



Brethren, Fraternal greetings from the East:

August 1, 2023

We are dark but did host a Brotherhood night **July 15th** where we had a few Brothers show up. We will have a special on **August 19th** with a catechism exam and passing for Brother Kristopher Kidwell. After the passing, we will have a Brotherhood night, so plan on coming out and showing support for Brother Kidwell. On **October 14th** we will have a **Sporting Clay Tournament** and I can tell you from personal experience that it is **REALLY FUN**. Included are lunch, silent auction and awards. **PLEASE sign up ASAP**. You do not need experience to enjoy this event as there will be Brothers will be there to assist, so get your team together. Thank you to Brothers Stephen Langvardt, Dave Jenkins, Tom Grimm who are arranging the event. Please see the flyer that is attached to the trestle board.

The Chili cook off is on and is scheduled for September 16th, please mark it down on your calendars for 5pm that evening. Last years event was one to remember. We had a lot of participants and I'm truly hoping for the same turnout. Spicy, not spicy, beans, no beans, meat, no meat it's all on. One of my favorites in years past was Brother Paul Evancoe and his spicy Chicken Chili with his home grown chilies. So, dust off your old recipe books, get your wife to help if you need to, but let's make them jealous in Texas with this Chili cook off. The flyer is also attached for reference.

The **Order of the Eastern Star** is a Masonic appendant body open to both men and women. It was established in 1850 (173 years ago) by lawyer and educator Rob Morris, a noted Freemason, and adopted and approved as an appendant body of the Masonic Fraternity in 1873. The order is based on teachings from the Bible, and is open to people of all religious beliefs. It has approximately 10,000 chapters in twenty countries and approximately 500,000 members under its General Grand Chapter. Please consider joining..



Fraternally,
Mike Taldo, WM

Elected Line Officers—2023

Worshipful Master—Mike Taldo	443-271-6308
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Marshal — Daniel Boone	
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Upcoming Communications

August 19th 4:30pm Passing, come on out and support

Please note that events at communications beyond one month are subject to change. Please check the Trestle Board each month for the most accurate meetings for that month.

Regular Communications occur on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month beginning promptly at 7:30 pm.

From the Secretary's Desk

The Secretary really needs dues.. I'd really like the Brothers to take a minute to send in dues. Please do this very important task.

From the Treasurer's Desk

Call 248-672-1896 or robertwilley1@comcast.net

Living Past Masters

Mervin L. Wheat, Jr.	1974
Allen R. Spring, Jr.	1976
Richard B. Unger, Past GI	1977
H. Eugene Smith	1983
David L. Keith	1985
Denver G. Resh	1990
Lawrence P. Wandel	1994-1995
William G. Perry, DGL	1996
Jeffrey N. Zumbrun	2007-2008
John Gullucci	2009-2011
Jim Schwartz, Past GI, PMWGJD	2012-2013
Jerry McCullough	2014-2016
Russell D. Long IV	2017-2018
Brett J. Molin	2019-2020
Michael D. Taldo	2021-2023

Events & Notice:

- August 19th Brotherhood Night starting after the passing
- September 16th Chili Cook Off 5pm
- October 14th Sporting Clay Tournament at The Mayberry Game Protection Association starting at 9am

Did You Know...

1777. June 13, the French soldier Brother Marquis de Lafayette (whose given name was Gilbert du Mothier) landed in the United States to aid the former colonies against Great Britain. His military career spanned five decades, during which he was a French Musketeer, a commander of American troops, and an anti-Bourbon revolutionary leader. He was commissioned a Major General in the continental Army on July 31. He became an intimate of General and Brother George Washington. He claimed to have been initiated in the Loge Contrat Social of Paris before he even came to America. He received the chapter degrees in Jerusalem Chapter No. 8 (RAM) September 12, 1824. His son, Brother George Washington Lafayette received them in the same chapter four days earlier. He was knighted in Morton Commandery No. 4, K. T. and received the Scottish rite degrees in the Cerneau Supreme Council of New York and was made a 33rd degree and Honorary Grand Commander of that body. More than 75 Masonic Bodies in the United States have been named after him, including 39 Lodges, 18 Chapters, 4 Councils, 4 Commanderies, and 87 Scottish Rite bodies. He died May 20, 1834.

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Sporting Clay Fund Raising Tournament

Presented by

Freedom Lodge #112, Eldersburg, Maryland

at the Mayberry Game Protection Association, Westminster, MD

Saturday, October 14, 2023

Competition: 10 Stations, 50 Targets

Adults = \$85; Juniors 16 and under = \$50

Competition sign-in and safety instruction 8-9AM. Competition starts at 9AM.

Beginner to expert skill levels are welcome. Team and individual awards.

Other charity Long Bird and Battue raffle competitions. A silent auction will be held.

A lunch is provided to competitors who pre-register by September 30.

Guest lunch tickets can also be purchased for \$15 via pre-registration until September 30.

Your donations will support the Freedom Masonic Lodge #112

Community Outreach Mission

For over 161 years, the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Freedom Lodge #112 have been serving our local community. 30% of the donations this year go to:

Maryland Court Appointed Special Advocates 200 E. Joppa Rd. Suite 100, Towson MD 21286 EIN 52-1946488

Register as a shooter, register as a team, donate to the event, and/or become an event sponsor. Register Early—Maximum of 100 Participants

To learn more about the event, or to pre-register,
please call Dave Jenkins at 410-935-0828, email Dave at

ladlecranedave@hotmail.com Or email Stephen Langvardt at slangvardt@gmail.com

FREEDOM LODGE #112 CHILI COOK-OFF

WHEN

September 16th 5:00 pm

WHERE

Freedom Lodge #112

2253 Liberty Rd, Eldersburg, MD 21784



Brothers

This is a open event, friends and family, Masons and non-Masons are welcome to join in fellowship.

Following the chili, there will be a campfire out back, so bring a cigar and your favorite beverage!

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