



# Eureka-DuPont



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**June 2019**

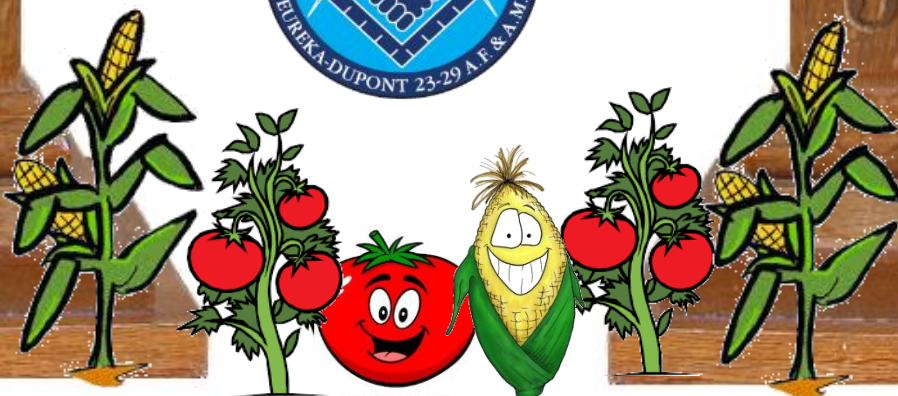
## **Masonic Trestleboard**

Brandywine Masonic Hall  
2016 Foulk Road  
Wilmington, DE 19810

Stated Communication  
June 13<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,

This has been a very interesting Masonic year. It began inauspiciously with our Senior Warden, Secretary and Treasurer being infirm, but fortunately they were all able to return to lodge and share in the fellowship.

Unfortunately, we lost two brothers this year. Bro. Steve Leishman, who stepped in as our interim treasurer, unexpectedly passed on to the great lodge above. We also learned that Bro. Edward Frederick had passed previously. We also lost Susan Pletz, a dear friend and supporter of our lodge. All will be sorely missed. However, we did enter 5 new Brothers and we have grown and strengthened as a lodge with this new infusion. I look forward to these new Brothers taking on roles in our lodge, large or small. From becoming officers to learning and presenting little used ritual, any support will be most welcome.

I trust I was able to provide some interesting and informative programs ranging from a flute quartet to speakers to doggies. It was my pleasure and honor to serve our lodge as Worshipful Master, and as this may continue into the next Masonic year, it is my hope that I will continue to govern by serving and leave the lodge in a better position for my successor.

I would like to thank all the officers and brothers that helped me during this Masonic year. Especially, Bros. Trueblood, Zenidiu, Wedel and Sandilands. A special thank you to Bro. Light for stepping in as our Sr. Deacon for our degree work throughout the year.

As we end this year in June, we will be voting on extending the hand of Masonic friendship by joining with Washington No. 1 in Unity meetings next year. We will also hold elections for our officers next year.

Although lodges typically "go dark" following the last meeting, we still have Masonic work to do. We will be raising Bros. Simkins and Norton on Wednesday, June 19th and hope to enter another candidate into the Craft not long after. Please come out to support our Brothers.

Hope to see you all in lodge.  
Hawaiian shirts are encouraged!

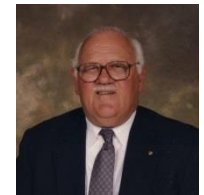
Fraternally,  
*Kevin O'Rourke*  
Worshipful Master



Susan Pletz



Bro. Leishman



Bro. Frederick

**TRI-STATE K-9 RESPONSE CRISIS TEAM**

Provide comfort, stress relief, emotional support and crisis intervention services for first responders and communities.



TRI-STATE K-9 RESPONSE TEAM



Bro. Drew Wedel; Bro. Gary Williamson, PM; Eve from Tri-State, CC; Jack; Bro. Richard Williamson

# JUNE 2019

The 241st Regular Communication of Eureka-DuPont Lodge No. 23-29 will be held at the Brandywine Masonic Hall, 2016 Foulk Road in Wilmington, Delaware, on Thursday, May 9 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. The dress code is **casual** for our June Stated Communication. **Hawaiian shirts are encouraged!**

*Kevin O'Rourke*, Worshipful Master

*Attest: Rollyn Trueblood*, Secretary



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

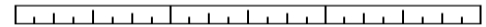
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|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2018 Harvey S. Goldberg   | 1975 John R. Kraus       |
| 2017 Jerome R. "Jay" Troy | 1973 David Hipp          |
| 2016 Thomas J. Cole       | 1972-1974 John R. Bradd  |
| 2015 Gary R. Williamson   | 1972 Kenneth C. Butler   |
| 2005-14 David M. Simkins  | 1970 Anton W. Benson     |
| 1998-2003 Robert Hiddeman | 1970 Alvin M. Rubenstein |
| 1993 Peter M. Pena        | 1969 John Barnes         |
| 1990 Neill M. Thompson    |                          |

## **Affiliated Past Masters**

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

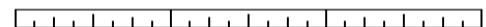
## **Masonic Birthdays: 193 Years in Masonry**

| <u>Brother</u>           | <u>Years in Masonry</u> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Fred B. Botwright</b> | <b>67</b>               |
| <b>Jerome O. Herlihy</b> | <b>57</b>               |
| <b>Arnold D. Tabor</b>   | <b>33</b>               |
| <b>David R. Clements</b> | <b>13</b>               |
| <b>Jeffrey S. Mapson</b> | <b>9</b>                |
| <b>Alfred A. Wedel</b>   | <b>8</b>                |
| <b>Said B. Shakshir</b>  | <b>6</b>                |



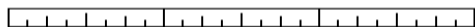
## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- **June 4:** Granite-Corinthian No. 34 Stated Communication 7:30 pm
- **June 6:** Washington No. 1 Stated Communication 7:30 pm (Brandywine)
- **June 8:** Washington No. 1 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Delaware City Fire Hall 5:00 pm
- **June 11:** Brandywine No. 33 Stated Communication 7:30 pm (Brandywine)
- **June 12:** Grand Master Visit to Concord Lodge No. 625 (Concordville, PA) 7:00 pm
- **June 13:** Eureka-DuPont Stated Communication 7:30 pm (Brandywine)
- **June 19:** MM Degree Bros. Simkins and Norton 7:00 pm (Brandywine)
- **June 20:** Actual Past Master's Degree 7:00 pm (PMs only). Location TBD.



## **SUMMER SOCIAL NIGHT**

Stay tuned for a notification of a District I Social Night over the summer. We hope to have it at a local publican with food and music.

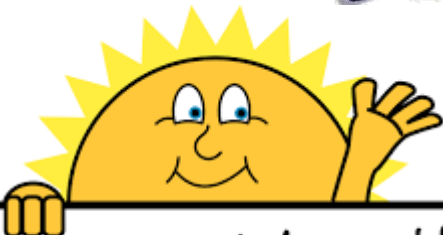


## **Wilmington Breakfast Club**

**Information on the breakfast club is available here:**

**<http://jtroy.com/breakfast>**

**Come out and join your brothers helping the hungry.**



# Summer Vacation

## **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 our menu includes:

- Something Tasty!
- Dessert

Members: \$5 Donation



## DID YOU KNOW?

- The first modern Olympic Games were held in the summer in 1896 in Athens, Greece.
- The month of June is named after the Roman goddess Juno.
- Roman general Marc Antony named the month of July after Julius Caesar.
- August was named after Julius Caesar's nephew. He had received the title of "Augustus" which means "revered".
- The "dog days of summer" refer to the dates from July 3rd to August 11th. They are named so after Sirius the Dog Star located in the constellation of Canis Major. The ancient Greeks blamed Sirius for the hot temperatures, drought, discomfort, and sickness that occurred during the summer.
- Before the Civil War, schools did not have summer vacation. In rural communities, kids had school off during the spring planting and fall harvest while urban schools were essentially year-round. The long summer holiday didn't come about until the early 20th century.
- The Eiffel Tower grows in summer. This historic structure is made of iron. Metal expands with heat. As a result, the Eiffel Tower can grow more than 15 centimeters (6 inches) in hot weather.
- Twice a year around May 28 and July 12, New York City is home to a fascinating sunset phenomenon. Owing to the city's design on a grid rotated 29° clockwise from true east-west, the sun sets directly at the end of many of New York's major streets to create a spectacular sunset. The sun is slightly above the horizon and nestled between the rows of buildings.
- People have long believed that Stonehenge was the site of ancient druid solstice celebrations because of the way the sun lines up with the stones on the winter and summer solstices. While there's no proven connection between Celtic solstice celebrations and Stonehenge. These days, thousands of modern pagans gather at the landmark to watch the sunrise on the summer solstice.

Taken from the internet; so these must be true 😊



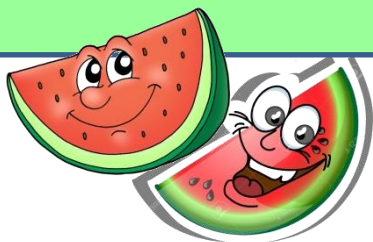
## DO WE MEET HIM ON THE LEVEL BY Unknown

To meet upon the level  
Is an easy thing to say,  
But when it comes to practice,  
Do we do it every day?  
Do we meet him on the level,  
If the Brother chance to be  
Just a little out at elbow  
Or baggy at the knee?

When we meet him in the  
workshop,  
Do we greet him with the grip  
That we do the noted statesman  
On a European trip?  
Do we meet him on the level  
And give him just the chance  
That we do the dashing fellow  
With the creases in his pants?

If fortune does not smile on him  
In sunshine and repose,  
Do we meet him on the level  
In his second-handed clothes?  
Do we invite him to our church,  
And seat him in our pew,  
And warm our hearts by  
clasping hands  
As Brothers ought to do?

Yes, we meet him on the level,  
On the broad Masonic plan,  
Whenever we know him to be  
A Mason and a man.  
We'll meet him on the level,  
And part upon the square,  
And then perhaps he'll vouch for us  
When we meet him over there.



"FREEMASONRY EMBRACES THE HIGHEST MORAL LAWS  
AND WILL BEAR THE TEST OF ANY SYSTEM OF ETHICS  
OR PHILOSOPHY EVER PROMULGATED FOR THE  
UPLIFT OF MAN."  
BROTHER DOUGLAS MACARTHUR

