



# Delaware Freemason



July 2025



## INDEPENDENCE LODGE NO. 76



## INDEPENDENCE LODGE NO. 76 INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS

On Wednesday, July 23, 2025, a special communication was held under dispensation by the Grand Lodge of Delaware for the purpose of installing the 2025 – 2026 Officers of Independence Lodge No. 76, the first new lodge in almost 50 years in the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Delaware.

Lodge was opened at 5:30pm in due form by M.:W.: Ronald P. Ferraro. Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment and members and guests retired downstairs to enjoy a delightful dinner prepared by the Order of the Eastern Star. At 7:00pm lodge was called back to labor for the purpose of performing an open installation.

The installing team consisted of W.: Peter Pagani as Installing Master, W.: Curtis Davis and W.: Eric Evans as Installing Marshals. The installation was excellently done. The following officers were elected for their respective stations for the 2025 - 2026 masonic year.

Worshipful Master: M.:W.: Ronald Ferraro, Senior Warden: M.:W.: Dean Disharoon, Junior Warden: W.: Stephen McCarthy, Treasurer: W.: Anthony Valenti, Secretary: W.: Alex Boothe, Senior Deacon: W.: John Turansky, Junior Deacon: W.: Charles Morgan, Senior Steward: Brother David Penney, Junior Steward: Brother Veron Hanby, Marshal: W.: George Andraea, Chaplain: W.: Martin Hogan III, and Tiler: Brother Steven Weipert,

The list of distinguished guests included the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Delaware, Deputy Grand Master of Delaware, four Past Grand Masters, and the Deputy Grand Master from the State of New Jersey.

M.:W.: Ferraro reminded everyone that on Tuesday, October 7, at 11:00am, Independence Lodge will be having an “open reception” at Delaware Lodge No. 37, in Dagsboro, DE, to receive M.:W.: James R. Hanby, Sr. There will be special gifts for everyone commemorating the receipt of our full charter. A summer picnic style meal will be served after the meeting. Cost is \$20.00 for the meal. Dress will be masonic casual.







## **M.:W.: EVAN R. MOODY “COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD”**

Most Worshipful Grand Master ; James R. Hanby, Sr., is pleased to announce and remind everyone that the M.:W.: Evan R. Moody “**COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD**”, is in full swing again this year.

All lodges that complete a minimum of five (5) qualifying community service projects, will be recognized at the Grand Lodge Annual Communication held in October 2025, and will receive a Certificate of Achievement.

To be eligible to receive the highest award, a lodge must complete a minimum of ten (10) qualifying community service events. Those lodges completing this level of community service events, will be recognized at the Grand Lodge Annual Communication held in October 2025, and will receive a special plaque for display in your lodge.

The official start of this special year's program was **August 1, 2024** and will end on **July 31, 2025**. All paperwork for the lodge's community service events, must be submitted to Grand Secretary's Office by no later than **August 15, 2025**.

The lodge should submit all events that they believe would qualify as a community service, and the award committee will review and determine if the event meets the qualifications. Please submit your paperwork on an ongoing basis throughout the year . . . please don't wait until August 15 and submit all of your events; the committee will keep a tally.

The paperwork (report) must have the Lodge Name & Number, the date of the event, the location of the event, the time of the event, how many members participated, the name of the chairman of the event, and WHO is benefitting from this community service event.

Fundraisers for charities is not a community service project, however, the presentation of those funds to the community or community organization, will qualify.

Suggested events include: food drives, coat & blanket drives, supplying holiday dinners, volunteering at the Food Bank, Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army, highway cleanup, community/state cleanup events, community blood drive, VA Hospital clothing/supplies drives,

Any questions regarding the special award/recognition opportunity should be directed to the office of the Grand Secretary.

# M.:W.: EVAN R. MOODY “COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD”

## COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD – EVENT REPORT

Lodge Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_

Event Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Event Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Event Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman of the Event: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Participants: \_\_\_\_\_

Who Is Benefitting From This Event: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please provide a description of your community service event (and attach any pictures you may have for this event):



## Why We Celebrate

-Michael B. Rodgers – Grand Lodge Archivist

At last, the long-awaited return of our hero General (and Brother) Lafayette to the pages of the Delaware Freemason Newsletter! The last time I regaled you with a story about the Marquis, we left off with him receiving masonic light at the hands of General Washington (September 2024 issue). The story, as imagined by the author, left the reader with a way that competing ideas of where Lafayette received light could both be true. Again, the idea was first mentioned to the author by PM Franklin Townsend. I will now take you through the conclusion of the United States War for Independence, the French Revolution in hopes of explaining to you why we celebrate Lafayette today, 200 years later.

After the winter at Valley Forge, General Lafayette was given increasing responsibilities. Though young and inexperienced, he possessed natural leadership qualities and good instincts. One of his first assignments was to lead 2200 men in a reconnaissance mission to ascertain the British movements and their potential departure from Philadelphia. During this mission, Lafayette and his men were nearly captured by the British but were able to escape with the help of our very own Allen McLane.

Lafayette's next major engagement came in late June 1778 at the Battle of Monmouth, where he was given command of the second line of troops. The Battle of Monmouth was one of the largest engagements of the war. Though the battle resulted in tactical tie, it demonstrated that the American army could stand against the British head-to-head.

Early in 1779, Lafayette returned to France to secure additional French aid. Though it took some time he did succeed in winning over the French ministers and King Louis XVI. In turn, they sent 6,000 troops, weapons and supplies to America which would help win the war. During his time spent in France, he helped to strengthen the French and American relationship growing in fame and popularity.

Upon returning to America, Lafayette was received as a hero for securing much-needed aid. Shortly thereafter, he was given command of the Light Infantry, which he commanded through the end of the war.



When the guns fell silent at Yorktown in 1781, the young Marquis de Lafayette—only 24 years old—stood as a hero of the American Revolution. After years of fighting alongside George Washington, braving the winter at Valley Forge and leading American light infantry in the final siege; he returned home to France, not as a soldier seeking rest, but as a man on a mission. Lafayette believed the cause of liberty could not end in America. He had seen what freedom could look like and he wanted to bring it to his own country.

Back in France, Lafayette became a champion of reform. Inspired by Enlightenment ideals and the American example, he pushed for religious tolerance, the abolition of slavery and a more just government. When the French people rose up in 1789, Lafayette was at the heart of the movement. He helped write the *Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen*, echoing Jefferson's Declaration of Independence. He was appointed commander of the National Guard of Paris and entrusted with the impossible task of preserving order in a nation that was unraveling.

Lafayette believed France could become a constitutional monarchy, a nation where the king would share power with the people. But as the revolution radicalized, that vision collapsed. In July 1791, during a demonstration at the Champ de Mars, National Guard troops under his command fired on protestors demanding the king's abdication. Though Lafayette had tried to prevent bloodshed, the damage was done. He was now seen by many as a defender of the monarchy, a traitor to the revolutionary cause.

In August 1792, the monarchy fell, and Lafayette fled for his life. He tried to reach the neutral Dutch Republic, but Austrian forces captured him and held him prisoner, moving him from fortress to fortress across Austria and Prussia. Back in France, his wife Adrienne—once one of the most privileged women in Europe—was imprisoned and marked for execution during the Reign of Terror. It seemed the Lafayette family would be destroyed by the very Revolution they had tried to shape.

James Monroe, the American minister to France—and a fellow veteran of the Revolution—intervened. With the help of his courageous wife, Elizabeth Monroe, he appealed directly to French authorities for Adrienne’s release. When diplomatic efforts stalled, Elizabeth took bold action: she appeared at the prison in person, dressed in full court attire, demanding to visit Adrienne. The message was unmistakable—America was watching. Fearing diplomatic fallout with their revolutionary ally, the French spared Adrienne’s life. She was released, and soon after, she made her way to Austria to voluntarily share Lafayette’s captivity, joining her husband in a dank prison cell in Olmütz, risking her own health to be by his side.

After five long years of confinement, pressure from American diplomats, European sympathizers, and political shifts in France finally led to Lafayette’s release in 1797. But when Napoleon Bonaparte offered him a role in the new regime, Lafayette declined. He would not trade one form of tyranny for another. During both Napoleon’s empire and the Bourbon Restoration, he lived in quiet opposition, refusing to abandon his commitment to constitutional liberty.

By 1824, the United States was preparing to celebrate the 50th anniversary of its independence. President James Monroe, now in the final year of his presidency, invited Lafayette to return to the country he had helped create. Lafayette accepted. When he arrived in New York Harbor, he was met not with the drums of war, but with the cheers of a grateful nation.

What followed was nothing short of extraordinary. Lafayette toured all 24 states, traveling by carriage, boat, and horseback through towns that bore his name. He embraced aging veterans of the Revolution and inspired a new generation that knew him only from history books. Americans lined the roads to catch a glimpse of the last surviving general of the Revolution. He was honored with parades, dinners, speeches, and ceremonies, including one at Bunker Hill and a rousing reception in Washington, D.C., where Congress granted him \$200,000 and a large tract of land as form of repayment for his own fortune that he spent in our cause for freedom.

On July 25th 1825, Lafayette returned to Delaware at the invitation of the Grand Lodge. He was received at the Old Town Hall in Wilmington and was surrounded by veterans, friends and brothers including Allen McLane and Victor Marie DuPont. It was at this special communication of the Grand Lodge that Lafayette was made the first Honorary Grand Master of Delaware. In addition, Lafayette, his son, George Washington Lafayette, and his secretary, Auguste Levasseur, all signed the Charter for Lafayette Lodge No. 14, thereby making Lafayette Lodge one of the only, if not the only, Lafayette Lodge’s signed by it’s namesake.

Lafayette's journey—from idealistic youth to seasoned general, from prisoner of tyranny to guest of honor in a free republic—is one of the most powerful testaments to the enduring fight for liberty. And when he returned to America in 1824, it was clear that the ideals he had risked everything for—on both sides of the Atlantic—had not been forgotten.

I would like to take a moment and return to one of the first stories that I told you about Lafayette. The story dealt with the battle of Brandywine where he first shed blood for our country and became an American hero, and the idea of Divine Providence was first brought up.

Now do you remember the story of the doctor that saved the young officer's life? Did you figure out who that young officer was? The young officer's life that was saved by Dr. Riker after a musket ball tore through his chest and severed an artery in his shoulder was none other than the 5<sup>th</sup> President of the United States, James Monroe. Had Dr. Riker not been bold enough to confront the men outside his home making noise, which he thought to be the occupying forces, he would have never encountered Monroe and his unit. Had he not encountered Monroe's unit, he may never have joined the army. Had he not joined the army, he would not have been there the morning of December 26<sup>th</sup> to save James Monroe's life. Had Monroe's life not been spared, he would have never met and married Elizabeth Kortright. It would also logically follow that Elizabeth would not have been in France to save Adrienne Lafayette's life and Lafayette may never have been invited back to the United States. There may never have been the celebrations and toasts, parades, balls, banquets, and feasts celebrating the last living General and we may not be celebrating him today. That is why we celebrate!



## CELEBRATING 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY

Evergreen Forest No. 49 took the opportunity to recognize the upcoming 100<sup>th</sup> birthdays of two Delaware Masons during Evergreen Forests annual summer picnic. Grand Master James R. Hanby Sr. (and Tall Cedar member) had the pleasure of presenting Franklin Lodge No. 12 member, P.M. Samuel W. Warrington, and Delaware Lodge No. 37 member, Preston L. Rogers, with the Grand Master Certificate of Recognition for this milestone. There were well over 100 folks in attendance who enjoyed Fun, Frolic, and Fellowship!

(L – R, Bro. Samuel Warrington,  
Bro. Preston Rogers, Jr., and  
MWGM James R. Hanby, Sr.)



Evergreen Forest No. 49 participated in the Old Dover Days Parade along with Union Lodge No. 7. They had their mini cars in action with Supreme Tall Cedar Mike Youse leading the way!

Jimmy Ferguson, PGTC & PSD, received his 60-year membership certificate. He is pictured with GTC Walsh and his grandson Matthew who placed his 60-year pin on his lapel.



## Delaware DeMolay July 2025

Delaware DeMolay has slowed down for the summer so there is not much going on. However, we have had our annual joint conclave with Maryland. I would like to thank the Lodges, Appendant Bodies, and especially the Order of the Eastern Star for the generous donations to our conclave. This year with your help our attendees were sponsored as well as some of the events. I can tell you with the utmost of confidence that the Pizza Party and the Ice Cream truck were very well received and appreciated. I would also like to thank our Grand Master James R. Hanby Sr., Deputy Grand Master Richard M. McTheny and his lady Marianne for attending the banquet to close out the conclave. Now we will be working on the conclave for next year.

I also attended our Annual International Sessions held in Orlando, FL this past June. The big topic of discussion of course was membership. We here in Delaware are not the only Jurisdiction that is suffering from lack of members. I know that the young men today have choices to make with what they wish to do. But we can help them with some decisions. DeMolay is not for everybody but I know that some young men out there would greatly benefit from belonging to DeMolay and learning from years of experience that our advisors have. We can help these young men if we have the chance. So I am asking you again, if you know of a young man between 12-21 years of age I would like to know. I will be glad to talk to him and his parents about DeMolay and the benefits that he could get from being a member. Right now we have chapters in all three counties; however, two of the chapters do not have enough young men to hold a meeting. My goal this year is to change that by holding Open House parties in all three chapters and will also be looking for other Lodges and bodies to hold one. The more I get the word of DeMolay out the better the odds are of increasing our membership. If you belong to a Lodge or Appendant/Concordant body that would like to help by having an Open House for DeMolay please let me know.

In closing I would like to thank again all of those that contributed to this year's Conclave. Your support is greatly and earnestly appreciated. If you need to get hold of me here are a couple of ways, Cell 302-745-6984 or email [deldemolay@aol.com](mailto:deldemolay@aol.com). Help me make this a banner year for Delaware DeMolay. For God, For Country, For DeMolay.

Dave Penney E.O.



## Jackson Lodge No. 19 Special Presentation To Delaware Hospice

During the **June Stated Communication** of **Jackson Lodge**, members had the privilege of hosting a special presentation by **Delaware Hospice**, a vital organization dedicated to providing compassionate end-of-life care. The presentation was led by **Missy Baker**, the **Senior Event Coordinator** for Delaware Hospice, who shared valuable insights about the organization's mission, services, and the impact they have on families in need across Delaware.

Following the presentation, **Worshipful Master Eric Johnson** and the Lodge members were proud to present **Missy Baker** with a **\$1,000 check**. This generous donation represented the proceeds raised throughout the term for the **Worshipful Master's Charity**, which, for this term, was dedicated to supporting Delaware Hospice's crucial work.

The donation, a culmination of efforts from various Lodge events, reflects Jackson Lodge's commitment to charity and community service. The Lodge is honored to support Delaware Hospice and its mission to bring comfort and care to individuals and families during one of the most important times of life.



# RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE OF GREATER DEALWARE



## Charity Committee Gives Spoonful of Hope

By Robert M. Kleiner, Grand Marshal

“The secret to creamy lasagna is you have to put American cheese in it—not instead of the ricotta and the parmesan and the mozzarella—but in addition!” That is the sage, albeit controversial advice of Chef John, who was tasked with supervising a group of volunteers from the Grand Lodge at the Ronald McDonald House in early June. Chef John told us this culinary secret while showing us how to make garlic bread topped with, you guessed it, American cheese.

The Ronald McDonald House Charities of Greater Delaware may be named after a hamburger clown, but it has a serious mission. It is a home-away-from-home for families of seriously ill children receiving inpatient care at the Nemours Hospital for Children in Wilmington. Many of the families staying at the Ronald McDonald House come from Kent and Sussex Counties, others from much farther away. Without the Ronald McDonald House, those families would be forced to choose between costly hotel stays or sleeping in hospital waiting rooms. The Grand Lodge has long been a supporter of the Ronald McDonald House, and they have even named a suite of offices in our honor in recognition of our contributions. RW Brother Curt Cole of the Grand Lodge Charity Committee organized this particular volunteer outing to “the House” (as it is sometimes called), and PM Kevin O’Rourke organized our volunteers, *viz.*: MW Grand Master James R. Hanby Sr., PM James “Jimbo” Lawrence, Yvonne Fields and this writer.

MW Hanby, RW Cole and PM O’Rourke presented a sizable donation to the Ronald McDonald House on behalf of the Masonic Charities of Delaware, Inc. under the Grand Lodge of Delaware, after which we took a tour of the facility. At present, they can house 52 families at a time, and on that particular evening there were 38. In addition to some recreation areas (with a giraffe in the stairwell), the offices named in our honor, and the kitchen and dining areas, we were shown a bell affixed to the wall beside a cork board. “This is our good news bell,” our guide explained, “when one of our residents has good news to share they ring the bell. Then everyone gathers around to hear the good news. And they announce it aloud and then will write it down,” she picked up a stack of multi-colored, fluorescent sticky notes, “and pin it on the board.” She went to the board and picked up a couple of notes and started to read them. The first one said, “Got a good diagnosis today!” The second one said, “The Eagles won the Super Bowl!” She chuckled, “Not everyone agrees on what is good news.” (I hope she’s not a *Cowboys* fan!)

After our tour, it was time to get cooking. We split off—MW Hanby and Kevin were working with chocolate pudding. Jimbo and I were on sandwich duty, while Yvonne, who was across the table from us, was making garlic bread (with American cheese). A tray full of PB and J and a tray full of turkey and cheese (provolone this time, go figure). Then Jim and I cut some tomatoes and before we knew it, it was time to serve dinner.

The Ronald McDonald House calls this volunteer program, “Spoonful of Hope,” and a glance at the menu for the night we volunteered is suggestive as to the name. The menu that night included: pork egg rolls, chicken tortellini, risotto, macaroni and cheese, fajita meatballs (meatballs with fajita seasoning), garlic bread, fresh fruit salad, and lump crab dip with tortilla chips. And I think they knew we were coming because they also had green beans. With such a variety of comfort foods, there was something for everyone. (And there was everything for someone. It all looked and smelled so good; I had to try a little of everything.)

It was a privilege to see what good our donations have done for our community. Through your support of Grand Lodge, you have supported the Ronald McDonald House. You, my brothers, have provided dignity and comfort to families in very difficult and challenging circumstances. Thank you.

Brethren,

What a great experience; this could be done by Lodges as well. They allow 4 to 6 brothers to help prepare and serve dinner and your done in only a couple hours.

Here’s the contact information if anyone would like to volunteer and help the Ronald McDonald House.



**Ronald McDonald House Charities®  
of Greater Delaware**

1901 Rockland Rd. Wilmington, DE 19803

302-428-5321 tel

[www.RMHCDelaware.org](http://www.RMHCDelaware.org)

**Ivey Helmick**

Director of Philanthropy

[ivey@rmhcdelaware.org](mailto:ivey@rmhcdelaware.org)

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**Delaware Lodge of Research A. F. & A. M.  
PETITION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

**Delaware Lodge of Research A. F. & A. M. was warranted and constituted by the Grand Lodge of Delaware. It is a statewide Masonic body for the purpose of promoting Masonic research and study. The Lodge holds four stated meetings per year in different areas of the state. The transactions of the Lodge will be published. Membership is open to all Master Masons in good standing in recognized Lodges, with members of Delaware Lodges being Full Members and members of other recognized Grand Lodges being Associate Members.**

Please type or legibly print the following information:

Name in full: \_\_\_\_\_

(First) (Middle) (Last)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge City & State: \_\_\_\_\_ Grand Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_

I, hereby, apply for membership in the Delaware Lodge of Research. I am a member of a recognized Lodge and, if accepted, will abide by the Laws of the Grand Lodge of Delaware and the By-laws of this Lodge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Verified by Lodge Master or Secretary:

Name of Verifier: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_ No.: \_\_\_\_\_, Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Fee \$20.00 & First Year's Dues \$5.00 – Total \$25.00

Make check payable to 'Delaware Lodge of Research'

# Attend your Blue Lodge

1 <sup>st</sup> Thu	Washington Lodge No. 1	2016 Foulk Road, Wilmington
2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed	St. John's Lodge No. 2	1406 Wilmington Road. New Castle
3 <sup>rd</sup> Tue	Hope Lodge No. 4	102 West 6th Street, Laurel
1 <sup>st</sup> Tue	Union Lodge No. 5	105 West Park Place, Middletown
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tue	Union Lodge No. 7	1478 Wyoming Mill Road, Dover
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Thu	Temple Lodge No. 9	125 Causey Avenue, Milford
2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed	Temple Lodge No. 11	818 North Market Street, Wilmington
4 <sup>th</sup> Tue	Franklin Lodge No. 12	151 E. Market Street, Georgetown
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thu	Harmony Lodge No. 13	11 North Main Street, Smyrna
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tue	Lafayette Lodge No. 14	2016 Foulk Road, Wilmington
1 <sup>st</sup> Wed	Jefferson Lodge No. 15	116 1/2 Second St., Lewes
2 <sup>nd</sup> Thu	Endeavor Lodge No. 17	201 Mill Street, Milton
3 <sup>rd</sup> Tue	Jackson Lodge No. 19	406 4th Street, Delaware City
2 <sup>nd</sup> Thu	Hiram Lodge No. 21	2710 Woodland Ferry Road, Seaford
2 <sup>nd</sup> Thu	Eureka -Dupont Lodge No. 23-29	2016 Foulk Road, Wilmington
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon	Hiram Lodge No. 25	207 East Delaware Avenue, Newark
3 <sup>rd</sup> Thu	Armstrong Lodge No. 26	112 East Market Street, Newport
3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed	Gethsemane No. 28	2710 Woodland Ferry Road, Seaford
1 <sup>st</sup> Mon	Doric Lodge No. 30	35476 Atlantic Avenue, Millville
1 <sup>st</sup> Thu	Ionic Lodge No. 31	1406 Wilmington Road. New Castle
1 <sup>st</sup> Tue	Granite-Corinthian Lodge No. 34	1611 Concord Pike, Wilmington
2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed	Solomon Lodge No. 36	112 East Market Street, Newport
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tue	Delaware Lodge No. 37	28892 Church Street, Dagsboro
2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed	High Noon-Unity Lodge No. 38	112 East Market Street, Newport
3 <sup>rd</sup> Tue	Independence Lodge No. 76	Various District 3 Lodges





**The Shield & Square Club of Delaware seeks to strengthen the Masonic ties among brethren in the first responder community – police, fire, military, EMS, dispatchers, judicial, corrections and government. The Shield & Square Club of Delaware currently meets monthly at the Grotto's in Middletown.**

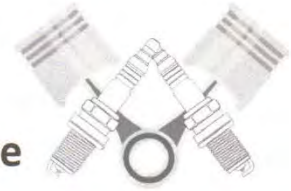
**The Shield & Square Club of Delaware is available to confer the Sublime Degree of Master Mason upon candidates by request.**

**The Shield & Square Club of Delaware is now accepting applications for membership.**

**For more information, contact Tyler Thompson at [thompsons44@gmail.com](mailto:thompsons44@gmail.com)**



**Masonic Brotherhood Riders of Delaware**



**The Masonic Brotherhood Riders of Delaware**

**Invite all**

**Masonic Brother Motorcycle Enthusiasts**

**With a Passion for Riding**

**To come and Join our Group.**



**To better unify Masonic Riders throughout the State of Delaware**

**Efforts are being made by the MBRDE to reestablish**

**The Northern Chapter to work in unison with the Southern Chapter**

**Membership is Open to All Masonic Brothers in Good Standing**

**It is the intent of MBRDE to have Northern and Southern Chapters work together and compliment each Chapters activities.**

**The Reestablishment of the Northern Chapter will require a minimum number of active members to be determined and the assistance of the prospective members in the officer line.**

**If you would like to Join the MBRDE-NC**

**Contact**

**WM Steve Salvatelli 302-691-5961 shalvatelli@comcast.net**

**Bud Skinner 302-420-6912 bskinnet@maintenance-tech.net**

**OR**

**Reach out to any Masonic Brotherhood Rider**





**Masonic Brotherhood Riders of Delaware Northern Chapter**

**Petition for Membership**

(CLEARLY PRINT ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION)



First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City and State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell/Ph # \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

State of Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Name, # & City: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Type (Check One): Full Member \_\_\_\_\_ Supporting Member \_\_\_\_\_

Motorcycle Make/Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Engine Size: \_\_\_\_\_ cc

Other Motorcycle Group Memberships: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's/Significant Other's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Rides w/you? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ On Own Bike? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

Emergency Contact (if other than above):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

References (must be MBR-NC/SC members in good standing):

#1 Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_ MBR Chapter: NC SC

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#2 Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_ MBR Chapter: NC SC

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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To be completed by MBR-NC:

Petition Fee & Dues \$20- \_\_\_\_\_ BL Verified \_\_\_\_\_ Ride Verified \_\_\_\_\_

Date-Acc/Reject \_\_\_\_\_ Card Issued \_\_\_\_\_



Delaware is calling all Masonic Uniformed Services Veterans.

We are trying to reestablish a Chapter in Delaware. Our first step is to establish interest. We need 18 Master Masons that are veterans. 8 must be new members. If interested Please contact David Walters 302-415-0861 or email [davidskenpo@gmail.com](mailto:davidskenpo@gmail.com).

Thank you all for your service!



**WE OFFER OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILIES AND FRIENDS  
OF THOSE BROTHERS WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED  
BY THE GRAND ARCHITECT OF THE UNIVERSE  
(MAY 1, 2025 – JUNE 30, 2025)**

2025-06-29	Burak	Matthew	Combs		Delaware	37
2025-06-21	Cortland	W.	Warrington		Ionic	31
2025-06-19	Charles	L	Moller		Union Lodge	7
2025-06-16	Jack	R.	Hendricks		Hiram	25
2025-06-07	Donald	Elwood	Rosenberry	PGM	Lafayette	14
2025-06-07	William	Gene	Watson		Doric	30
2025-06-05	Vinol	L.	Lynch	Jr	Hope	4
2025-05-26	John	Howard	Jester	Jr PM	Solomon	36
2025-05-21	David	Francis	McManis		Hope	4
					Eureka-	23-
2025-05-18	David	Matthew	Simkins	PM	DuPont	29
2025-05-18	George	A	Adkins		Franklin	12
2025-05-18	Phillip		Elliott		Union	7
2025-05-14	Craig	A.	Long		Jefferson	15
2025-05-05	George	Stevens	Isaacs		Franklin	12
2025-05-05	William	Harmon	Jenkins		Lafayette	14
2025-05-01	Robert	Edward	Lowes		Union	7



# Grand Lodge Day Picnic



**New Date**

**Saturday August 9, 2025**

**Same Location**

**Killens Pond State Park**

**Pavilion #4**

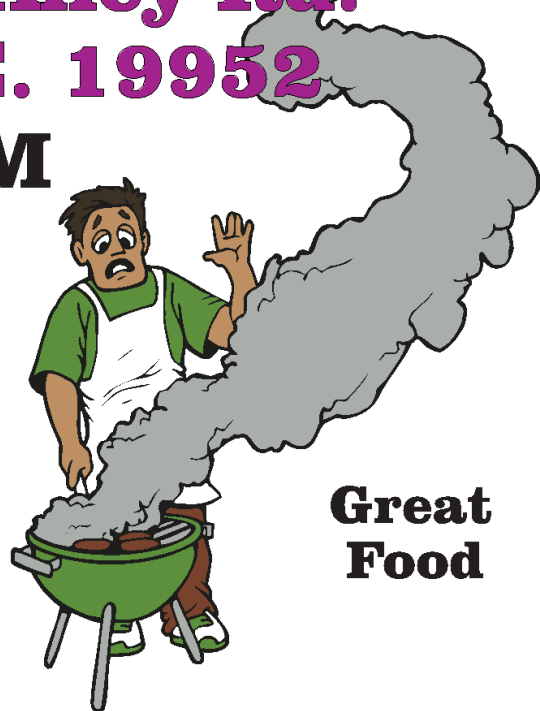
**3015 Paradise Alley Rd.**

**Harrington DE. 19952**

**11:00 AM**



**Family  
Fun**



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Masonic Brotherhood Riders of Delaware  
Southern Chapter



**JOIN US FOR THE 12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL**  
*Grand Master's Charity Ride*  
***September 20, 2025***



**Benefitting: Scottish Rite Children's Learning  
Center/Local Scottish Rite Scholarships**  
*Rain or Shine Event*

**Start/Signup: 9:00 – 10:30 am @ Holly Lake Campground,  
32087 Holly Lake Road, Millsboro, De, (Breakfast Available)**

**KSU: 11:00 am**

**End Point: Milford VFW, 177 Veterans Circle, Milford, DE (Hot Dogs/Refreshments)**

**Pre-register/Donate on Eventbrite (Grand Master's Charity Ride)  
\$ 20.00 + Eventbrite Fee-----Eventbrite QR Code**



**On Site Registration: \$ 25.00**

**T-Shirts: \$ 20.00**

**Contact: Bill Hadder (302) 542-3275**



**Come Join Us**

**As We Celebrate The Receipt of Our Charter  
With A Visit and Reception Of**

**Most Worshipful James R. Hanby Sr.**

**Guest Speakers**

**Commemorative Gifts**

**Date: October 7, 2025**

**Time: 11:00am**

**Cost: \$20.00**

**Location: Delaware 37**

**711 Main St. Dagsboro DE. 19939**

**Lunch Will Be Provided**

**Ladies Invited**

**Ticket Information:**

**Contact any Member Or**

**PGM Ronald Ferraro**

**Email: ronpferraro@yahoo.com**

**Tickets Limited to the First 100**

Brethren,

On behalf of Right Worshipful Richard M. McTheny, DGW, GM elect, and his lady, Marianne, I am pleased to share with you information about the 2026 Grand Lodge of Delaware Masonic Cruise.

The cruise on the beautiful Carnival Magic will depart Miami, Florida on Saturday, March 7, 2026. The itinerary includes four relaxing days at sea and stops in the sunny ports of Aruba, Curacao and Amber Cove (Dominican Republic), before returning to Miami on Sunday, March 15, 2026.

Registration is now open. By booking this early, there is nearly a year and a half to make payments as final payment is not due until November 1, 2025. There are multiple cabin options to fit any need you would like.

If you heard about the many fun times on the Masonic Cruise in 2018, you will definitely not want to miss this one.

To make your reservations, please contact Aaron Jackson from Dreams Fulfilled Travel at (302) 858-7841 or by email at [aaron.jackson@DreamsFulfilledTravel.com](mailto:aaron.jackson@DreamsFulfilledTravel.com). If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact me at (302) 270-4391.

Fraternally,  
Chad Robinson, PGMar.



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March 7 - 15, 2026**



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Day	Port of Call	Arrival Time	Depart Time
Sat	Miami		03:30 PM
Sun	Fun Day At Sea		
Mon	Amber Cove	08:00 AM	05:00 PM
Tue	Fun Day At Sea		
Wed	Aruba	09:00 AM	10:00 PM
Thu	Curaçao	08:00 AM	05:00 PM
Fri	Fun Day At Sea		
Sat	Fun Day At Sea		
Sun	Miami	08:00 AM	



**Rates are per person double occupancy**

not included: insurance, tax, port fees, gratuities, airfare, transportation, hotel stays, excursions

Deposit of \$500 per cabin due at booking

Final Payment due November 1, 2025

Optional Travel Insurance is available, quote provided after booking

Third and fourth guest rates are available along with other cabin options.

Valid Passport recommended for cruise travel outside the US



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