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Unity No. 146 Masonic Lodge

Chartered December 13, 1870 by the Grand Lodge of Virginia

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September 2015

Master's Message

Greetings from the East, Brethren.

We are looking forward to an exciting meeting on our September 2nd Stated. Our program will be headed by a Master Masons Catechism being returned by Brother Yevginny Pimgertov. We will also be welcoming a number of new Master Masons who will receive their degrees at the one day conferral on August 29th. Please make a special effort to come out in support of the new members and help to spread the cement of brotherly love.

Our Saturday breakfast will be held on September 26th.

The Third District Annual Picnic will be held at the Middletown Park, Middletown, Virginia on September 12th from 12 to 4 pm. Bring a friend and your family and enjoy good food, fellowship and entertainment.

District School and Master & Wardens will be held at Unity Lodge September 29th at 6:30.

*Sincerely & Fraternally,
Harry Wesley Hammack
Worshipful Master*



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6:00 pm

Dinner (\$10)
Stewart C Payne
Social Hall
6:30

SEPTEMBER 12

Hiram Royal Arch
Chapter No. 45

Stated Convocation
7:30 pm

**3rd Masonic District
Picnic
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm**

SEPTEMBER 14

Order of the Eastern
Star # 6
7:30 pm

SEPTEMBER 18

Hiram Royal Arch
Chapter No. 45
Stated Convocation
7:30 pm

SEPTEMBER 26

Last Saturday
Breakfast
Stewart C Payne
Social Hall
8:00 am

Masonic Birthdays

September 7, 1978	Robert Mitchell Cairns	September 23, 1995	Stephen Jay Whittington
September 11, 1981	James Edward Roop	September 24, 20120	Melton Jewell Roland
September 12, 2012	Joseph Embree	September 25, 1990	Rodger Evan LaCross
September 13, 2000	Edward Neal Powell, Jr.	September 25, 2002	Hubert Guy Fultz
September 23, 1980	Jeffery Glen Burcham	September 26, 1995	Jack Nicholas Mogus
September 23, 1995	David Donald Beck	September 30, 2009	Robert Wayne Sites, Jr.

Living Past Masters:

1963 - Wor. William Newton Wood
1968 - RW Ward Easton Myers, Jr.
1975 - Wor. Ronald Grant McManus, Sr.
1977 - Wor. Edward William Ahlers
1978 - Wor. Harry Wesley Hammack, Jr.
1979 - Wor. William Amos Hall
1982 - Wor. Darryl E. Windham, Jr.
1985 - Wor. Robert Keith McMillen
1991 - Wor. Timothy Darr
1993 - Wor. Raymond Mickey Moats
1995 - RW Charles Randal Seaford
1998 - RW Arthur Alvin Heiserman
1999 - Wor. Charles Edward Davis
2001 - Wor. David Martin Zuckerman
2002 - RW Scott Douglas Cabazolo
2004 - Wor. Robert Mitchell Cairnes

2005 - Wor. Neil Gene Lilly
2007 - Wor. Darryl Bowser
2008 - Wor. Larry Lee Adams, II
2009 - RW Joel David Ratliff, Sr.
2010 - RW Kevin Joseph Davidson
2011 - RW Kevin Joseph Davidson
2012 - RW Scott Douglas Cabazolo
2013 - Wor. Dennis Mark Haas
2014 - Wor. Melton Roland, Jr.

Living PDDGM:

1985 - RW Ward Easton Myers, Jr.
2001 - RW Arthur Alvin Heiserman
2003 - RW Charles Randal Seaford
2005 - RW Scott Douglas Cabazolo
2007 - RW Kevin Joseph Davidson
2010 - RW George Oscar Glavis
2013 - RW Joel David Ratliff

Character of a Mason

Farmers Almanac 1823

The real freemason is distinguished from the rest of mankind by the uniform unrestrained rectitude of his conduct. Other men are honest in the fear of punishment which the law might inflict; They are religious in expectation of being rewarded, or in dread of the devil, in the next world. A freemason would be just if there were no laws, human or divine except those written in his heart by the finger of his creator.

In every climate, under every system of religion, he is the same. He kneels before the universal throne of God in gratitude for the blessings he has received and the humble solicitation for his future protection. He venerates the good men of all religions. He disturbs not the religion of others. He restrains his passions, because they cannot be indulged without injuring his neighbor or himself. He gives no offense, because he does not choose to be offended. He contracts no debts which he is certain he cannot discharge, because he is honest upon principle.

Freemasonry & Labor Day: Is there a Connection?

by Midnight Freemason Contributor Bro. Robert H. Johnson 32°

Labor Day, the very idea of the holiday invokes the excitement of barbecues, back to school for our children and the end of summer. Labor Day is now marked by the first Monday in September, but the first labor day was actually on a Tuesday, Tuesday September 5th 1882 to be exact. It was celebrated for the first time in New York City and was organized by the Central Labor Union.

So who started Labor Day? Well, the answer can not be definitively answered. There are two men who are credited with its creation. Peter McGuire and Mathew Maguire were both labor leaders and worked for the rights of workers. Peter was a carpenter and Mathew a machinist.

Many people ask whether either of these two men were members of our great fraternity, the Freemasons. Of these two men, Peter McGuire was a member of a Brotherhood. It just wasn't the Freemasons. He belonged to the Brotherhood of Carpenters and was quoted as saying something which to me, sounds Masonic in nature...

[There needs to be a day to celebrate those] "who from rude nature have delved and carved all the grandeur we behold"

However promising this sounds, neither Peter nor Mathew have any record of being involved or affiliated with the Freemasons.

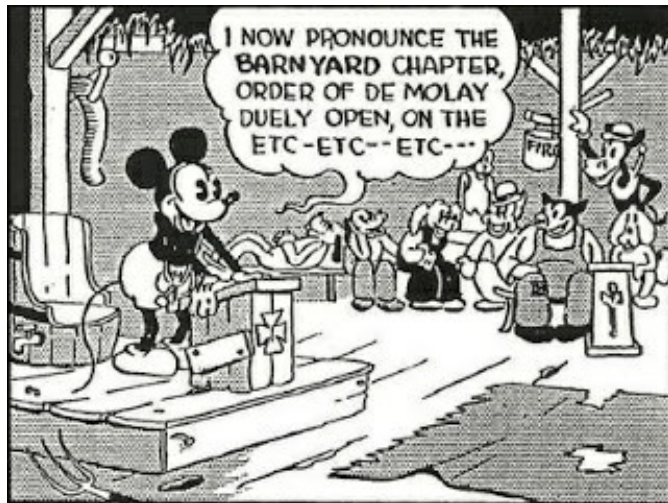
Masonic Humor

A small Lodge had had a string of bad luck. It was preparing to initiate a candidate on a steamy evening in June and it's air conditioner had stopped working. After sweating their way through part of the work, the Master had asked the candidate what he most desired.

The candidate replied "a beer".

At this juncture the WM., being startled, whispered "light" to the candidate.

"OK," the candidate replied, "a lite beer."



Stated Agenda

6:00 PM

Open Master Masons Lodge

6:30 PM

Dinner

Stewart C. Payne Social Hall

\$10.00

7:15 PM

Open Meeting

United Lodge Room

8:00 PM

Re-open Lodge

9:15PM

Close Master Masons Lodge



2015 Officers

Harry (Wes) Hammack, Jr.

Worshipful Master

Stephen Craig Wheeler

Treasurer

Ray Nourha

Junior Deacon

Junior Griffith

Junior Steward

Joseph (Jeph) Embree

Senior Warden

Kevin Paul Walek

Secretary

Charles Seaford

Chaplain

Edward Bull

Marshal

Webster (Wes) Theodore Cameron

Junior Warden

Kevin McCullough

Senior Deacon

Jerome Meehan

Senior Steward

Henry (Hank) Elith Larsen, Jr.

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