

Worshipful Master's Message

January was a busy month for our Lodge and the Officers. We started with performing a courtesy funeral service. Next we had an excellent presentation by Command Sergeant Major William Collier and First Sergeant Larry Park. They spoke about the New Jersey Army and Air National Guard's role in the storm recovery efforts at Long Beach Island. Later in the month we conferred the Fellow Craft degree on two brothers. We had a change of venue for District Lodge of Instruction. It was held at Crescent Shrine and was a nice change of pace. We also had a great showing at the Eastern Star Chapter's Master Mason night. The ladies were happy to see so many of us in attendance and they put on a great evening to honor us. As I write this message we still have a blood drive and the Masonic Home visit to attend. I'd like to thank all those who attended the events and I hope you received as much light as I did.

February will once again be a busy month and I have some exciting news. The 18th District will gain a new lodge. Right now I only know that it will be named Lazarus Lodge. I do not know what the lodge number will be at this time. We will be having a one-day class on February 2nd to confer all three degrees to the Brethren that will form the lodge. They were a clandestine lodge and the Grand Master has admitted them under our Grand Lodge. This is a piece of history for the 18th district and I highly encourage all those who are able to attend and be a part of the historic occasion. It will start at 8AM and be held at USSNJ #62 in Cherry Hill. Our lodge will be participating in the second section of the EA Degree. The second section of the MM degree will be a "Gold Collar" degree with The Grand Lodge Officers taking the chairs. I'm sure you see some excellent ritual that day from all the lodges participating.

During our first meeting in February we will confer the EA Degree. We will have a presentation at our second meeting. WB Craig Thorpe has arranged for The South Jersey Paranormal Research Group to speak that night. I'm positive it will be a fun filled evening. Preparations have been started for The Black Horse Square Club's Ladies Night. This event will be held in March and has always been a fun filled night. In the past we have averaged 80 couples. I've been told if we can get a higher attendance this year we could possibly get a larger room. I ask that you assist me in packing the house this year. Let's show our ladies that we know how to have a good time.

I close with this quote by Albert Schweitzer:
"In everyone's life, at some time, our inner fire goes out. It is then burst into flame by an encounter with another human being. We should all be thankful for those people who rekindle the inner spirit."

If you haven't been out to lodge in a while come and let the brethren help you to restart that inner fire.

Fraternally,
Kevin D. Kloss
Worshipful Master

Communication for February 2013

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

Friday, February 1, 7:45 PM

**Regular business, Birthdays & Refreshments
The Entered Apprentice Degree**

Ballot for Membership by Initiation

Friday, February 15, 7:45 PM

**Regular business, Birthdays & Refreshments
Presentation By
South Jersey Paranormal Research**

Ballot for Membership by Initiation

By Order of
WB Kevin D. Kloss
Worshipful Master

Attest
WB Craig R. Thorpe, PM
Secretary

Dates to Remember

Every Tuesday, 7:00 PM

Officers Rehearsal at Lodge

Friday, February 1, 7:45 PM

Entered Apprentice Degree

Saturday, February 2, 8:00 AM

One Day Class for Members of Lazarus Lodge

USS New Jersey Lodge #62

Wednesday, February 13, 7:30 PM

District Lodge of Instruction

USS New Jersey Lodge #62

All officers must attend.

Friday, February 15, 7:45 PM

Regular Meeting

Presentation By

South Jersey Paranormal Research

Friday, March 1, 7:45 PM

Regular Meeting

Saturday, March 2

Statewide District One Day Class

Merchantville Lodge #119

Friday, March 8, 2013

Laurel Lodge and Black Horse Square Club

Ladies Night

Friday, March 15, 7:45 PM

Master Mason Degree

Saturday, March 23, 2013

Chairman's Ball

Laurel Lodge No. 237

Trial Balance as of December 31, 2012

	Debit	Credit
Commerce Bank	50,798.63	
Opening Bal Equity		7,225.22
Retained Earnings		33,430.59
Breakfasts & Dinners		5,078.66
Building Fund		1,866.81
Dividends		19,967.46
Donation		199.00
Dues		11,172.30
Elevator Fund		50,977.00
Gr. Lodge Annual Assessment		5,872.00
Initiation Fees		3,040.00
Past Masters Association		28.00
Petitions		1,100.00
Rent		2,395.09
Building Improvement - Elevator	41,865.89	
Cost of Grand Lodge	270.80	
Cost of Meeting	11,323.61	
Donations	1,820.00	
Fees & Assessments	1,375.00	
Gifts & Honoraria	2,140.12	
Grand Lodge Per Capita	11,514.00	
Insurance	3,802.00	
Masonic Supplies	1,386.44	
Office & Sec'y Expenses	2,204.40	
Phone	475.79	
Postage	1,448.66	
Repairs & Maintenance	6,023.91	
Salaries	1,495.00	
Utilities	4,407.88	
	142,352.13	142,352.13

Laurel Lodge and Black Horse Square Club Ladies Night

Friday, March 8, 2013 - 6:00 PM to 11:00 PM

Lucien's Manor

81 West White Horse Pike

Berlin, NJ 08009

6:00pm - Cocktails (Cash Bar)

Hors d'oeuvres

7:00pm - Dinner

8:00pm - Dancing with music provided by DJ and Gifts for the ladies

You and your lady are cordially invited to attend our annual "Ladies Night". This is a most enjoyable evening and it offers us an opportunity to show our ladies how much we appreciate them.

This is an Open Affair. Feel free to invite your relatives, friends, and neighbors.

Group seating can be arranged.

Cost \$60.00 per couple

Ladies Night 2013

Please return with your reservations to:

WB Brian J. Read, PM

316 E. Stafford Ave

Laurel Springs, NJ 08021

609-922-0877 or Brad886@gmail.com

Make checks payable to Laurel Lodge #237

Name: _____

No. Attending: _____

Please make a menu selection

Prime Rib of Beef _____

Chicken Marsala _____

Stuffed Flounder _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Lodge Building Fund Benefactors

Bro Joseph Abiuso
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 Bro Gene G. Olson

February Masonic Birthdays

Bro. William P Hansche	1951	62
Bro. Herman Kruckner, III	1957	56
Bro. James M Carroll	1959	54
Bro. Donald C Springle	1959	54
Bro. Robert Stott	1961	52
WB Robert D Rowand, Sr., PM	1963	50
Bro. George E Schmidt	1965	48
Bro. John R Pavlovec, Sr.	1973	40
WB Frazier R Alburger, PM	1977	36
Bro. Frank A Delucca Jr.	1977	36
Bro. George E Widing	1977	36
Bro. Herbert A Morris	1980	33
DB John E McDowell	1983	30
RW Henry J Rahn, Jr., PJGD	1988	25
Bro. Daniel G Dunleavy	1988	25
WB Frank M Blizard III, PM	1994	19
Bro. Richard D Perry	1994	19
RW Leonard M March, PDDGM	1996	17
Bro. Michael H DiGenova	1996	17
WB Bernard J Madgey, V, PM	1997	16
Bro. Samuel B Cohen	2000	13
Bro. Donald H Demarest	2000	13
Bro. Elvey C Broome	2009	4
Bro. Robert P Carbone	2009	4
Bro. Kenneth S. Heisler	2011	2
Bro. Timothy J. McDevitt	2011	2
Bro. Richard Genzlinger, Jr.	2012	1
Bro. Scott M. Lorimer	2012	1
Bro. Jeffery S. Slimm	2012	1

CANDIDATES IN WAITING

<u>Name</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Last Date</u>	<u>Next Status</u>	<u>Next Date</u>
	Petitioned	1/18/13	Ballot	2/15/13
	Petitioned	1/18/13	Ballot	2/15/13
	Petitioned	1/4/13	Ballot	2/1/13
	Petitioned	1/4/13	Ballot	2/1/13
	Elected	1/18/13	EA	2/1/13
	Elected	1/18/13	EA	2/1/13
	Elected	1/18/13	1DC	3/2/13
	FC	1/18/13	MM	3/15/13
	FC	1/18/13	MM	3/15/13

2013 DUES ARE PAST DUE

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

**2013 Official Visits of
RW Dale A. Lynch, Jr.
District Deputy Grand Master**

**Friday, February 8 – 7:30 PM
Merchantville No. 119**

**Wednesday, February 18 – 7:30 PM
USSNJ No. 62**

**Friday, March 1 – 7:30 PM
Audubon-Parkside No. 218**

**Tuesday, March 5 – 7:30 PM
Mozart No. 121**

**Wednesday, March 6 – 7:30 PM
Rising Sun No. 15**

**Tuesday, March 12 – 7:30 PM
Collingswood-Cloud No. 101**

**Friday, April 5 – 7:30 PM
Laurel No. 237**

**Laurel Lodge #237
Masonic Family Bowling Night**

To Benefit the Laurel Lodge Elevator Fund

**When: Saturday, March 30, 2018
7:30PM to 10:00PM**

**Where: 30 Strikes Bowling, Pub & Pizzeria
(formerly Martinique Lanes)
501 S. White Horse Pike
Stratford, NJ 08084
(near the Lindenwold Speedline Station)**

**Cost: \$10.00 per person - Pay at the door
Cash bar available
Rate based on 6 bowlers per lane**

**Included: 2 hours of unlimited bowling
Shoe Rental - Bumper lanes available for
the kids.**

**Contact Bro Robert . Taylor for reservations
856-834-3917 or Taylor89@comcast.net
Group reservations of 6 can be made
Reservations due by March 26**

**Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey
Chairman, Most Worshipful Glenn R.
Trautmann and the Board of Trustees Cordially
Invite You and Your Guest to Attend**

A Night in Casablanca

March 23, 2013

**The Fellowship Center
1114 Oxmead Road, Burlington, New Jersey**

Doors Open at 6pm

**Dancing to The Infernos Band Until 11:00 PM
Black Tie and Tails – Open Bar**

Entrée selections:

Tenderloin of Beef, Broiled Salmon, or Stuffed Chicken

\$75 Per Person

(no portion of your reservation fee is tax-deductible)

All reservations must be received by March 15, 2013.

**Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey
Development Office**

902 Jacksonville Road, Burlington, NJ 08016

**For more information, or to charge your reservation
Call (609) 239-3940**

**The Infernos Band is America's #1 Show Band and the area's
premier live performance group. Two of the band's vocal
powerhouses are Kenny Simmons, formerly of The
Commodores and Richie Rosato, formerly of The Duprees.
For more information about The Infernos, visit
www.theinfernosband.com.**

**Laurel Springs Chapter #227 EOS
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**

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.
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1952 Charles Mannice *	1996 James E. Miller, PGC #
1953 Robert C. Osborne, PGC*	1997 Raymond B. Kingett
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1961 John P. Steffan*	2002 Leonard M. March, PDDGM
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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
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