



Temple Lodge No. 9 A.F. & A.M.

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 2025-2026

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Mike Wessel - Marshal
Roland Cohee, Jr., PGC – Lodge
Instructor*

**Chartered January 16, 1815
2025-2026
211th Year of Fellowship**

From the East – Curtis A. Perry, WM

We had a great turnout at our recent bowling event, and the trophy proudly went to one of our own here at Temple Lodge No. 9—Brother Scott Bullock. Congratulations to Brother Scott and thank you to all who came out and made the event such a success.

Our Grand Visitation was a wonderful evening filled with Masonic fellowship and good times shared among the Brethren and our ladies. It was truly a night that reflected the strength and unity of our lodge.

I am also proud to welcome three new Brothers into our lodge. What an outstanding night of Masonry it was at Temple Lodge No. 9. Although it was a long evening, it was an excellent and memorable one. I would like to thank all of the officers for their hard work and dedication, especially Worshipful Brother Chris Fitzgerald, Junior Warden, for his excellent work in conferring the degree, and Brother Donald Foraker, Senior Deacon, for his outstanding performance as well.

As we look ahead, I know we are all looking forward to the arrival of spring. We have many upcoming events planned, including our golf tournament in May, which will be held at Dover Air Base. Please be sure to get your entries in early, as we anticipate a great turnout.

From the West – Stephen Walter, PM

"As you progress in Masonry, you find it is a Speculative science, taught by allegory, symbols and emblems." "At your leisure hours, that you may progress in Masonic Knowledge, you should converse with well-informed brethren, who will be always ready to give as you are to receive instruction."

There will be a Grand Lodge of Delaware Workshop on Ritual and Education held at Union Lodge No 7 in Dover on March 21st, 2026. Please join me and the rest of the committee as we share some Masonic wisdom. Yes there will be coffee and doughnuts at 8am, the meeting will start at 9am and Jobs Daughter's will provide lunch for less than \$10. I look forward to seeing you there!

One last thing. I was overjoyed to see a Lodge room filled with 50 brothers at our first stated communication in February to welcome in 3 new Entered Apprentices. It was a long night, but the time given will be worth investment with our new brothers. Please continue to support them on their journey.

Freemasonry can be practiced alone, but it's much more enjoyable with your brothers.

Dates to Remember:

March 2, 2026

Masonic Happy Hour
Bayview Tavern
6:00 PM

March 4, 2026

Grand Visitation
Jefferson Lodge No. 15 &
Independence Lodge No. 76

March 7-15, 2026

Grand Master's Cruise
Southern Caribbean

March 12, 2026

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Dinner 6:30 PM/Lodge 7:30 PM

March 20, 2026

Brotherhood Night
Nur Shrine
5:30 PM

March 26, 2026

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

March 28, 2026

Semi-Annual Communication
Newport Masonic Temple
8 AM

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From the South – Chris Fitzgerald, PM

As we gather for another month within our beloved Temple Lodge No. 9, I extend my warmest congratulations to our newest Entered Apprentices: James Singletary, Cory Swan, and Cameron Walson! Your acceptance into this ancient and honorable order marks the beginning of a profound journey of personal growth and brotherhood. We are excited to welcome you into our Masonic family and look forward to your contributions to our lodge and community.

I would also like to express heartfelt gratitude to all who attended the recent official visit of our Most Worshipful Grand Master, Richard M. McTheny, and his esteemed staff. The evening was truly memorable, marked not only by the depth of wisdom shared but also by the fellowship enjoyed during a delightful meal at the Big Oyster restaurant. Your presence made the event exceptionally worthwhile.

Looking ahead, I am filled with enthusiasm for our upcoming Entered Apprentice degree. This important ceremony is a cornerstone of our Masonic tradition, offering a chance for fellowship and the renewal of our commitments to the values we hold dear.

As we reflect on our blessings, let us also remember those who are in harm's way due to current conflicts across the globe. My prayers and well wishes go out to them, and I ask that the Great Architect of the Universe bless us, all fellow Masons wheresoever dispersed, and the United States of America.

Living Past Masters of Temple Lodge No. 9

Louis S. O'Day – 1978
Gilbert H. Emory – 1983
Steven L. Rogers – 1984
Jeff Hague, PGMar. – 1989/2007
William A. Dudley, Jr. – 1990
William T. Wadkins, PGM – 1992
Bruce K. Ney – 1993
Marlin A. Gillespie, PSGD – 1994
David F. Coady – 1997
Clarence R. Jackson – 1998
George Andreae, PSGD – 2002
George G. Jester, Jr. – 2005
Michael B. Saba – 2008/2009
Martin F. Hogan, III, PJGD – 2010
Chad Robinson, PGMar. – 2011
A. Daniel Doran, PGMar. – 2012
Will Currey, PGSB – 2013
Stephen Walter, PGSB – 2015
Jim Bennett, PJGS – 2016
Brandon Smith – 2017
Steve Kerr – 2018
Matthew Thompson, DGM – 2019
John Cannon – 2020
Michael Nichols – 2021
Christopher Fitzgerald – 2022/23
Keith Geise - 2024

Affiliated Past Masters

James Cooke – 2008
John W. Marinucci, PGM – 2011
Matthew D. Hovatter – 2007/08
James G. Sutton – 1994
Jeffrey D. Haass, Sr., PGM – 2015
William C. Thompson, SGW – 2018
Charles Randy Wood - 2000

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