



Union Lodge No. 479

F. & A. M.

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June 2025

Meets the fourth Thursday of each month

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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, JUNE 26, 2025 at 7:00 O’CLOCK P.M.

PROGRAM

PAST MASTERS NIGHT

A Surf and Turf dinner will be served prior to the meeting at 6:00 p.m.
Please RSVP the Stewards by June 22nd at 484-568-2654, text or voicemail.
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 a degree, will be held in the Masonic Temple, 201 Washington Street, Birdsboro, PA on:

THURSDAY EVENING JUNE 19, 2025
At 7:00 O’CLOCK P.M.

The Master Mason 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 TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP:

Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
(see Lodge notice)	66	Author	Birdsboro, PA 19508

A Member in good standing of Thomson Lodge No. 340, Paoli, PA

18TH ANNUAL UNION LODGE GOLF OUTING

The Lodge will be holding our 18th Annual Golf Outing on Friday, August 8th, at Arrowhead Golf Course, 1539 Weavertown Road in Douglassville.

The cost is \$95 per person, rain or shine, with a 1:00pm Shotgun Start. (with lunch at noon) It’s a 4-person scramble format and includes 18 holes of golf w/cart, lunch, dinner and refreshments on the course. There will be lots of food, prizes, closest to the pin challenges, and fun for all!

For more information and registration form, please see the flyer on the Union Lodge website or register online using this QR code. <http://UnionLodge479.com/lodge-events/>

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to a member of the Golf Outing Committee, Brother Paul Fretz and Brother Noah Brooks.



UPCOMING EVENTS

1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month—District 40 SOI-Spring-Ford Lodge No. 553, at 7 p.m.
Every Tuesday (except the 2nd Tue)—Union Lodge School of Instruction (SOI) at 7 p.m.

Jun 19, 2025 - Extra Meeting, Union Lodge No. 479 for MM Degree at 7 p.m.
Jun 26, 2025 - June Stated Meeting, Union Lodge No. 479 at 7 p.m.
Aug 8, 2025 - 18th Annual Golf Outing, Arrowhead Golf Course at 12 p.m.

Enjoy your Summer!!!

Membership 12/27/24	No. of Petitions	No. Elected/ Entered	Restored	Deaths	Resignations/ Suspensions	Membership Today
202	3	1	1	1	5	197

Appointed Officers

Senior Deacon
DAREN K. KULLMAN

Junior Deacon
CHUCK W. FORSYTH

Senior Master of Ceremonies
DAVID W. BEIDEMAN

Junior Master of Ceremonies
GEORGE A. GAJEWSKI

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FROM THE DESK OF THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER

Greetings Brethren,

Last month, we had the privilege of hosting an excellent program presented by the DDGM of the 7th Masonic District, Brother Michael D. Palvelko. We were also honored to have numerous visitors from the 7th District attend our meeting.

Looking forward to this month, I am delighted to announce that our program will be dedicated to our Past Masters. This is a special occasion where we come together as a Lodge to honor and celebrate all the Past Masters who have guided and shaped our Lodge. Their dedication and leadership have laid the foundation for our continued growth, and this evening will be a fitting tribute to their service.

This month, we are also honored to raise a new member to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. I invite you to join us in extending your support to our newest member and demonstrate the camaraderie that defines our Lodge.

As summer break approaches, let's remember the unity and shared values that connect us. Remember to take this time to recharge, spend quality moments with loved ones, and prepare for the upcoming September meeting, where we will continue our journey of fellowship and growth. Until then, may the principles of our Fraternity guide us in our daily lives, and may we return invigorated for the work ahead.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Lodge as we come together to honor the legacy of those who have served before us.

Sincerely & Fraternally,
Robert L. Chafin, Jr., P.M., WM

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS FOR JUNE

Leon E. Adam, P.M.	6/30/66	Michael A. Moyer	6/13/89	Joshua J. Lee	6/2/11
David G. Riley	6/10/70	Clarence C. Kline Jr.	6/22/89	Bruce Mendenhall	6/25/15
Joseph M. Moyer	6/21/71	Wayne R. Rubendall	6/11/92	Bruce L. Gundy	6/21/18
Wayne H. Thomas, P.M.	6/6/72	James R. Swavely	6/28/97	Robert F. Everett	6/10/2021
Ross M. McEwen	6/21/73	Richard T. Gheer	6/15/98	Daren K. Kullman	6/15/2023
James D. Reeser Sr.	6/4/74	David L. Fant	6/22/00		
Barry E. Kubovcsak	6/6/85	James P. Less	6/3/10		

40th MASONIC DISTRICT 2025 VISITATION SCHEDULE

Sep 8th	Mon	Mt. Pickering Lodge No. 446	Chester Springs	7:30 P.M.
Oct 4th	Sat	Phoenix Lodge No. 75	Phoenixville	7:30 P.M.

11th Annual Antique-Classic Car & Motorcycle Show

Another successful Car Show was held on Saturday May 24th. The weather threatened a bit but mostly held off until the Show was over. We had about 100 cars at the show with music, prizes, gift raffles, and lots of fun!!!



Best in Show Winner
1956 Chevrolet Bel Air



Lodge Choice Winner
Silver Pickup Truck

Living Past Masters of Union Lodge

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, 2023	Richard A. Wolf
1988, 2015	Glen A. Houck	Ψ 2013, 2014	Eric A. Bausch
1989	Terry J. Blizniak	2014	Daniel S. Nichol
1990, 2003, 2004	John H. Hughes	Ω 2016, 2017	Eric P. Kissinger
1991	Craig S. Gaul	2018	Eric A. Bausch
1992	Dean A. Miller	Ω 2018	Victor M. Frederick IV
Σ 1994	Wolfgang Hauke	2019	E. George Oatman, Jr.
1995	George K. Peifer	2020	Nathaniel E. Sherman III
Δ 1997, 2009	Michael P. Light	2021, 2022	Scott R. Reeser
2002	David A. Blank, Sr.	2024	Robert L. Chafin, Jr.
Σ	Bristol Lodge No. 25, Levittown	Ω	Chandler Lodge No. 227, Reading
Ψ	Vaux Lodge No. 406, Hamburg	Δ	St. John's Lodge No. 435, Reading

Living 50+ Year Members

R. Kenneth Houp	11/7/1957
James R. Livingood	11/16/1961
John R. Moore	2/3/1966
Leon E. Adam, P.M.	6/30/1966
Jerry W. Wells	1/26/1967
Robert E. Moore, Sr.	12/15/1969
Dennis R. Rehrer	12/16/1969
David G. Riley	6/10/1970
Glenn G. Hart	1/7/1971
Joseph M. Moyer	10/21/71
Wayne H. Thomas, P.M.	6/9/1972
James F. Knisley	10/19/1972
John C. Zerr Jr.	12/21/1972
Carl P. Hernandez, Jr.	11/15/1973
Michael E. Hernandez	11/15/1973
James R. Reeser	6/4/1974

Committee on Grievance
NOAH H. BROOKS, Chairman
BARRY L. SMITH

Committee on Charity
GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M., Chairman
ERIC A. SKILES

Committee on Furniture
SENIOR WARDEN, Chairman
WORSHIPFUL MASTER
JUNIOR WARDEN

Committee on Instruction
GLEN A. HOUCK, P.M., V.P.
ERIC A. BAUSCH, P.M.
E. GEORGE OATMAN, JR., P.M. +

Committee on Masonic Education
RICHARD A. WOLF, P.M., Chairman
ERIC A. BAUSCH, P.M.

Committee on Visitation
DAVID A. BEIDEMAN, Chairman
E. GEORGE OATMAN, JR., P.M.