



Brethren, Fraternal greetings from the East:

July 4, 2023

Happy Birthday to the United States of America. Here is a June recap of Lodge activities. On the 10th of June, a 60 year service award presentation was given to Brother Spencer Wilson by the Grand Inspector and on the same day, we held Strawberry Night. It was well attended with just over 50 enjoying Food and Ice Cream. Special thank you to Brothers Michael Pitts and Paul Yackanicz for the huge assist with the food. As well as Brothers Dave Muller and Dave Lewis for helping get the lodge in shape to host the event. Brother Norman Hughes was unable to attend his 60 year pin presentation and we will make that up to him by heading to his home. Brother Keith Hardesty was presented a Lodge Service award for his long dedicated service to the Lodge as it's Holding Company representative. At our only Lodge meeting on June 13th, the following Holding company officers and members were voted on and approved. Officers are: President Paul Yackanicz, Vice President Jim Sears, Treasurer Rob Wiley, Members at Large are: Dave Metz, John Alahouzoz, Myles Atkins, Dave Lewis, and Steven Langvardt. The lodge also voted to approve spending up to 750 dollars on cleaning supplies as it's first order of business from the new members of Holding Company. Brother Wiley committed to work with Brother Hardesty to transition the financial details over to him. Our Brotherhood gathering on June 17th was lightly attended, there were 7 in total with business being conducted in the Goat Pen. Regarding the Sykesville Carnival, my apologies here but we did not have the planning time to make the necessary arrangements for this event to be well attended and representative of Masonry. We are dark now, but expect to have two Brotherhood nights: **July 15th** and **August 19th** starting at 5pm. Also, we will likely have a special on **August 19th** with a catechism exam and passing. 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. You do not need experience to enjoy this event as there will be Brothers there to assist, so get your team together. Thank you to Brothers Steven Langvardt, Dave Jenkins, Tom Grimm who are arranging the event. Currently in the planning stages are a Chili Cookoff and Date Night.

I have a personal request, our **Eastern Star Chapter** is in need men and women, talk to your wife and please step up. Please do not let this organization close. It's open to all Master Masons and their wives.

*Fraternally,*  
 Mike Taldo, WM



### Elected Line Officers—2023

|                                   |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Worshipful Master—Mike Taldo      | 443-271-6308 |
| Senior Warden— Kurt Caltrider     | 443-985-0705 |
| Junior Warden — Jim Fitzgibbon    | 410-489-0043 |
| Secretary—Brett Molin, PM         | 443-465-9622 |
| Treasurer—Rob Willey              | 248-672-1896 |
| Senior Deacon— Joe Opauski        |              |
| Junior Deacon— Dan Wynne          |              |
| Senior Steward— Scott Simms       |              |
| Junior Steward— Miles Atkins      |              |
| Chaplain—Dave Lewis               |              |
| Tyler—Steve Simms                 |              |
| Marshal — Daniel Boone            |              |
| Ritualist—William Perry, PM       |              |
| Grand Inspector—Mark Bandelin, PM |              |

### Upcoming Communications

*We are Dark—See Events on the next page for summer activities*

*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.

## Living Past Masters

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| 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 |

## From the Treasurer's Desk

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

## Events & Notice:

- July 15th Brotherhood Night starting at 5pm
- August 19th Brotherhood Night starting at 5pm
- October 14th Sporting Clay Tournament at The Mayberry Game Protection Association starting at 9am

## Did You Know... George Washington

1753. George Washington, a 21 year-old Virginia planter, became a Master Mason, August 4, in The Lodge at Fredericksburg, Fredericksburg, Virginia. He was initiated November 4, 1752, and passed March 3, 1753. Masons in the 18th century espoused liberal democratic principles that included religious tolerance, loyalty to local government, and the importance of charity and political compromise. Washington On Masonry: "Flattering as it may be to the human mind, and truly honorable as it is to receive from our fellow citizens testimonies of approbation for exertions to promote the public welfare, it is not less pleasing to know that the milder virtues of the heart are highly respected by a Society whose liberal principles must be founded in the immutable laws of truth and justice. To enlarge the sphere of social happiness is worthy of the benevolent design of a Masonic institution; and it is most fervently to be wished that the conduct of every member of the Fraternity, as well as those publications that discover the principles which actuate them, may tend to convince mankind that the great object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race."

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## *Sporting Clay Fund Raising Tournament*

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*Presented by*

**Liberty Masonic 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.**

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**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.

The vast majority of the proceeds from this year's Tournament will support the Masonic Lodge's mission, uses and/or additional relief as needed to help us continue to serve the community.

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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](mailto:ladlecranedave@hotmail.com) Or email Stephan Langvardt at [slangvardt@gmail.com](mailto:slangvardt@gmail.com)