



Eureka-DuPont #23-29
"The Friendly Lodge"
Making Good Men Better since 1867

October 2018
Masonic Trestleboard

2016 Foulk Road
Wilmington, DE 19810

Stated Communications
2nd Thursdays @ 7:30 p.m.
(Except July & August)
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,

Our first meeting was a great success, R.W. Grand Master-elect Don Rosenberry attended and was received by the lodge with a hearty round of applause. M.W. Jim Pletz, PGM provided a program of Masonic education and some of the Brethren informed me it was the first time they had received this light.

As many of you may be aware, our long-time Worshipful Master, David Simkins has been diagnosed with colon cancer. Please be on the lookout for ways to help our Brother and his family. If you are not a member of the lodge's google group, please send me an email and I will add you to the recipient list of announcements for ways we can help Bro. Simkins and his family. This is what Masonry is all about.

As we move into October, it is the harvest season and many cultures give thanks for the bounty received. I personally give thanks for the fellowship that I receive when I have Masonic intercourse with the Craft. I have been visiting other Delaware Lodges for stated communications and degrees and have been received with brotherly love and affection. I strongly recommend you all try to visit other lodges either in our Jurisdiction or in Maryland, Pennsylvania and Delaware and increase your Masonic network. It is most fulfilling.

For our program this month, 1LT Pat Reider, Commander of the Brandywine Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) will be giving a presentation on the CAP. This program is open to Masons and non-masons alike. Bring your wives, significant others and family as you wish. Please notify the stewards so we would have enough dinner prepared for all.

Looking forward to seeing you at lodge.

Fraternally,

Kevin O'Rourke

Worshipful Master

FROM THE WEST

"The Friendly Lodge" provides support for our Brothers and their families. Your support and attendance at Lodge are greatly appreciated. Please let the Worshipful Master, Secretary or Wardens know if you need transportation to Lodge

Thanks to our Worshipful Master and Secretary for their follow up and action on arranging a Masonic Funeral for W. Bro. Edward W. Loudon (DuPont 1977) who passed to the Celestial Lodge in 2017. Our Worshipful Master and Secretary are arranging a Masonic Funeral, which was unable to be performed, by working through our Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of Florida.

As you know, Worshipful Brother David Simkins is ill and our prayers should be with him and his family. David has been instrumental in keeping Eureka-DuPont alive and well with many years as the Worshipful Master and more recently as our Treasurer. We should thank Brother Steve Leishman for his offer to serve as Assistant to the Treasurer as David Recovers.

M.W, Brother Barry Hughes, PGM is currently recovering from a stroke and is home with his family.

Please let the Worshipful Master or one of the Wardens know if you hear of anyone who is ill or needs the help of the Lodge.

Fraternally,

Gary Williamson, PM

Senior Warden



OCTOBER 2018

The 232nd 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, October 11 at 7:30 PM. The reading of the minutes, correspondence, payment of bills, committee reports, reception of petitions, Masonic birthdays, program 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:

- **October 1:** Grand Lodge Annual Communication (Rehoboth) 9:00 AM
- **October 4:** Installation of the Grand Master and Staff (NUR Shrine) 7:00 PM.
- **October 6:** MM Degree at Brandywine Battlefield (Kennett Lodge #475) Dinner 6:00 PM; Degree 7:30 PM
- **October 8:** Officer Practice 7:00 PM
- **October 11:** Stated Communication
- **October 22:** Officer Practice 7:00 PM
- **October 25:** EA Degree 7:00 PM
- **October 27:** Social Night (Tentative)
- **October 29:** FC Degree Armstrong Lodge #26 and Concord Lodge #625 F&AM (Newport)

Eureka-DuPont Lodge No. 23-29 Living Past Masters

2018 Harvey S. Goldberg	1975 John R. Kraus
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 M. Simkins	1972-1974 John R. Bradd
1998-2003 Robert Hiddeman	1972 Kenneth C. Butler
1993 Peter M. Pena	1970 Anton W. Benson
1990 Neil M. Thompson	1970 Alvin M Rubenstein
1986 Lloyd H. Stover	1969 John Barnes
1982 Anton W. Benson	1966 John W. Davis, Jr.
1979 George W. Butz, III	1963 Donald P. Zebley
1976 Kenneth C. Butler	1956 Arthur A. Thompson

Affiliated Past Masters

James A. Pletz, PGM (#33 DE) Cory R. Kramer (#34 DE)
Russell B. McComb (#529 PA) Patrick S. Light (#33 DE)
Michael W. Jones (#34 DE)

Wilmington Breakfast Club

Information on the breakfast club is available here:

<http://jtroy.com/breakfast>

Come out and join your brothers helping the hungry.



DINNER IS SERVED

Our Stewards provide dinner before every Stated Communication. Please come out, break bread and enjoy the fellowship with your brothers. This month our menu includes:

- Spaghetti and Meatballs
- Garden Salad
- Dessert

Members: \$5 Donation



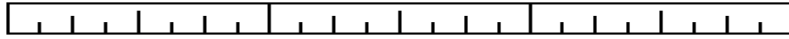
SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Brethren, please be aware that the Lodge voted to increase the annual dues. Annual dues are now \$40.00. Grand Lodge assessments are expected to remain the same. We are working on adding an electronic payment system to the lodge website. Stay tuned for more details.

PLEASE TAKE TIME OUT AND VISIT OUR WEBSITE eurekadupont.org WHERE YOU CAN FIND ALL OF THIS YEAR'S TRESTLEBOARDS.

THREE-LODGE COMBINED ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE

The Officers of Eureka-DuPont, #23-29, Granite Corinthian #34 and Unity #32 will be conferring an Entered Apprentice Degree on Thursday, October 25, 2018 on three worthy candidates. The degree will be conferred at the historic Lombardy Hall (Talleyville Masonic Temple): 1611 Concord Pike, Wilmington, DE 19803. The gavel drops at 7 PM.



THE LESSON OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER From The Grand Lodge of Texas

The Human brain is an amazing organ. It functions 24 hours a day from the day we are born and only stops when we are performing ritual



There are many lessons contained in the Entered Apprentice Degree, but few more dramatic and as important as those communicated to the Mason when placed in the Northeast corner. Standing between the darkness of the North and the absolute light of the East, the new Mason is instructed as to his importance to the Craft, his future moral and Masonic conduct, and his responsibilities to his Brothers. While frequently a brief part of the degree, this moment is of critical importance and significance.

The North is a symbolic place of darkness, where no light shines. The cold of winter, when life is dormant, represents the lack of reason and intellect so essential to Masonic growth.

From the Northeast corner, the new EA stands upright as a plumb line and faces the Worshipful Master in the East. Here he is made to understand his responsibilities for his future conduct and his Masonic life. He is told his Masonic life now begins and the choices between darkness and Light are his. At that moment in time, he is a true Mason, and spotless cornerstone of his Lodge.

The placement of the EA is to remind us of the most important stone in a building, namely the cornerstone. From both location and quality, the cornerstone always gives stability and direction to the construction of a building. In the past, operative Masons placed such stones with great ceremony and rite, recognizing the cornerstone's importance to the permanence of construction. The determination of lines for a building,

namely perpendiculars, horizontals, and directionals, was the critical first step in construction. Thus it is that the new EA is expected to construct his spiritual Temple, with an understanding of uprightness, Brotherly love, and improvement. Few charges to our Brothers are as clear in their meaning as at this moment.

It is here that the EA is taught the importance of charity, especially with respect to his Brothers. The symbolism of a metallic substance refers to the unrefined metal and is to remind him of his earthly nature. As the Lodge represents the world and the Heavens, it is by giving up the earthly pursuits that the new EA is to erect his spiritual temple. Likewise, it is through the charity of his Brothers to him and his charity to his Brothers, he can become a true Mason. The frequent use of a coin carries the same message, for its refinement indicates man's attempts to mold nature, but still present are the lessons of the base nature of man and his earthly pursuits. The lesson of charity between Brothers is most evident and easily understood.

Thus we see the placement between North and East is to teach us we will face many choices in building our Temple. Our direction should be toward the Light, and as our Brothers may help us, we are to help them. Our goal is to be "like a stone" and preparing for that Spiritual home, "that house not made with hands." Such are the lessons found in the Northeast corner.

The Masonic Trowel: March 22, 2014; Edited 2018

Masonic Birthdays: 321 Years in Masonry

Brother	Years in Masonry	Brother	Years in Masonry
John R. Barnes, PM	55	Richard J. Williamson	10
Alvin M. Rubenstein, PM	53	Jerome R. Troy, PM	8
David H. Pippin	52	Rollyn C. Trueblood	8
David S. Brown	50	Bruce D. Bartow	7
William F. Manley	47	Joseph S. Marvian	3
Tenney H. Wheatley Jr.	15	Karon Gray	2
Gary R. Williamson, PM	11		