



# 8<sup>th</sup> Masonic District

## The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania



Bristol Lodge No. 25, Hermann-Humboldt Lodge No. 125,  
Doylestown Lodge No 245, W.K. Bray Lodge No. 410,  
Newtown Lodge No. 427, Fairless Hills Lodge No. 776, Southampton Radiant Star Lodge No. 806

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*Richard H. Bradbury, Sr. – District Deputy Grand Master*

September 2016

### 8th Masonic District School of Instruction

Frey Masonic Center  
850 Norristown Road, Warminster, PA

Meets Monthly at 7:30 pm  
1<sup>st</sup> Monday and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday (Except July and August)

#### SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

- 05 No School of Instruction – Labor Day**
- 09 Doylestown Lodge Stated Meeting**  
*Program: Motorcycles, Adam Cramer, Liberty Vintage Motorcycles*
- 10 Bristol Lodge September Stated Meeting**  
*Program: Regius Manuscript, Bro. Gerry Hamilton, PM*
- 14 Hermann-Humboldt Lodge Stated Meeting**
- 14 Newtown Lodge Stated Meeting**  
*Program: Exemplification of Prince Hall Degree & Interview of a Petitioner*
- 16 8th Masonic District School of Instruction**
- 19 Southampton Radiant Star Lodge Stated Meeting**  
*Program: Rejuvenating Masonic Mentorship, Bro. Gene Porter, WM #25*
- 20 Fairless Hills Lodge Stated Meeting**
- 21 W.K. Bray Lodge Stated Meeting**  
*Program: Veteran's Night*
- 24 Autumn Days at Masonic Homes – Elizabethtown**

#### **October 29, 2016 – One Day Journey**

The statewide One-Day Journey will be held on October 29<sup>th</sup> locally at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Allentown and LuLu Shrine, Ft. Washington beginning at 7:00am.

On this day, candidates will receive all three degrees and have the opportunity to join the Scottish Rite and/or Shrine. Petitions need to be voted on prior to October 19<sup>th</sup> to be eligible for the Blue Lodge degrees.

Petitions for the Scottish Rite and/or Shrine need to be presented to those bodies by October 1<sup>st</sup>. The Scottish Rite is waiving the initiation fee for all Master Masons (not only those who go through the one-day class). Dues of \$98.00 for 2017 will be required. Check your local Shrine for initiation/dues schedule.

### THE 8<sup>TH</sup> MASONIC DISTRICT CIGAR-B-QUE EVENT

Mark your calendars for October 9<sup>th</sup> for our first Cigar-B-Que event being held at the Bucks County FOP Lodge Picnic Grove. This is a fellowship event open to all Masons and their friends. Attendees **MUST** be 21 years of age or older.

This is a great opportunity to sit back, relax and enjoy a cigar, barbeque and conversation.

The price will include 3 cigars, tastings, bar-b-que and beverages. For tickets, contact DDGM Rich Bradbury or Bro. Uriah Young. at 215-437-2167 or [uymason@outlook.com](mailto:uymason@outlook.com). Tickets must be paid in advance, no later than October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Remember to bring a friend and bring a chair!!

### 8<sup>th</sup> Masonic District Cigar-B-Que Event

**Sunday, October 9, 2016**  
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**Bucks County F.O.P. Picnic Grove**  
1058 Millcreek Road, Wycombe, PA  
(Newtown, PA for GPS)



**\$65.00 per person**

(MUST be 21 yrs. of age or older!)

**Casual Dress**

**Bring your own chair or use  
the picnic tables**

**Includes: 3 Cigars, tastings, Bar-B-Q, beer and  
soda!**

**Proceeds to benefit Masonic Charities**

**For Tickets - Contact:** DDGM Bradbury at [DDGM08@pagrandlodge.org](mailto:DDGM08@pagrandlodge.org)  
or 215-852-3532 or Bro. Uriah Young at [uymason@outlook.com](mailto:uymason@outlook.com) or  
215-437-2167

## DID YOU KNOW?

Ely S. Parker, a full-blooded Native American chief, was the grandson of Red Jacket, a close friend of George Washington.

He was a Union Brigadier General in the Civil War, and served as General Grant's secretary.

He was raised in Batavia Lodge No. 88, Batavia, New York, and later affiliated with Valley Lodge No. 109.

He demitted and became a founder and first Worshipful Master of Akron Lodge No. 527 of New York. Ely Parker Lodge No. 1002 of Buffalo, New York is named after him.

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## THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

September 15, 1857

In 1857 at Cincinnati, OH. was born Bro. William Howard Taft, 27th US President. His term of office was March 4, 1909-March 3, 1913. Following his Presidency he became a law professor at Yale University until his appointment as Chief Justice of the US Supreme Court in 1921. He was made a Mason "at sight" on June 18, 1909, by Grand Master Charles S. Hoskinson, then became affiliated with Kilwinning Lodge No. 356 at Cincinnati, OH. He later was made Honorary Member of Crescent Lodge No 28 at Cedar Rapids, IO. He died at Washington, DC March 8, 1930 and is buried at Arlington Cemetery.

September 22, 1989

Bro. Irving Berlin, Songwriter, died at Age 101. Bro. Berlin's best-selling songs ranged from "Alexander's Rag-Time Band" in 1911, to "White Christmas" in 1942. He was equally well-known for his theater and film music which included "Top Hat," "Follow The Fleet," and "Annie Get Your Gun." The entire royalties for several of his songs he gave to a charity for deprived youth. He was made a Mason in Munn Lodge 190 in New York City, and was active both in the Scottish rite and as a Shrine Mason. He died in New York City.

September 29, 1907

In 1907 Freemasons lay the cornerstone for the Washington National Cathedral in Washington D.C.

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## GLOSSARY: FACING THE EAST

To turn toward that part of the heavens where the sun rises. In Freemasonry, the east is the source of material light to which is applied the idea of intellectual light; i.e., the truth to enlighten the world was first disseminated in the east.

*The Exemplar, 1985*

## THE CLOCK OF LIFE

The clock of life is wound but once,  
And no man has the power  
To tell just where the hands will stop,  
At late or early hour.

Now is the only time you own  
Live, love, toil with a will,  
Place no faith in tomorrow,  
For the clock may then be still.

Author Unknown

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## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Everybody really knows what to do to have his life filled with joy. What is it? Quit hating people; start loving them. Quit being mad at people; start liking them. Quit doing wrong; quit being filled with fear. Quit thinking about yourself and go out and do something for other people. Everybody knows what you have to do to be happy. But the wisdom of the test lies in the final words: If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

Rev. Norman Vincent Peale

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## THE LODGE ALMONER'S FUND

Every Lodge is directed to have an Almoner's Fund in place dedicated to the relief of worthy distressed members and their families, and will appoint an Almoner to manage the fund. The fund is created by assessing \$5 for every active member of the Lodge annually.

At least 50 percent of the fund will be paid yearly to qualified applicants of your Lodge who have experienced a hardship. Any member, widow or dependent child may apply to the Lodge for assistance through a member or the District Deputy Grand Master. If an applicant so requests, his or her application will be considered by the Lodge in confidence; the identity of the applicant will only be made known to the Lodge Almoner and the Worshipful Master. The Lodge Treasurer, Secretary and District Deputy Grand Master may be included on an as-needed basis. It is important to note that all the funds stay in the Lodge for assistance requests from that Lodge.

The Almoner's Funds will only be used as approved by Lodge vote; in emergency cases, the Lodge Almoner may seek approval from the District Deputy Grand Master before Lodge approval, but such circumstances will be disclosed to the membership. The Almoner will ascertain the need of applicants for assistance. He will then decide to either make a recommendation for a monetary grant or refer the applicant to other appropriate committees of the Lodge and/or to other possible resources available through the Grand Lodge (such as the Masonic Outreach Program).

Do you know of a brother or family member of a brother who may need assistance? Contact your Lodge and ask to speak with the Almoner...they are there to help.