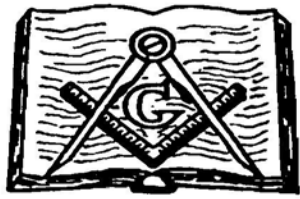
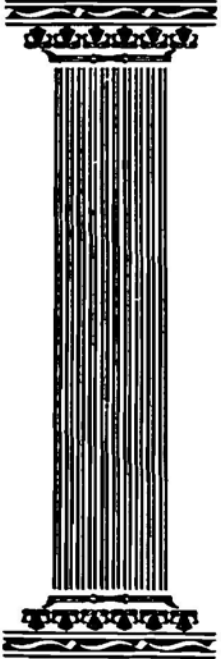


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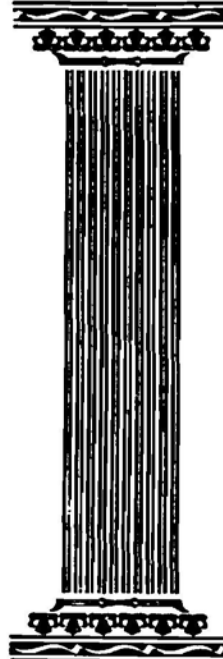
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Masonry – A Family Tradition



Chartered May 10, 1927

Stated Communication
First Saturday of the month
10:00 am



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March/April 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
Maurice H. Rackey (Joan)	Tyler

Grand Lodge Officers Assigned Seat Pleasant

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

Worshipful Master's Message

Brethren,

We enjoyed a wonderful installation this year! More about that later on in the bulletin.

Since moving to Centennial Lodge temple, we have arranged to have our lodge supplies and memorabilia moved from storage and to the temple. Your lodge needs your help. We need approximately \$1,500.00 to purchase a glass display case to proudly show our heritage.

Any donation that you can make would be greatly appreciated. We are also looking for and need actual pictures of our Lodge Temples, in Seat Pleasant and in District Heights. If you have one, please send it in, we will make a copy and send it back to you.

At our March meeting, on March 14, 2009 Brother Carl Todd, PM of Centennial lodge will give a lecture on the "Words In Our Ritual". Brother Richard Sapp will be presented his Fifty year service award.

During our April 11 meeting, the Past Masters will confer the "Rusty Square" degree. This degree will refresh your Freemason memory. If you haven't been to lodge in awhile, this would be the perfect opportunity to come out and get a new degree and support your lodge and our past masters. Also, Brother Ralph Greene will be presented his fifty year service award.

This year should be a year of renewal for each of us, therefore, the obligations of the three degrees will be conferred on the lodge as a whole beginning with the MM obligation at the April meeting.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Dan Brewer, Worshipful Master

Did you know?

For the month of **March**, these Masonic events occurred:

3rd - in 1753, George Washington received his Fellow Craft degree in Fredericksburg Lodge Number 4, in Virginia

5th- in 1792, the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was organized.

9th in 1822, a national Masonic Congress was held in Washington, DC, in the U.S. Capitol.

17th in 1856 the Grand Lodge of Kansas was formed in 1848.

18th in 1902, the Tall Cedars of Lebanon was incorporated in Trenton, NJ.

23rd in 1887, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle received his third degree

25th in 1882 the Grand Lodge of Arizona was organized in 1902, Sir Winston Churchill received his third degree



Blood Donor? Get credit with Grand Lodge by contacting Glynn Owens prior to giving Blood. You need a Post Card.

Did you know? These Masonic events occurred in **April:**

4th in 1778, Voltaire was initiated in "Les Neuf Soeurs" Lodge in Paris. His conductor was Benjamin Franklin

5th in 1886, Rudyard Kipling received his first degree, under dispensation as he was under age. He received his Degrees and was Secretary of The Lodge of Hope and Perseverance #782

8th in 1790, the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire was constituted

19th in 1787, the Grand Lodge of Maryland was formed in 1850 the Grand Lodge of California was formed

20th in 1884, Pope Leo XIII issued Humanum Genus, the infamous Papal Bull against Freemasonry.

21st in 1821 the Grand Lodge of Missouri was founded

22nd in 1785, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart received his third degree

24th in 1901, President Theodore Roosevelt received his third degree

28th in 1738, Pope Clement XII issued the first Papal Bull attacking Freemasonry. In 1840 the Grand Lodge of Illinois was formed

March Trestleboard

5th – 7:30pm. District School of Instruction.
Freemasons are invited, officers are required to attend.

14th - 8:00am to 10:00am full breakfast
10:00 am Stated Communication-
Brother Carl Todd, PM from Centennial Lodge
will present “Words In Our Ritual”
Temple Holding Corporation meeting following
the stated mtg, election of the Board and Officers.

28th- 8:00am donuts and coffee, 9:00am
Regional meeting of the Grand Lodge of MD, at
Centennial Lodge 174. Lunch at Noon.
Freemasons are encouraged to attend, Officers are
required to attend.

Masonic Birthdays for March

George W. Allen, Jr. 60 yrs
Dean D. Howard 56 yrs
Eugene M. Kerns 38 yrs
Urban T. Peters 33 yrs
Gerald R. Rapson 33 yrs
Richard D. Sapp 50 yrs
Michael B. Liller 23 yrs
Albert I. Fallin 54 yrs
Ralph J. Hurd 34 yrs
James H. Burnett 53 yrs
Charles W. White 47 yrs

Total Masonic Years of 481 .
Come to lodge and be recognized!

Trestleboard for April

2nd 7:30pm District School of Instruction
Freemasons are invited, officers are
required to attend.

8th 8:00am Leadership Seminar for WM and
Wardens at Grand Lodge

11th 8:00am to 10:00am Full Breakfast
10:00am Seat Pleasant Lodge Stated
Communication. Past Masters to perform the
“Rusty Square” degree.

16th 7:30pm School of Law at Centennial Lodge
Freemasons welcome, Wardens are required
to attend.

Masonic Birthdays for April

Ralph E. Greene 50 yrs
Joe F. Varnadore 34 yrs
David E. Amstutz 42 yrs
Belmont J. Royce 26 yrs
Kenneth B. Massey 25 yrs
Richard F. Mizak 25 yrs
Donald F. Rogers 35 yrs
Clarence I. Meiggs 43 yrs
Melvin F. Taymon 43 yrs
Bernard H. Lallier 26 yrs

Total Masonic years of 349 .

Come to lodge and be recognized!

Sick and Distressed

Brother Bill Edwards, PJW, has been diagnosed with a brain tumor. He has undergone two surgeries to remove 90% of the tumor. He is currently taking radiation and Chemo treatments.
Bill Edwards 301-627-2726
7105 Aquinas Ave. Upper Marlboro, MD 20772.

Brother Charles Dean is recovering from a double bypass and aortic valve replacement. He had surgery at the Washington Hospital Center. Still in ICU at WHC.
Home phone: 410-535-3490
3171 Hunting Creek Rd., Huntingtown, MD
20639-9565

Brother George Allen is recovering from a hip replacement.
2832 Camino Del Rey
San Jose, CA 95132
PH: 408-251-2326

PETITION for the degrees of Freemasonry.

Angel Gonzalez
2111 Alice Ave. # 3 Oxon Hill, MD 20745
Occupation: Teacher, DC Public Schools
Investigating Committee:
Bill Hines, PM , Chairman
Rudy McCumber, PM
David Amstutz



We will cherish his memory in our hearts.....

On February 1, 2009 Brother Arthur Robert Tudge laid down his working tools for the last time and passed to the celestial lodge above. Brother Tudge was born July 16, 1909, Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on April 27, 1959. He was in his fiftieth year of Masonry.

“Remember you're a Mason “

When the pressures of recession Make us concentrate on greed,
Take heed, a worthy Mason Cares about another's needs; Don't let
pressures of the moment Make your obligation sway, Stop and
help a fallen brother Or another by the way; What you give is like
a bubble Whenever you assist, What it costs in time and trouble
Is, soon after, never missed; Brother, bear that obligation You
accepted on your knee, It's in direct relation To your own
security; Never hesitate, my brother Square your actions now and
say, "I'll remember I'm a Mason, "And behave like that today;"
"With regard to human kindness And the 'Golden Rule', I pray,
I'll remember I'm a Mason... And behave like that today."

Seat Pleasant's Installation

Brethren,

For you that are not in the immediate area, The National weather service had called for sleet and ice the morning of our installation and then rain at noon.

The Supreme Architect of the Universe had other plans. It was a wonderful morning, weather and otherwise. The rain held off until after 4:00pm. The ice and sleet never came to be. Hopefully, this is a sign of things to come to Seat Pleasant this year.

The Grand Master and Line did a wonderful job on installing our officers. We had 70 -75 people in attendance for our installation. What a sight to see!

Our dinner was wonderful, thanks to the work of the 174 temple holding corporation;

Brothers Bill Boswell, Jack Collins, Conny Beall, Frank Wilburn, Don Cooke, Bob Richardson, Mark Polansky, Jim McMurtrey, Benton and of course the talented Laura Beall and Ann Collins.

The installation itself went off without a hitch, except that I couldn't wait to use my gavel!

Past Master Pete Peters presented a gavel to Seat Pleasant. The gavel was made by Brother Ed Negosta of our Lodge and presented to Pete in 1985.

The lodge presented Pete a Past Master's Jewel and had a chair in Grand Lodge dedicated to him for his years of service as our Worshipful Master.

For those of you that couldn't attend, you really missed a most wonderful event. For those of you that did attend, thank you so very much.

To see photos from our installation go to our home page

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And click on installation photos on the left.

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

(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

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

Honorary Members of Seat Pleasant Lodge:

Ron Block, PM, DGL, PGI, WGM

Sam Sullivan Maurice Rackey

Hilmer Krebs James Seawell

Harold Taylor, PM

PAST MASTERS

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