



Union Lodge No. 479

F. & A. M.

Constituted November 10, 1870



April 2021

Meets the fourth Thursday of each month

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Elected Officers

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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 APRIL 22, 2021 at 7:00 O’CLOCK P.M.

PROGRAM

Construction of King Solomon’s Temple

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

EXTRA MEETING

An Extra Meeting 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 April 29, 2021
At 7:00 O’CLOCK P.M.

The Master Mason’s Degree will be conferred.

- AND -

The Entered Apprentice Mason’s Degree will be conferred.

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

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

Name (See Lodge notice)	Age 75	Occupation Retired	Residence
			Reading, PA 19606

Committee of Inquiry:
Bro. E. George Oatman Jr., P.M., Chairman, Bro. Stephen Cipollone and Bro. Barry Smith

IN MEMORIAM

Bro. Oscar M. Huber, P.M. Entered: May 13, 1954 Died: April 2, 2021

Grand Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, PA, March 9, A.D. 2021, A.L. 6021

To the Members of the Grand Lodge:

The June Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, F&AM will be conducted at 10:00 o’clock, a.m. on Saturday, June 5, 2021. 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.

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.

- Apr 17, 2021 - Sectional School of Instruction, Grand Lodge, Philadelphia at 9 a.m.
- Apr 22, 2021 - April Stated Meeting, Union Lodge No. 479 at 7:00 p.m.
- Apr 29, 2021 - Extra Meeting to confer 1 MM & 1 EA Degree, Union Lodge No. 479 at 7:00
- May 27, 2021 - May Stated Meeting, Union Lodge No. 479 at 7:00 p.m.
- May 29, 2021 - 7th Annual Car & Motorcycle Show, Union Lodge No. 479 at 9 a.m.
(Donors, Helpers & Entrants needed)

Membership 12/27/20	No. of Petitions	No. Elected/ Entered	Restored	Deaths	Resignations/ Suspensions	Membership Today
222	4	3	0	1	1	222

Appointed Officers

Senior Deacon

STEPHEN A. CIPOLLONE

Junior Deacon

CHUCK W. FORSYTH

Senior Master of Ceremonies

WILLIAM E. TOBIN

Junior Master of Ceremonies

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WILLIAM L. HERZ, P.M.



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FROM THE DESK OF THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER

Brethren,

I hope that you all had a Happy Easter spent with your family and loved ones. In last month's message I spoke of the coming of Spring and the renewal of ourselves in the Lodge. While we had a recent cold snap and even a few of those pesky snowflakes fell from the sky last week, it looks like Spring may really be here! April looks to be another busy month: we have several candidates for the conferral of various degrees, we are continuing the planning of our 7th Memorial Day Car show and we are working on visitation season within the 40th Masonic District. The Temple Association has also been busy discussing potential projects in the Lodge building.

I am excited to announce that our Lodge will be hosting District Visitation at our May Stated Meeting on Thursday May 27, 2021. This visitation will be extra special and will have a GRAND aspect to it, stay tuned for more details!

Unfortunately, as I write this message, I am saddened by news of the passing of Brother Oscar "Bud" Huber, P.M. Until his passing, Brother Huber was our most senior member and our oldest living past master. While I did not have the pleasure of knowing Brother Huber, his loss is no less significant to me; he was as you all are, my brother. His passing should remind us all that we have a duty to each other, to reach out and check on our brothers, more particularly those that cannot get out.

Like last month, I would like to invite everyone to participate in our upcoming Extra and Stated Meetings. Please consider coming out to support these new members as well as renewing your connections with all our brothers in Freemasonry. If you do not feel safe coming out to the Lodge, know that we will miss you and look forward to your return.

Sincerely & Fraternally,
Scott R. Reeser, W.M.

"Worrying is like paying a debt you did not incur." - *Unknown*

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS FOR APRIL

Ronald D. March, P.M.	4/15/1982	Gail R. Dengler	4/11/1985	Terry L. Rubendall	4/2/1998
David A. Pfeffer	4/28/1983	Jimmy M. Edwards	4/28/1988	Dennis R. Little	4/14/2000
David J. Westley	4/28/1983	Victor M. Frederick, IV	4/25/1988	Brian T. Demild	4/15/2010

2021 40th MASONIC DISTRICT VISITATION SCHEDULE

May 6th	Thur	Springford Lodge No. 553	Royersford	7:30 P.M.
May 12th	Wed	Stichter Lodge No. 254	Pottstown	7:30 P.M.
May 27th	Thur	Union Lodge No. 479	Birdsboro	<u>7:00</u> P.M.
June 14th	Mon	Mt. Pickering Lodge No. 446	Chester Springs	7:30 P.M.
Sept 9th	Thur	Boyertown Lodge No. 741	Boyertown	7:30 P.M.
Nov 1st	Mon	Phoenix Lodge No. 75	<u>Royersford</u>	7:30 P.M.
Dec 14th	Tue	Perkiomen Lodge No. 595	Red Hill	7:30 P.M.

2021 LODGE DUES

Brethren,

Our 2021 Dues are now past due and are payable immediately to avoid the possibility of being suspended from Freemasonry. The Dues for 2021 are \$58.00. Check 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

As a reminder: The Ahiman Rezon states in Article 19.01: "Dues are payable at the beginning of each year. Those owing dues will be suspended at the January Stated Meeting after having been given due notice. The Lodge may at its discretion postpone suspension to the April Stated Meeting, but no longer."

Living Past Masters of Union Lodge

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. 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	Ω 2018.....Victor M. Frederick IV
1991.....Craig S. Gaul	2019.....E. George Oatman Jr.
1992.....Dean A. Miller	2020.....Nathaniel E. Sherman, III

Ψ.....Vaux Lodge No. 406, Hamburg

Ω.....Chandler Lodge No. 227, Reading

Living 50 Year Members

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
Darwyn L. Clark	6/6/1968
Robert E. Moore, Sr.	12/15/1969
Dennis R. Rehrrer	12/16/1969
David G. Riley	6/10/1970
Glenn G. Hart	1/7/1971
Joseph M. Moyer	10/21/71

Committee on Grievance

WILLIAM M. EGGLESTON, Chairman
NOAH H. BROOKS
BARRY L. SMITH

Committee on Instruction

GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M., V.P.
ERIC A. BAUSCH, P.M.
TERRANCE H. MCCOY, P.M.
E. GEORGE OATMAN, Jr, P.M.

Committee on Charity

GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M., Chairman
TERRANCE H. MCCOY, P.M.
ALONZO W. CLEGG, III

Committee on Masonic Education

WILLIAM L. HERZ, P.M.
ERIC A. BAUSCH, P.M.

Committee on Furniture

SENIOR WARDEN, Chairman
WORSHIPFUL MASTER
JUNIOR WARDEN

Committee on Visitation

GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M., Chairman
E. GEORGE OATMAN, Jr, P.M.
DAVID A. BEIDEMAN