

**Brethren, 28 Members that Have Not Paid
Their 2020 Dues and Your Names will be Read
Out at Our June Stated Meeting!**

A few still owes late fees!

Our Dues are due by January 1st each year.

February 1st, a \$25 Late Fee is added.

Dues are Now Late & are \$125!

“May’s Stated Meeting”

“CANCELED”

>> SOME MAY HISTORY <<

Wednesday, May 6th; “National Nurses Day”

the beginning of National Nurses Week, and ends on May 12th. Florence Nightingale’s birthday, the English nurse known as the founder of professional nursing. Her habit of making rounds at night, she became known as “*The Lady with the Lamp*”

Thursday, May 7th, 2020

“National Day of PRAYER!”

On April 17, 1952, President Harry Truman signed a bill proclaiming the *National Day of Prayer* into law. President Ronald Reagan amended the law in 1988, designating the first Thursday of May each year as the *National Day of Prayer*.

**Sunday,
May 10th**



On May 15, 1918,

“Richard Edward “Eddy” Arnold”

was born on a farm near Henderson, TN and was an American country singer. In 1934, Arnold debuted on WTJS-AM radio in Jackson, TN. In 1943, he would perform on the Grand Ole Opry and the following year signed a record deal with RCA & manager Colonel Tom Parker. Throughout the next decade He would have 57 hits with several # 1 hits.



In the 1950's Arnold moved to television hosting The Eddy Arnold Show and appeared on a variety of other shows into the early 1960's.

In 1984, the Academy of Country Music awarded Arnold the Pioneer Award and begin a string of awards for the singer’s life's work, including the song *Make the World Go Away*, inducted into the Grammy Hall of Fame and being awarded the National Medal of Arts in 2000. He received a Lifetime Achievement Award in 2005.

Arnold passed away on May 8th, 2008.

Arnold was a member of East Nashville Lodge No. 560 in Nashville, Tennessee.



Friday, May 15th, 2020

President John F Kennedy signed the bill into law on October 1, 1962 to designate May 15th of each year as

Peace Officer Memorial Day

and the calendar week of May 15 as *Police Week*.

Saturday, May 16th, 2020



It was first celebrated on Saturday, May 20, 1950.

On May 18, 1855, “Francis Julius Bellamy”

was born in Mount Morris, New York. He was an American minister who wrote the “*Pledge of Allegiance*”.

By 1891, Bellamy had become involved with the “Youth Companion” that was patriotic in nature. He worked with James Upham to sell American Flags to schools. By 1892, 26,000 schools had bought flags. In 1892, Upham had the idea to celebrate the 400th anniversary of *Christopher Columbus* reaching the Americas and would include a salute to the flag.



In September 1892, the pledge was officially published. The official version read:

“I pledge allegiance to my Flag and the Republic for which it stands, one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all”

In October of 1892, the word ‘to’ was added so that the pledge read in part “*and to the Republic*”. It was in 1954, in response to the perceived threat of Communism that Congress added the “**under God**” portion that we now use today.

Bellamy passed away on August 28, 1931.

Bellamy was a member of Little Falls Lodge No. 181, in Little Falls, New York.



Thursday, May 21st; “Ascension Day”

Is observed on the 40th day of Easter. It commemorates Jesus's ascension into heaven.

Monday, May 25th,

Formerly known as Decoration Day. Commemorates all men & women who Have Died in military service for the United States.



Our next **STATED MEETING** will be Tuesday, “**June 2nd, 2020**” @ 7 pm
Dinner is at 6 pm by Our 5-star Kitchen Crew!!



Prayer Request



Wayne Allen; Charlie Bamman; John H. Carter; Dan Coleman; Wm. Albert Copen; Ronnie Davis; Ms. Louise Davis; Danny Dorsey; Gibson Duncan Jr. & Wife; Buck Gentry & Wife; Bill Henderson; James Highers; Dick Hitch; Dewey Holt; Will Lansdown & Family; Steve Murff; David Phillips & Family; David Pruitt; Randy Pryor; Paul Tomlin; Burton True; Thomas Williams; Randy Wilson.

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Bro. Edward Rhea Appleby passed 3/12/20.

A Masonic Funeral Service was held March 16, 2020 @ Sellers Funeral Home.

Bro. James Edward Swift passed 3/20/20.

A celebration of life will be at a later date.

**Please Keep These Brothers & Families
IN YOUR PRAYER!**

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May's Birthday Wishes

James Anderson Jr, Michael Apuzzo,
 Donald Blackwell, Bobby Boone, Thomas
 Bush, J Bush Jr, Gordon Cocke, Robert
 Cole, Don Dickson, Russell Dunn III,
 Charles Field, Jerre Fly IV, Albert Hale,
 Melvin Harrington, William Henderson
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 Mangrum, Charles Morrow, Paul
 Patterson, William Patterson, Tommy
 Phelps, Kenneth Phillips, Harold Rainey,
 James Reed, Russell Risley, Sr., Robert
 Seifert, Enloe Smith, Donald Spain, William
 Swafford, Felix Tejada, Jerry West, Roger
 Whitson, Kenneth Wright PM PGM

Happy Birthday Brothers!

"OUR" 2020 TRUSTEES!

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