Masonic Temple Building are now available! The iconic image of the black cat appears near the Lodge building as it has on hundreds of little wooden cutouts of homes, buildings and even landmarks all over the world. It would make a great Christmas gift or just a collectable for your own display. We are selling the keepsakes for \$20 a piece with all the proceeds going towards the 150th Anniversary Banquet. Please see Brother Eric A. Bausch, P.M. to get your own!



## 2021 LODGE DUES

Brethren,

It is that time of the year when payment of Lodge dues is to be submitted for the Masonic Year ending December 27, 2021. Dues for 2021 are \$58.00 and are due by December 31, 2020. Please forward your payment as soon as possible so as to avoid future reminders and possible suspension. If you provide a self-addressed stamped envelope your Dues card will be mailed to you promptly. Dues payments may be made at a Stated Meeting, on the Grand Lodge member web site or by mailing the payment to:

Brother Stephen L. Rowe, Sr.	Union Lodge DUEs for 2021	\$28.50
109 Mulberry Place	Grand Lodge DUEs for 2021	\$29.50
Douglassville, PA 19518	Total	\$58.00
(Checks are to be made payable to "Union Lodge No. 479")		

If you have any questions about your Dues, please contact the Worshipful Master or the Secretary.

### Living Past Masters of Union Lodge

1958.....Oscar M. Huber	1992.....Dean A. Miller
1959.....G. Raymond Dengler	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	2009, 2010, 2011,
1981.....Thomas C. Keen	2016, 2017.....William L. Herz
1983.....Donald T. Miller Jr.	2012.....Richard P. Almqvist 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	Ω 2018.....Victor M. Frederick IV
1991.....Craig S. Gaul	2019.....E. George Oatman Jr.
Ψ.....Vaux Lodge No. 406, Hamburg	Ω.....Chandler Lodge No. 227, Reading

### Living 50 Year Members

Oscar M. Huber, P.M.	5/13/1954
G. Raymond Dengler, P.M.	6/30/1955
R. Kenneth Houp	11/7/1957
Richard S. Happel, P.M.	2/11/1960
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
David G. Riley	6/10/1970

**Committee on Grievance**  
NOAH H. BROOKS, Chairman  
STEPHEN A. CIPOLLONE

**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.

**Committee on Charity**  
GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M., Chairman

**Committee on Masonic Education**  
NATHANIEL E. SHERMAN, III

**Committee on Furniture**  
SENIOR WARDEN, Chairman  
WORSHIPFUL MASTER  
JUNIOR WARDEN

**Committee on Visitation**  
GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M., Chairman  
TERRANCE H. MCCOY, P.M.  
JOSEPH J. HAGAN, Sr.