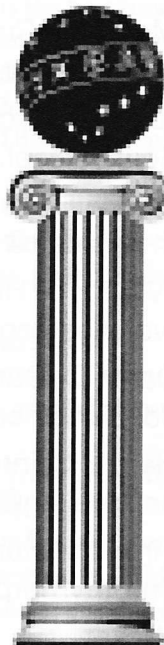
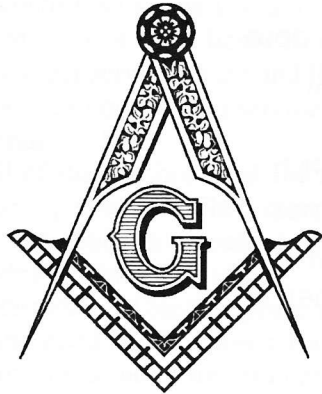
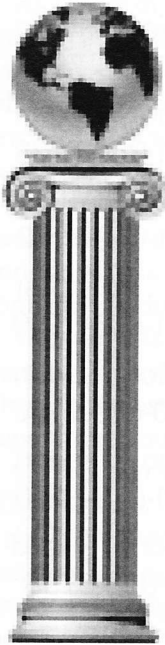


Patuxent Lodge No. 218

A. F. and A. M.



*My strength comes
From my Brethren*

Chartered May 10, 1927

**Stated Communications
First Saturday of the month**

10:00 A.M.

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

**Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1507
Chesapeake Beach, MD 20732-3202**

E-mail: patuxentlodge218@gmail.com

Facebook: Patuxent Lodge No. 218 A.F. & A.M.

www.patuxentlodge218.org

Patuxent Lodge No. 218

Officers for 2013

| | |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Rudy E. McCumber, PM GI Rudymccumber2013@gmail.com | Worshipful Master 410-610-6094 |
| Marlon K. Curtis Bromarloncurtis@aol.com | Senior Warden 240-764-7593 |
| Terry L. Royce, PM GI Rolls88@aol.com | Junior Warden 301-855-7933 |
| Melvin E. Harrison, PM melepingit@verizon.net | Secretary 301-812-0202 |
| William D. Hines, PM wdhines@comcast.net | Treasurer 301-855-5589 |
| Darryl D. Duty 3dac@comcast.net | Senior Deacon 410-693-2100 |
| Harold Saintelien hsaintelien@gmail.com | Junior Deacon 301-613-9650 |
| Timothy Murphy timothymurph@yahoo.com | Senior Steward 240-638-6736 |
| Vacant | Junior Steward |
| David E. Amstutz davidamstutz@earthlink.net | Chaplain (540) 854-5583 |
| Prince Egyir donprinco@gmail.com | Marshal 301-437-2935 |
| Maurice H. Rackey | Tyler 301-843-2607 |

Grand Lodge Officers Assigned to Patuxent Lodge No. 218

| | |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Mike Banagan, PM Mike_Banagan@msn.net | Grand Inspector 703-597-6214 |
| Ron Block, PM blockntackle@comcast.net | Deputy Grand Lecturer 410-626-1624 |

Patuxent Lodge No. 218

May - June 2013

WORSHIPFUL MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren,

As I write this bulletin, spring is finally in the air, and now is the best time to attend your lodge. We would love to see you at our May Stated Meeting on Saturday, May 4 at 10 AM. Join us as we honor Brother Stephen Cumberland who will be receiving a 50 year service award and Brothers Dean Howard and Jerry Reshew who will be receiving 60 year service awards. This presentation is open to family and friends.

I would like to thank all of the Brethren and Friends who have donated so generously to the Scholarship Program. Their names will be listed in another portion of this bulletin. We continue to encourage members and friends to contribute to this worthwhile endeavor.

We have lots of activities planned for the spring and summer:

Southern Maryland Brotherhood Night - Bowie Baysox Stadium on June 22. This is a fantastic event to attend and bring your children and grandchildren. I hope to see you there!

CHIP Program – June 15th at Herrington Harbor South, Tracys Landing, MD. We need volunteers to help us make this event successful.

August 25th - Bonnie Blink Religious Service – Maryland Masonic Homes Chapel. Patuxent Lodge is responsible for the church service which begins at 3 PM at the Grand Lodge. We need members to attend this service and represent our lodge.

September 15th - Southern Maryland Masonic Family Picnic. All members and their families are invited to attend. Details are in the Trestleboard.

Over 100 members and friends of Patuxent Lodge have provided their email and now receive the bulletin via email. If you would like to sign up to receive future bulletins and notices electronically. Email us at patuxentlodge218@gmail.com We will not send you any unnecessary email and we will not share your email with anyone. I thank you for agreeing to receive our bulletin and notices via email as this is a great cost savings for the lodge.

I hope that each of you have a safe summer and that you are able to enjoy time with family and friends and also have an opportunity to participate in at least one, if not all, events sponsored by our lodge. We would love to have you with us.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Rudy E. McCumber, PM
Worshipful Master

Scholarship Fund

We are looking for a few great volunteers....to donate to our Scholarship Fund. We appreciate those who have already donated to this great effort – Thank You!

Checks can be made payable to Patuxent Lodge No. 218 Scholarship Fund and mailed to the Lodge at P. O. Box 1507, Chesapeake Beach, MD 20732-3202

Thank you to the following individuals have donated to the Patuxent Lodge Scholarship fund so far this year:

David Amstutz
Herbert Haney
Nancy Prinkey
Terry Royce, PM
Joe Varnadore

Douglas Cohen
Rudy McCumber, PM
Belmont Royce
Samuel Sullivan

From The South

In Memoriam

Charles Herman “Bucky” Kamm

Born 12/21/1924 - Passed 04/05/2013

EA 11/19/1958 - FC 05/20/1959 - Raised to MM 09/30/1959

Please keep the Kamm family in your thoughts and prayers.

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

Sick Report

Laurence Ben
Marlon Curtis
Albert Fallin
Belmont Royce

Wishing you a speedy recovery

Terry L. Royce, PM, JW

“Pledge Allegiance to the Flag”

1892

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

1892 to 1923

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

1923 to 1924

“I pledge allegiance to *the* Flag
of the United States and to the
republic for which it stands:
one nation indivisible with liberty
and justice for all”

1924 to 1954

“I pledge allegiance to the Flag
of the United States *of America*, and to the
republic for which it stands:
one nation indivisible with liberty
and justice for all”

1954 to Present

“I pledge allegiance to the Flag
of the United States of America, and to the
republic for which it stands,
one nation *under God*, indivisible, with liberty
and justice for all”

Petition for the Degrees of Masonry

Eric Gronbeck, Owings, MD

Age 22 - Financial Advisor

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
OF MARYLAND**

AMEND ARTICLE VII, SECTION I BY DELETING THE SECOND SENTENCE WHICH READS AS FOLLOWS

A Grand Secretary who has served ten (10) consecutive elective terms as Grand Secretary, and a Grand Treasurer who has served ten (10) consecutive elective terms as Grand Treasurer, shall not be eligible for re-election or appointment to his respective office for one year after his last term in that office.

ARTICLE XVI

Subordinate Lodges

(Old language in brackets), new language underlined

Section 7, Membership H, Suspension, Non-Payment of Dues and Assessments

- Any member of a lodge who fails to pay his regular dues and the per capita assessment for support and maintenance of the Masonic Homes for (one year) six months shall be suspended, without trial, effective on (December 31) June 30 of the year of his delinquency.

1. The Notice to a member of the intention to suspend shall explain the penalty for which he renders himself liable for non-payment of dues and assessments, which includes the loss by him and his dependents of eligibility for admission to the Maryland Masonic Homes. The notice shall be sent by registered or certified mail, return receipts requested, to his residence if known, or if unknown then to the address of his last known residence, which shall be deemed a legal notice. This notice shall be sent at least one week prior to (December 1) June 1, and at least 30 days prior to action being taken on his delinquency by the Lodge. Proof of notice shall be maintained by the lodge and recorded in the minutes of its proceedings,

2. The Lodge shall take action to suspend a delinquent member at its first (or second) regular communication (in January) on or after July 1. The suspension shall be effective as of (December 31) June 30, and the suspended member's name shall not be included in the returns of the Lodge to the Grand Secretary.

3. Notice of suspension shall include a statement of how a suspended member may regain his membership. It shall be sent promptly by registered or certified mail to his residence if known, or if unknown, then to the address of his last known residence.

4. If a member thus suspended pays all of his arrearage plus the cost of all notices and postage associated with his suspension, within six months from the date of his suspension, he shall automatically be reinstated to all the rights and privileges of Masonry. Failing to do so within six months, he may be reinstated

Proposed Amendment (*continued*)

only by paying all arrearages up to the time of his suspension plus the cost of all notices and postage associated with his suspension and petitioning the Lodge for reinstatement.

5. If a member pays his arrearage plus the cost of all notices and postage after six months and his petition for reinstatement is rejected, he becomes an unaffiliated Mason. He may then petition any other Lodge for affiliation.

6. Nothing herein shall affect the right of the Lodge to remit the dues, per capita tax and assessment of a member.

Note: This Proposed Amendment would become effective beginning with dues and assessments due for the year 2014.

1st Annual Southern Maryland Brotherhood Night at the Bowie Baysox

Come One, Come All to the 1st Annual Southern Maryland Brotherhood Night at the Bowie Baysox Stadium in Bowie, Maryland. This event is open to family and friends including non-masons.

We will attend the Baysox baseball game against the Altoona Curve, a farm team of the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The game is on June 22, 2013 with game time at 6:35 PM followed by fireworks after the game!

Group rate tickets are \$11.00 each (kids 2 and under are free) and we must have your reservation and money (sorry no checks) in full payment no later than June 6, 2013. Parking is free.

For more information contact Rudy E. McCumber at 410-610-6094 or Jon Simpson at 301-802-4199

Terry L. Royce will accept your money and reservation until May 22, and forward it to us.

You will receive an email confirmation upon receipt of your money.

Trestleboard for May 2013

- May 02 @ 7:30 PM Grand Lodge School of Instruction MM Degree
Joint School with District 8 & 17 MM Degree
Patuxent Lodge No. 218 is host Lodge
All Officers are requested to attend.
- May 04 @ 10:00 AM Stated Communication
9:00 AM Coffee & Donuts
Ballot on the petition of Eric Gronbeck
Service Awards Presentation: Open to Family and
Friends. RWDGM Kenneth S. Wyvill, Jr. will present
the service awards
Stephen D. Cumberland - 50 Years
Dean D. Howard - 60 Years
Jerry W. Reshew - 60 Years
- May 10 Patuxent Lodge Chartered 86 years ago today
- May 16 @ 7:15 PM Grand Lodge Law School at Centennial Lodge No.
174 - Master, Wardens must attend.
Master Masons welcome
- May 18 @ 10:00 AM Semi-Annual Communication Grand Lodge

Trestleboard for June 2013

- June 01 @ 11:00 AM Family Fun Day at Bonnie Blink
Food, Fun and Fellowship for the entire family
Games for children, fun for everyone.
- Patuxent Lodge Stated Communication rescheduled to June 17, due to Family Fun Day.
- June 06 Last day to make your reservation for the 1st Annual
Southern Maryland Brotherhood Night at the Bowie
Baysox. Tickets are \$11.00 each, children 4 and
under free. We will be buying these tickets in one
block of tickets to get the discount. Fireworks after
the game. Sorry no checks
- June 06 @ 7:30 PM Grand Lodge School of Instruction
Oxon Hill Lodge Host Lodge
- June 14 Flag Day
- June 15 @ 10:00 AM MD CHIP Event Herrington Harbor South County
Festival at Tracy's Landing, MD.
Call WM to assist with this event.
- June 17 @ 7:30 PM Stated Communication
Last Lodge meeting before summer break
- June 20 @ 7:15 PM Grand Lodge Law School
Centennial Lodge No. 174
- June 22 @ 6:30 PM 1st Annual Southern Maryland Brotherhood Night at
the Bowie Baysox. Join us for an evening of fun, fellowship and fireworks.
This is a family event. Tickets must be reserved by June 6 for this event. This
event is open to all Lodges and their families. MWGM Gerald E. Piepiora and
Lady Deneise will be joining us.

Coming Events

- July 27 Grand Master's Ball
 Call Grand Lodge for tickets.
- Aug. 25 @ 3:00 PM Patuxent Lodge Religious Services at Bonnie Blink
- Sept. 07 @ 10:00 AM Patuxent Lodge No. 218 Stated Communication
- Sept. 15 @ 11:00 AM Southern Maryland Masonic Family Picnic
 Gilbert Run Park
 Located at 13140 Charles St. Denstville, MD 20622
 Open to members of Patuxent Lodge No. 218 and
 their families. Please bring a covered dish.
- Oct. 05 @ 6:00 AM Harvest Home Day at Bonnie Blink

Edict of the Most Worshipful Grand Master Gerald E. Piepiora

Right of Visitation:

Effective immediately, a brother who does not possess a current year's membership card (having only one from the previous year), and although not yet suspended, is not considered to be "in good standing" (Article XVI.10.I)

He, therefore loses the right of visitation. At that point, he may visit a Maryland Lodge only upon invitation of the Worshipful Master. This also applies to all Masonic bodies where a current dues card is required for admission.

Masonic Birthdays

May

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Clarence Andrews | 52 Years |
| Conan Barger | 14 Years |
| Woodrow Critzer | 39 Years |
| Marlon Curtis | 5 Years |
| Luther Dean | 52 Years |
| Melvin Harrison, PM | 46 Years |
| William Hines, PM | 41 Years |
| Charles A. Kamm | 18 Years |
| James Kamm | 18 Years |
| John Knee | 52 Years |
| Joseph Maurer | 49 Years |
| Ralph Meiggs | 14 Years |
| Seth Meiggs | 14 Years |
| Gerald Poe, Jr. PM | 5 Years |
| William Soper | 14 Years |
| Harris Wilburn Jr. | 47 Years |

Total Masonic Years 480 Years

June

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| William Baker | 14 Years |
| John Bradley | 31 Years |
| Robert Cameron | 31 Years |
| Brian Carroll | 1 Year |
| Brooks Dodson, Jr., PM | 33 Years |
| Arthur Douglas, Jr. | 43 Years |
| Darryl Duty | 2 Years |
| Kenneth Hardesty, PM | 38 Years |
| Timothy Murphy | 30 Years |
| Jesse Reisman | 7 Years |
| Terry Royce, PM | 31 Years |
| Harold Saintelien | 2 Years |
| Augustus Shockey, Jr. | 55 Years |
| Donald Spargo | 41 Years |
| James Spicer | 44 Years |
| Michael Taylor II | 1 Year |

Total Masonic Years 404 Years

July

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Douglas Cohen | 3 Years |
| Dennis Dumire | 16 Years |
| Donald Pelasara, Jr. | 16 Years |
| Total Masonic Years | 35 Years |

August

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Steven Walls, PM | 5 Years |
| Eugene A. Zamer, Sr. | 53 Years |
| Total Masonic Years | 58 Years |

OOPS!!!!

March

| | |
|----------------------|---------|
| James Cloud, Jr., PM | 9 Years |
|----------------------|---------|

April

| | |
|---------------|--------|
| George Baxter | 1 Year |
|---------------|--------|

COMMITTEES FOR 2013

Communication Committee (telephone/web/mail)

Marlon K. Curtis, SW - Chairman

Darryl D. Duty, Frank Wilburn, PM, Tim Murphy

Sickness and Distress

Terry L. Royce, PM, JW - Chairman

Brother-to-Brother Program

Marlon K. Curtis, SW - Chairman – Assisted by all officers

Maryland Chip Program

Rudy E. McCumber, PM, WM; Terry L. Royce, PM, - Chair

By Laws Committee

William D. Hines, PM - Chairman

Marlon K. Curtis, SW; Rudy E. McCumber, PM, WM

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

Audit/Budget Committee

Rudy E. McCumber, PM, WM; Marlon K. Curtis, SW;

Terry L. Royce, PM; William D. Hines, PM;

Melvin E. Harrison, PM; Harold Saintelien

Charlotte Hall Veterans Home

Norman Lynch - Chairman

Widow's Program

William D. Hines, PM - Chairman

Rehearsal/Catechism/Education Committee

Terry L. Royce, PM, - Chairman; Darryl D. Duty; Marlon K. Curtis, SW

Lodge Trustees

Terry L. Royce, PM, - 2013

David E. Amstutz - 2014

Gerald F. Poe Jr., PM - 2015

Temple Holding Corporation

David E. Amstutz, President

Steven W. Walls, Vice President

William D. Hines, PM, Secretary/Treasurer

Honorary Members of Patuxent Lodge

Ron Block, PM, DGL, PGI, PGM

Sam Sullivan; Maurice Rackey; Hilmer Krebs; James Seawell;

Stephen J. Ponzillo, III, MWPGM of Maryland,

Ralph W. Moore, PM, PGI; Jesse Villarreal, MWPGM of DC;

Bayani Casanova, PGI

Check the calendar at www.patuxentlodge218.org for stated meetings, rehearsals, Grand Lodge Schools and other Masonic events.

PAST MASTERS

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1926 -27 U.D. J. L. Hofferbert * | 1969 Boris Tenner* PGI |
| 1927 E. F. Roberson* | 1970 Peter Cleland* |
| 1928 E. F. Roberson* | 1971 Kenneth C. Hardesty |
| 1929 Thurston G. Brown* | 1972 Norman E. Abney ~ * |
| 1930 Floyd F. Martin* | 1973 Harry M. Cotton |
| 1931 H. Raymond Wilburn* | 1974 James K. Arnold* |
| 1932 F. L. Wight, Jr.* | 1975 John E. Pierce, Jr. PM |
| 1933 H. W. Hotchkiss* | 1976 James H. Hollis* |
| 1934 Joseph E. Rawlings* | 1977 Chilton T. Walker ~ * |
| 1935 Readus M. Frye* | 1978 James A. Davis* |
| 1936 Carl E. Price* | 1979 Raymond A. Williams, Jr.* |
| 1937 Edwin J. Staats* | 1980 William D. Hines PGI, WPAGT |
| 1938 E. G. Gentle* | 1981 Richard T. Price ~ |
| 1939 F. R. Colmus* | 1982 Wilburn H. Jones PGI* |
| 1940 Edward H. Schmidt* | 1983 Gerald R. Rapson* |
| 1941 L. N. Sylvester* | 1984 Rudy McCumber |
| 1942 Elza Job * | 1985 Urban T. Peters |
| 1943 Preston Tate* | 1986 Terry L. Royce |
| 1944 Edwin M. Fisher* | 1987 Charlie J. Smith, Jr. ~ |
| 1945 Vernon Keafauver* | 1988 Richard H. Gould* |
| 1946 C. H. E. Hoofring* | 1989 John F. Sullivan ~ |
| 1947 Jules DuBost* | 1990 Brooks C. Dodson, Jr. |
| 1948 Aubrey E. Amos* | 1991 David N. Hamrick \$ |
| 1949 Charles M. Wilson* | 1992 Boris Tenner* PM PGI WPSGS |
| 1950 August A. Duchene* | 1992 William H. Thomas + * |
| 1951 Norris C. Robinson* | 1993 Melvin E. Harrison PGI WPGT |
| 1952 William T. Alvey* | 1994 Oswald L. Lockard + PM* |
| 1953 C. S. Hubbard ~ * | 1995 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 John R. Gluth PM + * |
| 1956 James W. Patterson* | 1999 John R. Gluth PM + * |
| 1957 Charles T. Glidden* | 2000-03 Oswald L. Lockard + PM* |
| 1958 S. Flory Diehl* PSGW | 2001 R. Frank Wilburn + |
| 1959 Hector D. Gellerson* | 2003 Glynn H. Owens # |
| 1960 George W. Allen, Jr. | 2004 R. Frank Wilburn PM |
| 1961 Lloyd B. Bertholf* | 2005 Oswald L. Lockard + PM* |
| 1962 George J. McCulloch* | 2006-08 Urban T. Peters PM PGI |
| 1963 Gordon W. Pearson ~ * | 2008 James W. Cloud, Jr. + |
| 1964 Reidar Haug * | 2009 Grover D. Brewer |
| 1965 Jesse J Ross* | 2010-11 Terry L. Royce, PM WPGP |
| 1966 Joseph M. Harris * | 2012 Gerald F. Poe, Jr. |
| 1967 C. William McPherson* | 2012 Steven W. Walls + |
| 1968 John E. Pierce, Jr. | |

* Deceased ~ Demitted + Affiliated # Honorary \$ Dropped