



William O. Ware Lodge of Research

Initial Class of Research Fellows

William O. Ware Lodge of Research has named its initial class of William O. Ware Research Fellows. Honored for creating a lasting body of work over a period of years, the initial class consists of Bro. Edwin L. Vardiman (Golden Rule-Covington Lodge No. 109), William J. Lorenz (Henry Barnes Lodge No. 607) and John W. Bizzack (Lexington Lodge No. 1).



Worshipful Bro. Edwin L. Vardiman is a Past Master of Golden Rule-Covington Lodge No. 109, a Past Master of the Lodge of Research (1989-90) and a former member of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky's Trial Oversight Committee. He has extensively researched the history and philosophy of Freemasonry and has written and presented many papers on subjects of great interest to the Craft. A longtime member of the Lodge of Research, Bro. Vardiman has generously shared his knowledge of Masonry to the benefit of all.



Worshipful Bro. William J. Lorenz is a Past Master of Henry Barnes Lodge No. 607, a Past Master of the Lodge of Research (2017-2018) and has served on several Committees for the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. Bro. Lorenz has for many years researched and explored the origins and forms of the Masonic Ritual. His knowledge of the history and evolution of the Ritual has been demonstrated on numerous occasions, much to the edification of the Craft.



Worshipful Bro. John W. Bizzack was elected and installed as Master of Lexington Lodge No. 1 for the year 2018. The author of six books on Freemasonry, including the highly acclaimed *Island Freemasonry*, Bro. Bizzack is a frequent speaker at national symposiums and seminars. A founding member of The Rubicon Masonic Society, Bro. Bizzack also played a key role in the origination and planning of the "Sowing Seeds of Freemasonry" seminars presented in Kentucky in 2018.

Each of these distinguished Brothers is to be commended for their enduring contributions to the body of Masonic knowledge and for their devotion to the Fraternity and the Craft.

They have demonstrated their worthiness to sustain the legacy of the late Masonic Scholar and our noted Brother, M. W. P. G. M. William O. Ware, for whom our Lodge of Research was so aptly named.