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TBD

### Appeal for Relief; Puerto Rico

Hurricane Maria has devastated Puerto Rico and residents are struggling every day. If you would like to help, please contact Brother Erik Vargas.

Email: [erikgabrielvargas@gmail.com](mailto:erikgabrielvargas@gmail.com)

Phone: 302-545-1168

### Appeal for Relief; Texas

Brother Tom Sandilands is asking for donations for dear friends in Houston. You can assist with the relief by donating anything essential to daily life that can be shipped via mail i.e. gift cards, toiletries, new/used clothing.

Email: [tdsandilands3@gmail.com](mailto:tdsandilands3@gmail.com)

Phone: 484-880-2330

The entire Gulf Coast of Texas was deluged with high winds and rain from Hurricane Harvey, setting records for rainfall from any single storm anywhere in the continental United States. Extensive building and property damage, electrical outages, unhealthy conditions caused by flooding, and widespread disruption of normal living conditions has occurred.

The Grand Lodge of Texas has requested this Disaster Appeal, to assist their many brethren who have been injured or who have received extensive damage to their homes from Hurricane Harvey.

Donations can be made online at [www.msana.com](http://www.msana.com). When remitting by check, please mark clearly that you wish the funds to go to the Texas Disaster Appeal.

Please forward any donations you feel appropriate to help our devastated brothers and their families in this stricken jurisdiction to MSA. Please make checks payable to MSA Disaster Relief Fund and send to 3905 National Drive, STE 280, Burtonsville, MD 20866.

MSA is a 501(c3) charitable organization.

Simon R LaPlace, PGM, Executive Secretary

Masonic Service Association of America

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## Eureka-DuPont Lodge No. 23-29

Delaware A.F. & A.M.



## Masonic Trestle Board

November 2017

Monthly Stated Communications every

2nd Thursday, 7:30PM

(except July & August)

Brandywine Masonic Hall

2016 Foulk Road, Wilmington, DE 19810

<http://eurekadupont.org>

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

Call the master at (609) 645-1235

## 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.

## Committee Chairman Roster

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Harvey Goldberg, WM

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### Sick & Visitation

Harvey Goldberg, WM

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### Widows & Orphans

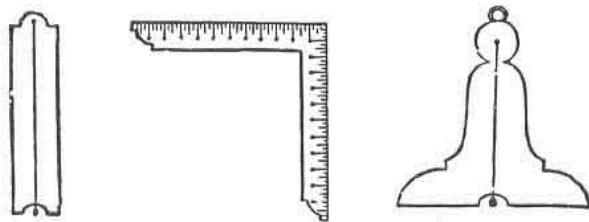
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Please take time out and visit our website [eurekadupont.org](http://eurekadupont.org) where you can find all of this year's trestleboards.

Information on the Wilmington Breakfast Club can be had on the internet, here: <http://jtroy.com/breakfast>

# November, 2017 Trestleboard

The 223rd Regular Communication of Eureka-DuPont Lodge No. 23-29 will be held at Brandywine Masonic Temple at 2016 Foulk Road in Wilmington, Delaware on Thursday, November 9, 2017 at 7:30pm. The reading of the minutes, correspondence, payment of bills, reception of petitions, and all other business as may be lawfully brought before the Lodge will be transacted.

*Harvey Goldberg, Worshipful Master*

*Attest: Rollyn Trueblood, Secretary*

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

This month there will also be Nomination for Grand Lodge Officers— If you are member of Grand Lodge you may vote! Come vote!

## Eureka-DuPont Calendar

Nov 1	Officer Practice for EA LOI	7:00 pm
Nov. 9	Stated Communication	7:30 pm
Nov. 15	Officer Qualification EA LOI	7:00 pm
Nov. 25	Wilm. Christmas Parade	TBD
Dec. 3	Claymont Christmas Parade	TBD
Jan. 20	Officer Training (Dover)	8:30 am
Mar. 17	Officer Training (Dover)	8:30 am

## Eureka-DuPont Living Past Masters

2017 Jerome R. "Jay" Troy	1975 Frederick A. Egan
2016 Thomas J. Cole	1974 Lawrence D Jester, Sr
2015 Gary R. Williamson	1973 David Hipp
2005-14 David A. Simkins	1972-4 John R. Bradd
1998-03 Robert R Hiddeman	1972 Kenneth C. Butler
1994-97 Joseph L. Kaufman	1970 Anton W. Benson
1993 Peter M. Pena	1970 Alvin M Rubenstein
1990 Neil M. Thompson	1969 John Barnes
1986 Lloyd H. Stover	1966 John W. Davis, Jr.
1982 Anton W. Benson	1963 Donald P. Zebley
1979 George W. Butz, III	1958 Emil R. A. Bohus
1977 Edward W. Loudon	1956 Arthur A. Thompson
1976 Kenneth C. Butler	
1975 John R. Kraus	



## From the East



### Thanksgiving Proclamation

In October of 1789 the United States had only emerged from the Revolutionary War by a scant few years. We had newly elected our first President, George Washington (raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in the Lodge at Fredericksburg on August 4th, 1753), and the Congress was busy delivering the fresh-off-the-presses Bill of Rights that had been adopted as the first ten amendments to the new Constitution to the state capitols of the new United States. The Judiciary act of 1789 formed the entire federal judiciary, including the Supreme Court.

However, even in these hectic times of nation building, our first President, Brother George Washington, took the time to remember and acknowledge the debt we as Americans all owe to the Divine in the first Thanksgiving Proclamation:

“Whereas it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor; and Whereas both Houses of Congress have, by their joint committee, requested me to “recommend to the people of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer, to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many and signal favors of Almighty God, especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness:

Now, therefore, I do recommend and assign Thursday, the 26th day of November next, to be devoted by the people of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being who is the beneficent author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be; that we may then all unite in rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this country previous to their becoming a nation; for the signal and manifold mercies and the favorable interpositions of His providence in the course and conclusion of the late war; for the great degree of tranquility, union, and plenty which we have since enjoyed; for the peaceable and rational manner in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national one now lately instituted for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed, and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and, in

general, for all the great and various favors which He has been pleased to confer upon us.

And also that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations and beseech Him to pardon our national and other transgressions; to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually; to render our National Government a blessing to all the people by constantly being a Government of wise, just, and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed; to protect and guide all sovereigns and nations (especially such as have shown kindness to us), and to bless them with good governments, peace, and concord; to promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the increase of science among them and us; and, generally to grant unto all mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as He alone knows to be best.

Given under my hand, at the city of New York, the 3d day of October, A.D. 1789.”

Please join us as we will soon be conferring the Entered Apprentice Degree. Also, we will be talking about changes to our By-Laws, any input would be appreciated. And now a word from our GM.

*Harvey Goldberg, Worshipful Master*

## From the Grand Master

Brethren, please allow me to introduce myself – I am John W. Marinucci, Grand Master of Masons in Delaware for the 2017-2018 Masonic Year. Brethren, we spend too much time focusing on the loss of members and not enough time enjoying what we have! We will manifest that which we hold in our hearts and minds. If we continue the negative dialogue that Masonry is on the decline – it will be. However, if we change that to a positive message – That we are a selective organization and only the best of the best are accepted – Brethren, we will grow. After all - Who wants to board a sinking ship – NOBODY... But on the other hand – EVERYBODY wants to be part of an elite organization. My brothers, Masonry is NOT on the decline as long as its most valued tenants remain within our hearts and guide us in our daily lives. And let's not allow ourselves to be distracted from the real work of Masonry by getting caught-up in a numbers game because as we continue to guard our West Gate, membership will naturally wax and wane. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you as Grand Master, and always remember we have the privilege of living in the land of the free only because of the sacrifices of the brave.

My theme this year is "Masons in Motion" and it is my goal to ensure that all Masons in Delaware are creating positive Masonic inertia in their lives. This positive Masonic inertia is being involved

and doing something for our lodge and our community. We know the good effect that Freemasonry has had on our lives and it is up to each one of us to share that with those around us. To that end, I am asking that each Freemason in Delaware join with the Grand Staff in participating in our First Quarter Community Service Project.

Did you know that every three seconds, someone in the United States needs blood? Right here on the Delmarva Peninsula, about 350 people are needed DAILY to ensure a safe and adequate blood supply. We as Freemasons can have a positive effect on this problem. My First Quarter Community Service project is a Statewide Blood Drive. This project will go from now until Christmas giving every Delaware Freemason an ample opportunity to participate. If you are a current blood donor, this will be easy and we thank you for your involvement. If you are not currently a blood donor, this gives you a great opportunity to start and see how easy the process is. The basic requirements are you must be between the ages of 17 and 79 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, be in general good health and meet the minimum eligibility requirements. All donors must provide a photo ID or two other forms of identification, including date of birth.

The Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Delaware is signed up as part of the HERO Program for this drive. That means you only have to take three easy steps to donate:

- Call the Blood Bank of Delmarva at 1-888-8-BLOOD-8 and make an appointment to donate;
- Go to the Blood Bank location to which you signed up to donate on the day and time of your appointment and complete a HERO Card. This card will ask for your name and organization (Grand Lodge of Delaware Freemasons). This will ensure that your donation is tracked for our count)
- Make your blood donation (which only takes about 5 to 7 minutes) and then enjoy free cookies and snacks in the canteen.

This process couldn't be much easier and it is a great way to create positive Masonic inertia in your life and be a shining example for our community. If you have any questions, please contact W. Chad Robinson, Grand Marshal, who will be available to answer your questions. He can be reached at (302) 270-4391 or chadwick83@hotmail.com.

I look forward to seeing the positive results!

*Fraternally,*

**John W. Marinucci**  
Grand Master

### Dinners

Our SS, Tom Sandilands, provided a delicious pot roast at our last meeting. Our Stewards continue to prepare dinner prior to each Stated Communication throughout the Masonic year. Please come out and break bread with your Brothers and share in the fellowship (6:30ish).