



# Eureka-DuPont



***Making Good Men Better since 1867***

March 2019

Masonic Trestleboard



Brandywine Masonic Hall  
2016 Foulk Road  
Wilmington, DE 19810

Stated Communication  
March 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm

**All Visiting Brethren Welcome!**

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**Need a Ride to Lodge  
or other function?**

We'll get you one.  
Call the Master  
or any officer.

**FROM THE EAST**



My Brothers,

We have had a busy year so far in entering men into our Fraternity. As of March 1, we have brought five to see the light by which Entered Apprentices work. It has been my honor to confer many of these degrees and I want to thank the Brothers who have taken time from their daily lives to help and support the candidates.

Brother Tim Jackson was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason by M.W. Rosenberry, Grand Master and the Delaware Colonials. Many visiting Brothers were in attendance and the degree, lecture and charges were performed with a passion that accentuates the Colonials.

Additionally, a warm thank you to the Brothers Brandywine for their help as we entered Brother Augustine (Gus) Sumo, a man I encourage you to speak with and learn his story, one of a desire for the pursuit of happiness.

*"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness"*

This sentence should be familiar to all citizens and visitors to our country. Our Masonic teachings certainly reflect this, and of which Eureka-DuPont supports.

At our March Stated Communication, W. Bro. Clinton Robertson will be providing a program on his deployment to Kuwait and Iraq during the fight against extremists. It should be a fascinating and interesting program.

We will also be passing two candidates and raising a third. Eureka-DuPont Member attendance has been low on degree nights, and I want to encourage Brothers to come out and support the candidates. Remember Brothers, it's all about the candidate and how memorable it should be to him.

Hope to see you all in lodge. **Happy St. Patrick's Day!**

Faternally,

*Kevin O'Rourke*

Worshipful Master



**DELAWARE COLONIALS CONFER THE MASTER MASON DEGREE**



**Brother Jackson was Raised in Excellent form by M.W. Grand Master Rosenberry**



# MARCH 2019

The 238th 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, March 14 at 7:30 PM. The reading of the minutes, correspondence, payment of bills, committee reports, reception of petitions, Masonic birthdays, and all other business, as may be lawfully brought before the Lodge will be transacted.

*Kevin O'Rourke, Worshipful Master*

*Attest: Rollyn Trueblood, Secretary*



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **March 6:** MM Degree Rehearsal 7:00 pm
- **March 9:** GL Workshop for Master Masons Union # 7, Dover 9:00 am
- **March 11:** MM Degree 7:00 pm
- **March 14:** Stated Communication 7:30 pm
- **March 18:** Officer EA/FC LOI Practice 7:00 pm
- **March 22:** 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Brotherhood Night NUR Shrine 5:30 pm
- **March 23:** 51<sup>st</sup> Grand Lodge Semi-Annual Communication; Newport 9:00 am
- **March 28:** FC Degree 7:00 pm

## DINNER IS SERVED

Our Sr. Steward prepares dinner before every Stated Communication. Please come out, break bread and enjoy the fellowship with your Brothers. This month is Taco Night, and our menu includes, you guessed it.

- Tacos
- Dessert

Members: \$5 Donation.



## ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE



Newly Entered Brother Augustine M. Sumo

## Masonic Birthdays: 227 Years in Masonry

Brother	Years in Masonry
Richard D. McDaniel	70
Harold N. Kenton	59
David Hipp, PM	49
Russell B. Combs, PM	32
Terry C. Martz, PM	17

The Lodge lacks leadership. Let's see if we can get that new guy... Oh, what's his name?. to learn all the lectures, charges, openings & closings by next week and then we can make him Master.



## Wilmington Breakfast Club

Information on the breakfast club is available here:  
<http://jtroy.com/breakfast>

Come out and join your brothers helping the hungry.



PLEASE TAKE TIME OUT AND VISIT OUR WEBSITE [eurekadupont.org](http://eurekadupont.org) OR JOIN OUR GOOGLE GROUP FOR ALL LODGE NOTIFICATIONS.  
<https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/eurekadupont2329>

## A PRAYER

Grand Architect, to Thee I bring  
This Ashlar as an offering.  
The imperfections, I'm aware,  
Will show upon Thy faultless square.  
Thou knowest well the joys I've found  
In brilliant hours with thoughts profound.  
So bless this work and may it be  
Of use to them who worship Thee.

I've dreamed in many ancient lands  
And dwelt on Egypt's burning sands.  
With Pyramid and Sphinx I've sought  
To learn the secrets that they taught.  
From Mount Moriah to the Sea,  
Across to Greece and Italy,  
Through France and Spain to English shores,  
I've sought the Truth in mystic lores.

Thy Guiding Light has steered my mind  
Through time, through space and lore to find  
The Mason's Word shall always be  
Thy mystery of mystery.  
O Master, may Thy loving hand  
Reach out across our glorious land,  
To touch our sacred soil so fair  
And bless the Craft of Delaware.

Charles E. Green, Historian for the Grand  
Lodge of Delaware, May 7, 1956



## OUR GRAND LODGE IS FORMED

June 6, 1806

Resolved unanimously that the several  
Lodges of Ancient York Masons in the  
State of Delaware here represented by  
deputies, properly authorized, consider it  
and for the general benefit of Masonry,  
that they ought to form a Grand Lodge,  
within the said State, and do now form  
and organize themselves into a Grand  
Lodge accordingly, to be known and  
distinguished by the name of the Grand  
Lodge of Delaware.

Lodge No. 14; Wilmington, New Castle County;  
Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania  
Lodge No. 33; New Castle, New Castle County;  
Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania  
Lodge No. 96; Newark, New Castle County;  
Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania  
Lodge No. 31; Laurel Town, Sussex County;  
Grand Lodge of Maryland



History of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Delaware  
of A.F. and A.M. of Delaware, 1956

## DID YOU KNOW?

- At the first meeting of the Grand Lodge of Delaware on June 7, 1806, Brother Jesse Green of Lodge No. 31 was appointed Right Worshipful Grand Master pro tem, and Brother Evan Thomas of Lodge No. 33 and Brother James Snow of Lodge No. 96 were appointed as Sr. Grand Warden pro tem and Jr. Grand Warden pro tem, respectively. Brother Gunning Bedford Jr. was then duly elected as the first Right Worshipful Grand Master and Brother Jesse Green was duly elected as the first Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master.
- On June 7, 1806, The Grand Lodge of Delaware issued warrants to Lodge No. 14 as Washington Lodge No. 1, to Lodge No. 96 as St. John's Lodge No. 2, to Lodge No. 31 as Hiram Lodge No. 3 and to Lodge No. 31 as Hope Lodge No. 4.
- In 1806, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania vacated the charters of Lodge No. 14, Lodge No. 33 and Lodge No. 96 for unmasonic conduct in establishing the Grand Lodge of Delaware. In 1808, the Grand Lodge of Maryland annulled the charter of Lodge No. 31.
- The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania did not recognize the Grand Lodge of Delaware until 1811.
- In 1808 there were 118 members reported from five lodges within the Grand Lodge of Delaware's jurisdiction (Lodges 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6).
- Hiram Lodge No. 6 was granted a charter in 1807 prior to Lodge No. 5 at Cantwell's Bridge (Odessa) in 1816. Lodge No. 5 remained in the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania until this time. In 1851 Lodge No. 5 became Union Lodge No. 5.
- On June 27, 1867 "...a Warrant was granted for Eureka Lodge No. 23 at Wilmington..."
- On October 5, 1876 "A Charter was granted to DuPont Lodge No. 29..."



Gunning Bedford Jr.



Taken from the History of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, Green, 1956; so these must be true ☺