

# JEFFERSON LODGE NO. 15 A.F. & A.M.

## APRIL 2023 TRESTLE BOARD



Worshipful Master: Anthony Valenti

Lodge Location: 116 ½ Second St., Lewes, DE 19958

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## Message from the East

Brethren,

It is my unfortunate duty to inform you that the Grand Architect of the Universe has called Past Master David Beebe home to that Temple, not made hands. The funeral service will be held at Bethel United Methodist Church (129 West 4th Street, Lewes, DE 19958) on Tuesday, April 4th, 2023 at 11 A.M., with burial at Bethel Cemetery. The viewing will be held at Parsell Funeral Home (16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE 19958) on Monday, April 3rd, 2023 from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M. with a Masonic Service starting at 7:30 P.M. Please arrive by 7:15 P.M. for the Masonic Service.

Our next Stated Communication will be held on Wednesday, April 5th, 2023 at 7:30 P.M. During the meeting, the Lower Delaware Shield and Square Club will be giving a presentation about the organization and how to join. Membership is open not only to law enforcement, but military and other first responders as well.

This year's Ladies Night will be held at Fins Ale House and Raw Bar (19269 Coastal Highway, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971) on Friday, May 12th, 2023. Happy hour with a cash bar will be from 5 P.M. to 6 P.M. and dinner will be served from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M. Tickets, which are \$40 each, and Ladies Night advertisements can be purchased from Junior Warden Sean McLaughlin. Tickets are limited so get yours soon!

Applications are now available for our Ronald W. Clark Memorial Scholarship. Applicants must be residents of Delaware, of good moral character, and will be matriculating from an accredited secondary school. They must be submitted before May 20th, 2023 to be considered.

Our election of officers will be held at our last Stated Communication on Wednesday, June 7th, 2023. There will be an Open Installation of Officers at Jefferson Lodge on Wednesday, July 12th, 2023 at 6:30 P.M. All are invited, including Brothers and their families. Please come out and support your officers!

Respectfully,

Anthony M. Valenti  
Master  
Jefferson Lodge #15

## OFFICERS 2022 - 2023

### Worshipful Master

Anthony Valenti  
302-841-1186

### Senior Warden

Charles VanHeest  
254-291-4158

### Junior Warden

Sean McLaughlin  
302-249-2720

### Senior Deacon

David Lorah  
302-228-0303

### Junior Deacon

Frank Carmichael  
518-225-3936

### Senior Steward

Tom Hudecheck  
302-448-1281

### Junior Steward

Jim Hudson

### Chaplain

Robert Silvagni  
305-331-5508

### Tiler

Ken Ciarlone  
215-327-1667

### Secretary

Robert Karafin, GLAH  
302-855-5845

### Treasurer

Patrick Shearon  
302-670-9238

### Aide to the Worshipful Master

Rob Jennings  
302-228-9269

## COMMITTEES 2022 - 2023

### Budget

**Ronald Ferraro, SGW**  
Patrick Shearon

### Investigation

**Anthony Valenti**  
Eric Evans, PM

### Grand Lodge Visit

**Anthony Valenti**  
Robert Karafin

### Ladies Night

**Sean McLaughlin**  
David Lorah

### Past Master's Night

**Carl Wenke, PM**  
Tim Wolfe, PM  
Peter Pagani, PM  
Howard Sheldon, PM  
Nigel Duguid, PM

### Pop Jefferson Award

**Tim Wolfe, PM**  
Robert Karafin  
Dickie Brittingham

### Ritual

**Eric Evans, PM**  
Nick Acord, PM

### Scholarship

**Walter Hopkins, PM**  
Peter Pagani, PM

### Turkey Shoot

**Carl Wenke, PM**  
Robert Heslep

### Golf Tournament

**Patrick Shearon**  
Robert Karafin

### Public Events

**Peter Pagani, PM**  
Nick Acord, PM  
Sean McLaughlin

### Investment

**Ronald Ferraro, SGW**  
Gerald Cowan, PM

### Almoner's Fund

**Anthony Valenti**  
Charles Van Heest  
Sean McLaughlin  
Robert Silvagni  
Patrick Shearon

### 175th Anniversary

**Anthony Valenti**  
Chas Van Heest  
Sean McLaughlin  
Robert Karafin

*(The Worshipful Master is an Ex-Officio member of all committees **BOLD** indicates committee Chairmen)*

## SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

Brothers,

The Grand Master has stated that going forward all correspondence and notifications from Grand Lodge and the lodge Secretary are to be sent through the Grand View system. This means your dues notice in the fall will be via email. A number of you have not registered your portal and verified your contact information. You also need to allow your email server to receive mail from no\_reply@grandview.systems. This is your responsibility. Below are instructions for registering your portal. You may email me at Rkaraf2@gmail.com and I will give you your member number.

If you have already created your user account and forgotten your password you can click on "Forgot your password?" under the sign in button, then enter your email address in the box and click "Send me reset password."

- Step 1. Enter the URL for your jurisdiction. <https://de.grandview.systems>
- Step 2. Click on Member Portal
- Step 3. Click on Member Registration (or you can Click the "Sign up" next to forgot password)
- Step 4. Enter your Lodge Number
- Step 5. Enter your Member ID
- Step 6. Enter your Last Name - (case sensitive)
- Step 7. Click on Check Membership Status
- Step 8. Enter your email address
- Step 9. Enter a password that you can remember (password must contain at least 8 characters)
- Step 10. Enter Confirmation by entering password again
- Step 11. Click on Submit

## MEETING TIMES FOR DISTRICT #3 LODGES

### HOPE #4

3rd Tues. 7:30

### UNION #7

1st & 3rd Tues. 7:30

### TEMPLE #9

2nd & 4th Thurs. 7:30  
Supper 6:30

### FRANKLIN #12

2nd & 4th Tues. 7:30

### ENDEAVOR #17

2nd Thurs. 7:30

### HIRAM #21

2nd & 4th Thurs. 7:30

### GETHSEMANE #28

3rd Wed. 7:30

### DORIC #30

1st & 3rd Mon. 7:30

### DELAWARE #37

2nd Tues. 7:30

## LIVING PAST MASTERS

### JEFFERSON LODGE

1965 H. Dale Parsons  
1970 Donald D Mitchell  
1971 John H Lehman  
1978 John Gibson  
1981 Clyde E Seibert Jr.  
1983 Lee J McDaniel  
1984 William H Dawson  
1985 John Jay Dentino  
1988 James B Walsh  
1989 Eric D. Swanson  
1991 Eric J Evans  
1994 John R Souder  
1995 Albert C Vopalecky  
1997 James G Horn  
1998-99 Leon D Ware Sr.  
2000 Thaddeus N Truitt  
2001-02 Walter C Hopkins  
2003 Steven D Berlin  
2004 David K Edwards  
2007 Bryan A Ware  
2009 James Lewis  
2010 John Kapochus  
2011 David K Edwards  
2012 Joseph Bishop  
2013 Brian Benfer

2014 Carl Wenke  
2015 Gerald Cowan  
2016 Timothy Wolfe  
2017 Ron Ferraro  
2018 Ron Ferraro  
2019 Peter Pagani  
2020 Nick Acord Sr.

### OTHER LODGES

John J Badeen  
2007-8-9-10  
St. Andrews #64, CT

Michael McDade  
1985, 2000, 10, 14, 15  
Charity #3190, PA

John Turansky  
2011-12  
Endeavor #17, DE

Martin Schertzer - PM  
2012  
Hiram #18  
Sandy Hook, CT

Maher Zarou  
Angels Gate Lodge #198  
Lomita, California

Nigel Duguid PM  
Nutley Lodge #25  
New Jersey

Howard Sheldon - PM  
1969  
Oriental lodge #27, DE

Dennis Crawford -  
Centreville Lodge #180  
Centreville, MD

Gary Zorb - PM  
1979  
Sterling Lodge #268, VA

## CONGRATULATIONS

on your progress in the journey to become Master Masons

### ENTERED APPRENTICE

Alfred Baratta  
Alan Gromofsky

### FELLOW CRAFT

Jay Jiminez  
Sean Tappan

### MASTER MASON

## UPCOMING MASONIC BIRTHDAYS IN APRIL

Milton O Archer  
Ernest H Baynum Jr  
Brian Benfer  
Jeffrey P Biele  
William W Brittingham II  
Rolando Chavez  
Brian L Fresh  
Robert J Karafin  
Jason P Mohacey

Robert H Nicholson  
Jeffrey J Osterhout  
Joshua R Race  
Joseph M Rose Sr  
Arthur H Sutton III  
Robert L Turner  
Alan E Waldron  
Bryan A Ware  
Ralph F Williams III

Ronald Zawora

## JEFFERSON LODGE UPCOMING EVENTS

### **APRIL**

April 5th – Stated Communication – Jefferson Lodge #15 – 7:30 P.M.

April 15th – Lodge Breakfast – Lewes Diner – 8 A.M.

April 27th – Grand Table Lodge – Union Lodge #7 – 6 P.M.

### **MAY**

May 3rd – Stated Communication – Jefferson Lodge #15 - 7:30 P.M.

May 14th – Mother's Day

May 20th – Lodge Breakfast – Lewes Diner – 8 A.M.

### **JUNE**

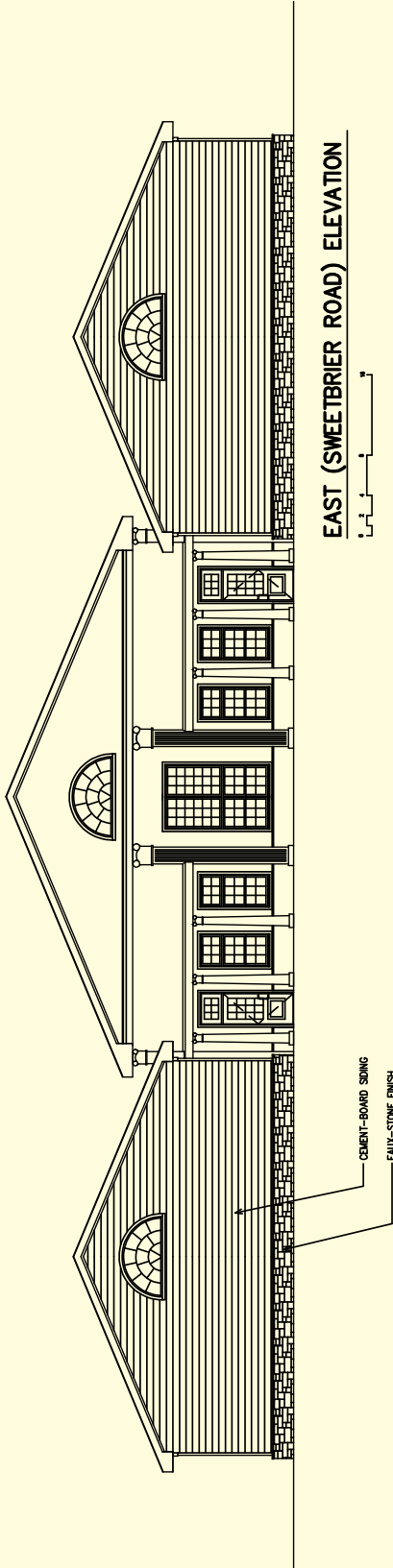
June 7th – Stated Communication – Jefferson Lodge #15 - 7:30 P.M.

June 17th – Lodge Breakfast – Lewes Diner – 8 A.M.

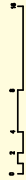
June 24th – St. Johns Day

*Need more information on an event? Send your questions to [jeffersonlodge15@icloud.com](mailto:jeffersonlodge15@icloud.com)*

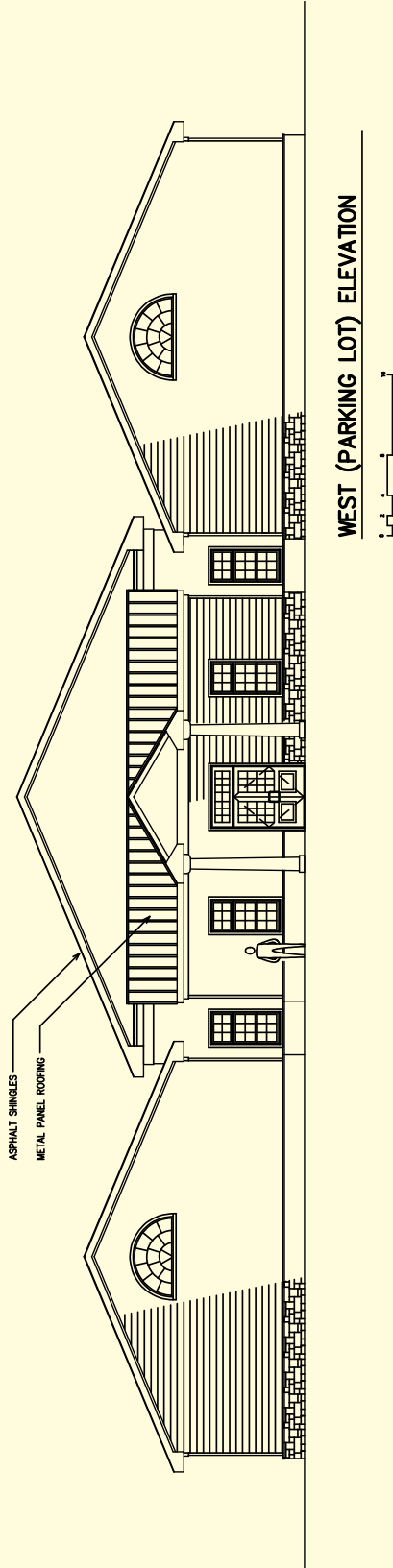
# PLANS FOR OUR NEW LODGE



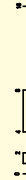
EAST (SWEETBRIER ROAD) ELEVATION



CEMENT-BOARD SIDING  
FAUX-STONE FINISH

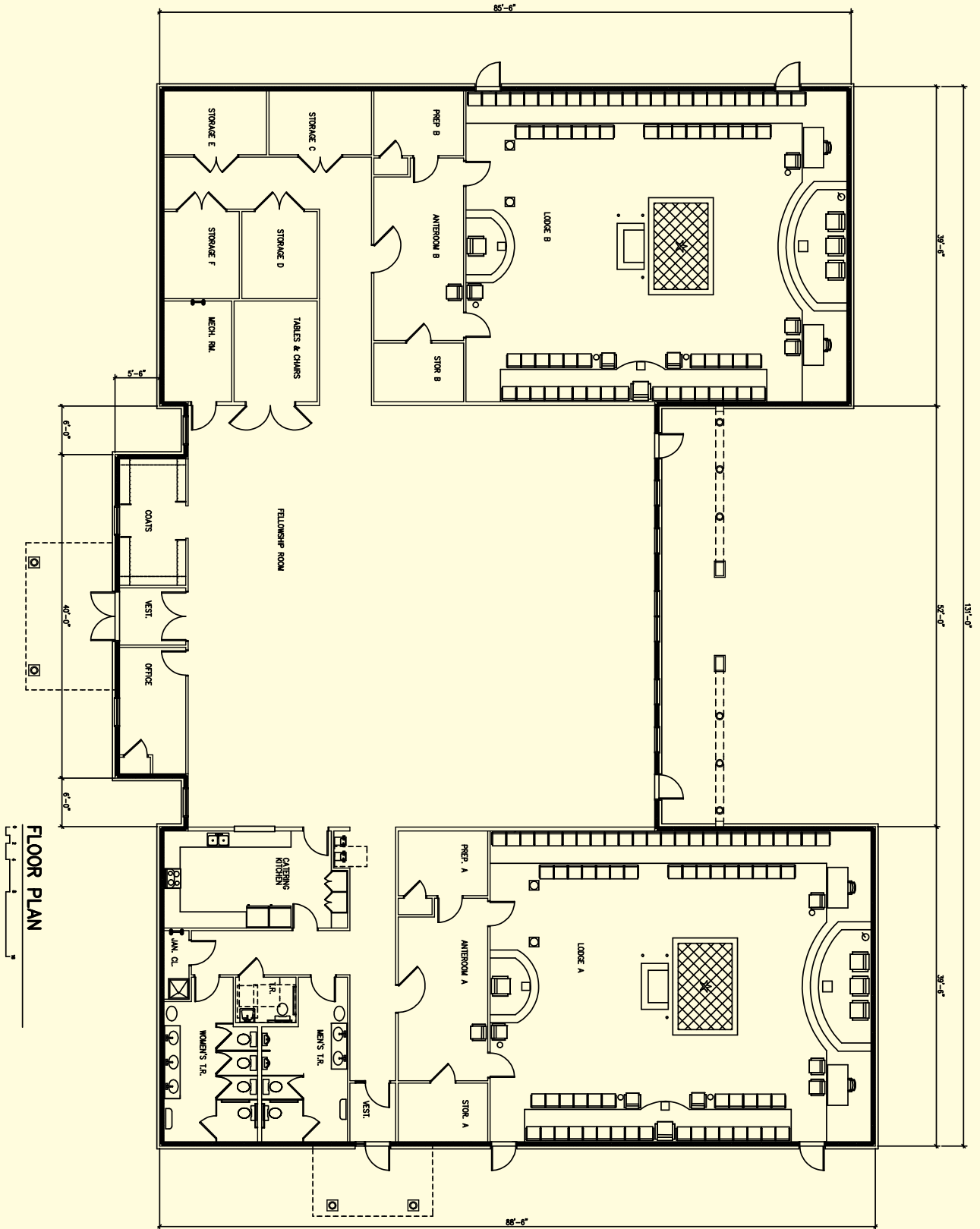


WEST (PARKING LOT) ELEVATION



ASPHALT SHINGLES  
METAL PANEL ROOFING

# PLANS FOR OUR NEW LODGE



FLOOR PLAN

# APRIL CALENDAR

# April

2023

March							May						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	1	2	3	4	5	6	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
26	27	28	29	30	31		21	22	23	24	25	26	27

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5	6

Stated Communication  
Jefferson Lodge #15  
7:30 P.M.

Lodge Breakfast.  
Lewes Diner  
8 A.M.

Grand Table Lodge  
Union Lodge #7  
6 P.M.

**DRESS CODE**  
Masonic - Officers - Tuxedo  
Masonic - Brothers - Coat & Tie  
Casual - Collared Shirts & Slacks

**ITEMS IN RED**  
Jefferson Lodge Activities

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# MAY CALENDAR

# May

## 2023

April							June						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	25	26	27	28	29	30	
30													

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
			Stated Communication Jefferson Lodge #15 7:30 P.M.			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
MOTHER'S DAY					Lodge Breakfast. Lewes Diner 8 A.M.	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10

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# JUNE CALENDAR

# June

## 2023

May						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

July						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
			Stated Communication Jefferson Lodge #15 7:30 P.M.			
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
						Lodge Breakfast. Lewes Diner 8 A.M.
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
						ST. JOHNS DAY
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8

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