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**Stated Communication
Zoom Meeting 7:30/G.L. Meeting After**

**Brandywine Masonic Hall
2016 Foulk Road
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All Visiting Brethren Welcome!

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MARCH 2021

The 254th Regular Communication of Eureka-DuPont Lodge No. 23-29 will be held on at Lodge at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 11, 2021. I look forward to finally getting to see the brothers who are able to come out. If you still aren't comfortable coming out in person, that is fine. If you have anything to share with the lodge, please let me know by phone or email. Especially if you have been sick or no a brother who has been struggling.

David Simkins, Worshipful Master

Attest: *Rollyn Trueblood*, Secretary

FROM THE EAST



My Brothers,

Finally, we are going to have an in-person meeting. As I have stated before, please only coming out if you feel safe. I have already had both vaccines, so my chance of getting and therefore giving covid to someone else is greatly reduced. Several other brothers already have had the shots, or are in the midst of receiving them. However, as a warning, my daughters former roommates father was just in the ICU. He got covid last summer but got myocarditis (problem with middle lining of the heart) in February because of having covid. So, please still be careful.

The meeting will not be long, but it is important that we start moving things back to normal, whatever that is. Also, please not that we may be having a Master Mason Degree on March 25th at Unity Lodge, for our Fellow Craft. The Shield and Square Club will be conferring the degree, which will be a big treat. If possible, please come out for this.

So Mote It Be

David Simkins, W.M.



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

2018-2020 Kevin O'Rourke
2016 Jerome R. "Jay" Troy
2015 Thomas J. Cole
2014 Gary R. Williamson
2005-13 David M. Simkins
1998-2003 Robert Hiddemen
1993 Peter M. Pena**
1990 Neill M. Thompson*
1975 John R. Kraus
1973 David Hipp
1972 Kenneth C. Butler*
1970 Alvin M. Rubenstein
1969 John Barnes

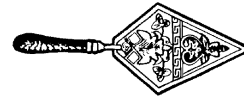


Affiliated Past Masters

Herbert J. Rubenstein (#25 MD)
Terry C. Martz (#34 DE)
Patrick S. Light (#33 DE)
Russell B. Combs (#529 PA)
Michael W. Jones (#34 DE)
Paul D. Loveday (#9930 UGLE)

* Suspended

** Demitted



A Freemason's Response-Wearing Our Ring

My best friend Burt and I were sitting downstairs after Lodge the other night, when our newest brother approached us and said: Both of you are Past Masters and I couldn't help notice that you both wear your Masonic rings different. One of you has the points facing outward, the other inward. Which is correct?

Burt smiled and said: Historically, Signet rings were worn by Kings, Popes, Bishops, Roman Emperors and other high ranking church officials and noblemen as a sign of their nobility, importance and power. In fact, the theft of a signet ring was, many times, punishable by death.

Within our fraternity, some wear their ring with the points outward showing to others it is a symbol of their ongoing obligation of loyalty, of their brotherhood and as a visual statement that they are a proud member of the oldest fraternity on Earth.

While others wear their ring with the points inward towards their heart to remind them of the journey they are on, to help them remember their obligation, of all their dealings and the tenets of Masonry.

smiled at my friend and said:
couldn't have said it any better.

Important Dates

Brandywine Lodge Meeting March 9th, 7:30

Ritual Workshop, 9-12, Dover Masonic Temple, March 20th

Eureka DuPont Planned Master Mason Degree, March 25th, 7:30 Unity Lodge, Newport Masonic Temple, degree performed by the Shield and Square Club. Watch for further emails.

Semi-Annual Grand Lodge Communication Saturday, March 27, 2021, 9 a.m. at the Nur Shrine Temple

You are holding a cup of coffee when someone comes along and bumps into you, making you spill your coffee everywhere. Why did you spill the coffee? You spilled the coffee because there was coffee in your cup. Had there been tea in the cup, you would have spilled the tea. The point is, whatever is inside the cup, is what will spill out. Therefore, when life comes along and shakes you (which will happen), whatever is inside you will come out. It's easy to fake it, until you get rattled. So, we have to ask ourselves, "What's in my cup?" When life gets tough, what spills out? Joy, gratefulness, peace and humility. Or does anger, bitterness, harsh words and reactions come out? You choose! Today let's work towards filling our cups with gratitude, forgiveness, joy, words of affirmation, kindness, gentleness and love for others.