

Worshipful Master's Message

April is upon us and with it brings another session of Grand Lodge. I ask that every voting Officer and Past Master of our lodge that is able to please attend and vote. Remember brethren, voting is not a privilege, it is not a right, it is your duty and obligation. We will be having our usual Wednesday evening dinner at Angelo's Fairmont Tavern in Atlantic City and you may contact me for your reservation. Dinner will be ordered off of the menu and you will be responsible for what you order. This has worked well in the past and we will continue our tradition of fellowship at Grand Lodge. All members of our lodge are encouraged to come join us for the dinner and fellowship will be continued later in the evening. This year there will be a hospitality suit combined with the 18th and 21st Masonic Districts.

Our lodge has raised 6 brethren since the beginning of the year. Four of the brethren were raised in once day classes and two more were raised in our lodge. Our April 5th meeting will be the Official Visit of the District Deputy Grand Master so come on out and assist the Officers of the Lodge in showing that we are proficient in our work. There will be dinner before the Official Visit in honor of the District Deputy Grand Master and District Ritual Instructor of this the 18th Masonic District.

For this months light I wish to address our newly raised brethren although this can also be used as a reminder to all the brethren. The key to your longevity and happiness as a mason is participation. While your regular meetings at our lodge are earnestly solicited, you are certainly by no means forced to attend lodge. I can tell you however that participating in degree work, keeping current on the events of the lodge, and continuing fellowship with your brethren will in fact bring a positive impact to your daily life. Attending lodge is but the initial step to furthering your masonic progress. There are many ways to participate as masons and your regular attendance will serve as a guide or road map towards a whole or more complete masonic career. From there you can learn about the appendant bodies such as Scottish Rite Masonry, York Rite, Shrine or High Twelve. Ask any Officer or Past Master of the lodge and I'm sure they will be more than happy to enlighten you on these groups. There is also The Black Horse Square Club as well as High Twelve. All of these are good ways to gain additional light and fellowship with masons not just from our lodge or district but from the rest of the state as well. Traveling to other lodges in the district and seeing the work they perform is also another fun way to make additional masonic friendships. At a bare minimum I would advise you to attend our Tuesday evening practices at our lodge or District Lodge of Instruction, which is the second Wednesday of the month usually held at the USSNJ Lodge in Cherry Hill.

This month I leave you with this Quote:

"I have ever felt it my duty to support and encourage the principles of Freemasonry, because it powerfully develops all social and benevolent affections"

Lord Dunham

Fraternally,
Kevin D. Kloss
Worshipful Master

By Order of
WB Kevin D. Kloss
Worshipful Master

Attest
WB Craig R. Thorpe, PM
Secretary



Communication for April 2013

*You are cordially and fraternally requested to
Attend the following communications of
Laurel Lodge No. 237, F&AM*

Friday, April 5, 7:45 PM

**Regular business, Birthdays & Refreshments
Official Visit of
Right Worshipful Dale A. Lynch Jr.
District Deputy Grand Master**

Friday, April 19, 7:45 PM

**Regular business, Birthdays & Refreshments
Speaker:
Jennifer M. Williams
Covenant House Atlantic City**

DATES TO REMEMBER

Every Tuesday, 7:00 PM
Officers Rehearsal at Lodge

Friday, April 5, 7:45 PM
Official Visit of
RW Dale A. Lynch, Jr DDGM
Dinner at 6:00 PM

Wednesday, April 10, 7:30 PM
District Lodge of Instruction
USS New Jersey Lodge #62
All officers must attend.

Friday, April 19, 7:45 PM
Fellowcraft Degree

April 24 – 25, 2013
226th Annual Communication of
Grand Lodge
Bally's Hotel & Casino

Wednesday, April 24, 2013
Grand Lodge Banquet
Bally's Hotel & Casino

Saturday, April 27, 2013 - 11:00 A.M
Grand Master's Installation
Grand Lodge,
Historic Trenton Masonic Temple
100 Barrack Street, Trenton, NJ

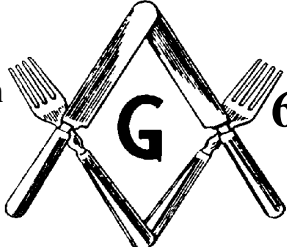
Sunday, April 28, 2013
Laurel Lodge assists the residents of
The Masonic Home to Sunday Services

Saturday May 11, 2013
Grand Master's Reception
Fellowship Center
1114 Oxmead Road
Burlington, NJ 08016

 MASONIC HOME OF NEW JERSEY
We Prove We Care

Sunday, April 28, 2013
Laurel Lodge assists the residents of
The Masonic Home to Sunday Services
902 Jacksonville Road
Burlington, NJ 08016
Carpool from the lodge at 7:45 AM
There are two services each Sunday
9:30 AM and 10:45 AM
We finish up about 11:30 AM
Children, family and friends are welcome

Upcoming Dinner

April 5th  6:00PM

Spaghetti Dinner
With Meat or fish option
\$10.00 per person

Contact RW Kirk Nevius for Reservations
(609) 314-4578
KIRKNEVIUS@GMAIL.COM
Deadline for reservations April 2nd

Building Trustees Request

The Trustees would like to expand the
gallery of Officers pictures and are
looking for the Officers group pictures
for the following years

1923 Beck	1934 Goodwin	1987 Butler
1924 Scrimshaw	1937 Rankin	1991 Walsh
1925 Forrest	1939 Hansen	2001 DiOrio
1926 Giffin	1941 Gardiner	2002 March
1927 Giffin	1942 Cope	2004 Bathurst
1929 Osborne	1945 Wooster	2005 Caraballo
1930 Garrison	1948 Matthews	2011 Read
1931 Mills	1965 Gamp	2012 Madgey
1933 Bender	1985 Applegate	

Anyone knowing where they can be
located please contact one of the
Building Trustees.

**The 18th District Past Masters, Masters & Wardens Association
Cordially Invites You to Attend an Evening of Great Fellowship as We
Honor our Fifty-Plus Year Brethren at
The 18th District 2013 Gold Token Night**

**This is an Open Affair -Candidates, Entered Apprentices,
Fellowcraft, Ladies, Family and friends are all welcome.**

Tuesday, May 28, 2012

Adelphia's Restaurant

1750 Clements Bridge Road Deptford, NJ

6:00PM Cocktail Hour(Cash Bar) with Appetizers

7:00PM Dinner

Laurel's Honorees

Bro. John J Sparks	70 Year	Bro. Frank R Adams	55 Year
Bro. Harry L Scherfel	65 Year	Bro. James M Carroll	55 Year
Bro. Walter C Guetherman	60 Year	Bro. John R Dougherty	50 Year
Bro. Donald C Springle	55 Year	Bro. A. Harry Moffett	50 Year

\$40.00 per Person

Reservations are required by May 21, 2011

Please make check payable to

"Laurel Lodge #237"

Send to

Laurel Lodge #237

PO Box 127

Laurel Springs, NJ 08084

18th District Gold Token Night

Name _____ # Attending _____

Meal Choice

Chicken Parmesan _____ Crabcakes _____ Prime Rib _____

Return with payment

2013 DUES ARE PAST DUE

Your 2013 dues were due on or before December 31, 2012. If you have not paid it is now 60 days Past Due.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties or other issues that make it difficult for you to pay.

Please contact the Worshipful Master or the Secretary. This matter will be held in the strictest of confidence.

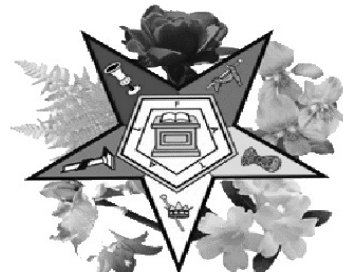
Please send your payments to:

Laurel Lodge #237
P.O. Box # 127
Stratford, N.J. 08084

Laurel Springs Chapter #227 OES

Spring Festival & Flower Sale

Saturday April, 27, 2013



Laurel Lodge #227

629 Stone Road, Laurel Springs, NJ 08021

The Easter Star is looking for crafters and vendors to sell their merchandise.

The tables are \$25.00.

**They do not have to be members
this is open to anyone.**

Pre-orders for flowers are also available.

If interested contact

Susan E. Beetle

609-760-1978

suebee125@gmail.com

CANDIDATES IN WAITING

<u>Name</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Last Date</u>	<u>Next Status</u>	<u>Next Date</u>
	EA	2/1/13	FC	4/19/13
	EA	3/1/13	FC	4/19/13
	EA	3/1/13	FC	4/19/13
	EA	2/1/13	FC	4/19/13
	MM	3/15/13	MMX	TBD
	MM	3/2/13	MMX	TBD
	MM	2/2/13	MMX	TBD
	MM	3/15/13	MMX	TBD
	MM	3/2/13	MMX	TBD
	MM	3/2/13	MMX	TBD

Lodge Building Fund

Benefactors

Bro Joseph Abiuso
Bro James A. Weisensee, SW
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Bro Anthony J. Centritto
RW Charles A. Castley, PDDGM
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Bro William E. Roche`
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Bro William A. Lambert
DB Richard P. Alspach
Bro James R. O'Brien
Bro Robert Hankins
Bro Robert L. Jones
WB Robert F. DiOrio, PM
Bro Richard A. Greiner
Bro Carl A. Stephenson
Bro Alvin C. Fitting
Bro Gene G. Olson
Bro Joseph J Cullen

April Masonic Birthdays

Bro William H Kelley	1948	65
Bro Lloyd H Jones	1958	55
Bro Alvin H Demarest	1960	53
Bro Allan H Pierson	1963	50
Bro William Oliveira	1967	46
Bro Gerald L Tully	1967	46
Bro Charles Palumbo	1972	41
Bro William J Brandley	1974	39
Bro George M Hahn	1974	39
Bro Alvin C Fitting	1976	37
Bro Henry N Portner	1976	37
Bro Robert G Burt	1987	26
Bro Eric B Erickson	1988	25
Bro James D Shisler	1990	23
Bro Gene G Olson	1994	19
Bro Manwell G Baroody	1997	16
Bro Michael A Fosler	1997	16
Bro Russell R Hoyle, Jr.	1997	16
Bro Robert E Rudden	1997	16
Bro Harry Fleitman	1999	14
Bro Derek J Freyberger	1999	14
Bro William F Schwab, Jr.	1999	14
Bro Richard L Wooster	2000	13
Bro William E Hughes III	2005	8
Bro Wayne W Walkwitz	2005	8
Bro Anthony J Centritto	2007	6
Bro Jose M Martinez	2007	6
Bro Robert J Powell	2007	6
Bro John P Gomen	2009	4
Bro Joseph R Haines, Jr.	2009	4
Bro Edward S Bohi	2010	3
Bro Christopher J Harris	2010	3
Bro Terry A Harris	2010	3
Bro John C Read, Jr.	2010	3

Candidates' Night

Thursday, April 11, 2013

Cocktail Hour (cash bar) 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM

All-you-can-eat buffet at 6:30 PM

Candidates' presentations at 7:30 PM

Sea Oaks Country Club

99 Golf View Drive

Little Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08087

609-296-2656

The evening's guest speaker is

M.W. Glenn R. Trautmann

Grand Master of Masons for the State of New Jersey

For a Reservation, please mail a check for \$35.00 per person payable to "Past Masters, Masters, and Wardens Association of South Jersey" by April 4th to:

RW Patrick C. Weisgerber Sr.

820 Eldridge Avenue

West Collingswood, NJ 08107

Tickets are also available from your District Deputy Grand Master and the Officers of this Association.

Tickets purchased at the door will be "\$55.00" per person.

Questions? Contact

R.W. Patrick C Weisgerber Sr.

Secretary of the SJPMW Association

Call 856-577-3536 or EUST73@gmail.com

Nominations for Grand Lodge Office 2013-2014

Grand Master

David A. Dorworth, Covenant Lodge #161

Deputy Grand Master

Gerald J. Sharpe, Keystone Lodge #153

Senior Grand Warden

Anthony W. Montuori, Madison Lodge #93

Junior Grand Warden

Walter R. Kaulfers, Mosaic Lodge # 194

Glenn C. Wilson, Warren Lodge # 13

Grand Treasurer

Robert J. Sheridan, Atlantic Lodge #221

Grand Secretary

William L Morris, Jr, Loyalty Lodge #33

Grand Lodge Trustee

(Vote for 2)

Andrew G. Freda, Alpine Tilden Tenakill Lodge 77

George A. Olsen, Genesis Lodge # 88

Glenn T. Visscher, Cincinnati Lodge # 3

Historic Trenton Masonic Temple Trustee

(Vote for 1)

Lawrence D. Thomas, Loyalty Lodge # 33

Masonic Charity Foundation

(Vote for 3)

Edgar M. Coster, Madison Lodge # 93

Joseph T. Mezzina, Sextant Lodge # 286

Gregory J. Scott, Peninsula Lodge # 99

Grand Lodge Banquet Annual Communication

Most Worshipful Glenn R. Trautmann, Grand Master extends a cordial invitation to our Brethren and their Ladies to attend the

Grand Lodge Banquet at the 226th Annual Communication in Atlantic City.

Details are as follows:

Place Ocean Ballroom, 6th Floor, Bally's Hotel & Casino
Park Place and the Boardwalk

Date Wednesday, April 24, 2013

Time Social Hour – 6:00 P.M. (Cash Bar) Dinner 7:00 P.M.

Menu Chicken Marsala or Prime Rib or Maryland Crab Cakes

Price \$ 50.00 per Person

Entertainment

For tickets, please forward your check made payable to the Grand Lodge of New Jersey for the number of tickets needed and the meal choice, along with a self-addressed stamped envelope, to the

Grand Lodge of New Jersey,

100 Barrack Street, Trenton, NJ 08608

The DEADLINE for reservations is Friday, March 22, 2013. Tables of 10 can be reserved. We must have the name and meal choice of every person for whom a ticket is purchased.

To pay by credit card, call the Grand Lodge office at 609-239-3950

Thank you for your interest and support.

We look forward to breaking bread and sharing an evening of Masonic fun and fellowship with you.

In the event of the election of Right Worshipful David A. Dorworth as Grand Master of Masons of the State of New Jersey at the 226th Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge on April 25, 2013, the Brethren, their ladies and friends are cordially and fraternally invited to attend the following:

GRAND MASTER'S INSTALLATION

Saturday, April 27, 2013 - 11:00 A.M.

Grand Lodge, Historic Trenton Masonic Temple
100 Barrack Street, Trenton, NJ

GRAND MASTER'S RECEPTION

Saturday May 11, 2013

Fellowship Center

1114 Oxmead Road, Burlington, NJ 08016

4:00 PM Church Service at the Masonic Home Chapel

5:30 PM Social Hour

6:30 PM Dinner

7:30 PM Reception

\$50.00 per Person

Admission to the reception is by advance reservation only.

No tickets will be sold at the door. Reservations must be made by May 1, 2013. For those attending the installation only, there is no charge and no reservations are necessary (however we request that you contact the Grand Marshal with your intention to attend).

Please make checks payable to
Covenant Lodge No.161 and mail to:

WB John Bradshaw

53 Branch Street

Medford, NJ, 08055

Phone: 609-953-3665

WM04cov161@comcast.net

john.bradshaw@lps.state.nj.u

PAST MASTERS

<i>* Deceased</i>	<i># Dual Member</i>
1922 Albert C. Stack *	1973 Louis W. Bradley, PGT *
1923 Harry A. Beck *	1974 Robert W. Bates, PSGD
1923 William S. Martin # *	1975 Frederick W. Knox
1924 Arthur Scrimshaw *	1976 Leroy See *
1925 Benjamin Forrest *	1976 John J. Eitel # *
1926 Elmer F. Giffin *	1977 Roy F. Gutshall, Jr. *
1927 Charles B. Giffin *	1978 John R. Beetle
1928 John T. Reif *	1979 Charles W. Bell
1929 Charles V. Osborne, Sr. *	1980 Benjamin H. Read, Jr. *
1930 Samuel G. Garrison, Jr. *	1981 Joseph H. Rival Jr., PGM
1931 Charles P. Mills # *	1982 Warren E. Rival, PGC
1932 William R. Cannon *	1982 Ronald A. Rocco #
1933 Noah C. Bender *	1983 Hugh C. Williams *
1934 F. Maurice Goodwin *	1984 Walter C. Knett *
1935 Michael Balent, Jr. *	1984 Charles E. Oppido, Jr. # *
1936 Enos J. Jarvis *	1985 Frank A. Applegate, Sr. *
1937 Robert F. Ranken *	1985 Henry Bubacz # *
1938 John H. Fisher, Sr. *	1986 Wilfred E. Wilson *
1939 Oscar M. Hansen *	1987 Robert F. Butler *
1940 Albert F. Neidinger PGP*	1988 William E. Hand
1941 Lawrence E. Gardiner *	1989 Edwin W. Griffiths, Jr.
1942 B. Franklin Cope *	1990 Donald C. Lever, PSGS *
1943 Fred Humphrey *	1991 Stewart D. Walsh
1944 Charles S. Schenick *	1991 Ralph S. Hill, Jr. # *
1945 Ora L. Wooster, Sr. *	1992 George W. Stott, Jr. *
1946 Carl C. Caldwell *	1992 Harry H. Wible #
1947 Benjamin A. Glatz *	1993 Dale A. Lynch, Jr., DDGM
1948 Joseph H. Matthews *	1994 Henry J. Rahn, Jr. PSGS
1949 Ralph E. Husted *	1994 Charles A. Castley, PDDGM #
1950 Thomas Milne *	1995 Russell B. Hoyle, Sr.
1951 Ferdinand Herbst *	1996 Frazier R. Alburger
1952 Charles Mannice *	1996 James E. Miller, PGC #
1953 Robert C. Osborne, PGC*	1997 Raymond B. Kingett
1954 Earl B. Hallowell *	1997 Jerry R. Barnish #
1955 Harry M. Ireland *	1998 Kirk D. Nevius, Jr., PGC
1956 John M. Fisher, Jr. *	1999 Scott D. Cianci
1957 Albert C. Stack, Jr. *	1999 Frank M. Blizard, III #
1958 Whitney H. Myers	2000 Paul E. Burkhardt
1959 George F. McCann *	2001 Robert F. DiOrio
1960 Harold T. Wolf*	2001 Donald C. Sharp Sr. #
1961 John P. Steffan*	2002 Leonard M. March, PDDGM
1962 Harold H. Croom*	2002 Craig J. Woodruff #
1963 Charles F. Yost *	2003 Eugene J. Applegate
1964 Charles W. Engler, Jr. *	2004 Eugene O. Bathurst
1965 Daniel A. Mullen, III *	2005 Juan A. Caraballo, Jr
1965 Carl H. Gamp # *	2006 Moses R. Hayes, Jr., GC
1966 Albert L. Hann , PJGD	2007 Richard J. McCunney, II
1967 Henry Baumert *	2008 Michael E. Owsiak
1968 Robert E. Walsh, Jr. *	2009 Robert E. Kunze Sr.
1969 George E. Carpenter *	2010 Craig R. Thorpe
1970 Henry Sannipolli, PDDGM *	2011 Brian J. Read
1971 Leonard O. Beebe	2012 Bernard J. Madgey, V
1972 Robert D. Rowand	

DISTINGUISHED BROTHERS

DB Richard P. Alspach DB Thomas J. Kane
DB John E. McDowell DB Raymond T. McManus

HONORARY MEMBERS

MW William H. Berman, Grand Master 2009
MW Larry S. Plasket, Grand Master 2002
MW William H. Sackett, Grand Master 1986
MW Edgar N. Pepler, Grand Master 1979

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DB Raymond T. McManus - 856-346-9150

Dir. Of Craftsmen

RW Warren E. Rival, PGC

Entertainment

WB Brian J. Read, PM - Chairman
WB Robert E. Kunze, Sr., PM
WB Bernard J. Madgey, V, PM

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Bro William Roche'

Blood Bank Chairman

Bro Joseph Abiuso - 856-357-7883

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Bro. Scott Fitting

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WB Robert E. Kunze, Sr. WB Brian J. Read

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RW Albert L. Hann , PJGD

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Bro. Carl T. Springle
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RW Albert L. Hann , PJGD 856-845-6951

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DB Raymond T. McManus

2 Year WB Brian J. Read, PM,
WB Russell R. Hoyle, PM

1 Year MW Joseph H. Rival Jr., PGM
Bro Richard Perry

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3 Year RW Warren E. Rival, PGC

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1 Year WB Robert E. Kunze, Sr., PM

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