

**April
2023**

*Please send correspondence to PO Box 127 Stratford NJ
08084*

*Address of Laurel Lodge
629 Stone Road Laurel Springs, NJ 08021
Constituted May 25th 1922*

Communications for April 2023

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

Friday April 7th 7:45PM Meeting

Enjoy masonic light, with masonic birthdays, regular business, and the official visit of the DDGM Keith Herman.

Friday April 21st 7:45PM Meeting

Enjoy masonic light with masonic birthdays, regular business, brotherhood and an Entered Apprentice Degree.

The Entered Apprentice Degree will be conferred upon the following Candidates:

Tuesday April 11th DLI Hosted by Laurel Lodge

**District Lodge of Instruction: Masters and Wardens Meeting at 6:30PM and DLI begins at 7:30PM
All officers to attend.**

Meritorious Service Award

Hats off and Congratulations to Distinguished Brother Bob Outlaw on receiving a Meritorious Service Award at the Consistory in Collingswood recently.

*By Order of
WB Jerry R Barnish
Worshipful Master*

*Attest
WB Craig J Woodruff, PM
Secretary*

New Jersey Grand Lodge Info

Grand Master Most Worshipful David L. Tucker
100 Barrack Street, Trenton, NJ 08608 609-239-3937

District Deputy Grand Master: Keith A. Herman
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609-440-2217 | kaherman@msn.com

District Ritual Instructor: Right Worshipful Kenneth F. Carpenter Jr.
544 S. Brentwood Dr. Mt. Laurel, New Jersey 08054
Cell 609-634-5660 / kfcarpenter@comcast.net

Grand Instructor: RW Brian Blades, GI
Grand Orator: Bernard J. Madgey V Grand Orator PDDGM
Grand Pursuivant: Right Worshipful Michael Mattes GP
Grand Tyler: Right Worshipful Frazier Alburger GT

Laurel Lodge Distinguished Brethren

DB Richard P. Alspach, DB Raymond T. McManus,
DB John C. Read Jr., DB Robert S. Outlaw

Laurel Lodge Honorary Members

MW William H. Sackett, Grand Master 1986 *
MW Edgar N. Pepler, Grand Master 1979
MW Larry S. Plasket, Grand Master 2002
MW William H. Berman, Grand Master 2009
MW David A. Dorworth, Grand Master 2013
RW Chester H. Clark PGC
RW Keith A. Herman, DDGM
RW Benjamin Foster PGC*

Worshipful Masters Message

“Charity in thought, word and deed”.

This can be the most impactful attitude, especially word.

Words can be taken in humor or in spite. Just an intonation can be misconstrued. Even in humor, one must guard just how the statements are taken and the intent spoken. Philosophers have written many times about the need to guard one’s tongue.

How many times have we experienced that moment when instant regret hit after expressing a thought and it was exactly intended the way it was spoken? Be ever mindful and charitable in your words. Words have consequences. May the consequences of our words be met with a charitable intent.

“Finally, Brethren, be ye all of one mind...”

Fraternally,

W.B. Jerry Barnish, Master 2023

Upcoming Events for 2023

April 7, 2023: Official Visit of District Deputy

May 5, 2023: Light, Enlightenment and Locke by
RW Howard Kanowitz

Jeep Show May 13th 1PM Details in this TB.

June 2, 2023: George Washington’s Apron by RW George Niessner
Winery visit June 3rd. Details in this TB.

June Canoe Trip in the Pine Barrens

(More Detail to Follow May and June Trestle Board)

Masonic Family Bowling Afternoon

Sunday April 16th / RSVP by April 10th

3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

30 Strikes Bowling, Pub & Pizzeria

501 S. White Horse Pike, Stratford, NJ 08084

Cost: \$10.00 per person, Pay WB Taylor

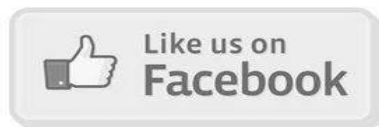
Cash bar available. Included: 2 hours of unlimited bowling, shoe rental & bumper lanes available for kids.

Contact WB Robert A. Taylor for reservations

856-834-3917 or Taylor89@comcast.net

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**Minutes of Laurel Lodge #237 F&AM
March 17 AD 2023 AL 6023**

Lodge was opened in Due form on the Master Mason Degree by our Worshipful Master Jerry R. Barnish PM at 7:51 PM following a delicious Saint Patrick's Day meal of Corned Beef, Potatoes and Carrots prepared by Susan Taylor, wife of Worshipful Brother Robert Taylor, our SD starting at 6:30 PM. Our guests were pending Candidate Army Sergeant Walter Thomas Westbrook who was dressed in his Military khakis as well as Bro Fellowcraft Bro Matthew Jared Burns our Candidate for the Master Mason Degree this evening.

After the opening the Brethren, were informed by the Master not to open any emails from him concerning canned meat because it is spam and... after much moaning from the sidelines...

The Worshipful Master called upon RW Brian Read PJGS to make a report on our Lodges Operating Budget after which he then commented on The Last Master Mason night held by Laurel #227 O.E.S held the previous evening on March 16th ,in which He along with his Officers and Brethren attended ,stating how they will be sorely missed, they have been meeting at Laurel since 1927.

Many of our Brethren have or have had Wives, Mothers, Sisters, Daughters and other relatives as members throughout the many (96) years they were a part of this Lodge. Sis Judy Hann Alberti Worthy Matron, Sister Glenda Westenberger and Sis Beth Barnish were with us for dinner this evening.

Bro Jake Keppen was called upon and retired to attend to Bro Burns outside. Labor on the MM Degree was suspended and Bro Burns and Bro Keppen were admitted and presented themselves West of the Altar before approaching the East. once again Bro Jake Keppen did an excellent job of preparing Brother Burns who proved his proficiency and showed his readiness to continue.

The Master closed labor on the FC Degree and reopened on the MM Degree before placing the Lodge on refreshment in charge of the JW. WB Bouchert of Mozart Lodge occupied the East for the First half of the Degree and did a fine job but due to unfortunate circumstances the second section of the Degree was not conferred.The WM re assumed the East and invited Bro Matthew Burns to sit on the sidelines.

RW Al Hann was called upon to make a sick and visiting report which he did on RW Bro Jim Miller whose wife is coming along with RW Bro Jim by her side, WB Bill Roche was not able to be contacted and he informed the Brethren of the passing of RW. then WB Keppen Jr made a report on his mother who he says is on the mend. He went on to inform the Brethren, that 2 of our Brothers had recently passed, RW William Sharp of Williamstown#166 and our Grand Chaplain RW Keith Josepayt.

Officer Line Continued

Senior Deacon	WB Robert A. Taylor, PM – 856-834-3917
Junior Deacon	Brother Jay Colavita – 856-261-3278
S.M. Ceremonies	Brother Todd Simon – 609-605-3250
J.M. Ceremonies	Appointed Position
Senior Steward	Brother Thomas J. Santangelo – 609-923-5466
Junior Steward	Brother Francis M. Guthrie – 609-221-6145
Marshal	DB Robert S. Outlaw - 609-471-2869
Chaplain	WB Brian McGovern, PM 609-975-2121
Tyler	Brother William F. Anderson - 609-828-1535
Historian	RW Albert L. Hann, PJGD - 856-845-6951
Proxy to Grand Lodge	WB Joseph Abiuso, PM
Director of Ritual	RW Brian J. Read, PJGS 609-922-0877
Webmaster	DB Raymond T. McManus, DB - 856-346-9150
Dir. of Craftsmen	By Appointment - Need Volunteer
Entertainment	WB Robert A Taylor, PM 856-834-3917
Sick and Visiting	RW Albert L. Hann, PJGD, PM 856-845-6951 RW Bernard J. Madgey, V, Grand Orator PDDGM 856-470-7609
Auditing, Budget & Finance	RW James E. Miller, PGC and Bro Harry Parvin
Blood Bank Chairman	By Appointment - Please Volunteer
Photographer	Brother James Gicker
Masonic Education	RW Albert L. Hann, PJGD, RW Brian J. Read, PJGS, RW Bernard J. Madgey V GO / PDDGM
Advisor to Officers	RW Albert L. Hann, PJGD
Refreshments	By Appointment – Please Volunteer
Funeral Coordinator	RW Albert L. Hann, PJGD 856-845-6951
Scholarship Committee	RW Frazier Alburger, GT
Building Trustees	3 Years: Brother Eugene Emenecker: Head Trustee
	3 Year: RW Scott Vicari PGPV / Unexpired Term
Building Trustees	2 Years: Brother Jay Colavita 2 Years: RW Brian Read, PJGS / Unexpired Term
Building Trustees	1 Year: WB Brian McGovern, PM 1 Year: WB Robert Taylor, PM
Financial Trustees	3 Year: Brother Russell Van Zyl
Financial Trustees	2 Year: RW Bernard J. Madgey V GO / PDDGM
Financial Trustees	1 Year: Brother Bill Anderson
Organist Pro Tem	Brother Steve McCormack

2023 A.D.

Officer Line

2023 A.L.

Worshipful Master

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MW Joseph H. Rival, Jr., PGM – Judy

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Secretary Emeritus

RW Louis W. Bradley PGT*

Treasurer Emeritus

WB Charles W. Bell PM

WB John R. Beetle, PM

WB Whitney H. Myers, PM *

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The WM then asked the WMs present to arise, WB Micheal Marcial of USS NJ #66 and RW Pete Bouchert Master of Mozart # 121, both were conducted to the East and greeted before being presented to the Brethren and then presented with gifts from the WM. RW Brother Bouchert then went on to say it was a pleasure to be of assistance as members of Laurel Lodge have assisted other Lodges in the past.

The WM asked Brethren celebrating Masonic Birthdays to present themselves West of the Altar. Bro Willy Halina (10 yrs), Bro Gene Emenecker (8 yrs) were then sung a hearty round of Happy Birthday before being conducted to the East to receive their Masonic Birthday Gifts.

RW Bro Read was recognized and informed the Brethren that our raffle ticket for the SR learning Centers was not picked but he reminded the Brethren that the money will be used for a great purpose.

We had a special treat this evening as Brother Steven McCormack was in attendance and agreed to play the organ in the future for us after being asked by the WM.

WB Bob Taylor was Thanked for providing such a delicious dinner. RW Bro Micheal Mattes was asked to close the Lodge and before doing so spoke to Bro Burns about the Friendship and Camaraderie among other things which he can expect from Freemasonry.

Lodge was closed at 9:47 PM with refreshments down stairs provided by the ladies of the OES.

Sincerely and Fraternally

Craig J. Woodruff PM

Secretary

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Laurel Springs, N.J.
Constituted May 22,1922[Type here]

Constituted by and under the authority of a warrant issued by the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted
Masons for the State of New Jersey on the 20th day of April, AD 1922, AL 5922

Article 1 – Communications

The regular Communication of this Lodge shall be held on the first and third Friday of each month except during the month of July and August and on the third Friday of December. If the first Friday of January falls on the first of the month (New Years Day) there will be no Communication. The Regular Communication shall begin at 7:45 PM. The Worshipful Master may, at his discretion, open a Regular Communication up to one hour earlier than the prescribed time provided that due and timely notice shall be given to every member and that no business shall be transacted until the regular hour stated above.

The Annual Communication of the Lodge shall occur at the first regular meeting in December at which time the election of Officers shall occur and all final Committee reports will be due for the past year.

The Annual Installation of Officers of the Lodge shall take place at an Emergent Communication on the third Friday or Saturday of December at the discretion of the Lodge.

Article 2 Officers

Section 1. The Elected Officers of this Lodge shall consist of the Worshipful Master, a Senior Warden, a Junior Warden, a Treasurer and a Secretary. There shall also be elected at this Communication, a proxy to the Grand Lodge.

Section 2. The appointed Officers shall consist of Senior and Junior Deacons, Senior and Junior Masters of Ceremonies, Senior and Junior Stewards, Chaplin, Marshal, Organist, Tyler and a Historian, all of whom shall be appointed by the Worshipful Master on the evening of the Annual Election or Installation of Officers.

Section 3. There shall be a Treasurer elected at the Annual Communication of the Lodge each December. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to deposit all money received by him, from the Secretary, giving a receipt for the same, into a depository designated by the Lodge, upon notice by the Secretary and approval of the Lodge. He shall pay all bills, debts upon approval of the Lodge and consent of the Worshipful Master. He shall post, in the Trestleboard, in February, a financial summary of the previous year. He shall pay over, to his successor in office, all money on hand and transfer his books and other property belonging to the Lodge within ten days after the expiration of his term of office. For his services to the Lodge, he shall receive the sum of two dollars (\$2.00) per member to be paid annually.

Section 4. There shall be a Secretary elected at the Annual Communication of the Lodge each December. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to notify candidate of their election or rejection, assign Investigation Committees, with the consent of the Worshipful Master, to process criminal background investigations of all Candidates for Election and Initiation, to render bills for annual dues, issue annual dues cards as required, to collect and carefully record the receipts of all monies and pay the same without delay to the Treasurer and perform such other duties pertaining to his office as the Worshipful Master may direct including the production, printing, mailing and e-mailing of the Lodges monthly Trestleboard, submission of the monthly reports and year end annual report to the Grand Lodge on time. Upon the expiration of his term of office, he shall submit, to his successor, all properties of the Lodge in his possession. For the faithful discharge of his duties the Secretary shall receive the sum of four dollars (\$4.00) per member to be paid annually.

Section 4a. The Lodge shall pay the cost of admission for the Worshipful Master and his wife or girlfriend to attend the Feast of St. John, the Chairman's Ball and the Grand Master's and Junior Grand Warden's receptions.

Section 4b. The Lodge shall pay the cost of hotel room expenses for the Worshipful Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, Secretary and the Proxy to Grand Lodge at the Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge each year. If a lunch is scheduled immediately following the close of Grand Lodge Communication, the Lodge will pay the cost of the food only.

Section 5. There shall be a Board of Building Trustees consisting of six members. Each year two (2) Trustees shall be elected at the Annual Communication to serve a term of three (3) years. It shall be their duty to care for, preserve and maintain the property of the Lodge. The Building Trustees shall prepare and submit a proposed budget for the ensuing Masonic Year at the first Regular Communication in February for approval of the Lodge. They may from time to time, request additional funding from the Lodge should the need arise. The Building Trustees shall elect a Head Trustee each year in January. They will meet quarterly, keep written minutes of meetings, take attendance and provide a copy of said minutes to the Worshipful Master who shall see that they are read at a Regular Communication. The meeting date and time must be in the Trestleboard so any member may attend. Regular members may have a voice, at the discretion of the head Trustee, but no vote at the meeting. Board members must attend two (2) meetings per year.

Section 6. There shall be a Board of Financial Trustees consisting of three (3) members. Each year one (1) Trustee shall be elected at the Annual Communication to serve a Three (3) year term. The Board of Financial Trustees shall be responsible procure and maintain adequate insurance for the property and furniture of the Lodge. They shall also secure and maintain a safety deposit box at the same bank used by the Lodge. The

A Message from the Secretary **Grandview Registration Instructions**

- 1. Go to nj.grandview.systems**
- 2. Press “Member Portal” on upper right of page**
- 3. Press “Member Registration” on upper right of page**
- 4. Input 237 as your Lodge number**
- 5. Enter your membership number (find number on dues card)**
- 6. Enter last name (case sensitive)**
- 7. Press “Membership Status”**
- 8. Follow prompts and enter password you will remember!
Password must be 8 characters long**
- 9. Once signed up, please update profile with contact information
and browse website to familiar yourself w/ it**
- 10. Any problems, please contact your secretary.**

Masonic Home Wheelchair Push

**Brethren, thank you in advance for volunteering at the Masonic
Home this year.**

All 2023 dates are cancelled until further notice.

Masonic Home Address:

902 Jacksonville Road, Burlington, NJ

Carpool from the lodge at 7:45

There are two services 9:30AM and 10:45AM.

We finish up about 11:30 AM

Children, family and friends are welcome.

Contact Status Changes

**Brethren, please remember to contact the Secretary or Worshipful
Master with regard to changes to your mailing address, phone
numbers, e-mail addresses etc. Our goal is to maintain our
membership database as accurate as possible. Thank you,
Worshipful Master**

Past Masters of Laurel Lodge #237 Continued

* Deceased # Served another Lodge

1990	Donald C. Lever, PSGS *	2016	Eric Erickson #
1991	Stewart D. Walsh *	2017	John P. Gomen
1991	Ralph S. Hill, Jr. # *	2017	Scott Vicari #
1991	William H. Berman, PGM	2018	Joseph Abiuso
1992	George W. Stott, Jr. *	2019	Edward S. Bohi
1992	Harry H. Wible # *	2020	William E. Roche
1993	Dale A. Lynch, Jr., PDDGM	2020	Michael Mattes #
1994	Henry J. Rahn, Jr. PSGS *	2021	Craig J Woodruff
1994	Charles A Castley PDDGM *	2021	Michael Mattes #
1995	Russell B. Hoyle, Sr.	2021	Casey Huston #
1996	Frazier R. Alburger	2022	Donald L. Keppen Jr.
1996	James E. Miller, PGC #	2022	Michael Mattes #
1997	Raymond B. Kingett	2022	Casey Huston #
1997	Jerry R. Barnish #		
1998	Kirk D. Nevius, Jr., PGC *		
1999	Scott D. Cianci		
1999	Frank M. Blizard, III #		
2000	Paul E. Burkhardt		
2001	Robert F. DiOrio		
2001	Donald. C. Sharp Sr. #		
2002	Leonard M. March, PDDGM		
2002	Craig J. Woodruff #		
2003	Eugene J. Applegate		
2004	Eugene O. Bathurst		
2005	Juan A. Caraballo, Jr		
2006	Moses R. Hayes, Jr., PGC		
2007	Richard J. McCunney, II		
2008	Michael E. Owsiak		
2009	Robert F Kunze		
2010	Craig R. Thorpe		
2011	Brian J. Read, PSGS		
2011	George W. Niessner, PSGS #		
2012	Bernard J. Madgey, V GO PDDGM		
2013	Kevin D. Kloss		
2014	James A. Weisensee		
2014	Brian McGovern #		
2015	Robert A. Taylor		
2016	Gene G. Olson		

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Trustees will confirm with the Lodge Secretary that it is paid for at least one (1) year in advance each calendar year. Copies of all documents that go in to it shall be given to the Secretary for record keeping purposes. Furthermore, the Trustees shall see to it that all important documents including but not limited to the deeds, titles, stocks and bond certificates, insurance policies, Past Masters Jewels and other valuables be kept in an adequately sized box. An inventory shall be given to the Secretary annually by the first meeting in February. The Board of Financial Trustees shall elect a Head Trustee each year in January. It shall be the duty of the Head Trustee to have the signatures changed each year as needed and keys passed on to the appropriate members. The Board of Financial Trustee shall have charge of all investments ordered to be made by the Lodge and in the name of the Lodge and provided such funds are to be invested in such stocks, bonds or public securities as those in which savings banks or fiduciary institutions of the State of New Jersey may lawfully invest funds; but provided no loans or investments shall be made on real estate mortgage. When investments are made, the same shall not be altered or transferred without the consent of the Lodge given at a regular Communication of which said proposal each member shall have one (1) week's notice if possible. The Financial Trustee's will meet quarterly, keep written minutes of meetings, take attendance and provide a copy of said minutes to the Worshipful Master who shall see that they are read at a Regular Communication. The meeting date and time be in the Trestleboard so any member may attend. Regular members may have a voice, at the discretion of the Head Trustee, but no vote at that meeting. Board members must attend two (2) meetings per year. The Financial Trustee's shall give a detailed report of the state of the invested funds and the income derived therefore at the first regular meeting in February.

Section 7. In the event of a vacancy on either board (Building or Financial) created by death, resignation or removal otherwise, the vacancy shall be by the appointment of a Brother by the Worshipful Master until the next Annual Communication when an election shall be held to fill the unexpired term so vacated.

Article 3 Fees and Dues

Section 1. The initiation fee shall be determined by consent of the Lodge and may be periodically increased as per the recommendation of the Financial Trustee's. 30% of the initiation fee shall accompany each Candidate's petition. The balance shall be payable prior to his initiation. There shall also be paid by each Candidate prior to his initiation, such sum as the Grand Lodge shall determine from time to time, as an initial contribution to charity.

Section 2. Should the petition of an applicant be rejected, he cannot renew his petition within three (3) months of such rejection. The initial payment of 30% of the initiation fee is not refundable in the event of such rejection and is only due upon his initial application.

Section 3. The annual Lodge dues for each member shall be an amount voted on by the membership in September, plus any or all fees for charitable purposes otherwise as shall be determined from time to time by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, payable in advance on or before December 31st each year.

Section 4. Any member who shall be twelve (12) months in arrears for dues and shall not have paid his annual dues in accordance with the provisions of the preceding section shall be notified by the Secretary, who shall under the seal of the Lodge, demand payment of the same by certified mail. If after the expiration of three (3) months from the date of such formal notice and demand, report the fact to the Lodge for action under the fourteenth (14th) General Regulation of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

Section 5. Any who is seventy five (75) years old or older and has paid dues for forty (40) consecutive years to Laurel Lodge, shall be exempt from all future payments of all dues. The Brother may voluntary remit such sums as are required by the Grand Lodge so as to relieve Laurel Lodge of hid burden.

Section 6. Each initiate, in addition to all other fees or charges, each affiliate from a foreign jurisdiction and each duel member from a foreign jurisdiction shall be required to pay a sum that may vary from time to time as determined by the Grand Lodge to be applied to the usages of the Masonic Charity Foundation as directed by Grand Lodge.

Article 4 Amendments to the By-Laws

Any proposition to amend or repeal these By-Laws or any portion thereof, must be made in writing, signed by at least five (5) members in good standing, presented at a Regular Communication and lie over without debate until the next Regular Communication after it is published in the Trestleboard when a vote of the majority of members present in favor of such proposition shall be necessary for it's adoption.

Article 5 Worshipful Masters Charity Fund

Each year the Lodge shall designate one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars to the Worshipful Master's Charity Fund and in addition, the Secretary shall, upon receipt of monies collected for the Worshipful Master's Charity Fund at the Annual Installation, deposit the same in an account

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designated for this purpose. The Worshipful Master may, at his discretion; direct payments of any and all funds in the account, provided said payment is used for charitable purposes. This money shall not be carried over to the next Masonic year.

Article 6 Committees

On the evening of the Annual Communication of Officers or the Installation of Officers, the incoming Worshipful Master shall appoint the following Standing Committees. Auditing, Masonic Education, Blood Bank, Sick and Visiting and Refreshment/Entertainment.

Auditing. A committee of three (3) members, not holding other office, whose duty it shall be to examine the books, accounts and reports of the Treasurer, Secretary and Trustees and report in writing upon the accuracy of the same at a Regular Communication after the reports of other Officer's and Trustees have been received at the second Communication in February.

Masonic Education A committee of three members, whose duty it shall be to see that all elected candidates are aided in Masonic education in a friendly and fraternal way through the three degrees, also to hold a class of instruction within one (1) month of having been raised to the third degree. The purpose of this informal meeting is to impart information that will enable the newly raised Brother to travel and visit in a confident and knowledgeable manner.

Masonic Blood Bank A Chairman or committee shall be established to coordinate the participation of the Lodge in scheduled blood drives and represent the Lodge to the Grand Lodge Blood Bank Committee.

Sick and Visiting A committee of two (2) or more members shall be formed, in addition to all Officer's of the Lodge, to report on the progress and status of sick Brethren and their families, send appropriate communications such as get well or sympathy cards to the sick and bereaved. Personal visits and phone calls are to be made when at all possible.

Refreshment A Chairman or committee shall be formed who' duty shall be to see that refreshments are made available to the Brethren after meetings or special events or at such times as designated by the Worshipful Master.

Entertainment A committee consisting of three (3) or more members shall be formed, whose duty it shall be to make arrangements in conjunction with the Worshipful Master for Ladies Night, the Annual Installation Banquet, Table Lodge or any other times or special events designated by the Worshipful Master.

Article 7 Sale, Acquisition, Transference or Lease of Real Estate or Property

Section 1. The purchase, lease, mortgage or sale of any real estate owned by or to be acquired by Laurel Lodge #237 F&AM shall not be made unless a resolution is drawn and approved by not less than seventy five (75%) of the members present. The vote shall take place at the next Regular Communication after the details of the transaction have been outlined in the Tressleboard.

Section 2. The transfer of Lodge funds from one (1) account to another shall be at the discretion of the Financial Trustee's and by permission of the Worshipful Master.

Section 3. All Past Masters who have received a Past Master's Jewel, must sign a form that promises, upon his death, that his estate will return said Past Master's Jewel to the Lodge. If Jewel is not returned, his estate will receive a bill for the amount of said Jewel. This signed form, will be given to the Head Financial Trustee, to be stored in the Lodge safety deposit box. The Worshipful Master has discretion in this matter. A request will be made by all the Past Master's to sign the form. This Article will take effect January 1, 2020

Article 8. Masonic Law

Laurel Lodge #237 F&AM

Shall at all times be subject to and governed by the provisions of Masonic Law as contained in the Landmarks, Constitution and By-Laws of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

Past Masters of Laurel Lodge #237

*** Deceased # Served another Lodge**

1922	Albert C, Stack *	1961	John P. Steffan*
1923	Harry A, Beck *	1962	Harold H. Croom*
1923	William S. Martin # *	1963	Charles F. Yost *
1924	Arthur Scrimshaw *	1963	Benjamin Foster, PGC # *
1925	Benjamin Forrest *	1964	Charles W. Engler, Jr.*
1926	Elmer F. Giffin *	1965	Daniel A. Mullen, III *
1927	Charles B. Giffin *	1965	Carl H. Gamp # *
1928	John T. Reif *	1966	Edgar N. Pepler PGM #
1929	Charles V. Osborne, Sr. *	1966	Albert L. Hann, PJGD
1930	Samuel G. Garrison, Jr.*	1967	Henry Baumert *
1931	Charles P. Mills # *	1968	Robert E. Walsh, Jr.*
1932	William R. Cannon *	1969	George E. Carpenter *
1933	Noah C. Bender *	1970	Henry Sannipolli, PDDGM *
1934	F. Maurice Goodwin *	1971	Leonard O. Beebe *
1935	Michael Balent, Jr. *	1972	Robert D. Rowand *
1936	Enos J. Jarvis *	1973	Louis W. Bradley, PGT*
1937	Robert F. Ranken *	1974	Robert W. Bates, PSGD
1938	John H. Fisher, Sr. *	1975	Frederick W. Knox
1939	Oscar M. Hansen *	1976	Leroy See *
1940	Albert F Neidinger PGP*	1976	John J. Eitel # *
1941	Lawrence E. Gardiner *	1977	Roy F. Gutshall, Jr.*
1942	B. Franklin Cope *	1978	John R. Beetle
1943	Fred Humphrey *	1978	James J. Golley #
1944	Charles. S. Schenick *	1979	Charles W. Bell
1945	Ora L. Wooster, Sr. *	1980	Benjamin H. Read, Jr.*
1946	Carl C. Caldwell *	1981	Joseph H. Rival Jr., PGM
1947	Benjamin A. Glatz *	1982	Warren E. Rival, PGC *
1948	Joseph H. Matthews *	1982	Ronald A. Rocco #
1949	Ralph E. Husted *	1983	Hugh C. Williams *
1950	Thomas Milne *	1984	Walter C. Knett *
1951	Ferdinand Herbst *	1984	Charles E. Oppido, Jr. # *
1952	Charles Mannice *	1984	Larry S Plasket, PGM, #
1953	Robert C. Osborne, PGC*	1985	Frank A. Applegate, Sr.*
1954	Earl B. Hallowell *	1985	Henry Bubacz # *
1955	Harry M. Ireland *	1986	Wilfred E. Wilson *
1956	John M. Fisher, Jr.*	1986	Donald L. Keppen Sr. #
1957	Albert C. Stack, Jr.*	1987	Robert F. Butler *
1958	Whitney H. Myers *	1988	William E. Hand *
1959	George F. McCann *	1989	Edwin W. Griffiths, Jr. # *
1960	Harold T. Wolf*	1990	Benjamin Foster, PGC # *

Brethren helping Brethren Continued:

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Constituted May 22,1922[Type here]

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Laurel Lodge #237 F & A M

April 21, 1950

June 20, 1952

June 7, 1957

February 20, 1959

December 4, 1964

April 4, 1975

November 17, 1995

March 2, 2001

June 16, 2006

May 15, 2009

March 19, 2010

November 15, 2019

Brethren: 2023 Dues are Due 12/31/22

Please note the following important information.

You will be receiving 2023 dues notices via e-mail and US mail. If you have not received your dues notice please contact WB Woodruff.

If you have a question or concern regarding your dues please call or e-mail WB Craig J. Woodruff at cjwpm2002@yahoo.com or 856-669-9796.

In addition to Laurel Lodge Annual Dues please note the following:

2023 Grand Lodge Assessments (Not Lodge Dues)

Grand Lodge Operating	\$37.00
Grand Lodge Reserve Fund	\$12.00
Grand Lodge Capitol Fund	\$6.00
MCF	\$6.00
Insurance	\$5.50
GW Memorial	\$1.00
Rainbow	\$1.00
Demolay	\$1.00
Masonic Renewal Committee	\$.50
HTMT	<u>\$3.00</u>
Grand Lodge Total per member	<u>\$73.00</u>

Brethren, when submitting your dues payment, please indicate in the memo section of the check what the payment is for, example; 2023 dues + \$ building fund. Also, if you pay in cash, make sure you get a receipt from the secretary indicating what the money is to pay for.

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Brethren, Thank you!	

April Masonic Birthdays

Bro Gerald L Tully	1967	56
Bro Alvin C Fitting	1976	47
Bro Henry N Portner	1976	47
Bro Robert G Burt	1987	36
WB Eric B Erickson	1988	35
Bro James D Shisler	1990	33
WB Gene G Olson	1994	29
Bro Manwell G Baroody	1997	26
Bro Russell R Hoyle, Jr.	1997	26
Bro Robert E Rudden	1997	26
Bro Derek J Freyberger	1999	24
Bro William F Schwab, Jr.	1999	24
Bro Richard L Wooster	2000	23
Bro William E Hughes III	2005	18
Bro Anthony J Centritto	2007	16
Bro William C Dare	2007	16
Bro Robert J Powell	2007	16
WB John P Gomen	2009	14
Bro Joseph R Haines, Jr.	2009	14
WB Edward S Bohi	2010	13
DB John C Read, Jr.	2010	13

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**Brethren, my sincere apologies for not publishing
Masonic Birthdays in the February 2023
Trestleboard.
WB Robert Taylor, PM**

February 2023 Masonic Birthdays

Bro Herman Kruckner, III	1957	66
Bro John R. Pavolec, Sr.	1973	50
WB Frazier R Alburger, PM	1977	46
Bro Frank A Delucca, Jr.	1977	46
Bro George E Widing	1977	46
Bro Herbert A. Morris	1980	43
Bro Daniel G. Dunleavy	1988	35
WB Frank M. Blizard III, PM	1994	29
Bro Michael H. DiGenova	1996	27
RW Leonard M March, PDDGM	1996	27
RW Bernard J. Madgey, V DDGM	1997	26
Bro Donald H. Demarest	2000	23
Bro Richard Genzlinger, Jr.	2012	11
Bro Jeffrey S. Slimm	2012	11
Bro Joseph DiCiano	2012	11

Candidate Status

NAME	STATUS	LAST DATE	NEXT STATUS	NEXT DATE
	EA	1/20/23	FC Degree	TBD
	EA	1/20/23	FC Degree	TBD
	MM	3/17/23	MM Exam	TBD
	Mr.	1/20/23	EA Degree	4/21/23
	Mr.	3/7/23	Pending Candidate	TBD

**Building Trustee Meetings scheduled as Follows:
Tuesday April 18th 7PM
June 18th 7PM
September 19th 7PM**

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March 18, 2023

Brethren,

We want to invite you to our upcoming town hall meetings. The meetings will be held on:

April 5 - Central Valley, 103 Dunns Mill Rd Bordentown NJ

April 11 - Northern Valley/Salaam shrine, 114 Algonquin Pkwy #1, Whippany, NJ

May 9 - Shekinah Lodge, 1317 Fairtown Road, Millville, NJ

Start times are 6:30 pm

The town hall meetings allow us to unite as a fraternity to discuss important issues affecting our craft. We will address various topics, including legislation to be voted upon on June 3, 2023, Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge.

We believe that your input and participation are crucial to the success of our fraternity, and we hope you can attend one or more of the meetings. There will be ample time for questions and comments from the audience, and we encourage you to share your thoughts and opinions.

We look forward to seeing you at the town hall meetings and working together to make New Jersey Freemasonry Great!

S&F

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March 13, 2023

NOTICE

Brethren:

Take due notice, by order of Most Worshipful David L. Tucker, an Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge has been scheduled.

The Emergent Communication aims to vote on legislation and any other business that shall come before the Grand Lodge.

The Emergent Communication will be held on Saturday, June 3, 2023. Registration is at 8:00 am; Grand Lodge opens at 9:00 am at the Fellowship Center, Oxmead Road, Burlington, NJ. The deadline to submit legislation to be considered at this emergent communication is April 7, 2023. All proposed legislation must be delivered to the Grand Secretary at the Grand Lodge Office by 3 pm.

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MW Roger Quintana, PGM
RW Grand Secretary

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