

Oriental No. 33 ★ Hesperia No. 411 ★ King Oscar No. 855 ★ Paul Revere No. 998 Kelvyn Park-Willing No. 1075 ★ Lux Lunae No. 1181

R∴W∴ Bro Elliott A. Velez, District Deputy Grand Master







At this year's Annual Grand Lodge Communication that was held in Springfield, Kelvyn Park-Willing, Paul Revere and Hesperia all received the Grand Master's Award of Excellence. KPW and Paul Revere earned the silver award and Hesperia gold. Congratulations to these lodges on this achievement.

Also, Lux Lunae and Hesperia were recognized for positive membership growth.



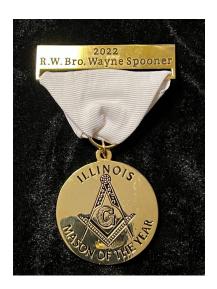
MASON OF THE YEAR

The 5th Northeastern District's own R. W. Bro. Wayne Spooner was recognized at this year's Grand Lodge Annual Communication as the Illinois Mason of the Year!

R. W. Bro. Wayne is Past Master of Hesperia Lodge No. 411 and the current Secretary of Kelvyn Park-Willing Lodge No. 1075. Bro. Wayne currently serves as Chairman of the Grand Lodge Membership Committee and the Masonic Awareness committee as well as having served as Grand Chaplain. Bro. Wayne became a Grand Lecturer and provides instruction through Board of Grand Examiner Schools and as an instructor at the Richard Johnson School of Masonic Instruction that meets at the Jefferson Masonic Temple on Mondays. He is also a member of the Valley of Chicago Scottish Rite and is a member of their Ancient Craft Degree Team.

Thank Bro. Wayne for your service to our fraternity and continuing to serve as the example and congratulations on this much deserved recognition.











Our 5NE District member, WB Robert Harvey, was appointed NE Area Coordinator for the IMFID program at the Grand Lodge session of this year, 2022. W Bro. Harvey is Secretary of Hesperia 411, as well as a member of King Oscar 855 and Jacques DeMolay 1919.

WB Harvey is looking forward to a productive year for this program and hopes to see full participation on the part of all NE Area districts and constituent Lodges. It's an excellent program for Masons to, "work in the quarry", together, as well as a vital service to the most vulnerable in our communities, young and old, alike.

Participation in the program also qualifies for points with the Grand Master's Award of Excellence. If your Lodge hosts an IMFID (Illinois Masonic Family Identification Program) Event, the Lodge can earn up to 2 Points. For further details, contact W Bro. Robert Harvey at imfidne@ilmason.org.

IMFID is one of the most comprehensive identification programs currently available to our communities. Working together, the Illinois Freemason and the Illinois State Police Amber Alert are attempting to make this program available to every Illinois family who wishes to participate. Through the benevolence of The Grand Lodge of Illinois and other sponsoring organizations this service is offered free of charge to the participants.

IMFID also provides Masons with the opportunity to bring before their communities, by example, the principles of the Craft. By increasing awareness of what Masonry means and what Masons do, we promote the public image of our Fraternity. In this way, we strengthen our ability to grow and continue to provide Masonic charity to our communities and to those whom we so dearly love, our families. Through our example, it is our aim that others too will become stronger in their desire to make our communities better places in which to live.

District Holiday Party

Please join the members of the 5th NE as they celebrate the holiday season at the 2nd Annual District Holiday Party!

There will be food, magic and presents for the children!

Saturday, December 10th from 1 PM to 5 PM

Jefferson Masonic Temple

5418 W Gale St, Chicago







2022 DISTRICT HEALTH FAIR

The 2022 District Health Fair was a great success! The lodges of the district were well represented and the staff from the Masonic Family Health Foundation were in attendance to discuss the Masonic Assistance Program (MAP) available through Illinois Masonic Hospital.

Several brothers donated blood that was being collected by Versiti Blood Center and Walgreens administered flu and COVID vaccinations/boosters.

For those curious to learn more about Masonry, RW Bro. Wayne Spooner was in the lodge room to answer questions.

Bro. Jamie Aponte was performing close-up magic to entertain our guests. Thank you to all who helped make the 2022 Health Fair a success.



Grand Lodge School of Instruction (TYPE II)

You are encouraged and welcomed to attend this 5th NE District Grand Lodge Type II School of Instruction, on Saturday, May 6, 2023 at the Jefferson Masonic Temple. 9 AM to 11 AM.

Join us for this two hour session of excellent Masonic instruction. Enjoy fellowship, explore your knowledge and have some fun as we learn.





DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER'S

SCHEDULE OF OFFICIAL VISITS

Kelvyn Park Willing No. 1075

Hesperia No. 411

Oriental No. 33

Lux Lunae No. 1181

Paul Revere No. 998

King Oscar No. 855

Wednesday, January 4th, 2023

Thursday, February 9th, 2023

Tuesday, March 14th, 2023

Monday, January 30th, 2023

Monday, March 6th, 2023

Friday, March 10th, 2023

DISTRICT PRIORITIES

Membership & Retention

Masonic Education

Quality Ritual Work

Masonic Charity & Community Service

Lodge Operations & Financial Management

Lodge Officer Training & Development

Communications

Implement Grand Lodge Programs in District

- Champion Membership Retention and Attraction (Brother Love)
- Promote Masonic Education and Enlightenment that supports the Self-Improvement of our Brethren (Masonic Truth)
- 3. Learn and Deliver Quality Ritual Work (Masonic Truth)
- Promote Masonic Charity, Community Service and Taking Care of One Another (Relief)
- 5. Execute effective Lodge Operations and Financial Management (Business Affairs)
- Deliver Lodge Officer Training and Development (Leadership & Management Skills)
- 7. Encourage Communications amongst the Lodges and Brethren (Staying Connected)
- 8. Implement Statewide Illinois Freemasonry Programs in the District.



OUR LODGE PAGE

Our Lodge Page (OLP) is a tool provided by the Grand Lodge to facilitate communication and promote Masonry and does not cost you any money to use.

If you do not have an OLP account, visit their website, https://ourlodgepage.com to create an account.

You will need 3 pieces of information to complete sign-up: Organization, Member Number and Birth Date. Organization name is the Grand Lodge of Illinois. Your membership number can be found on your dues card and starts with the letter "M".

If you have trouble completing sign-up, ask your Lodge Secretary to confirm your information.

With OLP, you can text other members, look up email addresses and telephone numbers, access the Lodge's calendar and download files that have been shared by the Lodge officers.

2023 QUARTERLY MEETINGS

Jefferson Masonic Temple 5418 W Gale St

All meetings start at 9 am

- March 4, 2023
- ◆ June 10, 2023
- ♦ September 9, 2023

DISTRICT WORKSHOP

Jefferson Park Masonic Temple 5418 W. Gale Street Chicago, Illinois 60630 9:00 a.m. Saturday, April 1st

5TH NE DISTRICT MASONIC / RITUAL SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

The school meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 PM (Except for Holidays and only meets on the 2nd Monday in November/December) at the Jefferson Masonic Temple, 5418 W. Gale St. in Chicago.

Please join us at one of these schools to learn new ritual or brush up and perfect work you already know!





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WORSHIPFUL MASTER

R∴ W∴ Bro Luis Baharona

R∴ W∴ Bro Chip Smith

W.: Bro Brett Barnes

W∴ Bro Kelly Khora

W∴ Bro Brian Tripp

W∴ Bro Jaime Vargas