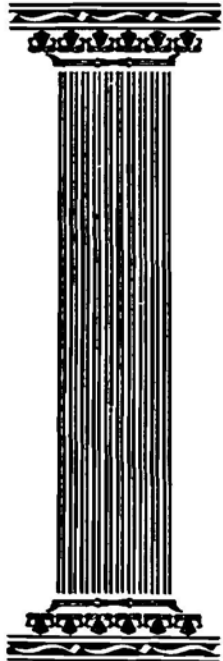


# Seat Pleasant Lodge

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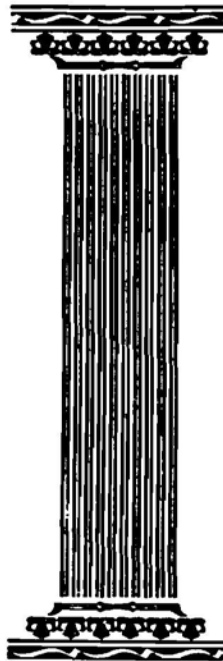
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*Masonry – A Family Tradition*



**Chartered May 10, 1927**

Stated Communications  
First Saturday of the Month  
10:00 am  
at



Centennial Lodge Temple #174  
6110 Croom Station Road  
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

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**January/February 2009 Edition**

**SEAT PLEASANT LODGE #218**  
**Officers for 2009**

Dan Brewer	Worshipful Master
Terry Royce, PM (Nancy)	Senior Warden
Jesse Reisman (Roxanne)	Junior Warden
Melvin E. Harrison, PM (Earlene)	Secretary
William D. Hines, PM (Janet)	Treasurer
David E. Amstutz (Mary Ann)	Senior Deacon
Rudy McCumber, PM	Ritualist/Junior Deacon
Pete Peters, PM	Chaplain
Glynn H. Owens, HPM (Pauline)	Marshal 301-868-4805
Maurice H. Rackey (Joan)	Tyler 301-843-2607

**Grand Lodge Officers Assigned Seat Pleasant**

Bayani Casanova, PM	Grand Inspector
Ron Block, PM	Deputy Grand Lecturer

## Worshipful Master's Message

Brethren of Seat Pleasant Lodge,  
First and foremost I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for electing me to the greatest honor a freemason can achieve, that of being the master of his lodge. The last twenty years, since I was raised, has seen allot of changes in Seat Pleasant 218. We sold our building where I was raised, and admittedly would go to have quiet time and reflect upon freemasonry and life itself. The lodge was moved to Oxon Hill Lodge, then to Centennial Lodge Temple. With each move we hoped that the brethren would feel more at ease and comfortable to attend their lodge. We have 67 members who live locally and are in good health, yet we only have seven to ten who regularly attend the stated communications.

PLEASE, make every effort to attend lodge! On the second Saturday of January, January 10, 2009, will be our installation. It will be OPEN, which means that wives, family and friends are welcome. PLEASE bring out your family and lets have the sidelines filled with our members, to outnumber the visitors. That would be the most promising gift that you could give your lodge!

On February 7, 2009 Camp Springs Lodge will present the play, In Defense of the Ruffins at our stated communication.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Dan Brewer, Worshipful Master



Come one, Come all  
Announcing the 82<sup>nd</sup>  
Installation of Officers

## Installation 2009

What: Seat Pleasant Lodge 218, AF & AM

Where: Centennial Lodge Temple

6110 Croom Station Road

Upper Marlboro, Maryland

When: January 10, 2009 at 10:00 am

Who: All members, family and friends of  
Seat Pleasant Lodge # 218.

MWGM Thomas M. Velvin, Jr. and his Grand  
line will be installing the officers of Seat  
Pleasant Lodge #218 for the ensuing term.

After installation, dinner will be provided,  
which will consist of Roast Beef, Baked  
Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans with  
ham, Gravy, Grilled Onions, Corn Pudding,  
Coffee, Iced tea, and Cake.

NOTE: The lodge is on ground level, no steps!

Our brethren, who have passed to the celestial lodge above, where the Supreme Architect of the universe presides. Let not their memory fade from our hearts.

Joseph R. Grillo

Born: July 28, 1921  
Initiated: December 16, 1954  
Passed: February 10, 1955  
Raised: March 21, 1955  
Passed to the Celestial Loge: January 16, 2008

Lloyd M. Bertholf, PM

Born: October 19, 1915  
Initiated: February 16, 1938  
Passed: May 4, 1938  
Raised: May 21, 1938  
Passed to the Celestial Lodge: March 7, 2008

John D. Carbauh

Born: June 7, 1941  
Initiated: July 19, 1989  
Passed: August 16, 1989  
Raised: September 20, 1989  
Passed to the Celestial Lodge: April 29, 2008

Paul E. Kraft

Born: June 14, 1910  
Initiated: January 21, 1948  
Passed: March 17, 1948  
Raised: April 7, 1948  
Passed to the Celestial Lodge: May 25, 2008

John A. Kamm

Born: September 30, 1927  
Initiated: November 19, 1958  
Passed: February 18, 1959  
Raised: April 29, 1959  
Passed to the Celestial Lodge: June 12, 2008

## January Trestleboard

10<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am Special Communication-  
Installation Seat Pleasant Lodge at  
Centennial Lodge Temple

### Masonic Birthdays for January

Robert Evans 51 yrs  
James Willard Patterson 58 yrs  
Edward Warren Spencer 58 yrs  
Baltus Eugene Birkle 55 yrs  
Robert Kenneth Rodeffer 49 yrs  
Richard Joseph Wyche 44 yrs  
Total Masonic Years of 315.

### This month in Masonic history:

January 2 On this date in 1901, U.S. President Theodore Roosevelt received his 1st degree in Matinecock Lodge #806, Oyster Bay, New York.

January 7 On this date in 1808, the Grand Lodge of Ohio was established. On this date in 1785, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart received his 2nd degree.

January 8 On this date in 1844 or 1843, the Grand Lodge of Iowa was formed

January 12 On this date in 1886 Quatuor Coronati Lodge #2076 was consecrated and constituted in London. It is considered by many to be the premiere Masonic research lodge in the world.

January 13 On this date (or January 12) in 1818, the Grand Lodge of Indiana was formed

January 17 On this date (or January 16 or 26) in 1865, the Grand Lodge of Nevada was formed

On this date in 1872, the Grand Lodge of Utah was formed

January 26 On this date in 1866, the Grand Lodge of Montana was formed. On this date in 1887, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle received his 1st degree

## Trestleboard for February

5<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm District School of Instruction

7<sup>th</sup> 10:00am Seat Pleasant Lodge Stated  
Communication. Camp Springs to perform  
the Play, “ In Defense of the Ruffins”. 218  
Temple Holding Corporation to hold election  
of Officers and Board after stated  
communication.

## Masonic Birthdays for February

Elmer William Fisher 60 yrs  
Lindsey Junior Hammonds 26 yrs  
Charles Bradford Lipsen 49 yrs  
William Daniel Goodman 45 yrs  
Salvatore Clemente Tammaro 45 yrs  
Robert Ivey Tiller III 43 yrs  
Total Masonic years of 268.

## This month in Masonic history:

February 7 On this date in 1981, the Grand Lodge of Alaska  
was organized

February 9 On this date in 1909, Harry S. Truman received his  
1st degree in Belton Lodge #450, Missouri.

February 11 On this date in 1988, a group of Masonic leaders  
met with President Ronald Reagan; the Grand Master of DC  
presented him with a certificate, and the Scottish Rite and  
Shrine made him an honorary member of those bodies.

February 18 On this date in 1909, U.S. President William  
Howard Taft received his 1st degree in Kilwinning Lodge  
#356, Cincinnati, Ohio

February 19 On this date in 1811, the Grand Lodge of the  
District of Columbia was formed in Washington D.C.

February 23 On this date in 1887, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle  
received his 2nd degree.

February 24 On this date in 1853, the Grand Lodge of  
Minnesota was formed

From the West.....

Brethren,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for electing me as your Senior Warden.

I look forward to serving in the west, with the same vigor and excitement as I did the first time.

Please mark your calendars for our stated meetings and come out. We need your support if our lodge is to survive.

Also, Don't forget about our visits to the Charlotte Hall Veteran's Home. We need more volunteers to visit our brethren and veterans, we care, but we must show that through our visits!

Please remember to check the trestle board and give me a call.

Sincerely,  
Terry Royce  
Senior Warden

From the South.....

Brethren - I want to take a moment to express the excitement and trepidation I have toward my new duties in the South. Masonry has become an important and proud part of my life, something in which Roxanne and I take a great deal of pride. I look forward to aiding our WM however I can and through him, our lodge as a whole. We are in interesting times, where nationally, the desire to volunteer and participate in civic organizations is at an all-time low. It is because of that, and through no part of a failure in our love of the Craft, that our numbers are in decline. I know that through the guidance of the rituals and history of that Freemasonry, through our intent and dedication to the lessons taught by the jewels of our craft, Masonry will see a growth. I look forward to being a part of that.

Fraternally,  
Jesse Reisman  
Junior Warden

### **Sick and Distressed**

Past Master Brooks Dodson has been suffering from eyesight and hearing problems, along with other aches and pains from having to use a walker and so forth. He loves to get phone calls, so if you know Bro. Brooks (or even if you don't), feel free to call him at (770) 704-0549

## DID YOU KNOW.....

All four Presidents of the Republic of Texas, David Burnett, Sam Houston, Mirabeau Lamar, and Anson Jones, were masons.

Every President from Tenn. was a Mason (Jackson, Johnson, Polk).

President FDR raised two of his sons on the same night, Nov 7, 1935 – Architect Lodge #519 in NY.

In 1951, while President, Harry Truman served as Master of his lodge.

When asked of Masonry, President William McKinley explained: "After the battle of Opequam, I went with the surgeon of our Ohio regiment to the field where 5,000 confederate prisoners were under guard. As soon as we passed the guard, the doctor shook hands with a number of prisoners and began passing out his roll of bills. On the way back to camp I asked him, 'Did you know those men?' 'No' 'But you gave them a lot of money, do you expect to get it back?' 'If they are able to pay me back, they will. It makes no difference to me; they are brother masons in trouble and I am only doing my duty.' I said to my self, 'If that is Masonry, I will take some of it myself.'"



## **Committees for 2009**

### *Communications committee* (telephone)

All officers except the WM, Secretary and Treasurer

### *Sickness and Distress*

Jesse Reisman , JW Chairman Assisted by all officers

### *By Laws Committee*

William Hines, Chairman, Terry Royce, SW, Frank Wilburn

*Maryland CHiP lodge coordinator* Jesse Reisman, JW

*Lodge Visitation Committee* Terry Royce, SW Chairman

All members of Seat Pleasant Lodge

Lodges: Birmingham, Collington, St. Alban, Camp Springs, Oxon Hill, Centennial, St. Columba, Perseverance, Prince Frederick, Shryock (advise SW of lodge/dates you visit)

### *Charlotte Hall Veterans Home*

Terry Royce , Chairman William Thomas, Co-Chairman

All members of Seat Pleasant Lodge

### *Audit / Budget Committee*

Dan Brewer, WM, Terry Royce, SW, Jesse Reisman JW, William Hines PM, Melvin Harrison PM, Frank Wilburn

### *Blood Bank Committee*

Glynn Owens, Chairman

Contact the chairman before you give blood to arrange to get a blood donor card from Grand Lodge.

### *Lodge Historian*

Jesse Reisman

### *Widow's Program*

Bill Hines, Chairman

### *Lodge Trustees*

Frank Wilburn 2010

David E. Amstutz 2009

Rudy McCumber 2011

### *Temple Holding Corporation*

Terry Royce, President

William Hines, Secretary/Treasurer

## PAST MASTERS

1926 -27 U.D. J. L. Hofferbert *	1968 John E. Pierce, Jr.
1927 E. F. Roberson*	1969 Boris Tenner* PGI
1928 E. F. Roberson*	1970 Peter Cleland
1929 Thurston G. Brown*	1971 Kenneth C. Hardesty
1930 Floyd F. Martin*	1972 Norman E. Abney~
1931 H. Raymond Wilburn*	1973 Harry M. Cotton
1932 F. L. Wight, Jr.*	1974 James K. Arnold*
1933 H. W. Hotchkiss*	1975 John E. Pierce, Jr. PM
1934 Joseph E. Rawlings*	1976 James H. Hollis*
1935 Readus M. Frye*	1977 Chilton T. Walker~
1936 Carl E. Price*	1978 James A. Davis*
1937 Edwin J. Staats*	1979 Raymond A. Williams, Jr.*
1938 E. G. Gentile*	1980 William D. Hines PGI
1939 F. R. Colmus*	1981 Richard T. Price~
1940 Edward H. Schmidt*	1982 Wilburn H. Jones*
1941 L. N. Sylvester*	1983 Gerald R. Rapson
1942 Elza Job *	1984 Rudy McCumber
1943 Preston Tate*	1985 Urban T. Peters
1944 Edwin M. Fisher*	1986 Terry L. Royce
1945 Vernon Keafauber*	1987 Charlie J. Smith, Jr.
1946 C. H. E. Hoofring*	1988 Richard H. Gould*
1947 Jules DuBost*	1989 John F. Sullivan~
1948 Aubrey E. Amos*	1990 Brooks C. Dodson, Jr.
1949 Charles M. Wilson	1991 David N. Hamrick \$
1950 August A. Duchene*	1992 Boris Tenner* PM PGI PSGS
1951 Norris C. Robinson*	1992 William H. Thomas+
1952 William T. Alvey*	1993 Melvin E. Harrison GI PWGT
1953 C. S. Hubbard~ *	1994-95 Oswald L. Lockard+PM*
1953 John E. Ball *#	1996 Urban T. Peters PM PGI
1954 F. L. Freeman*	1997 Oswald L. Lockard+PM*
1955 G. Chester Towers*	1998-99 John R. Gluth PM+*
1956 James W. Patterson	2000-2003 Oswald L. Lockard+PM*
1957 Charles T. Glidden*	2003 Glynn H. Owens #
1958 S. Flory Diehl* PSGW	2004 R. Frank Wilburn PM
1959 Hector D. Gellerson*	2005 Oswald L. Lockard+PM*
1960 George W. Allen, Jr.	2006-08 Urban T. Peters PM PGI
1961 Lloyd B. Bertholf *	
1962 George J. McCullogh*	
1963 Gordon W. Pearson~*	
1964 Reidar Haug *	
1965 Jesse J Ross*	
1966 Joseph M. Harris *	
1967 C. William McPherson*	

\* Deceased ~ Demitted + Affiliated # Honorary \$ Dropped