

Seat Pleasant Lodge No. 218
P.O. Box 1507
Chesapeake Beach, MD 20732-3202

Open Installation of Officers January 17, 2011
Dinner 6:15 PM, Installation 7:30 PM
February 5, 2011 Master Mason Degree 9:00 AM

Seat Pleasant Lodge No. 218

A. F. and A. M.

Free Masonry – Are You In



Chartered May 10, 1927

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

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Officers for 2011

Terry Royce, PM (Nancy)	Worshipful Master
Gerald F. Poe, Jr. (Toni)	Senior Warden
Melvin E. Harrison, PM (Earlene)	Secretary
William D. Hines, PM, (Janet)	Treasurer
Marlon K. Curtis (Deborah)	Junior Warden
James W. Cloud Jr., PM (Melissa)	Senior Deacon
Rudy McCumber, PM	Junior Deacon
Vacant	Senior Steward
Vacant	Junior Steward
David E. Amstutz (Maryann)	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

PAST MASTERS

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

* Deceased ~ Demitted + Affiliated # Honorary \$ Dropped

COMMITTEES FOR 2011

Communication Committee (telephone)

Gerald F. Poe, Jr. SW - Chairman

Sickness and Distress

Marlon K. Curtis, JW - Chairman

Brother-to-Brother Program

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

Maryland Chip Program Chairman

Rudy McCumber, PM

By Laws Committee

William D. Hines, PM - Chairman

Gerald F. Poe, Jr., SW; Rudy McCumber, PM, JD

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

Audit/Budget Committee

Terry L. Royce, PM, WM; Gerald F. Poe, Jr., SW;

Marlon K. Curtis, JW; William D. Hines, PM;

Melvin E. Harrison, PM; Rudy McCumber, PM

Blood Bank Program

Glynn H. Owens, HPM - Chairman

Charlotte Hall Veterans Home

Norman Lynch - Chairman

Widow's Program

William D. Hines, PM - Chairman

Lodge Trustees

Terry L. Royce, PM - 2013

Rudy McCumber, PM - 2012

David E. Amstutz - 2011

Temple Holding Corporation

David E. Armstutz, President

Ray Wilburn, Vice President

William D. Hines, PM, 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, PGI; Ralph W. Moore, PM, PGI

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WORSHIPFUL MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren,

I want to thank you for electing me to another term as Worshipful Master of Seat Pleasant Lodge. Our open Installation of officers will be held on January 17, 2011, at 7:30 PM. There will be a dinner served at 6:15 PM before the installation. Please bring your spouse or a friend and enjoy the ceremony of the installation. This going to be an exciting year for Seat Pleasant Lodge, and Maryland Masonry. On January 1, 2011, The Grand lodge of Maryland will begin advertising on cable TV channels such as the History and Discovery channels and Spike TV. They will also have advertisements on radio and print about becoming a Mason. These ads will run thru April 1, 2011, and on April 2nd every Masonic Lodge in the state of Maryland will hold an open house from 10:00 AM till 5:00 PM to answer questions and assist potential candidates. Investigation Committees will have a very important job, as most of us may not know these potential candidates. A lot of great men are out there and want to belong to our great Fraternity, but don't know how to go about joining our organization. Years ago we were not allowed to ask someone if they were interested in the Masonic Order. If you know someone 18 years and older and you think he would make a great Mason, give us a call and we will send you a petition. When you see these ads on TV or radio, talk to your family members or friends, and ask them if they ever thought about joining the Masonic order. Many times we don't let people know we are Masons, or how to join and our friends want to join, but don't know who to ask or what to ask.

If you have someone interested and would like for them to talk to one of the officers to answer his or his wife's questions, to see the lodge, dispel rumors or find out more about the organization, give us a call and one of the officers will be happy to meet with them. You do not have to wait till April. Now is a great time if you have forgotten some things or have gotten out of the habit of coming to lodge and would like to start attending lodge. You can meet with old and new friends; give back to the community thru the MDCHIP (child ID) program and associating with some of the BEST people the world has known. Give me a call and I will assist you in any way possible to help you feel comfortable in coming to lodge.

At our stated meeting on February 5, 2011, we will confer the Master Mason degree on up to 8 Fellow Crafts jointly with Prince Frederick Lodge No. 142. Our stated communication will start at 9:00 AM. Centennial Lodge No. 174 will have a breakfast starting at 8:00 AM for a nominal fee.

Worshipful Master *(continued)*

May the blessing of Heaven rest upon us and all regular masons. May Brotherly Love prevail and every moral and social virtue cement us.

Terry L. Royce, PM
Worshipful Master Elect
Seat Pleasant Lodge No. 218

From The West

Brethren- greetings, blessings and salutations!

I first want to say congratulations to our Worshipful Master Elect Terry Royce and the rest of the elected line officers for 2011. Congratulations again my brothers! Fiat Lux! May the Grand Architect of The Universe continue to speak, inspire and embrace us all to work and serve our lodge, each other, our families and communities. What a powerful opportunity we have this year at Seat Pleasant Lodge No. 218 to build upon a continued community-based effort and embrace the further ideals of chivalry, brotherhood and friendship. Being a bit older in masonry and understanding how to more efficiently manage the extent of my cable tow, I dedicate to you all my earnest attention. I will do my best to assist the WM and our Lodge in its continued growth and service to itself and society. I thank you all for electing me to the West as your Sr. Warden and look forward to a successful, spiritual, enthusiastically-driven and outstanding year! We have a clear vision, which we will communicate frequently. We are committed to excellence and look forward to your fellowship. Come out, brethren, and join us this year! Powerful we are together! Together we must be, United we will be. Continued blessings to all!

Gerald F. Poe Jr.
Senior Warden- Elect
Seat Pleasant Lodge #218

From the South

Brethren,

I would like to express my heartfelt appreciation for the confidence you bestowed upon me by electing me as your Junior Warden. I am deeply committed to supporting our Worshipful Master and serving our Lodge with the utmost effort as my labor and regular attendance will display. I will work hard to enhance the unity of our brethren and see that our Lodge

Our Deepest Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy, to Melvin E. Harrison, PM and Secretary of Seat Pleasant Lodge and his family on the passing of his mother Florence Harrison age 87 on December 21, 2010.

Masonic Birthdays

January

James W. Patterson, PM 60 Years
Edward W. Spencer 60 Years
Baltus E. Birkle 57 Years
Robert K. Rodeffer 51 Years
Richard J. Wyche 46 Years

Total Masonic Years 274 Years

February

Lindsey J. Hammonds 28 Years
William D. Goodman 47 Years
Salvatore C. Tamaro 47 Years
Robert I. Tiller III 45 Years

Total Masonic Years 167 Years

Total Masonic Years to Date 441 Years

Average Masonic years to date 49

Congratulations to Brothers James Patterson, PM and Edward Spencer. They are both celebrating a Masonic Milestone of 60 years of service! They were raised on January 24, 1951.

FIVE POINTS OF FELLOWSHIP

by William R. Fischer

There are duties owing by every Mason to his brethren. By allusion to certain points of the body, we are taught the “The Five Points of Fellowship.”

1. To serve
2. Pray for
3. Keep the secrets of
4. Support
5. Counsel

We must be constantly reminded of these points so we will not lose sight of them, once we leave the Lodge. More the brother who does not attend than he who attends regularly.

As always, we forgive the brother who does not frequent the Lodge. We should, because we know not the reason for his absence.

The five points of fellowship are a daily responsibility, and should become a habit. They should be so familiar to us, that we would act upon them with no more thought, than would be give to washing your hands or opening a door.

We constantly help, or serve our family, our brothers, our friends, and even strangers when we see the need.

We pray for others and ourselves, for strength and for peace.

We diligently keep the secrets from our detractors, from the ignorant, from the obsessed.

We support those who try to make life better, and we support those who fail. Then we counsel them, so they may have more knowledge, more understanding.....more light.

From the South *(continued)*

grows and prospers in the coming years. Let the pitfalls of the past serve as learning tools to make us better Masons and to create a Lodge of which we'll be proud. I welcome the knowledge and advice of our esteemed Past Masters to accomplish this endeavor. Look well to the south my brothers for it is well.

Marlon K. Curtis
Junior Warden- Elect

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

January 2011 Trestleboard

Jan. 1, 2011	Happy New Year
Jan. 17 @ 6:15 PM	Dinner
7:30 PM	Open Installation of Officers
Jan. 20 @ 7:30 PM	Reading the XVI articles of the Constitution Worshipful Master, Senior and Junior Warden must attend Past Masters Day
Jan. 31 @ 7:00 PM	Officer's Rehearsal

February 2011 Trestleboard

Feb 3 @ 7:30 PM	Grand Lodge School of Instruction WM, SW, JW, MMs are welcome
Feb. 5 @ 9:00 AM	Stated Meeting
8:00 AM	Breakfast @ Centennial - Nominal Fee Master Mason Degree
Feb. 17 @ 7:30 PM	Grand Lodge Law School @ Centennial WM, SW, JW, MMs are welcome
Feb. 21 @ 7:00 PM	Officers Rehearsal
Feb. 28 @ 7:00 PM	Officers Rehearsal

Up Coming Events

March 5 @ 8:00 AM	Regional Meeting at Centennial Worshipful Master & Secretary NOTE: Stated Meeting Rescheduled
March 12 @ 10:00 AM	Stated Meeting
9:00 AM	Coffee and Donuts
April 2, 2011	State Wide Open House 10:00 AM till 5:00 PM NOTE: Stated Meeting Rescheduled
April 9 @ 10:00 AM	Stated Meeting

The Cornerstone Club

Last year The Cornerstone Club was well received and we were able to purchase Staffs for the Deacons and Stewards and a Tyler Sword with the money donated thru the Cornerstone Club. We appreciate all of our 2010 Cornerstone Club members and their contributions.

This year our goal is to replace the office equipment the secretary has been using since 1993. This equipment is very outdated and needs to be replaced. Unfortunately, we do not receive enough help or support with fundraisers we have planned, and we are looking for ways to buy items the lodge needs that our dues will not cover. Money needs to be raised to cover these items.

If you would like to join the Cornerstone Club you can do so by making a donation of \$100.00 for the year. The membership is renewable each year at \$100 in order to maintain your status as a member of the Cornerstone Club. In each bulletin we will print the names of those who joined the Cornerstone Club and you will receive a certificate of appreciation from the lodge. Your donations can also be made in the memory of or to honor someone. The Cornerstone Club is open to widows as well as children of members.

Your donations can be sent to the lodge secretary, attention Cornerstone Club Membership.

Scholarship Program

This year Seat Pleasant Lodge is again sponsoring Forestville Academy High School and Suitland High School in Prince Georges County as well as Southern High School and South River High School in Anne Arundel County for the Maryland Masonic Charities Scholarship Program. Last year a student from Suitland High School was awarded a four year scholarship. This program awards a student with a scholarship for \$1000 for a 2 or 4 year program. If you have a child or if you know of someone who has a child, that is a senior attending one these schools, please have them talk to the guidance counselors who have the forms. They have until March 30th to get their forms back to the counselor before we pick them up and send them to Grand Lodge by March. 31st.

Sick Report

Glynn and Pauline Owens
9101 Cheltenham Ave.
Clinton, Md. 20735
301-868-4805

Please give them a call or drop them a note

2011 Southern Maryland Schedule of Installations

Lodge	#	Date	Type	Food	Install	Note
Oxon Hill	231	1/8/2011	CLOSED	6:30 PM	7:30 PM	
Laurel Wreath	149	1/3/2011	CLOSED	6:30 PM	7:30 PM	
Collington	230	1/15/2011	OPEN-GL	Following \$10.00	9:00 AM	At Centennial-Lunch 9:00 – Coffee
St. Columbia	150	1/18/2011	CLOSED	6:30 PM	7:30 PM	\$8.00 Donation
Prince Frederick	142	1/12/2011	OPEN-GL	6:00 PM	7:30 PM	
Birmingham	188	1/29/2011	OPEN	Following	1:00 PM	
Centennial	174	1/15/2011	OPEN-GL	Following	3:00 PM	
Perseverance	208	1/11/2011	OPEN	6:30 PM	7:30 PM	
Mt. Hermon	179	1/4/2011	OPEN	6:00 PM	7:30 PM	Res. for Dinner
Annapolis	89	1/8/2011	OPEN	Following	10:30 AM	
Camp Springs	227	1/11/2011	CLOSED	6:30 PM	7:30 PM	Donation for Dinner
T. J. Shryock	223	1/10/2011	OPEN	5:30 PM	7:00 PM	Cost TBD
Seat Pleasant	218	1/17/2011	OPEN-GL	6:15 PM	7:30 PM	At Centennial
Saint Albans	233	1/27/2011	OPEN	6:00 PM	7:30 PM	At Odenton Lodge