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March/April 2011 Edition

March Stated Communication Rescheduled for March 19, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. 8 a.m. till 11 a.m. Breakfast sponsored by Bethel #42

April 2 Stated Meeting 8 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. (casual dress)

9:30 a.m. til 5:00 p.m. Everyone Welcome! April 2 Open House

SEAT PLEASANT LODGE No. 218 Officers for 2011

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

PAST WASTERS					
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*					
* December 1 December 1 According	# I I A D I				

^{*} 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

Seat Pleasant Lodge No. 218 March-April 2011 WORSHIPFUL MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren.

The March stated meeting has been rescheduled to March 19. This will be a general business meeting with light refreshments following the meeting. Job's Daughters Bethel #42 will hold a breakfast from 8 AM till 11 A M. Please come out and support the Job's Daughters. Everyone is welcome so bring your family to the lodge for breakfast on March 19.

The April stated communication will be held on April 2, 2011, from 8:00 AM till 9:15 AM, prior to the State Wide Masonic Open House. Dress is casual for everyone.

The State Wide Open House will be held on April 2, 2011, and begins at 9:30 AM. All lodges in the State of Maryland will be open to meet and greet potential candidates and answer any questions and lay to rest any myths about the Masonic Order. If you know anyone who is interested in the fraternity or would be interested in joining the Masonic Order, you do not have to wait till April 2. Call and we will set up a time to meet them and their family. If you just would like to get back in the habit of attending lodge, meeting your officers in a casual setting, or refresh some thing you might have forgotten, this is a great time to come and visit the lodge. We will have refreshments all day, and welcome you to stop in. Remember that we need your help in rebuilding Seat Pleasant Lodge — we need new members. Widows, if you know of a male over 18 who may be interested, please contact us and we will get in touch with them. The lodge needs great people like you who belong to the greatest fraternity, where some of the best people the world has ever known belong. Let them be counted among the greatest in the world too.

C. William McPherson, PM (1967) had always envisioned building a library and museum in the basement of the lodge building in District Heights to show and share the history of Seat Pleasant Lodge. Steps were added at the side of the building in the late 1980's and rooms were built, although we were never able to complete the museum.

Thanks to Charlotte McPherson and members of Seat Pleasant Lodge, we were recently able to purchase a display case. We welcome all members of the lodge, their widows or children that would like to donate Masonic related items for display in this case. If you have any item that is Masonic related, such as a gavel, apron, lapel pins, books, caps from other organizations (York Rite, Shriners etc.) and would like to donate them for display to show

Worshipful Master (continued)

case the history of the members of Seat Pleasant Lodge, please call or email me. All items are appreciated and will display the name of the member that donated the items. Once we get the items displayed, we will schedule a dedication ceremony.

It is all too often that we obtain information from a third or fourth party source telling of us of a member who passed away and either the lodge was not notified or the family did not know how to contact the lodge or have the information needed as to where or whom to call. Please take a moment and do these simple things to assist your family during these difficult times.

- · Locate your apron and place it in an easy location for your family members to find and let them know where it will be stored.
- Tape a bulletin to the outside of the tube. I know what you are thinking; the officers change every year, so next year it will be out of date? The bulletin will have many numbers your family can use as a starting point, when they are attempting to reach someone at the lodge. They will be able to reach someone from the lodge that can put them in contact with the proper individual.
- · Place these instructions along with a bulletin with your important papers for your family to locate.

In closing, I would like to thank everyone that came out to the installation of our 2011 officers. Although we had bad weather, including sleet, we had a record crowd in attendance! We had to add extra tables and chairs for dinner and extra chairs to seat everyone in the lodge. This is a wonderful reflection of our lodge members and officers. We were also honored to have Past Masters George Allen from California and Pete Peters from Kentucky make the journey to attend our installation. Many members brought their wives and families as well to the installation and all enjoyed the Chinese food dinner!

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

Sincerely and fraternally,

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

DREAMS

By William R. Fischer

You have passed your third degree exam and now you are a Master Mason. So What Now?

You have several choices in front of you.

- 1. Become an officer.
- 2. Become proficient in ritual work.
- 3. Move on to the other degrees.
- 4. Join one of the many other organizations only a Master Mason can join.
- 5. Or slowly fade away like so many do, never to be seen or heard from, except for dues time.

There are other options but these are the most prevalent.

If you do the fifth choice in this list you will never know any more about Masonry than you know right now. You will never be any use to the fraternity nor will the organization ever be useful to you.

If you stay with one or more of the top four you will learn how a group can act as a team. You will see how much more the team can accomplish than just one person alone. This does not mean that we are not individuals. Masonry teaches free thinking and this can only be accomplished through self-sufficiency. A determination to be free from all types of restraints is preferred.

Free thinking will open up your thoughts, your hopes, and your aspiration. You will be able to express yourself by using your head and embrace those ideas with your heart.

What all of this means is that you should:

Speak with your head

Listen to your heart

And always, always follow your dreams

In Memory of Bernard H. Lallier

Born: October 9, 1938

Raised: April 27, 1983

Departed: January 25, 2010

Our Deepest Sympathy

to Brother Richard Mizak who lost his wife, Virginia Mizak, on February 8, 2011

Thanks to all who assisted Richard in his time of need. We truly are the greatest fraternity in the world.

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. $31^{\rm st.}$

Sick Report

Ralph E. Greene Elizabeth Fallin, wife of Al Fallin Ralph W. Moore, PM Glynn and Pauline Owens

Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers

March 2011 Trestleboard

March 3 @	7:30 P.M.	Grand Lodge School of Instruction at
		Birmingham Lodge No. 188
		E.A. Degree - Full Form w/ Catechism
March 5 @	8:00 A.M.	Regional Meeting at Centennial
		Worshipful Master & Secretary
		Note: Stated Meeting Rescheduled to March 19
March 17 @	7:30 PM	Grand Lodge Law School at Centennial
		Senior and Junior Wardens must attend.
		All Master Masons are welcome to attend.
March 19 @	10:00 AM	March Stated Meeting
8:00 A.M 11	1:00 A.M.	Breakfast sponsored by Job's Daughters
		Bethel #42 of Hollywood, MD
		Lodge and Corporate Audit immediately after stated meeting
		Light refreshments to follow the stated meeting.
March 21 @	7:00 P.M.	Officers' Rehearsal
March 28 @	7:00 P.M.	Officers' Rehearsal

April 2011 Trestleboard

April 2 @	8:00 A.M.	April Stated Meeting
		Casual Dress
		Refreshments served after the meeting
9:30 A.M. to	5:00 P.M.	State Wide Open house
		Everyone welcome to attend!
April 7 @	7:30 PM	Grand Lodge Law School of Instruction at
		Mt. Hermon Lodge No. 179-Seat Pleasant
		Host Lodge
		Fellow Craft Degree – full form w/catechism
April 18 @	7:00 P.M.	Officers' Rehearsal
April 21 @	7:30 P.M.	Grand Lodge Law School @ Centennial
_		Senior and Junior Wardens must attend.
		All Master Masons are welcome to attend.
April 25 @	7:00 P.M.	Officers' Rehearsal

Masonic Birthdays

March

George Allen	62 Years
Dean Howard	58 Years
Eugene Kerns	40 Years
Urban (Pete) Peters	35 Years
Gerald (Gerry) Rapson	35 Years
Richard Sapp	
Michael Liller	25 Years
Albert (Al) Fallin	56 Years
Ralph Hurd	36 Years
James Burnett	55 Years
Charles White	49 Years
James W. Cloud Jr	7 Years
Total Masonic Years April	510 Years
Ralph E. Greene	52 Years
Joe Varnadore	
David Amstutz	
Belmont (Jim) Royce	
Kenneth Massey	
Richard Mizak	
Donald Rogers	37 Years
Clarence Meiggs	45 Years
Melvin Taymon	
Total Masonic Years	
Total Masonic Tears	341 Years

Average Masonic years to date 43.06 30 members celebrated to date

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's Sword with the money donated through the Cornerstone Club. We appreciate all of our 2010 Cornerstone Club members and their contributions!

This year the goal of the Cornerstone Club 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 assistance or support with fundraisers and we are looking for ways to buy items the lodge desperately needs, that our dues will not cover.

If you would like to join the Cornerstone Club you can do so by making a donation of \$100 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.

2011 Cornerstone Club Members

Joe F. Varnadore

Terry L. Royce, PM