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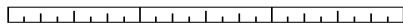
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Help Share Our Message!

Many of you have been involved in the Breakfast Club as one example of how we reach out to the community and offer a helping hand— we are able to offer something important to those in a destitute circumstance. It is what we do.

Chocolate Night is Upon Us!

- It takes approximately 400 cacao beans to make one pound of chocolate.
- The smell of chocolate increases theta brain waves, which triggers relaxation.
- The English chocolate company Cadbury made the first chocolate bar in the world in 1842.
- The first people to harvest chocolate were the Mokaya and other pre-Olmec peoples who lived in southeast Mexico around 1000 B.C. The word “chocolate” is derived from the Mayan word xocolatl, or “bitter water.”

Brothers,

The most important part of any Masonic gathering is not the business, but the fellowship. We have meals before meetings to foster this fellowship.

Our meetings are light, fun, and refreshing.

This lodge is your lodge, and your friends are welcome— bring them to dinner. *This meeting will indeed be a special meeting to bring a friend*—Chocolate Night is a great way to experience Masonry for the first time.

Brother, bring a friend

-Jay Troy, WM

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Ask to become more involved



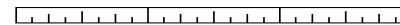
Eureka-DuPont Lodge No. 23-29

Delaware A.F. & A.M.



Masonic Trestle Board

December 2016



Monthly Stated Communications every

2nd Thursday, 7:30PM

(except July & August)

Brandywine Masonic Hall

2016 Foulk Road, Wilmington, DE 19810

(302) 475-0527

<http://eurekadupont.org>

Need a ride to Lodge? We'll get you a ride.

Call the master at 302-545-0680

All Visitors Welcome!

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To the Family of the Eureka-DuPont Lodge Brother whose name appears on the mailing label. In the event that he enters a hospital, a nursing home or is incapacitated in any way, please notify the Worshipful Master or Secretary of Eureka-DuPont Lodge.

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December, 2016 Trestleboard

The 217th Regular Communication of Eureka-DuPont Lodge No. 23-29 will be held at the Brandywine Masonic Temple, 2016 Foulk Road in Wilmington, Delaware, **on Thursday, Dec 8, 2016**. The reading of the minutes, correspondence, payment of bills, reception of petitions, Masonic birthdays and all other business as may be lawfully brought before the Lodge will be transacted.

Jay Troy, Worshipful Master
Attest: Rollyn Trueblood, Secretary

If you need a ride, please don't hesitate to contact one of the officers listed in this trestle board, and we will make arrangements to get you here.

2016-17 Service Hour Counter: 116

December Masonic Birthdays

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| Kelvin Blassingame | Patrick Light |
| Kenyatta Williamson | Carmen Smith |
| Brian Keith | Albert Degan |
| Cory Kramer, PM | Robert Barrowcliff |

153 Years in Masonry Combined!!

Come to Lodge in celebration of your Masonic Birthdays Brothers!

Eureka-DuPont Living Past Masters

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 2016 Thomas Cole | 1976 Kenneth C. Butler |
| 2015 Gary Williamson | 1975 John R. Kraus |
| 2005-14 David Simkins | 1975 Frederick A. Egan |
| 2004 Herbert P. Fulmer, II, PGM | 1974 Lawrence D. Jester, Sr |
| 1998-03 Robert R. Hiddeman | 1973 David Hipp |
| 1994-7 Joseph L. Kaufman | 1972-4 John R. Bradd |
| 1993 Peter M. Pena | 1972 Kenneth C. Butler |
| 1992 Herbert P. Fulmer, II, PGM | 1970 Anton W. Benson |
| 1990 Neil M. Thompson | 1970 Alvin M. Rubenstein |
| 1986 Llyod H. Stover | 1969 John Barnes |
| 1983-9 Herbert P. Fulmer, II, PGM | 1966 John W. Davis, Jr. |
| 1982 Anton W. Benson | 1963 Donald P. Zebley |
| 1981 Herbert P. Fulmer, II, PGM | 1958 Emil R. A. Bohus |
| 1979 George W. Butz, III | 1956 Arthur A. Thompson |
| 1977 Edward W. Loudon | |

From the East

Happy Holidays, Brothers!

The Yuletide—Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years, all celebrating the rebirth of spirit and offering a well-deserved reward for a year of hard work. A powerful season for everyone to enjoy.

Once again Chocolate Night is upon us, and with it, our lodge collation room will be packed to the gills with visiting families and friends doing the good work of preparing the many gifts we have collected and purchased for gifting the needy children of the area. Our brother Bill Downing, has made this his personal mission for over 20 years to provide these gifts to working families in need, so that they don't have to choose between having a Christmas gift for their children, without having to sacrifice something like food or shelter to do so. Come visit with us as the Grand Master of Delaware and his Staff will be present. ***Dinner will be before the 7:30 meeting.***

Take time this Yule-Time and make it a special time for those you love. Try to make memories, and give the gift of yourself to others. That gift is way more important than a new X-Box—and it's memory will last a lot longer. As my children get older and begin their lives as young adults, it's the memory of them when they were young that are most important to me. Cherish those around you.

Our November communications was officiated by our Senior Warden, Harvey Goldberg. Notwithstanding the hat, I'm told that Harvey did a fantastic job with the meeting—which included (no pressure) an impromptu visit from the Most Worshipful Grand Master Dale Irwin. Dale's message offered a positive set of waypoints for our masonic journey, and stressed the importance of our founding principles of equality and inclusion.

Monthly Message

Finally, thank you Most Worshipful Jim Pletz for offering the program for the evening at our last meeting, on such short notice. The brothers do so love your visits with us.

If you haven't been to lodge in a while, please consider coming back to visit your lodge on this special night.

So Mote It Be!

Jay Troy, Worshipful Master

Roger Sherman—The Forgotten Founder

Who was Roger Sherman? He was the only person to sign the Articles of Associate in 1774, the Declaration of Independence in 1776, the Articles of Confederation in 1777, the US Constitution in 1787. He was born in 1721 in Newton, Massachusetts, served in the Connecticut assembly 1755-1766 and the state senate from 1766-1785. He was elected to Congress in the 1st Congress in 1789, and was a US Senator from 1791, until his death in 1793. He was chosen as a delegate to the Continental Congress, and was on the committee to draft the Declaration of Independence with Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Brothers Benjamin Franklin and Robert Livingston. Patrick Henry described him as one of the three greatest men at the Constitutional Convention. His masonic apron hangs in the Museum at Yale University.

Eureka-DuPont Calendar

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| Dec 1st | Potential Officer Practice | 7:00PM |
| Dec 8th | Chocolate Night/Stated | 7:30PM |
| Dec 15th | Potential Officer Practice | 7:00PM |
| Dec 25th | Merry Christmas | All Day |
| Dec 31st | Happy New Year!! | All Day |

Fun Facts:

A triangle is the most stable physical shape. It has three sides. Three is the first number to which the meaning "all" was given. It is The Triad, being **the number** of the whole as it contains the beginning, a middle and an end. The power of **three** is universal and is the tripartite nature of the world as heaven, earth, and waters. It is human as body, soul and spirit. A normal human spine has 33 vertebrae .

Euclid seems to have understood. The essence of the Pythagorean Theorem (also called the 47th Problem of Euclid) is about the importance of establishing an architecturally true (correct) foundation based on use of the square.

Row, Column, Diagonal = 174
Sum = 696

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| 16 | 22 | 28 | 34 | 74 |
| 33 | 73 | 20 | 21 | 27 |
| 25 | 26 | 32 | 72 | 19 |
| 71 | 18 | 24 | 30 | 31 |
| 29 | 35 | 70 | 17 | 23 |

Row, Column, Diagonal = 174
Sum = 870

Row, Column, Diagonal = 174
Sum = 522

$c^2 = a^2 + b^2$
 $870^2 = 522^2 + 696^2$
 $756,900 = 472,484 + 484,416$
 $174 = 1 + 7 + 4 = 12 = 1 + 2 = 3$