

Eureka-DuPont #23-29

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Masonic Trestleboard May 2022



All Visiting Brethren Are Welcome
Meetings are held on the second Thursday
of the month –September thru June

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MAY 2022 TRESTLEBOARD

The 266th Regular Communication of Eureka-DuPont Lodge No. 23-29 will be held in the Brandywine Masonic Hall, 2016 Foulk Road, Wilmington, Delaware, on Thursday, May 12 at 7:30 PM.

All business as may be lawfully brought before the Lodge will be transacted. Dinner will be served at 6:30. Dress is business casual.

David Simkins,
Worshipful Master

Attest: Rollyn Trueblood,
Secretary

From the East



Brothers,

The upcoming meeting is one of the most important meetings in many years for Eureka-DuPont. We will be discussing the future of the lodge. After two very difficult years, attendance is not what it was, and I have been working on getting things moving again to get a full line and increase attendance.

However, this is not a one-man job and I am going to need help. The rewards will be worth it and the improved brotherhood will benefit all of us, and all future Brothers. We will be discussing getting new candidates, investigation committees, improved degree instruction, lodge donations, marketing, moving through the chairs, committee's, voting on options for new officer's jewels, and a radically new budget.

Please come out and show your support, discuss the upcoming changes and improvements and offer your opinions. It is important and will benefit all of us.

So Mote It Be.
David Simkins, WM

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From the Chaplain's Chair

Do not think that The Great Architect does not have a plan for you. The great mystery is, "What IS that plan"? Don't look for a billboard! Don't wait for a bolt of lightning! Remember that very often He speaks to us in whispers. While He will point the way, He does so very subtly. He doesn't FORCE us to do anything – He guides us in ways that we don't even realize. EVERYTHING you have ever done in your life has brought you to this moment. This very moment where you opened this Trestleboard. Was it an accident? The Architect guides us not by "Accident" but by purpose.



From the West

April Masonic Birthdays

NAME	YEARS
Peter Castle	11
David Clark	15
Richard Stout	68
Laurent Zenidiu	5

99 Years in Masonry

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

2020 David Simkins
 2018-19 Kevin O'Rourke
 2016 Jerome R. "Jay" Troy
 2015 Thomas J. Cole
 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 Rubinstein (#25 MD)
 Terry Martz (#34 DE)
 Patrick S. Light (#33 DE)
 Michael W. Jones (#34 DE)
 Paul D. Loveday (#9930
 UGLE)

* Suspended

** Demitted

THE SILENT SUMMONS

A member of a certain Lodge, who previously attended meetings regularly, stopped going. After a few months, the Worshipful Master decided to visit him. It was a chilly evening, and the Worshipful Master found his brother at home alone, sitting before a blazing fire. Guessing the reason for the Worshipful Master's visit, the brother welcomed him, led him to a comfortable chair near the fireplace and waited. The Worshipful Master made himself comfortable, but said nothing.

In the grave silence, he contemplated the dance of the flames around the burning logs. After several minutes, the Worshipful Master took the fire tongs, carefully picked up a brightly burning ember and placed it to one side of the hearth, all alone. Then he sat back in his chair, still silent.

His host watched all of this in quiet contemplation. As the one, lone ember's flame flickered and diminished, there was a momentary glow, and its fire was no more. Soon, it was cold and dead.

Not a word had been spoken since the initial greeting. The Worshipful Master glanced at his watch and chose this time to leave. He slowly stood up, picked up the cold, dead ember, and placed it back in the middle of the fire. Immediately, it began to glow once more, with all the light and warmth of the burning coals around it.

As the Worshipful Master reached the door to leave, his host said, with a tear running down his cheek, "Thank you so much for your fiery summons, my brother. I'll be back in our Lodge next meeting."

-- Author Unknown



Masonic Symbols ...and what they mean

Square and Compasses



We hope to make "Masonic Symbols ...and what they mean" a regular feature in our Trestleboard. Hopefully you will find these short features interesting and informative.

THE SQUARE AND COMPASSES are one of the most recognized Freemasonry symbols. Its origin is traceable back to the middle ages from the stonemasons guild.

The **Square** in Masonry symbolizes morality in the essence of the Golden Rule.

To deal with someone squarely refers to treating a person the way we want to be treated. It indicates Masons' ability to apply the teachings of conscience and morality in testing the rightness of their actions.

The **Compass** stands for the ability to mark a clear boundary around our desires and passion. It represents self-restraint and control, which is the basis of morality and wisdom.

The **Square and Compasses** combined serve as a reminder to Freemasons to explore personal desires and passions while maintaining morality.

IMPORTANT DATES...

Mark Your Calendar

- May 3** Granite-Corinthian #34, Stated
- May 4** Washington #1 and Eureka-DuPont Entered Apprentice Degree, 7 pm
- May 5** Washington #1 Stated
- May 10** Lafayette Stated
- May 11** Temple #11, Stated
- May 12** Eureka-DuPont #23-29, Stated
- May 20** Flag Distribution at Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Bear 8 am
- May 20** 14th Annual Delaware Scottish Rite Charity Golf Tournament, Dover 9 am
- May 22** Horseshoe Tournament, Brandywine Hall, 10 am
- June 4:** Oklahoma Masonic Indian Master Mason Degree, Delaware State Fairgrounds, Harrington, 4 pm

Check out the Grand Calendar for other events:

<https://www.masonsindelaware.org/>

Masonic Facts

...did you know?



St. John's Lodge (in Philadelphia) Ledger for the year 1731 is the oldest Masonic Lodge document in existence in the United States.

We hope to make "Masonic Factsdid you know?" a regular feature in our Trestleboard. Hopefully you will find these short features interesting and informative.

You're Invited

District 1
Horseshoe Tournament

Sunday, May 22
4 PM

Meet us on the back lawn
Brandywine Masonic Hall
2016 Foulk Road
Wilmington, DE

You don't have to be a Mason to join us.
Families are welcome for hot dogs and soft drinks.

Bring the children
Bring your lawn chairs
Bring your choice of beverage



*From darkness
to Masonic light*



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Grand Lodge will be proud to host the
Oklahoma Masonic Indian Degree Team



Please dress appropriately for being outdoors.

Current dues card required

Raffle chances available from committee members for Henry Golden Boy Freemasons Tribute Edition Rifle to be selected that day. 1 for \$5 or 6 for \$20.

<https://www.henryusa.com/rifles/golden-boy-freemasons-tribute-edition/>

Saturday, June 4, 2022 - 4:00 PM

Delaware State Fairgrounds
18500 South Dupont Hwy
Harrington, DE 19952

Tickets - \$39.00 per person (including fees) Includes admission to the degree and dinner catered by Haass Family Butcher Shop.

**All degree ticket sales
available on-line:**

<https://tinyurl.com/uvn76c9>



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