

Stated Communications

Second and Fourth
Thursday of Each Month

7:30 PM

Fellowship with Dinner

6:30 PM

Meetings are not held in July and August or on Thanksgiving or Christmas (when those holidays fall on a Thursday)

> Lodge Officers 2018-2019

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Chartered January 16, 1815 2018-2019 204th Year of Fellowship

From the East – Steve Kerr, WM

I am very excited about our upcoming degree at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. It is scheduled for Saturday, April 20, 2019. We are extremely lucky to have the honor of having the Delaware Colonials confer the Master Mason degree on a worthy candidate from our lodge during the visit.

The bus will leave from Dover (location to be determined) at 8:00 AM. We will make a quick refreshment stop on the way over. Upon arrival at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial, we will serve a lite lunch and the gavel will drop for the degree conferral at 1:00 PM. Upon completion of the degree (approximately 3:30 PM) we will make our way back home, stopping at Harris Crabhouse and Seafood Restaurant (433 Kent Narrow Way N, Grasonville, MD 21638) for dinner. The cost of dinner is not included in your ticket.

Pending sufficient interest, we will offer a shopping excursion for ladies and families that would like to attend.

The cost of the ticket is \$45 and includes bus transportation and lunch at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial (dinner at Harris Crabhouse and Seafood Restaurant is on your own).

"Freemasonry is founded on the immutable laws of Truth and Justice and its grand object is to promote the happiness of the human race."

George Washington



<u>Living Past Masters of</u> <u>Temple Lodge No. 9</u>

Jehu M. Davis. Jr. - 1966 John L. Watkins - 1973 Franklin S. Wilkins - 1974 Louis S. O'Day - 1978 Frank H. Beebe - 1981 Ronald Jester - 1982 Gilbert H. Emory - 1983 Steven L. Rogers – 1984 J.D. Dennis, Jr. - 1988 Jeff Hague, PGMar. - 1989/2007 William A. Dudley, Jr. - 1990 William T. Wadkins. PGM - 1992 Bruce K. Nev - 1993 Marlin A. Gillespie, PSGD - 1994 David F. Coady - 1997 Clarence R. Jackson - 1998 Joshua J. Willey – 2000 George Andreae, PSGD - 2002 George G. Jester, Jr. - 2005 Michael B. Saba - 2008/2009 Martin F. Hogan, III, PGT - 2010 Chad Robinson, PGMar. - 2011 A. Daniel Doran, PGMar. - 2012 Will Currey, PGSB - 2013 H. Roland Cohee, PGT - 2014 Stephen Walter, GSB – 2015 Jim Bennett, JGS - 2016 Brandon Smith - 2017

> <u>Affiliated Past Masters of</u> <u>Temple Lodge No. 9</u>

Thomas McMurray – 1977 Augsburg, Germany

James Cooke – 2008 Roan Oak, Texas

John Marinucci, PGM – 2011 Dover, Delaware

Matthew D. Hovatter – 2007/08 Glen Burnie, Maryland



From the Senior Deacon – Brother John Cannon

What an amazing night of food fellowship and brotherly love was had on February 28th, as Temple Lodge #9 received its visit from Most Worshipful Donald E. Rosenberry and his entourage of Grand Staff. The festivities commenced with a delicious meal prepared by Senior Grand Warden Jeff Haass and his wife's catering business and continued up to the lodge room where Masons from all over were welcomed, including EA's. Special recognition was given to our 50+ year members; PM Jehu M. Davis, Jr. was honored for sixty-five years of masonry! This year's theme from Grand Master Rosenberry is "Blue Lodge -Gateway to Masonry" and he outlined how important the blue lodge is to all that we do. Temple 9's very own Most Reverend Herman R. Cohee, Jr. gave a heartfelt speech about his experience with blue lodge to reinforce the message. Many charitable causes were recharged that evening too, as money from our bowling tournament was distributed with Endeavor Lodge #17 the winning recipient from that night. Speaking of Endeavor taking things home, did they ever come in force to take our travelling gavel back: they had a contingent of 30+ brothers! Our Prince Hall brothers from Temple Lodge #8 were also recognized. and Worshipful Johnnie Crenshaw noted how much it had moved him to listen to the bonds that masonry had built in the stories shared that evening. In an incredible feat, not a single seat was available in the lodge room, as all 100+ chairs were taken up by masons! This abundance of attendance was duly noted by the Grand Master who thanked everyone for coming and ended the evening by closing the lodge with 8 Entered Apprentices in the East. Worshipful Master Kerr and the officers of Temple 9 would like to thank all who came out to make it a grand "Grand Visitation".

Scottish Rite of Delaware

Delaware's second and third reunions of 2019 will be held Saturdays, March 2nd and March 30th. Our regular meeting for VOLD is March 4 in Milton at Endeavor Lodge.

The reunion on March 2nd will be held at the Grand Opera House in Wilmington, DE. Doors will open at 08:00 AM with meeting beginning at 09:30 AM on the 4th floor. The Valley Of Wilmington will be conferring two degrees, 6th (Master of the Brazen Serpent) on video and 18th (Knight of the Rose Croix of Herdom) with live presentation and new candidates will have 4th degree (Master Traveler) by video available. This will be completed by 01:00 PM (lunch will be provided).

On the third reunion on March 30th, the Valley Of Lower Delaware will be confirming the 5th (Perfect Master) and 8th (Intendant of the Building) degrees with live presentation and new candidates will have 4th degree (Master Traveler) by video available. These will be held in Lewes, Delaware. at Jefferson Lodge with the doors opening at 08:00 AM. This will be completed by 01:00 PM and lunch will be provided.

For both reunions, all officers are expected to attend with dress for officers, 33rd and MSA-tux required with hat and jewels. All others-coat and tie; hat and jewels as appropriate. Interested, please contact me at johnmcduff@comcast.net or 302-632-5802.

Photos from the Successful GM Visitation and Bowling Event



The 3rd Annual Bowling EVENT has come and gone and was the best EVENT yet! We had 85 bowlers and raised over \$3000 for charity and our Long Range Planning fund. Stay tuned for next year's EVENT to be held in mid-February.



Dates to Remember:

March 9, 2019

Grand Lodge Educational Workshop Union Lodge No. 7 9:00 AM

March 14, 2019

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Dinner 6:30 PM/Lodge 7:30 PM

March 22, 2019

Brotherhood Night Nur Shrine 5:30 PM

March 23, 2019

51st Grand Lodge Semi-Annual Communication Newport Masonic Temple 9:00 AM

March 28, 2019

Stated Communication
Dinner 6:30 PM/Lodge 7:30 PM

April 20, 2019

George Washington National Masonic Memorial Degree Trip

We're on the Web!

Visit us at:

www.temple9.org

From the Secretary – Worshipful Jeff Hague, PM

SECRETARY'S DREAM

I fell asleep the other night
And while I had my snooze,
I dreamed each member stepped right up
And promptly paid his dues.
And when I found 'twas but a dream
I nearly threw a fit
It's up to you to make it true...

SUGGESTION: Please Remit.



Updated Information Request

Brethren, as the lodge endeavors to communicate better with our members, it is essential we have good information. Please share any updates with the WM or Secretary. Particularly, please let us know if you have an e-mail address you would like us to use to send lodge communications.

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