

# Patuxent Lodge No. 218 A.F. & A.M.



November/December 2019

## STATED COMMUNICATION

**First Saturday @ 10:00 AM**

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## Patuxent Lodge No. 218 Officers for 2019

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## Honorary Members

Miguel Banagan, Jr., PGI, RWPJGW; Ron Block, DGL PGI, PGM; Bayani Cassanova, PGI; Hilmer Krebs; Stephen Ponzillo, III, MWPGM; Maurice Rackey; Jesse Villareal, MWPGM (DC)

## **Worshipful Master's Message**

### **November – December**

Brethren, Family and Friends,

As the seasons change and the days are becoming shorter, Mother Nature is displaying her beautiful array of colors across the landscape. Take time to enjoy all that Mother Nature has to offer. The same for Masonry, take time to enjoy all that the fraternity has to offer. The warm smile and firm handshake of a brother telling you he's happy to see you. The pat on the back of a brother saying "hope to see you soon" or sitting down to dinner, enjoying good conversation with brothers and making new friends is the true treasure of Freemasonry.

As the seasons come and go each year, we all say, I need to get back to lodge, but I don't know anyone, or I have forgotten some things and I don't want to ask anyone. We are here to help everyone feel comfortable in their lodge. Now is the time my Brothers, don't let another season pass you by before you attend lodge and enjoy all that Masonry has to offer!

Your lodge, the officers and members have been very busy this past year and a great deal has been accomplished. The lodge celebrated our 92nd Anniversary. This year, we initiated several new members and raised nine (9) Master Masons.

None of this was done by one man, but by the dedicated officers and members who had a desire to see Patuxent Lodge grow, prosper and move forward.

I will always be thankful to the officers and members who assisted whenever and wherever needed. Thank you to the members and their families for your generous support, manpower, and donations to our many community events.

Fall is a time for dinner with family and friends. This year, we will be collecting canned goods and other non-perishable food items at our Stated Communications in November and December to give to a local food bank in the name of the lodge. Please no glass jars.

We still have a very busy schedule before we conclude the year beginning with our Stated Communication on Saturday, November 2nd. We will confer the Entered Apprentice Degree and Brother Frank Wilburn, PM will receive his 50 Year Masonic Service Award.

On Monday, November 18, Scouters Lodge will be making a special presentation honoring Brother Rick Mubarak and Sister Sarita's four sons Amir, Ahmad, Ali, and Asa on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. A light dinner will be served beginning at 6:30 PM

At our Saturday, December 7th Stated Communication we will confer the Entered Apprentice Degree and immediately following Lodge we will have an Open Table Lodge and "Ugly Holiday Sweater Party". Wear your most outlandish holiday sweater and join us for an afternoon of celebration. Cost for the table lodge is \$35 and includes dinner and a commemorative firing glass.

In closing, I would like to thank you for giving me the privilege of serving as your Worshipful Master in 2019. It has been a pleasure to work with the officers and members while moving Patuxent Lodge forward in 2018 and 2019.

The Officers and their wives join Nancy and I in wishing you the very best this Holiday Season and in the coming New Year.

Sincerely and Fraternally,  
Terry Royce, Sr., PM  
Worshipful Master  
Patuxent Lodge No. 218

**From the West**  
**“Final Thoughts”**

**Parat Felicitatem - Latin definition of, preparing for prosperity.**

This my brethren is the simple explanation of my 2019 as your Senior Warden. It has been nothing short of a whirlwind year and I'm still in preparation mode as the east beckons.

The support that I have received from our lodge as well as from our glorious state has been immeasurable. I have been truly humbled by that effort. It has only galvanized me as a principle officer to push Patuxent Lodge No. 218 to new heights with the assistance of you, my brethren.

We've accomplished great things 2019 year, from the very beginning of our installation done perfectly by the Grand Master and his Grand Line Officers, Perfect Attendance Bike Give-Aways to two schools for both boys & girls, weekly MD.Food Bank, giving away six (6) scholarships to high school seniors, raising worthy Brothers to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, VA., done by the Grand Master of Mason in Maryland and his Grand Line Officers.

Wardens Night hosted once again by Patuxent Lodge No.218, and so much more, as well as successfully brought in several brothers throughout the year to visit us at the lodge, and even at Harvest Home Day, which speaks volumes of how we're building on the legacy of our lodge.

I'm uber excited at what the future holds for our lodge. I'm looking forward to the upcoming holiday season and let's complete this year on an even higher note.

As always, it's my pleasure to serve as the Senior Warden of your Lodge.

S&F,  
Bro. Jose' Cruz Sr.  
Senior Warden  
Patuxent Lodge No.218

## From the South

Trying to get up that great big hill of hope for a destination  
And I realized quickly when I knew, I should that the world was made up of this  
brotherhood of man for whatever that means

### 4 Non Blondes - What's Going On Lyrics

Interesting lyrics. Not meant for a Masonic minute; but does provoke some thoughts. As Freemasons, we strive for higher principles and aspire for greater outcomes for the world.

So, looking back on that great big hill of hope that is Patuxent Lodge, we see that we have indeed made the effort to improve ourselves and those around us. We have made an impact on our communities and left lasting impressions on those we interact with.

Throughout the year we have added many new brothers and our family has expanded. With this we have more bonds and lasting friendships. We feel the joy of life; we feel the sorrow of pain and suffering; we regret the passing. Mostly, we celebrate each other.

I think we do know what the brotherhood of man means and we live it to the best of our abilities. If we don't the it is a Sia says in BREATH ME - "And the worst part is there's no one else to blame".

As the year wanes and the dawn of a new one approaches, we still have business to transact and obligations to fill. We also have fellowship and family gatherings to enjoy. Our destination is clearer. We forge ahead, we follow our tenants and obligations.

## Sick Report

Jack Aiken  
Brenda Aliff  
(Girlfriend of Jack Aiken)

Doug Cohen  
Marlon Curtis, PM  
Norma Edwards  
(Eric Gronbeck's Grandmother)  
Donald Hamilton

Brenda Hamilton  
(Wife of Donald Hamilton)  
Earlene Harrison  
(Wife of Mel Harrison, PM)  
Belmont Royce  
Frank Wilburn, PM  
Felicidad Villanueva  
(Mother of Jasonric Villanueva)

**Please keep the above mentioned and their families in your thoughts and prayers**

If you or someone you know are sick or injured; please let me know. Conversely, if you know of a positive event (birth of a child, marriage, etc.) please let me know that as well.

Melvin Mason, PM, – JW

# **Congratulations!!!**

## **To our 70 Year Masonic Birthday Milestone Members**

**George W. Allen, Jr. PM**

**William Heath, Jr.**

## **To our 50 Year Masonic Birthday Milestone Members**

**Kenneth Jordan**

**James Spicer**

**Robert Wilburn, PM**

## **Masonic Birthdays**

### **November**

Jackson Aiken, Jr. – 2 Yrs.

Harry Cotten, PM - 55 Yrs.

Charles Dean - 51 Yrs.

William Ellin - 45 Yrs.

Eric Gronbeck – 3 Yrs.

William Hinton III - 28 Yrs.

Byron Jones - 49 Yrs.

Rick Mubarak – 2 Yrs.

Thomas Murphy - 47 Yrs.

Carlos Nocentelli – 2 Yrs.

Jared Reiber – 2 Yrs.

Edward Ryan – 9 Yrs.

Howard Simons, Jr. - 27 Yrs.

### **December**

Laurence Ben - 8 Yrs.

David Boggs - 59 Yrs.

Daniel Brewer, PM - 31 Yrs.

Jose' Cruz, Sr. – 2 Yrs.

Wayne Deen - 42 Yrs.

Kenyatta Galbreth, PM - 8 Yrs.

William Heath, Jr. - 70 Yrs.

Kenneth Jordan - 50 Yrs.

Mark Manapul – 2 Yrs.

Rudy McCumber, PM - 40 Yrs.

Alejo Nefalar, Jr. – 2 Yrs.

James Powell – 43 Yrs.

## **November Trestleboard**

- Nov. 2, 10:00 AM Patuxent Lodge Stated Communication  
Entered Apprentice Degree  
Presentation of Brother Frank Wilburn, PM  
50 year Masonic Service Award.
- Nov. 7, 7:30 PM Southern Maryland Grand Lodge School of Instruction  
Exemplification of the Master Mason Degree  
Master Masons Welcome.
- Nov. 15, 6:00 PM Grand Master's Banquet  
RSVP by Nov. 4  
Grand Lodge at 410-527-0600 - \$65 PP
- Nov. 16, 10:00 AM Grand Lodge Annual Communication  
RSVP by Nov. 4  
Grand Lodge at 410-527-0600 - Lunch \$20 PP
- 6:00 PM Dinner, Open Installation of 2020 Grand Line Officers  
Dinner \$30 PP. Open Installation is free  
RSVP by Nov. 4 - Grand Lodge at 410-527-0600
- Nov. 18, 7:30 PM Patuxent Lodge Stated Communication  
6:30 PM Dinner Scouters Lodge Presentation to  
Amir, Ahmad, Ali and Asa Mubarak
- Nov. 22, 7:30 PM Job's Daughters Bethel No. 41  
Come out and support Bethel No. 41  
6311 Old Branch Ave. Temple Hills, MD 20748  
If you have ordered from our Claire's Gourmet fundraiser  
or purchased a White House Ornament, all items will be  
available for pickup.

## **December Trestleboard**

- Dec. 5, 7:30 PM Southern Maryland Grand Lodge of Instruction  
Workshop on Open and Closed Installations  
Master Masons Welcome
- Dec. 7, 10:00 AM Patuxent Lodge Stated Communication  
Election of Officers for 2020  
Open Table Lodge and Holiday Gathering for Members  
of Patuxent Lodge and their family. Cost for Table Lodge  
\$35 PP.

## *Happy Holidays*

Upcoming Events for 2020:

Jan. 4, 6:00 PM

Patuxent Lodge Open Installation of Officers

## **Our Deepest Sympathy**

**Ancel D. Dolinger**

Born 02/07/1927

E.A. 03/14/1956 – F.C.

06/13/1956 – M.M. 09/24/1956

Passed 11/28/2018

**Robert E. Micer**

Born 07/01/1929

E.A. 04/26/1967 – F.C. 10/18/1967

– M.M. 12/13/1967

Passed 10/03/2019

***WE WILL CHERISH THEIR MEMORY IN OUR  
HEARTS..... AND COMMEND THEIR SOUL TO GOD  
WHO GAVE IT.***

***MAY OUR BRETHREN REST IN PEACE IN THE  
CELESTIAL LODGE IN HEAVEN***

## **2020 Dues Notice**

Brethren,

The 2020 dues notice was sent out in October, please take a moment to remit your dues. When writing your check, you may wish to make a contribution to the Scholarship Fund or the Charity Fund. If you have any questions, please contact the Secretary, Melvin Harrison, PM at 301-758-8396.



# Thank you for your generosity and support to our many community projects this year!

Jack Aiken  
Rodney Ballance  
Diane Bryant  
Jose Cruz, Sr.  
Jose Cruz, Jr.  
Stephen Cumberland  
Darryl Duty  
Alicia Gonzalez  
Don Hamilton  
Melvin Harrison, PM  
Earlene Harrison  
Robert Hight, Jr., PM

Serena Hight  
Tylor Deeds  
Bobby Hight  
Emma Hight  
Gale Hines  
Janet Hines  
William Hines, PM  
Mark Manapul  
Samantha Manapul  
Melvin Mason, Jr., PM  
Rudy McCumber, PM  
Lisa Monias

Rick Mubarak  
Sarita Mubarak  
Alejo Nefalar  
Nancy Royce  
Harold Saintelien  
Jermaine Sewell  
Marikhande Sissoko  
Conrado Taguba  
Jasonric Villanueva  
Joan Villanueva  
Nathan Villanueva  
Natkana Villanueva



Congratulations to the three newest Master Masons in Southern Maryland. Brother Tylor Deeds, and Jeff Howard of Prince Frederick Lodge No. 142 and Brother Jamie Spaulding of Patuxent Lodge No. 218.



Patuxent Lodge sponsoring a Hole for the Grand Master's Golf Tournament



Brother John LeRoy, PM and Brother Randy Geck presenting the Building of the Flag for the National Sojourners – September



Brother Rick and Sister Sarita Mubarak and Terry Royce, WM Walk for Alzheimer's September



Congratulations to (L-R) Brothers Rudy McCumber, PM, Jermaine Sewell, Jack Aiken, Jr., William Hines, PM and Melvin Mason, Jr. for their dedication and assistance to the Food Bank every month.



Congratulations to Brother Rudy McCumber, PM who was presented his Solomon's II builders pin from Secretary Melvin Harrison, PM on behalf of the Grand Lodge for membership



Congratulations to Stephan Mulrain, Patuxent Lodge newest Entered Apprentice.

# COMMITTEES FOR 2019

## **Communication Committee (telephone/web/mail)**

Melvin Mason, PM; Jose Cruz, Sr.; Rick Mubarak; Melvin Harrison, PM

## **Sickness and Distress**

Jose' Cruz, Sr.; Melvin Mason; PM; All Officers

## **Maryland CHIP Program**

Rudy McCumber, PM; Mark Manapul; Alejo Nefalar

## **By-Laws Committee**

Melvin Harrison, PM; William Hines, PM; Rudy McCumber, PM; Carlos Nocentelli

## **Audit/Budget Committee**

Jose' Cruz, Sr.; William Hines, PM; Melvin Harrison, PM; Melvin Mason, PM; Alejo Nefalar

## **Charlotte Hall Veterans Home**

Wes Sudduth; Harold Santelien; Rodney Ballance

## **Widow's Program**

William Hines, PM; Rick Mubarak; Rodney Ballance

## **Membership**

Rick Mubarak; Rodney Balance; Mark Manapul; Alejo Nefalar

## **Rehearsal/Catechism/Education**

Rick Mubarak; Rodney Balance; Conrado Taguba; Mark Manapul

## **Lodge Trustees**

Marlon Curtis, PM-2019; Kenyatta Galbreth, PM-2020; Rudy McCumber, PM-2018

## **Scholarship Program**

Rudy McCumber, PM; Harold Saintelien; Melvin Mason, PM

## **Two Eighteen Holding Corporation**

Rudy McCumber, PM – President  
William Hines, PM – Secretary/Treasurer

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for stated meetings; rehearsals; Grand Lodge Schools of Instruction  
and other Masonic events.

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## **\*\*Please Note\*\***

Patuxent Lodge may hold a second communication on the third (3rd) Monday of the month at the discretion of the Worshipful Master. Catechism examination may be returned at any stated communication. Entered Apprentice and Fellowcraft are welcome to attend all Stated Communications.

Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, Master Masons and their families are welcome to attend all open Lodge events. Patuxent Lodge welcomes prospective members to meet with us before any Stated Communication. We will be happy to answer questions and give them a tour of the lodge.

## Past Masters

1926- 27	U.D.J. Hofferbert *	1973	Harry Cotten
1927- 28	E. Robertson *	1974	James Arnold *
1929	Thurston Brown *	1975	John Pierce, Jr. PM *
1930	Floyd Martin *	1976	James Hollis *
1931	Raymond Wilburn *	1977	Chilton Walker ~ *
1932	F. Wright, Jr. *	1978	James Davis *
1933	H. Hotchkiss *	1979	Raymond Williams, Jr. *
1934	Joseph Rawlings*	1980	William Hines PGI, PWAGT
1935	Readus Frye *	1981	Richard Price ~
1936	Carl Price *	1982	Wilburn Jones PGI *
1937	Edwin Staats *	1983	Gerald Rapson *
1938	E. Gentle *	1984	Rudy McCumber
1939	F. Colmus *	1985	Urban Peters
1940	Edward Schmidt *	1986	Terry Royce
1941	L. Sylvester *	1987	Charlie Smith, Jr. ~
1942	Eliza Job *	1988	Richard Gould *
1943	Preston Tate *	1989	John Sullivan ~
1944	Edwin Fisher *	1990	Brooks Dodson, Jr. *
1945	Vernon Keafauver *	1991	David Hamrick \$
1946	C. Hoofring *	1992	Boris Tenner * PM PGI PWSGS
1947	Jules DuBost *	1993	Melvin Harrison, WPGT PGI
1948	Aubrey Amos *	1994-95	Oswald Lockard, PM + *
1949	Charles Wilson *	1994	Leonard Proden + MWPGM-DC
1950	August Duchene *	1996	Urban Peters, PM PGI
1951	Norris Robinson *	1997	Oswald Lockard, PM + *
1952	William Alvey *	1998-99	John Gluth PM + *
1953	C. Hubbard ~ *	2000-03	Oswald Lockard, PM + *
1953	John Ball * #	2001	Frank Wilburn +
1954	F. Freeman *	2002-03	Thomas Mason PGI +
1955	Chester Towns *	2003-07-09-10	Melvin Mason PGI +
1956	James Patterson *	2004	Frank Wilburn PM
1957	Charles Gidden *	2004	Glynn Owens * #
1958	Flory Diehl * PRWSGW	2005	Oswald Lockard, PM + *
1959	Hector Gellerson *	2006-08	Urban Peters, PM PGI
1960	George Allen, Jr.	2008	James Cloud, Jr. +
1961	Lloyd Bertholf *	2009	Grover Brewer
1962	George McCullogh *	2010-11	Terry Royce, PM PWGP
1963	Gordon Pearson ~ *	2012	Gerald Poe, Jr.
1964	Reidar Haug *	2012-13	Steven Walls, PJGS GI +
1965	Jesse Ross *	2013-14	Rudy McCumber, PM PJGS PGI
1966	Joseph Harris *	2015	Marlon Curtis
1967	William McPherson *	2016	Marlon Curtis, PM
1968	John Pierce, Jr. *	2017	Kenyatta Galbreth
1969	Boris Tenner * PGI	2017	Robert Hight, Jr. +
1970	Peter Clela	2018	Terry Royce, Sr. PM PGI RWPJGW
1971	Kenneth Hardesty*		
1972	Norman Abney ~ *		

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