



8th 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, Southampton Radiant Star Lodge No. 806

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

November 2018

8th Masonic District School of Instruction

Frey Masonic Center at Masonic Village-Warminster
850 Norristown Road, Warminster, PA

Meets Monthly on the 1st Monday at 7:30 pm
Extra Meeting on the 3rd Friday – If Needed/Called with due
and timely notice.
(No Meetings in July and August)

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

- 04 Friendship-Bray Chapter DeMolay Installation
- 05 **8th Masonic District School of Instruction**
- 09 Doylestown Lodge Stated Meeting
Program: Clandestine Lodges
- 14 Hermann-Humboldt Lodge Stated Meeting
Program: Masonic Sites in Philadelphia
- 14 Newtown Lodge Stated Meeting
Program: Masonry in the U.S. Military
- 16 **8th Masonic District-Extra Mtg. (if needed)**
- 17 Bristol Lodge Stated Meeting
Program: Past Master Night
- 18 **58th Annual Hatboro Holiday Parade, 2:00 pm**
– Grand Lodge Floats will be in attendance.
- 19 Southampton Radiant Star Lodge Stated Mtg.
Program: Freemasonry at the Alamo
- 21 W.K. Bray Lodge Stated Meeting
*Program: Past Master Recognition/Who Was
Prince Hall?/Examination of a Visitor*

UPCOMING EVENT

December 8, 2018 – Grand Lodge Quarterly
Communication, Marriott Lancaster at Penn Square, 25
South Queen Street, Lancaster, PA.

The Quarterly Communication starts at 10:00 am.

ARE YOU PLANNING TO HAVE A MASONIC FUNERAL?

If you are, you need to be sure to let your family members know. The best way is to complete the form that was provided in the May 2017 District Newsletter and put it with your will and important papers. If you need a copy, archived Newsletters can be found on the District website www.pa8thmasonic.com

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL CIGAR-B-QUE

The 3rd Annual Cigar-B-Que was a success with 22 attendees enjoying fellowship at the FOP Lodge Picnic Grove. Good food and fellowship were enjoyed by all.

Special thanks to Brother George Dakrat of Hiram & Solomon Cigars for his friendship and support. We also thank Bucks County Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 53 for providing the venue. Please patronize our vendors to show our appreciation for their continued support and generosity to the event.

Hiram and Solomon Cigars

<https://www.hiramandsolomoncigars.com>

Doylestown Brewing Company

<https://www.doylestownbrewingcompany.com>

Billy D's Bar-B-Q

www.billydsbbq.com

FRIENDSHIP-BRAY DEMOLAY CHAPTER AND THE NEW SQUIRES MANOR OFFICER INSTALLATIONS SLATED

The installation of officers of Friendship Bray DeMolay Chapter (FBC) and Bayse Newcomb No. 506 Manor for the ensuing term will be on **Sunday, November 4, 2018** at 2:00 pm, Jenkintown Masonic Temple, 443 Old York Road, Jenkintown, PA. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

The organization of Squires is an organization for boys that are 9-11 years old. Like DeMolay, it is a value-based organization. The goal of the Order of the Squires is for its members and their parents to have fun while learning three important life lessons: Wisdom (importance of education), Truth (honesty), and Justice (equality and fairness). The basic Squire organization is called a "Manor".

DISTRICT PAST MASTER MEETING HELD

The first District Past Master Breakfast Meeting was held on Saturday, October 20, 2018 at the Eagle Diner, Warminster. All six lodges in the District were represented by the seventeen Past Masters attending.

Following breakfast and conversation, the PMs were updated on events of the Grand Lodge and District. Another breakfast will be scheduled in the Spring 2019.

THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

November 7, 1805

After a perilous journey of nearly 4,000- miles, Bro. Meriwether Lewis and Bro. William Clark and their expedition across the US arrived at the Pacific Ocean. The expedition left Fort Mandan on the upper Missouri River on April 7 in six canoes and two large piroques. Bro. Clark was variously a member of Virginia City Lodge No. 1, Morning Star Lodge No. 5, Helena, and Deer Lodge No. 14, Deer City, MT. He was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana in 1877. Bro. Lewis was raised at Door to Virtue Lodge No. 44, Albermarle County, VA in 1797. Door to Virtue went dark in 1801 and Bro. Lewis transferred to Staunton Lodge, Staunton, VA where he received the Royal Arch degree.

November 18, 2004

Five lodges were instituted and consecrated by the Grand Lodge of Ireland into The Sovereign Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Malta.

GLOSSARY – Fraternity

The word was originally used to designate those associations formed in the Roman Catholic Church for the pursuit of special religious and ecclesiastical purposes, such as the nursing of the sick, the support of the poor, the practice of particular devotions, etc. They do not date earlier than the thirteenth century.

The name was subsequently applied to secular associations, such as the Freemasons. The word is only a Latin form of the Anglo-Saxon *Brotherhood*.

Encyclopedia of Freemasonry-Part 1,
Albert G. Mackey and H.L. Haywood

A STINKING MEETNG

Pioneer Lodge located at Somerset, Massachusetts, recently overserved its centennial. One of the old records had the following notation:

“At his point the Worshipful Master interrupted the meeting to ascertain the source and character of certain obnoxious gases irritating the olfactories and apparently emanating from the culinary regions below. Upon investigation by the Inside Sentinel it was found that certain hydrocarbons were pouring from incompletely closed jets. The correction of the condition was immediate; no damage was done; no one indicted for dereliction of duty, and the deliberations resumed.”

Tied to the Masonic Apron Strings, Stewart M.L. Pollard

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Masonry without its ritual would no longer be Masonry, and would quickly wither and die. It's the ritual that holds men to Masonry, whether they are active or inactive.

Conrad Hahn

DID YOU KNOW?

Founder of "Haagen-Dazs" A Freemason

The Mattus (mat-is) family has been in the ice cream business through four generations spanning more than 80 years. During this time the family had many product successes but one truly stands out among the rest. Haagen-Dazs®.

Before Reuben Mattus created Haagen-Dazs®, ice cream was a frozen commodity sold for 50 cents a gallon. It was a summer time product that tasted nothing like the rich, creamy, old fashioned ice creams that were homemade. Mattus knew things could be different. He was born into a family whose homemade ices business grew into a popular treat. Mattus and his bride, Rose worked together in the business to create products which could be purchased at hundreds of local "Mom & Pop" candy stores. As the small corner stores began to fade away, Mattus made the transition to selling his ices and ice cream products to supermarkets. He was the first ice cream producer to use special low rounded pint containers, color keyed to flavors. He was the first to distribute Popsicles and other ice cream novelties on a grand scale. In 1959, the ice cream he was working on for a decade was ready for market. It was made strictly from fresh cream, egg yolks, and other superior ingredients. He called it Haagen-Dazs®. The late founder of Haagen-Dazs Ice Cream, Brother Reuben Mattus was a Master Mason in good standing for 53 years in Girard Perfect Ashlar Lodge No. 604, (now known as Scotia Lodge No. 634) in New York City.

MASONRY SPEAKS TO THE NEW MASON

You have tonight become a Master Mason.

I have given you all that I can give in ritual lectures and symbolism. What I give you from this point on will depend upon your willingness to sacrifice, to work and to learn...

In your work or profession you may attain great success. But the greatest satisfaction you will have in life will come from the living of my principles and teachings. If you strive diligently, I will show the way to the greatest of all wisdom, the path that leads to the knowledge of self.

If you attend my meetings regularly; if you will make me a vital part of your life; if you learn and share what you learn with your Brothers, you will discover the secret of happiness.

If you use my Working Tools wisely, you will build a Temple that will defy the onslaught of time.

Into your hands tonight I have placed our age-old secrets, our honored traditions, our sacred heritage.

All of this I do with complete confidence that you will think, act, and live as a Master Mason.

Dewey H. Woolstein, *Masonic Messenger*