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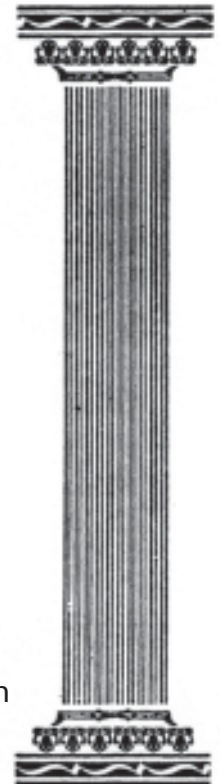
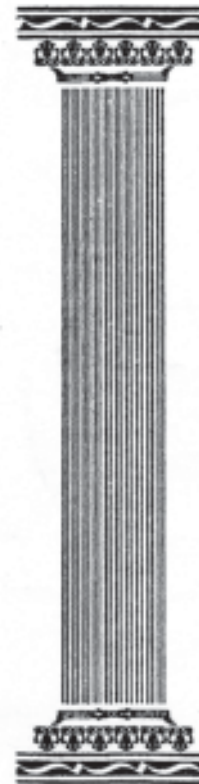
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Seat Pleasant Lodge No. 218

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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Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

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May/June 2011 Edition

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

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. Gentle*	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

Seat Pleasant Lodge No. 218

May - June 2011

WORSHIPFUL MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren,

We are nearly half way through the year, as summer will arrive in just two short months. I am sure that many of us will be thankful for signs of spring and some warmer weather. We had a great time at the Open House on April 2, 2011, and had several interested visitors. We received a petition from Mr. Shaun Phillips that will be voted on at our May 7th meeting. The Open House committee did an outstanding job on behalf of your lodge. Seat Pleasant and the history of the lodge were well represented in an outstanding video that included photos of events we hosted; events at the Grand Lodge; Installation; and photos from our Facebook page. Thank you Brother Gerald Poe, SW for all of the hard work that you did on the video – job well done!

I would like to thank Brothers Rudy McCumber, PM, JD; Gerald Poe, SW; Marlon Curtis JW; David Amstutz, Chaplain; James Cloud Jr. PM, SD; and Timothy Murphy SS; for your hard work and dedication to making our open house a huge success.

Our stated meeting will be held on May 7, 2011, at 6:00 PM with a covered dish dinner. Junior Warden Marlon Curtis will be conducting the lodge meeting and a special program for the ladies. Please plan to bring your lady and any non-Masonic guest you wish. Each lady in attendance will receive a Blue Slipper Lapel Pin. Bring a covered dish and enjoy the evening with your lady.

Beginning with our May meeting non-Masonic guests are welcome at all of our programs and meals, i.e., breakfast/dinner. What better way to introduce someone to the Masonic Family and the people who are associated with it!

On May 7 from 9 AM till 5 PM, we will be having a MDCHIP event at Marlboro Day on Main St. in Upper Marlboro. We desperately need help for this event. If you have anyone interested in working with us, including any students in your family we welcome them. Students will receive credit in the form of a letter from the lodge so that they can earn their community service hours needed to graduate.

On May 16, 2011, we will have a special communication for the purpose of conferring the E.A. degree.

A committee has been formed to look at changing the name of Seat Pleasant Lodge. We are no longer in Seat Pleasant, nor do we represent

Worshipful Master *(continued)*

the Seat Pleasant area. When having fund raisers with our name on it, we have had problems selling tickets. We had a Basket Bingo; people would not buy tickets thinking they had to go to Seat Pleasant to play even though the games were held in Upper Marlboro. Contact the committee members with your ideas. We will be discussing this at the June meeting. The committee members are Gerald Poe, SW; David Amstutz, Chaplain; Rudy McCumber, PM,JD; or Bill Hines, PM Treasurer.

On June 4, 2011, a Family Fun Picnic will be held at Bonnie Blink and is open to everyone. Please plan to take your family and enjoy the day at Bonnie Blink, with other Masons and their families.

Our stated meeting for June will be on Monday June 6, with dinner beginning at 6:30 PM. Our guest speaker will be the Most Worshipful Past Grand Master, George Adams, of Washington DC. His topic will be about George Washington. We will have strawberry night on this evening. We will be discussing the lodge name change and other By Laws issues. Brothers James Cloud, PM and Rudy McCumber PM, will be conducting lodge for the evening.

On June 11, 2011, we will be hosting another MDCHIP event in Deale, MD from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. We will also have a special communication at 7:30 PM for the purpose of conferring the Entered Apprentice degree.

The lodge display case has arrived and we have received items from Charlotte McPherson daughter of C. William McPherson PM (1967) as well as from Ruth Bertholf, widow of Lloyd B. Bertholf, PM (1961). The family of Harvey Ennis donated some items. If you have any Masonic item(s) you would like to donate to the display case, we would love to have them. Any items are appreciated and will have a card displayed with the name of the original owner, etc. You can see the items displayed on our Facebook page @ Seat Pleasant Masonic Lodge No. 218 A.F. & A.M.

The officers and I wish you and your family a safe and enjoyable summer and look forward to seeing you in the fall.

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

Proposed Amendments to the Grand Lodge Constitution

Article XVI Subordinate Lodges Section 6 Initiation and Conferring of Degrees

B. Conferral of Degrees. The Degrees shall be conferred as follows

1. Entered Apprentice. The first section of the Entered Apprentice Degree (shall) may be conferred (upon each candidate individually) collectively upon at most five candidates.

Article X Section 1.D.3 and Section 2, and Article XVI Section 5.D.2.
Section 1 Revenue -The revenue of the Grand Lodge shall be as follows:

D. From dues and assessments, which each lodge shall pay in the following amounts when making its return to the Grand Secretary, as provided in Article XVI,
Section 11:

3. For each Mason initiated or affiliated (if a Mason of another Grand Jurisdiction) during the period reported, (Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)

Section 2 Allocation of Certain Revenue
The portion of the initiation/affiliation fees received by Grand Lodge shall be as follows:

7/1/89 and thereafter	\$50.00	Dr. John Coats memorial Fund
Beginning 6/1/2011	\$100.00	Dr. John Coats memorial Fund

Section 5 Petition for Initiation, Affiliation and Reinstatement

D. Fees and Assessments for Initiation and Affiliation

2. Affiliation No Lodge may grant affiliation to Masons from another Jurisdiction for a fee less then (\$50.00) \$100.00

The Cornerstone Club

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 ARE NEEDED AND GREATLY APPRECIATED!!!!

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

2011 Cornerstone Club Members

Joe F. Varnadore	Clarence I. Meiggs
Terry L. Royce, PM	Samuel R. Sullivan
Lindsey Hammonds	

May 7, 2011

Ballot on Petition for the degrees of Masonry
Shaun C. Phillips of Upper Marlboro,
Age 25 - School Teacher in Washington, DC

June 6, 2011

Ballot on petition for the degrees of Masonry
Kenneth H. Cooper of Springdale, MD.
Age 50 - Truck Driver for Federal Express



Masonic Birthdays

May

Joseph H. Mauer	47 Years
Woodrow A. Critzer	37 Years
Conan W. Barger	12 Years
Ralph E. Meiggs	12 Years
Seth K. Meigs	12 Years
William E. Soper	12 Years
Clarence H. Andrews	50 Years
John M. Knee	50 Years
Melvin E. Harrison	44 Years
Harris R. Wilburn, Jr.	45 Years
Kenneth M. Prinkey	47 Years
Charles A. Kamm	16 Years
James D. Kamm	16 Years
Luther M. Dean	50 Years
William D. Hines	39 Years
Gerald F. Poe	3 Years
Marion K. Curtis	3 Years
Steven Walls	3 Years
Total Masonic Years	498 Years

June

Jesse K. Reisman	5 Years
James E. Spicer	42 Years
Kenneth C. Hardesty	48 Years
Arthur H. Douglas, Jr.	41 Years
Donald J. Spargo	39 Years
Arthur N. Rumpf	54 Years
William F. Baker	12 Years
Brooks C. Dodson, Jr	31 Years
Augustus E. Shockey, Jr.	53 Years
Robert D. Cameron	29 Years
Terry L. Royce	29 Years
Timothy Murphy	28 Years
Jon Bradley	29 Years

Total Masonic Years	440 Years
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July

Dennis D. Dumire	14 Years
Donald W. Pelassara, Jr.	14 Years
Total Masonic Years	28 Years

August

Eugene A. Zamer, Sr.	51 Years
Total Masonic Years	51 Years

Total Masonic Years to Date 2302

64 Members Celebrated Average Masonic years to date 35.97

Masonic Milestones

Congratulations on Celebrating 50 years of Masonic service!
Brothers Clarence H. Andrews; John M. Knee; and Luther Dean

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- May 5 @ 8:00 A.M. Grand Lodge School of Instruction
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- May 19 @ 7:30 P.M. Grand Lodge Law School @ Centennial
- May 23 @ 7:00 P.M. Officers' Rehearsal

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Blood Donor Program

Congratulations to Brother Howard Simons. He has donated over 12 pints of blood through the Masonic service Blood Donor Program for Seat Pleasant Lodge No. 218. Nice job to Brother Simons who lives in Delaware.

In Memory Of

Eugene M. Kerns

Born: March 29, 1928

Raised: March 3, 1971

Departed: February 5, 2011

William Harry

Born: March 14, 1924

Raised: December 5, 1955

Departed: March 26, 2011

Lawrence S. McLean

Born: September 24, 1925

Raised: June 28, 1978

Departed: April 8, 2011

Our Deepest Sympathy

To Toni Poe, wife of Senior Warden Gerald F. Poe,
on the passing of her father Oliver Cooper III