

Patuxent Lodge No. 218

A. F. and A. M.



November - December 2015

**Stated Communications
First Saturday 10:00 A.M.
Third Monday 7:30 P.M.**

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WORSHIPFUL MASTER'S
MESSAGE

Brethren,

It's hard to believe our year is just about over and what a great year it was. We had some wonderful programs this year. Our DC Brotherhood Day meeting, in particular, was an event to remember and epitomized our motto: "Let Brotherly Love Prevail". We made new Masons and new Master Masons in record time, thanks to the devotion

of our ritualist, catechism instructors and the Brethren themselves. We conducted fraternal visits, awarded 50 and 60 year service awards, presented scholarships to local students and held a very successful fundraiser. Our officers became more proficient and new ones are planning to join our line next year. A great deal of this years success is due to the awesome support I received from several of our Past Masters. They taught me so much and refused to let me fail. It was an honor and a blessing to have led such a wonderful lodge and a journey I'll never forget. Thank you Patuxent Lodge No. 218!



Marlon K. Curtis
Worshipful Master 2015

"As the man becomes better so too does the world" - MKC

Message From The West

Brethren,

As we go through our daily lives and the morning air becomes crisp and chilly, take time to enjoy the beautiful portrait Mother Nature paints for us. Each day, the leaves become more colorful and vibrant. Enjoy the wonderful works of our creator. Take time to enjoy the upcoming holidays with family and friends.

Terry Royce, PM, SW

FROM THE SOUTH

Sick Report

David Amstutz

Mary Ann Amstutz (Wife of David Amstutz)

Marlon Curtis

Brooks Dodson PM

Albert Fallin

Brenda Hamilton (Wife of Don Hamilton)

Urban Peters, PM

*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

Brethren,

As we move toward the Holiday Season, let us re-dedicate ourselves to living up to the spirit of the season and the tenants of our profession. I look forward to seeing you in lodge and enjoying the fellowship.

Yours fraternally,

Harold Saintelien, JW

Petition for Affiliation

Jeffrey Johnson
Federal Police Officer

Age: 47

2015 DUES REMINDER

Brethren,

We have a few remaining members who have not submitted their 2015 dues payment. Please remember, Patuxent Lodge is very active in the community and you have helped us achieve this through **your membership and for this we are very grateful**. Your membership has enabled Patuxent Lodge to make many great accomplishments this year. **YOU** have made it possible for Patuxent Lodge to give (3) scholarships to deserving graduating students, donating to the Bennie G. Owens Scholarship for Masonic Youth Organizations, sponsoring MDCHIP events, providing school supplies at National Night Out, participating in local community parades, assisting families in flooded South Carolina and sponsoring a Sunday religious program for the residents of Bonnie Blink. **These many community programs were made possible through your 2015 dues.**

This serves as a friendly reminder to please remit your dues as soon as possible. If you did not receive your dues notice, have changed your mailing address, have a new email address or phone number, please contact the Lodge Secretary, Melvin Harrison, PM at 301-812-0202. The 2016 dues notices will be arriving at the end of November.

Trestleboard for November

- Nov. 02 @ 7:30 PM Officers Rehearsal
- Nov. 05 @ 7:30 PM Grand Lodge School of Instruction
Centennial Lodge No. 174
Fellowcraft and Master Masons Welcome
- Nov. 07 Patuxent Lodge Stated Communication Canceled
Rescheduled for Monday, November 16, 2015
at 7:30 PM
- Nov. 07 @ 1:00 PM Maryland Masonic Homes Open House
“How A Fall Can Change It All”
Professionals on-site to Discuss:
In-Home Safety and Resources
Crisis Management, Care Options
Financial Security
Everyone Welcome to Attend
Don't Wait Till It's Too Late
- Nov. 13 @ 6:00 PM The Grand Masters Banquet
Grand Lodge Ballroom. Dress Formal
Reception 6:00 PM - Dinner 7:00 PM
Cost \$56.00 per person. Cash Bar
Contact the Grand Lodge for tickets 410-527-0600
before November 6, 2015
No tickets sold at the door
- Nov. 14 @ 10:00 AM The 229th Grand Lodge Annual Communication
Lunch tickets \$18.50 per person
Lunch will be from 12:00 PM till 1:00 PM.
Lunch reservations are a must
Contact the Grand Lodge Office for tickets
at 410-527-0600 *before* November 6, 2015
Credit Cards and Checks accepted
No tickets sold at the door
- Nov. 14 @ 7:00 PM Open Installation of Grand Lodge Officers
at the Grand Lodge
Dinner 5:30 PM - Open Installation 7:00 PM.
Dinner \$27.00 per person, dinner tickets are a must.
Contact the Grand Lodge Office at 410-527-0600
for tickets *before* November 6, 2015
Credit Cards and Checks accepted.
No tickets sold at the door

Trestleboard *(continued)*

Nov. 16 @ 7:30 PM Patuxent Lodge Stated Communication
Light refreshments served after the meeting

Nov. 26 **Happy Thanksgiving**

Nov. 30 @ 7:30 PM Officers Rehearsal

Trestleboard for December

Dec. 03 @ 7:30 PM Grand Lodge School of Instruction
Centennial Lodge No. 174
Master Masons Welcome

Dec.. 05 @ 10:00 AM Patuxent Lodge Stated Communication
Election of Officers
9:00 AM Coffee and Donuts
Lunch served after the meeting

Dec. 25 **Merry Christmas**

Dec 28 @ 7:30 PM Officers Rehearsal



Fraternal visit with Camp Springs Lodge No. 227.

(photo by SW Terry Royce, PM)

Accessing the Maryland Masonic Membership System

Brethren,

The Maryland Masonic Membership System was created by the Grand Lodge of Maryland to better serve the membership. Below are directions for creating your personal account on the Maryland Masonic Membership System.

To create your personal account:

Log onto www.glmd.org

Click on **Sign In**

Click on **Member Registration** (right side of page)

Enter the following information on the screen

- 1) Your **Lodge Number**
- 2) Your **Membership Number from your Dues Card**
i.e. 12345 (Do not use the beginning zero)
- 3) Your **Last Name as it Appears on your Dues Card**
(Smith) *Note* entry is case sensitive*

Click on **Check Membership Status** when finished

Once the information is verified, you will receive a prompt informing you (**Your membership has been verified.**

Please enter your email and password below)

After your information is updated, (you will now enter your email address and password) (**both are case sensitive**)

You will now be in the system.

Remember your email and password. (both are case sensitive)

Sign Out when finished

To Access your Account

Go to www.glmd.org

Click on **Sign In**

Enter your email and password to Sign In

Once you sign in, you will be able to view and update your personal information under My Profile (right side) (address, email, phone)

Sign Out when finished

*Note** If you do not have email or you are having trouble logging in, you may contact the Lodge Secretary to update your personal information

Congratulations!!!
To our 60 & 50 Year Masonic Birthday
Milestone Members
Albert Fallin - 60 Years
Arnie Williams - 50 Years

Masonic Birthdays

November

Harry Cotten, PM - 51 Yrs.

Charles Dean - 47 Yrs.

William Ellin - 41 Yrs.

William Hinton, III - 24 Yrs.

Byron Jones - 45 Yrs.

Blaine Massey - 29 Yrs.

Thomas Murphy - 48 Yrs.

Howard Simons, Jr. - 23 Yrs.

December

Laurence Ben - 4 Yrs.

David Boggs - 55 Yrs.

Grover Brewer, PM - 27 Yrs.

Wayne Deen - 38 Yrs

Kenyatta Galbreth - 4 Yrs.

William Heath, Jr. - 66 Yrs.

Kenneth Jordan - 46 Yrs.

Rudy McCumber, PM - 36 Yrs.

Robert Micer - 48 Yrs.

James Powell - 39 Yrs.

ON THIS DATE IN MASONIC HISTORY

November

November 1, 1922, the cornerstone of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial, in Alexandria, Virginia, was laid in a Masonic ceremony

November 4, 1752, George Washington received his Entered Apprentice degree in Fredericksburg Lodge in Virginia

November 26, 1737, a letter to the editor appeared in the *New York Gazette* newspaper, criticizing the secrecy of Freemasons and the words of the obligations' penalties (as disclosed in a previous exposé of Freemasonry). This appears to have been the first anti-masonic effort in the colonies that became the United States

November 28, 1884, Quatuor Coronati Lodge No. 2076, in London, England, the first research lodge in the world, received its warrant.

November 28, 1911, Franklin D. Roosevelt (U.S. President 1933-1945) received his 3rd degree

December

December 5, 1730, Benjamin Franklin's *Pennsylvania Gazette* included news about several Lodges of Free-Masons meeting in that "province". Franklin was not yet a Freemason when his newspaper printed this item.

December 9, 1999, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of D.C. voted to recognize the Grand Lodge of D.C.

December 14, 1994, the United Grand Lodge of England issued a statement that it found the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, the source of all Prince Hall Masonry in the United States, to be regular and deserving of recognition.

December 15, 1779, American Union Lodge, a traveling lodge under the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, met and proposed that George Washington become the General Grand Master of Masons in the United States. There is no evidence that Washington ever heard about this, and no evidence that he ever held any Masonic position other than Master of a Lodge

December 18, 1799, George Washington's funeral was conducted in Masonic fashion, at Mount Vernon, Virginia

December 22, 1753, the Royal Arch degree was conferred in Fredericksburg Lodge in Virginia. This is the first unquestioned evidence of the conferral of this degree.

December 26, 1972, Harry S. Truman, former President of the United States, Past Grand Master of Missouri, and a very active Freemason, died. He had requested a Masonic funeral, but instead the government, which handled the details, permitted a short Masonic ceremony during the funeral service.

December 27, 1813, The Grand Officers and Brethren of the United Grand Lodge of England consummated the union of the Moderns and Ancients into the UGLE

COMMITTEES FOR 2015

Communication Committee (telephone/web/mail)

Terry Royce, PM - Chairman; Rudy McCumber, PM;
Darryl Duty; 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; Steven Walls, 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.

On Facebook at Patuxent Lodge No. 218 A.F. & A. M.

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 PWSGS
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 *	2003-07-09-10 Melvin Mason PGI +
1958 Flory Diehl * PRWSGW	2004 Frank Wilburn, PM
1959 Hector Gellerson *	2004 Glynn Owens * #
1960 George Allen, Jr.	2005 Oswald Lockard, PM + *
1961 Lloyd Bertholf *	2006-08 Urban Peters, PM PGI
1962 George McCulloch *	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