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

April 2022 TRESTLE BOARD

Worshipful Master: Jim Craig
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Message from the West

Brethren,

Your Lodge is continuing to grow, as we have just conferred two more Entered Apprentice Degrees. Our next scheduled degree conferral will be on Past Master's Night, which has been scheduled for Thursday, April 28th, 2022 at 7 P.M. If you would like to have our famous Oyster Stew, please let me know by April 1st so that we can have a headcount.

Congratulations to our Junior Warden, Charles Van Heest, for receiving the Adult Youth Leadership Award from the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Delaware! JW Van Heest is very active in the Henlopen Chapter of DeMolay International, which develops young men into better leaders of character through guidance and mentorship.

Tickets are available for Ladies Night, which will be held at Fin's Ale House and Raw Bar on Saturday, May 7th, 2022. Dinner will begin at 6:00 P.M. with a social hour beforehand. Tickets are $35 and choices include chicken, salmon, or shrimp. Please see JW Van Heest for reservations. Reservations are required by April 16th since the restaurant requires a headcount for food preparation. No walk-ins will be admitted. If you would like a personal or business advertisement in this year's Ladies Night book, please let me know by April 16th.

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. The application is attached for anyone interested. They must be submitted before May 20th, 2022 to be considered.

The Oklahoma Indian Degree Team Presentation is still on for Saturday, June 4th, 2022. There is also a Pow Wow being held the evening of Friday, June 3rd. The Pow Wow is open to the public, including your ladies, friends, and family. Camping is also available that weekend at the Delaware State Fairground and must be booked through the Delaware State Fair. If you would like a ticket to this event, please let me know.

As restrictions are lifted and the days get warmer, consider coming to a Jefferson Lodge event. Our next Stated Communication will feature homemade chili and a presentation on the Southern Delaware Shrine Club. We all enjoy the fellowship of a brother, and especially enjoy the fellowship of a brother we have not seen.

Respectfully,

Anthony M. Valenti
Senior Warden
Jefferson Lodge #15

OFFICERS 2021 - 2022

Worshipful Master
James Craig
302-530-1998

Senior Warden
Anthony Valenti
302-841-1186

Junior Warden
Charles VanHeest
254-291-4158

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Patrick Shearon
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Treasurer Emeritus
David Brittingham, GLAH

COMMITTEES 2021 - 2022

Budget
Ron Ferraro - PM
Patrick Shearon

Candidate Examination
Eric Evans - PM

Parades
Peter Pagani-PM
Nick Acord-PM
Sean McLaughlin

Finance
J.B. Walsh - PM
Patrick Shearon
Robert Karafin

Fund Raisers
Anthony Valenti
Chaz VanHeest
Mark Belfiore

Grand Lodge Visit
Anthony Valenti
Chaz VanHeest
Sean Mclaughlin

Ladies Night
Chaz VanHeest
Gerald Cowan-PM
Sean Mclaughlin

Past Master's Night
Carl Wenke -PM
Tim Wolfe-PM

Pop Jefferson Award
Tim Wolfe - PM
Robert Karafin
Dickie Brittingham

Refreshments
Chaz VanHeest
Frank Carmichael
Mark Belfiore

Ritual
Eric Evans - PM
Gerald Cowen-PM
Nick Acord-PM

Scholarship
Walter Hopkins - PM
Peter Pagani - PM

Turkey Shoot
Carl Wenke-PM
Robert Heslip

Web Page
Rob Jennings

Golf Tournament
Pat Shearon
Robert Silvagni
Mark Belfiore

Car Show
Nick Acord-PM
Tim Wolfe-PM
Mark Belfiore

Investment
Ron Ferraro - PM
Gerald Cowan - PM

Almoner's Fund
Nick Acord-PM
Patrick Shearon
Jim Craig
Anthony Valenti
Chaz VanHeest

175th Anniversary
Jim Craig
Anthony Valenti
Chaz VanHeest
Eric Evan-PM
Mark Belfiore

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

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

Brethren,

If you have moved, changed your phone number or would like to change the email address that we have on file, please notify the Secretary. By keeping your information current, you can be assured you will be informed of all lodge activities. This is especially important as we move forward with the new building project.

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 Tues. 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
2008 David R Beebe
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

CONGRATULATIONS
on your progress in the journey to become Master Masons

ENTERED APPRENTICE

Nick Acord, Jr.
Will Hazzard
Ryan Kortum
Michael Vitacco

FELLOW CRAFT

Jim Hudson

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

Apr. 2nd – Night Golf Tournament – Milton, DE – 6:15 P.M.
Apr. 4th – Ritual Practice – 7 P.M.
Apr. 6th – Stated Communication – Jefferson #15 – 7:30 P.M.
Apr. 11th – Ritual Practice – 7 P.M.
Apr. 16th – Breakfast – Lewes Diner – 8 A.M.
Apr. 19th – Pass Off – FC Degree – 7 P.M.
Apr. 24th - Past Master's Practice - Jefferson #15 - 2 P.M.
Apr. 28th – Past Master's Night – Jefferson Lodge #15 – 7 P.M.
Apr. 30th – Railroad Degree – Wilmington and Western Railroad – 10:30 A.M.

MAY

May 4th – Stated Communication – Jefferson #15 – 7:30 P.M.
May 7th – Ladies Night – Fins Ale House and Raw Bar – 6 P.M.
May 20th – Scottish Rite Golf Tournament – Dover, DE – 9 A.M.
May 21st – Breakfast – Lewes Diner – 8 A.M.

Need more information on an event? Send your questions to jeffersonlodge15@yahoo.com

1st Annual Jefferson Lodge Night Golf Tournament

Saturday, April 2, 2022 * Shamrock Par 3 Route 16 Milton, DE

Best ball tournament. Teams of four players.

Prizes will be awarded

Cost $50.00 per person includes hot dogs, chips, and beverage.

Shotgun start at 7PM. Plan to arrive by 6:15

Players do not need to be Masons to play. Wives and girlfriends welcome.

Play is limited to 18 teams of four players.

Payment in advance required to secure your spot.

Spirits permitted BYOB

A fun and unique experience! Fairways, flags, the hole itself and even the golf ball light up. Skill not required even non golfers can play. Bring your own clubs and cart. There will be pull carts available if needed.

For additional details contact Pat Shearon – Treasurer 302-670-9238 or Bob Karafin – Secretary 302-542-7033

* Rain date Saturday April 9th

MASONIC EVENTS

Tennessee Cave Degree

Presented By

Tennessee Host Lodge

Union Lodge #38 F.&A.M.

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The Grand Lodge of Tennessee

Free and Accepted Masons

For Info Visit

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Text or Call 302-420-6912

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Grand Lodge will be proud to host the

Oklahoma Masonic Indian Degree Team

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.

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/

All degree ticket sales available on-line:

https://tinyurl.com/uvn76c9

For more information please call PM Chad Robinson (302) 270-4391

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Application
Jefferson Lodge #15 A.F. & A.M.
Ronald W. Clark Memorial Scholarship

The applicant must be a resident of the State of Delaware, of good moral character and will be matriculating from an accredited secondary school. They must be accepted to attend or attending an accredited college, university, technical college, or institute of higher learning such as a nursing school.

Please provide the following information:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone No. & email _____

High School _____

Date of Birth _____ Graduation Date _____ GPA _____

School you expect to attend _____

Anticipated Major _____

1. A brief typed essay of why you believe you should be considered for this award including financial need, extra-curricular activities and community involvement.
2. A letter of recommendation from a teacher with knowledge of your school activities with their contact information.
3. A copy of your SAT scores or equivalent.
4. A list of awards or achievements for the past four years.

Send Completed Application to: Jefferson Lodge
c/o Walter C. Hopkins, Sr.
18186 Dairy Farm Road
Lewes, DE 19958

(Application must be postmarked ***before May 20, 2022.***)

APRIL 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	**1**	2 Night Golf Tournament Milton, DE 6:15 P.M.
3	**4** Ritual Practice 7:00 P.M.	**5**	**6** Stated Communication 7:30 P.M. Dress - Casual	**7**	**8**	9
10	**11** Ritual Practice 7:00 P.M.	**12**	**13**	**14**	**15** Good Friday	16 Lodge Breakfast 8 A.M. - Lewes Diner
17 Easter Sunday	**18**	**19** Fellow Craft Degree 7:00 P.M. Dress - Masonic	**20**	**21**	**22**	23
24 Past Master's Practice 2 P.M.	**25**	**26**	**27**	**28** Past Master's Night 7:00 P.M. Dress - Masonic	**29**	30 Railroad Degree Wilmington and Western Railroad 10:30 A.M.

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Casual - Collared Shirts & Slacks

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MAY 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Stated Communication 7:30 P.M. Dress - Casual	5	6	7 Ladies Night Fins Ale House & Raw Bar 6 P.M.
8 Mother's Day	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 Scottish Rite Golf Tournament Dover, DE 9 A.M.	21 Lodge Breakfast 8 A.M. - Lewes Diner
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day	31	1	2	3	4

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