

Patuxent Lodge No. 218

A. F. and A. M.



Stated Communications
First Saturday of the month
10:00 A.M.

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February - March 2015

WORSHIPFUL MASTER'S MESSAGE

To my Brothers

Each of you are dues paying members yet some of you do not attend your lodge meetings. I know it's hard to attend every meeting and we all have a life outside of the lodge but your lodge needs you! Paying your financial dues is appreciated and your lodge would not be able to function properly without your financial contribution, but it also needs your attendance. Without Freemasons to attend lodge meetings, there really is no lodge. Although there may be a legitimate reason as to why you do not attend meetings, your absence may be more of a liability to your lodge than you think. Imagine if no one shows up because we all have other things to do. Some of us have actually never even met one another. We will be making new Masons this year. Imagine the empty sidelines when a new Mason sees it for his first time. Brothers you paid good money to become a Mason, for the love of the fraternity, fellowship, comradery, more light, etc. This is what makes Freemasonry so successful. Making Good Men Better is not possible if all you good men stay home. So come get your money's worth. We're going to have interesting programs at our meetings this year that will be both educational and entertaining. There will be lots of outside activities as well. We'll even conduct a fraternal visit to another lodge perhaps twice this year. So, watch the trestle board for our upcoming events and let's fill our chairs with brotherly love.

Marlon K. Curtis, WM

“As the man becomes better so too does the world”



Message From The West

Brethren, I am excited about the programs and activities the Worshipful Master and officers have planned for the coming year. I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming programs. The Blue Slipper, Our 88th Anniversary Meeting and Luncheon in May. In June will celebrate DC Brotherhood Day and we will Honor our Masonic Veterans on May 14 at 10:00 AM at Charlotte Hall. The 3rd Annual Southern Maryland Brotherhood Night at the Baysox will be held June 20. Tickets are \$11, bring your family and friends for a great evening of fun and fellowship. Many events are planned so watch your Trestleboard for these exciting upcoming events.

Terry Royce, PM
Senior Warden

Message From The South

Brethren,

As we once again meet to labor and fellowship, I, once again, would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for the vote of confidence in electing me to be your Junior Warden for the ensuing Masonic year. I hope to exceed your expectations in the performance of my duties.

That being said, I must humbly request your patience, good humor and understanding as I learn and grow in this new role and ask that you remember that I am here to serve you, the Brethren of Patuxent Lodge No. 218! Together we will build a stronger lodge.

“If you see something wrong and don’t correct it, you have just set a new standard.” -Author Unknown

I look forward to seeing you all in attendance during our stated communication.

Fraternally,
Bro. Harold Saintelien, JW

FROM THE SOUTH

Sick Report

Brooks Dodson, Jr. PM

Albert Fallin

Glynn Owens, HPM

Brenda Hamilton
(Wife of Don Hamilton)

Kyle Hamrick
(Grandson of Boris Tenner, PM
(Son of David Hamrick, PM)

Arnie Williams

Wishing you a speedy recovery!

Our Deepest Sympathy

James Seawell

Born 04/21/1922

EA 06/27/1952 • FC 08/04/1952 • MM 09/12/1952

Passed 01/11/2015

Honorary Member

Ralph Hurd

Born 12/26/1941

EA 06/26/1974 • FC 10/22/1974 • MM 03/26/1974

Passed 01/20/2015

Please keep the above listed in your thoughts and prayers.

If you or someone in your family is ill or if you have some good news to share with the Lodge, please contact me.

Harold Saintelien, JW

Patuxent Lodge No. 218 Officers of 2015



ALTAR

By William R. Fischer

The most important article of furniture in the Lodge is the altar. When we talk about this type of furniture, we intend it to be a chair, a table, a desk, etc. not the symbolic furniture.

Altars in ancient times were made generally of turf and stone. When permanently erected, were cubical and built long before temples. Altars of sacrifice were erected outside, and altars of incense inside. These altars were for sacrifice and incense, only because at this early period the Holy Scripture had not yet been written.

The Masonic altar is both sacrificial and incense. You lay down your passions and vices in an obligation to the All Mighty God as a sacrifice to him. You offer up the thoughts of a pure heart as a fitting incentive to the Supreme Architect of the Universe.

The altar is therefore the most holy place in the Lodge.

CONGRATULATIONS!

To our 60 and 50 Year Masonic Birthday
Milestone Members

Albert Fallin - 60 Years

Arnie Williams - 50 Years



Brother Albert Fallin receives his 60 year award
from the MWGM

Patuxent Lodge Family Picnic on Saturday July 25, 2015

Plans are underway for a Family Picnic on Saturday, July 25, 2015, at 12:00 NOON at Rosaryville State Park in Marlton, MD — (10 minutes from the Lodge). Family and Friends are invited to attend. Hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, cole slaw, macaroni salad, drinks and desserts will be provided. Clowns and games for the kids and the kid at heart. We are currently surveying the membership for interest in attending such an event, please call Rudy McCumber, PM at 410-610-6094 or Marlon Curtis, WM at 202-702-5634 if you plan to attend.

Trestleboard for February 2015

- Feb. 05 @7:30 PM Grand Lodge School of Instruction
Centennial Lodge No. 174
All Officers are requested to attend.
- Feb. 07 @10:00 AM Patuxent Lodge Stated Communication
9:00 AM Coffee and Donuts
Lunch to follow
- Feb. 19 @7:15 PM Grand Lodge Law School
Centennial Lodge No. 174
WM, SW and JW requested to attend.

Trestleboard for March 2015

- March 05 @ 7:30 PM Grand Lodge School of Instruction
- March 07 @ 10:00 AM Patuxent Lodge Stated Communication
Open for guest after Lodge business
Program "The Blue Slipper"
9:00 AM Coffee and Donuts
Lunch to follow
- March 14 @ 8:00 AM Regional Meeting
Centennial Lodge No. 174
WM and Sec. must attend

Upcoming Events

- April 04 @ 10:00 AM Patuxent Lodge Stated Communication
Program-Fellow Craft Degree
Temple Holding Corporation Meeting to follow
- April 26 @ 2-6 PM Grand Lodge Bull and Oyster Roast \$36.00 per
person. Contact Grand Lodge at 410-527-0600
- May 2 @ 10:00 AM Patuxent Lodge Stated Communication
Anniversary Meeting and Luncheon
Celebrating our 88th Year
- May 14 @ 10:00 AM Celebrating Masonic Veterans at Charlotte Hall
Veterans Home
- June 02 @ 10:00 AM Patuxent Lodge Stated Communication
DC Brotherhood Day
Grand Lodge of DC and MD to attend.
- June 02 @ 6:00 PM Grand Masters Ball
- June 20 @ 6:00 PM 3rd Annual Southern Maryland Brotherhood Night
at the Baysox. Tickets \$11.00 Each, Fireworks
after the game.
Contact Terry Royce @ 3012-452-8540 for tickets
- June 27 @ 11:00 AM Family Fun Day Picnic at Grand Lodge
- July 25 @ 12:00 PM Patuxent Lodge Family Picnic
at Rosaryville State Park

Masonic Birthdays

February

William D. Goodman - 51 Yrs.
Lindsey J. Hammonds - 32 Yrs.
Salvatore C. Tammaro - 51 Yrs.

March

George Allen Jr., PM - 66 Yrs.
Albert Fallin - 60 Yrs.
Dean Howard - 62 Yrs.
Michael Liller - 29 Yrs.
Urban Peters, PM - 39 Yrs.
Richard Sapp - 56 yrs.
Charles White - 53 Yrs.
James Cloud, PM - 11 Yrs.

Masonic Trivia

“3 TIMES 3” – In ancient times the Entered Apprentice Degree was alone prevalent amongst the generality of our Lodges; for no Brothers could be passed and raised except in the Grand Lodge, and few availed themselves of the privilege. Hence they had only one sign, one token, and one word, and these three constituted the honors. But the members of the Grand Lodge had three signs, three tokens, and three words, and therefore, three times three were appropriately termed the Grand Honors.” – From the September 1974 Bulletin of the Masonic Relief Association of the U.S. and Canada.

ON THIS DATE IN MASONIC HISTORY

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

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

Feb 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.

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

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

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

March 3 On this date in 1753, George Washington received his Fellow Craft degree in Fredericksburg Lodge in Virginia

March 5 On this date in 1792, the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was organized

March 6 On this date in 1775, several black men, including one named Prince Hall, were initiated into Freemasonry in Boston. This marked the beginning of what became a huge movement or organization in the United States known as Prince Hall Masonry, composed mainly of African Americans.

March 9 On this date in 1822, a national Masonic Congress was held in Washington DC, in the U.S. Capitol building

March 17 On this date in 1856, the Grand Lodge of Kansas was formed. On this date in 1848, the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Washington DC was established.

March 18 On this date in 1902, the Tall Cedars of Lebanon was incorporated, in Trenton, New Jersey.

March 23 On this date in 1887, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle received his 3rd degree.

March 25 On this date in 1882, the Grand Lodge of Arizona was organized. On this date in 1902, Sir Winston Churchill received his 3rd degree in Studholme Lodge #1591, London.

COMMITTEES FOR 2015

Communication Committee (telephone/web/mail)

Terry Royce, PM - Chairman; Rudy McCumber, PM;
Darryl Duty; Eric Gronbeck, SS; Frank Wilburn, PM

Sickness and Distress

Harold Saintelien, JW - Chairman

Maryland Chip Program

Rudy McCumber, PM - Chairman; Terry Royce, PM;
Kenyatta Galbreth, SD; Ricky Thompson, PM

By Laws Committee

William Hines, PM - Chairman

Marlon Curtis, WM; Rudy McCumber, PM

Melvin Harrison, PM, Sec.; James Cloud, Jr., PM

Audit/Budget Committee

Marlon Curtis, WM; Terry Royce, SW

Harold Saintelien, JW; Rudy McCumber, PM;

William Hines, PM; Melvin Harrison, PM;

Charlotte Hall Veterans Home

Harold Saintelien, JW - Chairman; Terry Royce, PM; Bill Hines, PM

Widow's Program

William Hines, PM - Chairman

Rudy McCumber, PM Chaplain; Maurice Rackey

Rehearsal/Catechism/Education Committee

Terry Royce, PM Ritualist - Chairman; Kenyatta Galbreth, SD

Harold Saintelien, JW; Marlon Curtis, WM

Lodge Trustees

Gerald Poe Jr., PM - 2015; George Baxter - 2016

David Amstutz - 2017

Temple Holding Corporation

Terry Royce Sr., PM President; Darryl Duty, Vice President

William Hines, PM Secretary/Treasurer

Honorary Members of Patuxent Lodge

Ron Block, PM, DGL, PGI, PGM

Maurice Rackey; Hilmer Krebs;

Stephen Ponzillo, III, MWPGM of Maryland,

Bayani Casanova, PM, PGI; Jesse Villarreal, MWPGM of DC

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Check the calendar at www.patuxentlodge.org for stated meetings,
rehearsals, Grand Lodge Schools and other Masonic events.

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PAST MASTERS

1926 -27 U.D. J. Hofferbert *	1970 Peter Cleland *
1927 E. Roberson *	1971 Kenneth Hardesty
1928 E. Roberson *	1972 Norman Abney ~ *
1929 Thurston Brown *	1973 Harry Cotten
1930 Floyd Martin *	1974 James Arnold *
1931 Raymond Wilburn *	1975 John Pierce, Jr. PM
1932 F. Wight, Jr. *	1976 James Hollis *
1933 H. Hotchkiss *	1977 Chilton Walker ~ *
1934 Joseph Rawlings *	1978 James Davis *
1935 Readus Frye *	1979 Raymond Williams, Jr. *
1936 Carl Price *	1980 William Hines PGI, PWAGT
1937 Edwin Staats *	1981 Richard Price ~
1938 E. Gentle *	1982 Wilburn Jones PGI *
1939 F. Colmus *	1983 Gerald Rapson *
1940 Edward Schmidt *	1984 Rudy McCumber
1941 L. Sylvester *	1985 Urban Peters
1942 Elza Job *	1986 Terry Royce
1943 Preston Tate *	1987 Charlie Smith, Jr. ~
1944 Edwin Fisher *	1988 Richard Gould *
1945 Vernon Keafauver *	1989 John Sullivan ~
1946 C. Hoofring *	1990 Brooks Dodson, Jr.
1947 Jules DuBost *	1991 David Hamrick \$
1948 Aubrey Amos *	1992 Boris Tenner * PM PGI PWGS
1949 Charles Wilson *	1992 William Thomas + *
1950 August Duchene *	1993 Melvin Harrison PGI PWGT
1951 Norris Robinson *	1994-95 Oswald Lockard, PM + *
1952 William Alvey *	1996 Urban Peters PM, PGI
1953 C. Hubbard ~ *	1997 Oswald Lockard, PM + *
1953 John Ball * #	1998-99 John Gluth PM + *
1954 F. Freeman *	2000-03 Oswald Lockard, PM + *
1955 Chester Towers *	2001 Frank Wilburn +
1956 James Patterson *	2002-03 Thomas Mason PGI +
1957 Charles Glidden *	2003 Glynn Owens #
1958 Flory Diehl * PRWSGW	2003-07-09-10 Melvin Mason PGI +
1959 Hector Gellerson *	2004 Frank Wilburn, PM
1960 George Allen, Jr.	2005 Oswald Lockard, PM + *
1961 Lloyd Bertholf *	2006-08 Urban Peters, PM PGI
1962 George McCullogh *	2008 James Cloud, Jr. +
1963 Gordon Pearson ~ *	2009 Grover Brewer
1964 Reidar Haug *	2010-11 Terry Royce, PM PWGP
1965 Jesse Ross *	2011 Ricky Thompson +
1966 Joseph Harris *	2012 Gerald Poe, Jr.
1967 William McPherson *	2012-13 Steven Walls, PM PJGS GI +
1968 John Pierce, Jr.	2013-14 Rudy McCumber, PM PJGS GI
1969 Boris Tenner * PGI	

* Deceased ~ Demitted + Affiliated # Honorary \$ Dropped