



Edward N. Eubank Lodge No. 262

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**THE GRAND MASTERS THEME FOR 2019 “FRIENDSHIP, MORALITY AND BROTHERLY LOVE”**

Greetings From Worshipful Keatts,

We plan to do the Entered Apprentice Degree for 4 candidates on SATURDAY, JUNE 8, beginning at 9 A.M.

The plan for THURSDAY, JUNE 13 is to begin our Stated Meeting at 6:30 P.M. We will have Pizza and Salad at 5:30 P.M. Once our Business is complete we will Raise 2 of our Fellow Crafts the the Sublime Degree of Master Mason.

I feel good about what we've accomplished so far this year, especially in bringing new men into Freemasonry. As always, come out on these degree work events and support the vital work going on.

If you have not attended Lodge for awhile, I am encouraging you to give your Lodge some support with your attendance. Come out and get to know your Lodge members, we would surely like to see you reconnect with your Lodge!

**FREEDOMS BANNER - FLAG DAY – JUNE 14**

We live today under the protective folds of Old Glory – take a moment to pause and pay tribute to it – reflect on its glorious history – contemplate the things for which it stands.

The Stars and Stripes was born 210 years ago amid the flames of America's fight for freedom. It has seen the transition from horses pulling carriages over cobblestone streets to silver jets streaking across wide blue skies. She has traveled from New York to San Francisco, from Chicago to New Orleans, across every sea and continent. Her pride has been unfurled on sailing ships, steamers and mighty vessels of armed power to bring peace and freedom to oppressed people throughout the world. She has soared on the tip of a mighty Saturn with blazing engines through space until she stood proudly on the gray surface of the shining moon.

She was in the hands of our first President and Brother General George Washington in the blood and snow of Valley Forge and was there when our Nation was born – small, with a wilderness at her back and seas on her sides, and very few friendly neighbors to whom she could call for help.

She has been the inspiration for millions, many of whom have followed her into battle so that we might continue to enjoy the life, liberty and pursuit of happiness which have been granted to every American as the heritage of freemen. And when they have given the ultimate sacrifice for her cause, she gently wraps them in her love and drapes her honors over their caskets. She flies proudly over their green graves, wherever they may be, praying that wars might end forever. She rises every morning to watch over the graves of our finest men whose years were short but whose service was no longer than we can ever measure.

Our flag is a symbol of a nation such as the world has never known because she represents something the world has never seen – a government of the people, by the people, and for the people. History gives no example of any nation, other than America, championing the cause of the oppressed and downtrodden peoples of the earth, asking no reward except that all people have a right to live peaceably without fear of aggression or dictatorship. We ask only that people be allowed to be free as God intended. For no country knows greater freedom than our country—freedom for each to choose his life's work; freedom to travel from state to state without having to obtain permission from dictator-like authorities; freedom to try and succeed; freedom to fail and not be cast into prison for honest failure; freedom to speak, write, praise, question, or criticize, anyone regardless of how high his station or rank; freedom to save and to build; freedom to worship or not to worship, as your own mind and heart dictates.

But freedom has a tremendous cost. Reflect on the words of General and Brother George Washington at Valley forge – when cold, wet, and hungry – in the snow and wind he turned to one of his officers and said: “This liberty will seem so cheap to those who have not have to pay the cost.” Those freedoms which we possess might seem cheap to some people who have not had to pay the full price for them. I wonder what America would be like today without the sacrifice of those who loved their country more than themselves and mercy more than life. These people gave us a great gift, so how do we show our gratitude? By erecting statues? Statues are impressive, but they end up mainly being tourist attractions. Placing a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier is a nice gesture – but eventually the wreath weathers and is forgotten. Speeches are good, but they vanish almost as the words are spoken. I would suggest that you look in the Gospel of John in the Bible. Chapter 3 verse 18 has the answer for me: “Let us not love in word neither in tongue, but in deed and truth.”

**WE MUST LIVE OUR LIVES DEDICATED TO THE FAITHFUL, INTELLIGENT USE OF OUR FREEDOM SYMBOLIZED BY OUR FLAG!**

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## Important Dates To Remember

Saturday, June 8, 2019 – Eubank Lodge 262 / 9 A.M. / Called Meeting for EA Degree Work.

Thursday, June 13, 2019 – Stated Meeting at Eubank Lodge 6:30 P.M. - 5:30 Dinner / Business and MM Degree Work.

Tuesday, June 25, 2019 - Scottish Rite Meeting at 7:30 P.M. / Dinner at 6:30 P.M.

## Lodge Schedule

> Stated Communication - 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 7:30 P.M. We will have dinner at 6:30 P.M. before each meeting . ( We do begin early on occasion when work is going on).

> Ritual and Educational Schools - 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 7:30 P.M. ( Held on a rotational Lodge schedule within the 25<sup>th</sup> Masonic District ).

> Your annual dues should be paid immediately after receiving notice. For example: your dues for 2019 should be paid by Dec. 31, 2018. We have the assessment for each member which is required by the Grand Lodge of Virginia, plus our usual local Lodge expenses. If you are behind, please catch up ASAP!

> In the case of sickness, distress or death please have one of your family members inform Rt. Wor. Jimmy P. Carter our Lodge Secretary. Ph.540-586-6570 E-mail:39presidentjim@gmail.com

### **COMMITTEES FOR 2019**

MASONIC RELIEF/SICK/WIDOWS – Glenn Harvey & Winston Mead

FELLOWSHIP/MEMBERSHIP – All Members

COMMUNITY SERVICE – Scott Robert & Larry Williams

BLOOD PROGRAM – Percy W. Keatts

FUNERALS – Jimmy P. Carter

NEWSLETTER/ WEB-SITE – Lonnie Godfrey & David Davis

LODGE INSTRUCTOR OF WORK – Ray A. Dooley

LODGE EDUCATION OFFICER – Lonnie Godfrey

### **DISTRICT SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

Marshall Lodge # 39 – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.

Mackey Lodge # 69 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 7:30 P.M.

Staunton River Lodge # 155 - 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday at 7:30 P.M.

Hill City Lodge # 183 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.

Reedy Spring Lodge # 203 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.

Edward N. Eubank Lodge #262 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 7:30 P.M.

Monroe Lodge #301 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 7:30 P.M.

Thomas J. Traylor Lodge # 348 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 10 A.M.

Campbell Lodge # 316 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 7:30 P.M.

Evington/Newman Lodge # 333 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 7:30 P.M.

Lynchburg Scottish Rite - 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.

Royal Arch Commandary # 10 - 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 7 P.M.

Commandary # 4 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at 7 P.M.

Order of Eastern Star - 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday at 7:30 P.M.



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