



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,

At our May 9 Stated/Called FC, we will eat at 6 P.M., at 7 P.M. have a quick business meeting, and after confer the Fellow Craft Degree on 2 of our Entered Apprentices. We will be voting on 3 new petitions. After the FC Degrees, Wor. Dave Davis will examine his son, Austin, on his FC Catechism.

We will have dinner at 6 P.M. The menu will be Pork Chops, Pinto Beans, Cabbage, Corn bread, Drink, and Dessert.

The District Ritual School will be hosted by Hill City Lodge on May 23 at 7:30 P.M. These school are designed to prepare our brethren to be Line Officers and to enable them to be active in Degree work. Our Instructor of Work, Rt. Wor. Matt Reedy works hard to get us more proficient. Come out and learn and support our Instructor of Work!

## **MEMORIAL DAY**

Originally called Decoration Day, a day of remembrance, was established in May of 1868, 3 years after the end of the Civil War. The head of the Grand Army of the Republic declared that this day would be May 30 and celebrated by decorating the graves of the dead soldiers with flowers.

The first large observance was held at Arlington National Cemetery. After a number of speeches, service members and children made their way through the cemetery, strewing flowers on both Union and Confederate graves as they recited prayers and sang hymns.

BY the end of the 1800's, Memorial Day celebrations were happening all over the nation on May 30. After WW1, the celebrations were extended to include all service personnel from any war. Memorial Day as we know it today was declared a National Holiday by Congress and signed by President Nixon signed in 1971. The same act moved the observance to the last Monday in May.

General Logan's (according to my research on line was a Master Mason from Illinois, having been raised in Mitchell Lodge # 85 in Pinckneyville, Ill.) order for his posts to decorate graves in 1886 are as poignant today as they must have been hundreds of years ago: "With the choicest flowers of springtime, we should guard their graves with sacred vigilance...let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten as a people, the cost of a free and undivided republic."

To insure that the American fallen heroes are never forgotten, in December 2000, the U.S. Congress passed and the president signed into law "The National Moment of Remembrance Act," creating the White House Commission on the National Moment of Remembrance. The commission's charter is to "encourage the people of the United States to give something back to their country, which provides them so much freedom and opportunity.

All Americans are encouraged to pause at 3 P.M. local time on Memorial Day for a minute of silence to remember and honor those who have died in service to the nation. As Moment of Remembrance founder Carmella LA Spada states: "It's a way we can all help put the memorial back in Memorial Day. "So from all Freemason's to every Service Member, past and present, THANK YOU, AND MAY THE SUPREME ARCHITECT OF THE UNIVERSE FOREVER BE YOUR GUIDING LIGHT, IN THIS LIFE AND THE NEXT!

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## Important Dates To Remember

May 9, 2019 – Eubank Lodge 262 / Dinner at 6 P.M. / Meeting 7 P.M.

May 23, 2019 – District Rotational School 7:0 P.M. - Hill City Lodge

May 28, 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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