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PENNSYLVANIA MASONS

The District 3 Dispatch



Official Visit at Orrstown Lodge No. 262

Celebrating 50-year members at the first Official Visit at Orrstown Lodge's new Lodge

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2025 Official Visit Schedule

361 – February 13

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143 – April 11 with the Grand Master

443 – March 18

315 – April 3

302 – April 7

260 – April 15

774 – May 12

Notes from the Editor: Please submit your inputs for next month NLT the 27th unless you have pending activities that you want to include.

Event Announcements

Events will be updated in the next issue.

From the Desk of Brother Jeffrey R. Miller

District Deputy Grand Master, Third Masonic District



Fraternal Greetings Brethren!

Freemasonry is alive and well in District 3. My official visits are moving along. The Lodge officers of the District have traveled with me on four official visits at this point and have enjoyed Masonic fellowship at its finest. The Lodge instructors and the District School of Instruction has done well in the preparation of the officers for the visits. I will be conducting four additional official visits in April. Please come out to these visits. Brother Larry A. Derr, Right Worshipful Grand Master and other Grand Lodge officers will be attending the official visit at George Washington Lodge No. 143 on April 11th. The Grand Master will be presenting several service awards and other awards to the Lodge members. A fellowship meal starting at 6:30 pm proceeds the stated meeting starting at 7:30 pm. Please come out and be a part of this important event in the life of this Lodge.

Planning is well underway for the District 3 Low Vale in September. We will again be offering a steak dinner along with conferring a Master Mason Degree. It will be on September 10th, 2025 at the Narrows Rod and Gun Club grounds. Additional information will be forthcoming in future District Three Newsletters.

The District Newsletter is for all of the membership in District Three. Brother Carl Calder WM is the editor of the newsletter and does a fine job in his labors. Each member may submit articles for in the newsletter to Brother Carl WM and he will include them as there is space available.

I look forward to seeing each of you as I travel the Masonic trail throughout 2025. Until we meet again, please be safe in your travels.

Have a great day in Freemasonry!!

Brother Jeffrey R. Miller
District Deputy Grand Master



From the Desk of Brother Kenneth W. Womack, P.M.

Principal, Third Masonic District School of Instruction



Brethren,

The Spring sectional school of instruction is behind us and the District Three team did a great job down in York on Saturday, March 22nd. Sectional schools, where different Districts exemplify different portions of the ritual, are difficult since regional instructors interrupt the flow for corrections or comments and to answer questions. It is difficult to get into a rhythm and easy to be distracted. Our team did very well. In addition, we learned a few things (some of which we had never heard before)! Congratulations to the District Three team. We all appreciate the extra time and effort that goes into these regional events.

Position/Station	Name	Lodge
WM	Carl Calder	282
SW	Warren Scott	262
JW	William Olsen	302
SD	Larry Stine	315
JD	Gregory Culp	586
SMOC	Carl Lynch	586
JMOC	Joey Lane	774
Pursuivant	Chris Gregory	260
Secretary	Bill Britton	315
Chaplain	Aaron Snyder	143

Brother Paul A. Sutcliffe, Jr., recently notified District Three that the 2025 ritual competition will be the Examination of a Visitor and is scheduled for Saturday, June 14, 2025, at the West Reading Masonic Temple, 400 S. 7th Ave, Reading, PA. The District Three team is scheduled for the 10:00 am time slot.

To prepare for the competition, I am going to make additional changes to the SOI schedule. Currently, Orrstown Lodge No. 262 is scheduled to exemplify the MM Degree on April 28, and Big Spring Lodge No. 361 is scheduled to exemplify the Table Lodge on May 26. To accommodate the regional competition and other changes made to the SOI schedule earlier in the year to prepare for the regional school in March, I am going to change the SOI schedule for the rest of the year as follows:

Revised Schedule (April 2025)

April 28	Table Lodge/Protocol/Mentoring	No. 361
May 26	Regional Competition Preparation (Examination of a Visitor)	Competition Team
Aug 26	Low Vale Preparation (MM Degree)	Low Vale Team*
Sep 22	Funeral Service/Examination of Visitor/Balloting	No. 143
Oct 27	Election of Officers (Ballot Box)	No. 262
Nov 24	Open Installation of Officers	No. 443
Dec 22	Business of the Lodge	Incoming Masters
	• Lodge No. 774	

The District Three Low Vale is scheduled for Wednesday, September 10 at the Narrows Rod and Gun Club in McConnellsburg. Mt. Zion Lodge No. 774 is the sponsoring Lodge. While most Blue Lodges do not meet in July and August, the SOI does not meet in June and July but will resume on August 25 when the team assembled by Mt. Zion Lodge will rehearse for the Low Vale.

Brethren, please be aware that all Lodges will be required to use the ballot box for election of officers (at least one officer). We will cover this in detail at the October SOI. Please plan now to have your Lodge instructor and your elected officers at this meeting so you are prepared for this requirement.

Thank you for your patience and flexibility as we deal with Grand Lodge requirements. I look forward to seeing you at our SOI on April 28.

Sincerely & fraternally,
Brother Kenneth W. Womack
Principal, District 3 SOI





GRAND LODGE *of* PENNSYLVANIA

Grand Lodge of Pa. Schedule

****There are changes to the below schedule****

2025 District 3 School Of Instruction Schedule Monthly SOI Meetings @ 7:30 p.m.

Apr. 28 Table Lodge/Protocol/Mentoring - Lodge No. 361

May 26 Regional Competition Preparation (Examination of a Visitor) - Competition Team

Aug. 26 Master Mason Degree/Low Vale Preparation - Low Vale Team*

Sep. 22 Funeral Service/Examination of Visitor/Balloting - Lodge No. 143

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*Mount Zion Lodge No. 774

REGIONAL SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

DATE LOCATION

Saturday, March 22, 2025 - Regional School of Instruction - York

REGION 2 OFFICER TRAINING SEMINARS

DATE & LOCATION(S)

Saturday, March 8, 2025
York Masonic Center
400 Masonic Drive
York, Pa 17406

Saturday, March 22, 2025
Valley of Harrisburg, AASR
2701 North 3rd Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110

Saturday, April 5, 2025
West Reading Masonic Center
400 South Seventh Street
Reading, Pa 19611

Around the District

Be An Active Member!



Third Masonic District School of Instruction

The 3rd Masonic District School of Instruction (SOI) is scheduled to be held on the fourth Monday of each month (with exception to June and July) at 7:30 p.m. at Big Spring Lodge located at 131 Centerville Rd, Newville, PA, 17241.

Our next SOI will be on April 28, 2025. The work of the evening will be Funeral Service/Examination of a Visitor/Balloting presented by Lodge No. 143. All Master Masons are welcome to attend and learn more about our rituals and the Masonic craft. Remember to bring your Candidates so they may participate in District 3 Mentoring.



BLOOD + ORGAN DONOR PROGRAM

The Masonic Blood and Organ Donor Program promotes Masonic blood drives throughout Pennsylvania, heightens awareness and provides educational materials on sharing the gift of life through blood and organ donation. All Pennsylvania Masons are eligible for membership in the Masonic Blood and Organ Donor Program. To become a member complete the New Member Form. Dues are not required for membership in the Blood and Organ Donor Program; however, we still have operating expenses. Donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you for your continued support of this vital program.



The District 3 Dispatch is looking for your help!

We are looking for Masons that want to improve their Masonic knowledge by researching and authoring articles for the Masonic Insight. This is a great way to improve your Masonic knowledge as well as helping to educate your Brothers.

Please contact the Editor at ccalder@pagrandlodge.org if you are interested!

Masonic Insight

A Series In Masonic Education

The Cable Tow



The Cable-Tow, we are told, is purely Masonic in its meaning and use. It is so defined in the dictionary, but not always accurately, which shows that we ought not depend upon the ordinary dictionary for the truth about Masonic terms. Masonry has its own vocabulary and uses it in its own ways. Nor can our words always be defined for the benefit of the profane.

Even in Masonic lore the word cable-tow varies in form and use. In an early pamphlet by Pritchard, issued in 1730, and meant to be an exposure of Masonry, the cable-tow is called a "Cable-Rope," and in another edition a "Tow-Line." The same word "Tow-Line" is used in a pamphlet called

"A Defense of Masonry," written, it is believed, by Anderson as a reply to Pritchard about the same time. In neither pamphlet is the word used in exactly the form and sense in which it is used today; and in a note Pritchard, wishing to make everything Masonic absurd, explains it as meaning "The Roof of the Mouth!" In English lodges, the Cable-Tow, like the hoodwink, is used only in the first degree, and has no symbolical meaning at all, apparently. In American lodges it is used in all three degrees, and has almost too many meanings. Some of our American teachers - Pike among them - see no meaning in the cable-tow beyond its obvious use in leading an initiate into the lodge, and the possible use of withdrawing him from it should he be unwilling or unworthy to advance.

To some of us this non-symbolical idea and use of the cable-tow is very strange, in view of what Masonry is in general, and particularly in its ceremonies of initiation. For Masonry is a chamber of imagery. The whole Lodge is a symbol. Every object, every act is symbolical. The whole fits together into a system of symbolism by which Masonry veils, and yet reveals, the truth it seeks to teach to such as have eyes to see and are ready to receive it.

As far back as we can go in the history of initiation, we find the cable-tow, or something like it, used very much as it is used in a Masonic Lodge today. No matter what the origin and form of the word as we employ it may be - whether from the Hebrew "Khabel," or the Dutch "cabel," both meaning a rope - the fact is the same. In India, in Egypt and in most of the ancient Mysteries, a cord or cable was used in the same way and for the same purpose.

In the meaning, so far as we can make it out, seems to have been some kind of pledge - a vow in which a man pledged his life. Even outside initiatory rites we find it employed, as, for example, in a striking scene recorded in the Bible (I Kings 20:31,32), the description of which is almost Masonic. The King of Syria, Ben-hada, had been defeated in battle by the King of Israel and his servants are making a plea for his life. They approach the King of Israel "with ropes upon their heads," and speak of his "Brother, Ben-hadad." Why did they wear ropes, or nouses, on their heads?

Evidently to symbolize a pledge of some sort, given in a Lodge or otherwise, between the two Kings, of which they wished to remind the King of Israel. The King of Israel asked: "Is he yet alive? He is my brother." Then we read that the servants of the Syrian King watched to see if the King of Israel made any sign, and, catching his sign, they brought the captive King of Syria before him. Not only was the life of the King of Syria spared, but a new pledge was made between the two men.

The cable-tow, then, is the outward and visible symbol of a vow in which a man has pledged his life, or has pledged himself to save another life at the risk of his own. Its length and strength are measured by the ability of the man to fulfill his obligation and his sense of the moral sanctity of his obligation - a test, that is, both of his capacity and of his character.

If a lodge is a symbol of the world, and initiation is our birth into the world of Masonry, the cable-tow is not unlike the cord which unites a child to its mother at birth; and so it is usually interpreted. Just as the physical cord, when cut, is replaced by a tie of love and obligation between mother and child, so, in one of the most impressive moments of initiation, the cable-tow is removed, because the brother, by his oath at the Altar of Obligation, is bound by a tie stronger than any physical cable. What before was an outward physical restraint has become an inward moral constraint. That is to say, force is replaced by love - outer authority by inner obligation - and that is the secret of security and the only basis of brotherhood.

The cable-tow is the sign of the pledge of the life of a man. As in his oath he agrees to forfeit his life if his vow is violated, so, positively, he pledges his life to the service of the Craft. He agrees to go to the aid of a Brother, using all his power in his behalf, "if within the length of his cable-tow," which means, if within the reach of his power. How strange that any one should fail to see symbolical meaning in the cable-tow. It is, indeed, the great symbol of the mystic tie which Masonry spins and weaves between men, making them Brothers and helpers one of another.

But, let us remember that a cable-tow has two ends. If it binds a Mason to the Fraternity, by the same fact it binds the Fraternity to each man in it. The one obligation needs to be emphasized as much as the other. Happily, in our day we are beginning to see the other side of the obligation - that the Fraternity is under vows to its members to guide, instruct and train them for the effective service of the Craft and of humanity. Control, obedience, direction or guidance - these are the three meanings of the cable-tow, as it is interpreted by the best insight of the Craft.

Of course, by Control we do not mean that Masonry commands us in the same sense that it uses force. Not at all. Masonry rules men as beauty rules an artist, as love rules a lover. It does not drive; it draws. It controls us, shapes us through its human touch and its moral nobility. By the same method, by the same power it wins obedience and gives guidance and direction to our lives. At the Altar we take vows to follow and obey its high principles and ideals; and Masonic vows are not empty obligations - they are vows in which a man pledges his life and his sacred honor.

The old writers define the length of a cable-tow, which they sometimes call a "cables length," variously. Some say it is seven hundred and twenty feet, or twice the measure of a circle. Others say that the length of the cable-tow is three miles. But such figures are merely symbolical, since in one man it may be three miles and in another it may easily be three thousand miles - or to the end of the earth. For each Mason the cable-tow reaches as far as his moral principles go and his material conditions will allow. Of that distance each must be his own judge, and indeed each does pass judgment upon himself accordingly, by his own acts in aid of others.

3rd Masonic District

Family Picnic

You and your family are cordially invited to attend a day of fun, family, and fellowship with your brothers from the 3rd Masonic District.

When: Saturday July 19th, 2025, 12:00pm

Where: North Newton Township Park 528 Oakville Road,
Shippensburg, PA 17257

All you care to enjoy Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and Baked Beans! If you can, Please bring a dish to share with everyone

Park amenities include:

- Playground
- Ball Field
- Basketball Court
- Volleyball Court
- Horseshoe Pits
- Walking Trail

George Washington Lodge No. 143

74 South Second Street, Chambersburg, PA 17201

Second Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Worshipful Master: Brother Nathan J. Neil

Website: <http://gw143.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/GW143>

Ladies Night: April 26, 2025

Greetings from the East,

The spirit of Freemasonry was strong this March at George Washington Lodge No. 143. Our March stated meeting was on March 14, 2025, and we were visited by Brethren from Eureka-West Shore Lodge No. 302 and Acacia Lodge No. 586. Eureka-West Shore Lodge No. 302 took home the Traveling Gavel. Brother John C. Northcott, PM provided an excellent program on National Sojourners.

Our April stated meeting will be held on April 11, 2025 at 7:30 p.m. at 74 South Second Street, Chambersburg, PA. A meal will be served at 6:30 PM, and the cost of the meal is by donation.

This meeting is our Official Visit, and we are honored to have Brother Larry A. Durr, RWGM, visiting our lodge to present awards for fifty, sixty, and seventy years of service. Please join us for what is sure to be an amazing evening.

Our Ladies Night Banquet will be held on April 26, 2025 from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM at the Chambersburg VFW. The venue address is 747 S 4th St, Chambersburg, PA 17201. Guests have their choice of a chicken or beef dinner and entertainment will be provided by the Frederick Catoc-tones.

Tickets are \$25 per person, and we hope that you can join us for what will be a wonderful evening. For tickets, please call 717-491-1719 by April 12th.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Nathan J. Neil, Worshipful Master

Carlisle Lodge No. 260

1236 Holly Pike, Carlisle, PA, 17013

Third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Worshipful Master: Brother Brandon T. Benner

Website: <http://carlisle260.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/St.Johns.260>

Ladies Night: July 12, 2025

Greetings from the East,

A Stated Meeting of Carlisle Lodge, No. 260, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held at the Masonic Temple, 1236 Holly Pike, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, 17013, on Thursday evening, April 15, 2025, at 7:30 p.m.

Brother Brandon T. Benner
Worshipful Master,
Carlisle Lodge. No. 260, F&AM

Orrstown Lodge No. 262

3442 Orrstown Rd. Orrstown PA 17244

Thursday, on or before, the full moon at 7:30 p.m.

Worshipful Master: Brother Carl F. Calder, PS

Website: <https://orrstown262.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/OrrstownLodgeNo262>

Ladies Night: June 7, 2025



Greetings from the East,

Orrstown Lodge No. 262 continues to grow and shape our future. During March, Brother James W. Sleighter, PM, conferred the 1st and 2nd Degrees on his son Isaiah Sleighter. Welcome Brother Isaiah!

Also during March, Orrstown Lodge closed on the old Orrstown Bank property in Orrstown. The funds from this sale will be used to purchase the church building we currently meet in, making it our permanent home.

We also enjoyed holding the Oyster / Prime Rib dinner before our stated meeting and Official Visit from Brother Jeffrey R. Miller, DDGM. The food was great and the meeting just as special as we celebrated two 50-year members by honoring them with their 50-year service emblem.

Brother Carl F. Calder, PS
Worshipful Master,
Orrstown Lodge No. 262



Eureka West-Shore Lodge No. 302

910 South Market Street, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

First Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Worshipful Master: Brother James McElhenie, Jr.

Website: <https://eureka302.org/>

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/EurekaWestShoreLodge302>

Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/EurekaWestShoreLodge302>

Ladies Night: September 27, 2025

Greetings from the East,

A Stated Meeting of Eureka West-Shore Lodge, No. 302, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held at the Masonic Temple, 910 South Market Street, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, 17055, on Thursday evening, April 7, 2025, at 7:30 p.m.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
James C. McElhenie, Jr., WM
Eureka-West Shore Lodge No. 302

EUREKA – WEST SHORE LODGE NO. 302

CONTINENTAL HUNT 2026



Saturday, January 31, 2026

MARTZ'S GAP VIEW HUNTING PRESERVE

610 GAME FARM ROAD

DALMATIA, PA 17017

THIS IS AN ALL DAY EVENT. COST IS \$350.00 PER GUN, 22 GUNS MINIMUM, 33 GUNS MAXIMUM, 10 PHEASANTS PER GUN, LUNCH IS PROVIDED, A ROUND OF WOBBLE TOSS, THEN A WALK UP FOR PHEASANT. THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE WALK UP, FOR THE DOG AND THE HANDLER.

RSVP AND PAYMENT IN FULL TO: SCOTT S FOGLE BY JANUARY 15, 2026 @ 717 648 5528 FEEL FREE TO CALL OR TEXT QUESTIONS. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO BE GIVEN AT LEAST A MONTH IN ADVANCE.

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE LODGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND!!

Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315

41 Stewart Place, Shippensburg PA 17257

First Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Worshipful Master: Brother John R. Ridgway

Website: <http://lodge315.org/>

Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1486480571653567>

Ladies Night: May 31, 2025

Greetings from the East,

March Stated Meeting and District Deputy Grand Master Visit

Brethren are reminded to attend the Stated Meeting on Thursday, April 3, 2025, at 7:30 p.m., at the Masonic Temple in Shippensburg. A Fellowship Meal will be served beforehand at 6:30 p.m., featuring stuffed chicken with broccoli, roasted potatoes, and lemon meringue pie.

This meeting will include the Official Visit of the District Deputy Grand Master, who will present Masonic Service Awards to brethren in recognition of their dedicated service. Your attendance is essential as we come together to honor their commitment and uphold the values of our Craft.

Friends and Family Breakfast – A Strong Showing of Fellowship

The Friends and Family Breakfast held on Saturday March 8th was a great success. With a full hall, warm fellowship, and excellent food, the event showcased the spirit and unity of our Lodge. Special thanks to the officers and volunteers who made it all possible, and to the families and guests who joined us.

Ladies Night – An Evening of Appreciation and Celebration

Ladies Night is scheduled for Saturday, May 31, 2025, at the American Legion Post 223 in Shippensburg. This evening is dedicated to celebrating the women who support our Masonic journey. Tickets are \$30 per person and can be purchased from the Worshipful Master, Junior Warden, or Senior Warden. Join us for an evening of appreciation, fellowship, and celebration.

As we move forward through the year, may we continue to live by the enduring tenets of our Craft, Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth. These are not just ideals, but duties, and it is through our shared commitment to them that our Lodge will continue to thrive.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Brother John R. Ridgway
Worshipful Master

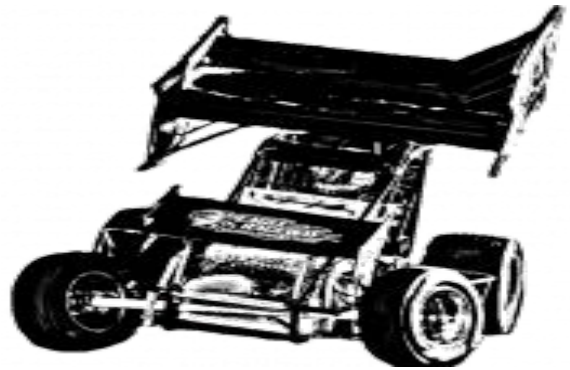


3rd Masonic District

Family Night at the

Grove 2025

Join your Masonic brothers and their families for a night of fellowship while enjoying the Fan Appreciation Night at Williams Grove Speedway on Friday, August 1, 2025



Details:

Gates open at 5:30 pm, racing starts at 7:30

Pits will be open free of charge from 5:30 to 6:15 without a pit pass. Enjoy autographs and photos with your favorite 358 and 410 drivers.

We will gather on the infield near turn one at 7:15 for a group photo.

General admission: \$ 20.00 Adults Adult pits \$10.00 plus admission (\$30)

\$10.00 youth (13-20)

12 & Under FREE

Bring a lawn chair if you wish to watch from the infield or a blanket or padded seat for grand stands seats. There are concessions to purchase or BYOB.

For more information call or text Greg Culp @ 717-752-8069

1 Speedway Drive, Mechanicsburg Pa.



Big Spring Lodge No. 361

131 Centerville Road, Newville, PA 17241

Second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Worshipful Master: Brother Phillip S. Hayslett

Website: <http://bigspringlodgeno361.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/bigspring361>

Ladies Night: TBD



Greetings from the East,

A Stated Meeting of Big Spring Lodge, No. 361, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held at the Masonic Temple, 131 Centerville Road, Newville, Pennsylvania, 17241, on Thursday evening, April 10, 2025, at 7:30 p.m.

Fraternal Greetings,
Brother Phillip S. Hayslett
Worshipful Master

Mt. Pisgah Lodge No. 443

Third Floor, Truist Bank, Greencastle, PA 17225

Third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Worshipful Master: Brother Toby A. Stoner, PM

Website: <https://mtpisgah443.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Mount-Pisgah-Lodge-No-443-668433266645074>

Ladies Night: May 17, 2025

Greetings from the East,

A stated meeting of mount Pisgah lodge will be held April 17, 2025, at 7:30 above the Truist bank.
April 15th program for Mt. Pisgah Lodge is Notable Masons of the civil war.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Brother Toby A. Stoner, PM
Worshipful Master

Acacia Lodge No. 586

33 West Main St, Waynesboro, PA 17268

Third Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Worshipful Master: Brother John E. Shaffer, PM

Website: <http://acacia586.org/>

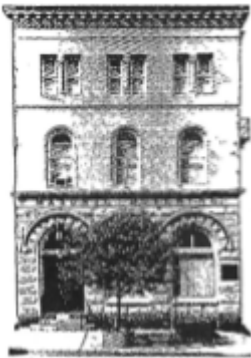
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/acacia586/>

Ladies Night: May 10, 2025

Greetings from the East,

A Stated Meeting of Acacia Lodge, No. 586, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held at the Masonic Temple, 33 West Main Street, Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, 17241, on Friday evening, April 18, 2025, at 7:30 p.m.

Fraternal Greetings,
Brother John E. Shaffer, PM



Acacia 586 

LODGE FOOD DRIVE

We can show our community one of the tenets of Freemasonry by selflessly giving our time, effort, and compassion for others in both spirit and action.

8am @ Save-A-Lot Waynesboro

-  Spread the Word
-  Feed our Community
-  Non-Perishable Food

APRIL 5TH



Acacia Lodge No. 586

Free and Accepted Masons
33 W. Main St. Waynesboro, PA 17268

It is my honor and privilege to extend an
invitation to you and your lady to attend
our Annual Ladies Night Banquet.

RSVP

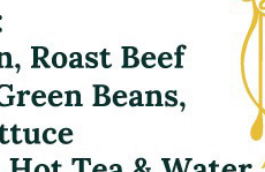



Saturday May 10th, 2025 @ 5PM




at
Solomon's Evangelical Lutheran Church
4856 Wayne Rd. Chambersburg, PA 17202

John E. Shaffer, PM Worshipful Master





Dinner:
Oven Baked Chicken, Roast Beef
Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans,
Creamed Lettuce
w/ Rolls, Butter, Coffee, Hot Tea & Water

Dessert:
Assorted Pies, and Ice Cream



Worshipful Masters (or Representative) - no charge
Master Masons and/or guests - \$20 per person

RSVP w/ meal choice by April 28th to:
Brother Joshua P. Brown, PM Secretary
(240) 217-0767 or secy0586@pagrandlodge.org



Mount Zion Lodge No. 774

311 N Second St, McConnellsburg , PA 17233

Second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Worshipful Master: Brother William S. Hoffman, PM

Ladies Night: August 16, 2025

Greetings from the East,

A Stated Meeting of Mt. Zion, No. 774, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held at the Masonic Temple, 311 N Second Street, McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania, 17233, on Thursday evening, April 14, 2025, at 7:30 p.m.

Fraternal Greeting,
William S. Hoffman, PM
Worshipful Master

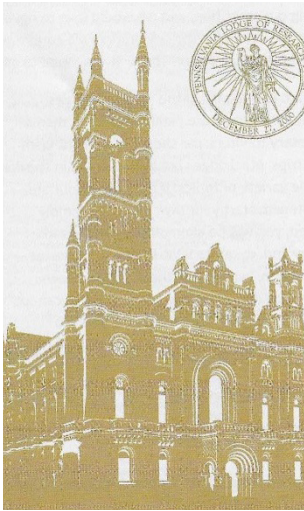
Pennsylvania Lodge of Research

Semi-Annual Meetings at Various Locations

Worshipful Master: Brother Jack H. Speece

<https://palodgeofresearch.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/92580616988>



Greetings from the East,

The Pennsylvania Lodge of Research is a unique occurrence in the history of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, as this is the first Lodge constituted within our Jurisdiction solely for the purpose of Masonic study. The Pennsylvania Lodge of Research holds only two Stated Meetings each year, with Special Meetings to be held at the discretion of the Worshipful Master. Meetings are held at various Masonic sites throughout the Commonwealth. No Craft Degrees are conferred. The elected Worshipful Master does not receive “the Word of the Chair,” nor does he become a voting member of the Grand Lodge.

The Pennsylvania Lodge of Research will be celebrating its 25th year in 2025. Another volume of the Transactions is scheduled to be published.

In an effort to accommodate more Masons in Pennsylvania, the mid-year meeting will be held in Central Pennsylvania - Altoona, on Saturday, June 14, 2025 at 10:00 AM at the Masonic Hall , 600 Jackson Avenue. Lunch will be provided for a \$15 donation. The annual meeting will be held on December 13, 2025 at the Scottish Rite Center in Harrisburg at 9:00 AM. Scholarly papers are being prepared for presentation at these meetings. The Lodge is also supporting a special lecture to be presented at the upcoming Academy of Masonic Knowledge. All Masons are invited to join with us in our effort to seek greater light and knowledge

Membership is open to all Master Masons who are members of Lodges recognized by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. To become a member of the Pennsylvania Lodge of Research please use this link to download a petition. The joining fee is \$75, and dues are \$25 per year. Both fee and dues (a total of \$100) must accompany the completed petition.

Questions regarding membership can be emailed to: Lodge.of.Research@pagrandlodge.org. Completed petitions should be sent along with the membership fee to the Secretary, at:

Bro. Michael L Moran, Secretary
Attn: Lodge of Research
c/o The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, F. & A.M.
1 North Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Jack H. Speece, WM
Pennsylvania Lodge of Research

Job's Daughters

Bethel 16, Chambersburg, Pa.

Delaney Stains, Honor Queen
Meets 2nd and 4th Sundays at George Washington Lodge #143

Bethel 19, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

Janeese Hawkins, Honor Queen
Meets 1st and 3rd Sundays at Eureka-West Shore Lodge #302

Greetings from PA Job's Daughter's,

The daughters are busy planning for the Miss Job's Daughters pageant to be held on Saturday, April 5th. The pageant will be held at the Masonic Village ballroom in Elizabethtown at 7 pm. All are welcome to attend and support the daughters.

Bethel 19 will be hosting an Easter Egg hunt promotional flyer event on Sunday April 6th at 1:30 pm. Located at the Eureka-West Shore Lodge, see attached flyer.

Bethel 16 in Chambersburg will be holding their installation of officers on Sunday April 13th at 2 pm. Hannah Shank, the current senior princess, will be installed as Honored Queen with a sea creature theme. Please see attached flyer.

Mark your calendar for the 4th Annual Job's Daughters Masonic Picnic June 28th at 4pm. The picnic will be held rain or shine at the American Legion Woods in Biglerville. The Event is free and all are welcome to attend. Please RSVP if you plan to attend to Greg Culp at 717-752-8069 call or text.

Fraternally,
Gregory R Culp
PA Associate Jurisdictional Guardian
Acacia Lodge # 586 Waynesboro
717-752-8069

Bethel 16, Fun Event at Tilt
in Hagerstown



Bethel 19, Paint Event and Official Visit



Job's Daughters

P E N N S Y L V A N I A



Pennsylvania Job's Daughters cordially invites your members and their family to attend the **4th Annual Masonic Family Picnic** on **Saturday, June 28, 2025, at 4:00 pm** at the **American Legion Post 262 Pavilion** 3030 Table Rock Rd, Biglerville, PA 17307.

Menu: fried chicken, hot dogs, side dishes, desserts, and beverages

Paper products will be provided.

Join us for:

- Games for youth & adults
- Raffle drawings
- Opportunity to learn about other Masonic organizations.
- Meet new friends
- Yard Games

Any questions and to RSVP to by June 20:

Melinda Culp, PJG
Jurisdictional Guardian Secretary
717-752-8070

Zachary Boyer, PAJG
Fraternal Relations Chair
717-968-7562

****Please share this invitation with all members****

Widows Sons

Marked & Hewn - Chambersburg

President Rich "Meat" Kline - Meets Second Sunday of each month at 3:00 PM

Temple Guard - Carlisle/Mechanicsburg

President Russ "Scooter" Miller - Meets First Sunday of the month at 10:00 AM

Website: <https://pawsmra.org>

Greetings from the Widows Sons,



Even though the summer has ended, and riding season is winding down, the Widows Sons is not dormant. With many charity rides planned by many of the state chapters and our annual fall gathering held in October, we are still very busy spreading Freemasonry through the motorcycling community.

The upcoming year is already shaping up to be a busy one for the Widows Sons. The 2025 Grand Master Ride is well into the planning stage and will be held August 1 - 3, 2025, and will be back in Gettysburg, PA.

If you ride a street legal motorcycle, have an MC endorsement on your license, and are a Master Mason, you can be a part of the Widows Sons. Please visit our state website at <https://pawsmra.org/>

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Rich "Meat" Kline, PM
President, Marked & Hewn Chapter

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Russ "Scotter" Miller, PM
President, Temple Guard Chapter

Masonic Golf Clubs



Brothers,

One of the great benefits of Free Masonry is the fellowship amongst brothers. To this end, we the three Masonic golf clubs in the Harrisburg area hope you would consider playing golf in one or all the clubs. The clubs are: Consistory Golf Club, Zembo Shrine Golf Club and the Tall Cedars Golf Club. If you are available and like to golf, please think about playing with us. You need not be a member of these appendant Masonic bodies to participate, just be a Mason in good standing. We use Callaway Handicap system and regardless of your skill level the computer program assigns a handicap for each round every time you play. There is always a chance to win, place and show. Consistory Golf club plays at Rich Valley Golf Course the second Thursday for each month April until October, Zembo Golf Club plays at Dauphin Highlands on the third Wednesday of the month from April until September, and Tall Cedars Golf club plays the last Thursday of the month again from April until October with different course each month. You are not required to play every month and can play as many times as convenient. Your lodge Secretary will have detailed information for each club if you are interested.

Zembo Golf Club - contact is Lee Stump 717-439-4561 (Cell)

Consistory Golf Club - contact is Terry Coffman 717-576-2642 (Cell)

Tall Cedar Golf Club - contact is Bob Griffith 717-215-4363 (Cell)

tallcedarsgolfunit@gmail.com (email)



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