ANCIENT, FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS FREEDOM LODGE NO. 112

ELDERSBURG, MD · CHARTERED MAY 13, 1862

Brethren, Fraternal greetings from the East:

September 4, 2023

Hope everyone is enjoying Labor Day with family and friends. We resume Lodge on September 12, please come on out for our first meeting as we approach the fall. Brother Kurt and the Line are preparing for his final exemplification in the Master Mason degree, so please note we will be in the 3rd Degree for each of the meetings this month. We have two exciting events coming up please **make every effort to attend**. See the flyers for information.

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. 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.

Fraternally, Mike Taldo, WM

Elected Line Officers—2023

Worshipful Master—Mike Taldo

Senior Warden— Kurt Caltrider

Junior Warden — Jim Fitzgibbon

Secretary—Brett Molin, PM

443-465-9622

Treasurer—Rob Willey

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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

September 12th, Dinner 6:30pm, Lodge opens 7:30pm in the 3rd Degree

September 26th, Dinner 6:30pm, Lodge opens 7:30pm in the 3rd Degree

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

Events & Notice:

- September 16th Chili Cook Off 5pm
- October 14th Sporting Clay Tournament at The Mayberry Game Protection Association starting at 9am

Living Past Masters

Diving raser rascers	
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

Did You Know...

1813. June 1, the 38-gun British frigate "Shammon" met the 38-gun American frigate "Chesapeake" head on off the coast of Boston, Massachusetts and exchanged extremely destructive broadsides. "Chesapeake's" Captain and Brother James Lawrence was mortally wounded, and as he was being carried below to die, he pleaded with this men: "Don't give up the ship." Though the Americans were defeated the casualties were heavy on both sides. While it is known that Brother Lawrence was a Mason, his Lodge membership remains a mystery. However, the Grand lodge of New York did resolve that New York City lodges should assemble to join in the funeral procession for Brother Lawrence. The "Field Book of the War of 1812" reports he was buried with military and Masonic honors. A New York Lodge chartered May 18, 1814, was named after him. Brother Lawrence was born October 1, 1781.



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!

www.freedomlodge112.com