



October 2, 2017

**St. John's Lodge No. 115**  
**Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania**

A Stated Meeting of St. John's Lodge No. 115, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held in Oriental Hall, Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 19107-2598, on Monday evening, October 9, 2017 at 7:00 o'clock P.M.

**Action Will Be Had Upon The Following Petitions:**  
**For Initiation and Membership**

<u>Name &amp; Address</u>	<u>Age &amp; Occupation</u>	<u>Committee on Inquiry</u>
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**No Voting to be Done This Month**

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**PROGRAM: : TBD**

**FOR OUR NEW BRETHREN:** As our Stated Meetings are conducted in the Master Mason's degree, members of lower degree are not permitted inside during the meeting proper. However, new Brethren are welcome to join us for dinner and our program. Dinner generally starts between 7:45 and 8:00 P.M.; please let the Stewards know if you plan to attend. Remember that tie and jacket are required in the Temple.

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**ST JOHN'S SOCIAL MEDIA**

Connect with the brethren of St John's on our Facebook Group & on Instagram

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/stjohnslodge115/>

**Instagram:** stjohnslodge115

**Website:** [www.stjohnslodge115.org](http://www.stjohnslodge115.org)

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**EXTRA MEETING:**

An Extra Meeting of St. John's Lodge No. 115, Free and Accepted Masons, for the purpose of conferring degrees, **will be held in Oriental Hall**, Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 19107-2598, on **Monday evening, October 16** at 7:30 o'clock P.M., **dinner at 6:30 P.M.**

**The Entered Apprentice Degree will be conferred upon:**

*Joseph M D  
Christopher E J*

**The Master Mason Degree will be conferred upon:**

*James R H III  
Andrew J M Jr*

**SICK REPORT:**

Brethren, it is with sadness and sympathies I have to report the passing of Brother Raymond Yabor's sister.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

St John's will be holding our **Holiday Party/Fund Raiser** this December 9th at Adelphia's in Deptford, NJ. Details to follow

The **Districts A&D Harvest Fest Picnic** will be held on October 7th at Alverthorpe Park in Jenkintown, PA. See enclosed flyer

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**DUES --- DUES --- DUES**

If you have not paid your 2016 Dues, please mail payments may be mailed to: Robert S. Santoro, Sr., PM., Secretary, St. John's Lodge #115, Philadelphia, PA 19148-2132.

Or, you may pay online at <http://www.stjohnslodge115.org/payments>

If you find yourself unable to pay your dues for any reason, please contact the Secretary, in confidence.

Or, if your circumstances permit, please consider making an additional donation to support the Lodge's charitable work.

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**CARE FOR BRETHREN**

Please report any personal or family situations involving our Brethren to the Junior Warden. This includes illness, marriages, births, or whatever:

Bro. Nicholas A. Vettese  
**Email: [jw@stjohnslodge115.org](mailto:jw@stjohnslodge115.org)**

## **MESSAGE FROM THE EAST**

Brethren,

Now that Autumn is officially upon us and the summer sun has faded into our hearts and minds as another year gone by. It is the time of year to reap your harvest and enjoy the fruits of your labor or as Free and Accepted Masons enjoy the fellowship by which we have worked so hard to promote thus far. I must say the new(er) brothers that have joined our lodge really have stepped up and are committed to education and fellowship. Our summer outing, gun club meetings Master builder work and study couldn't be better.

So just as the season changes so do the faces of St Johns, some things to enjoy are more enlightened conversations amongst each other and fellowship. While the new regime is forming and developing, more experienced members should make every effort at our next stated meeting to break away from their normal seating requirements and get to know our younger brothers. While the PM's usually enjoy the cool shade of the North I think basking in the glow of the sun at high Meridian with developing minds is imperative for fraternal connection and to guide the future of this lodge.

We have several external events this fall like the district A and D picnic where you can also get converse with other brothers from around the area, our holiday party as well as the meetings and elections this season. I will be coordinating some other fellowship events for brothers as well as the gun club and also a Philanthropic event where we can volunteer our time to helping the less fortunate.

With all of that said I would like to leave you with this ““To enlarge the sphere of social happiness is worthy of the benevolent design of a Masonic institution; and it is most fervently to be wished, that the conduct of every member of the fraternity, as well as those publications, that discover the principles which actuate them, may tend to convince mankind that the grand object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race.”

George Washington, letter to the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, January 1793

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W.M. Erik W. Krogstad