

Worshipful Master's Message

Brethren, this month's message is about optimism and peace of mind. The following words are to live by and with Freemasonry as a foundation anything is possible with positive thought. It is called Promise Yourself by Christian D. Larson.

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind. To talk health, happiness, and prosperity to every person you meet. To make all your friends feel that there is something in them to look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true. To think only the best, work only for the best and to expect only the best. To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own. To forget the mistakes of the past and to press on to greater achievements for the future, to wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile. To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others. To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear and be too happy to permit the presence of trouble, to think well of yourself and to proclaim this fact to the world, not in loud words but great deeds. To live in faith that the whole world is on your side so long as you are true to the best that is in you.

Take these words to heart especially when times get difficult and do not forget to remember the men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice to help preserve the freedoms we hold so dear in our hearts this Memorial Day May 25th. If attending the Wreath Laying Ceremony be at lodge at 9:15am. May our Heavenly Father Bless you and keep you in his eternal Grace.

Robert A. Taylor
Worshipful Master

Fraternally,
Robert A. Taylor
Worshipful Master



Communication for May 2015

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

Friday, May 1st, 7:45 PM

Regular Business, Birthdays &
Refreshments after Lodge.
DVD Presentation on Stonehenge

Friday, May 15th, 7:45 PM

Regular Business, Ballot, Birthdays and a Fire Safety presentation titled "Civilian Awareness in the Event of Fire" will be given by Brother Brian Emenecker, Captain from the Camden City Fire Department. Open to family and friends after lodge closes. Cake and coffee served after the presentation.

Ballot for Membership by Initiation

By Order of
WM Robert A. Taylor
Worshipful Master

Attest
WB James Weisensee, PM
Secretary

DATES TO REMEMBER

Every Tuesday, 7:00 PM
Officers Rehearsal at Lodge

Friday May 1st 7:45PM
Regular Meeting, Balloting &
Refreshments

Saturday May 9th 11AM
Laurel Springs Day
See announcement in this message

Friday May 15th 7:45PM
Regular Meeting, Balloting, Fire
Safety Presentation & Refreshments

Saturday, May 16, 7:00 PM
Family Bingo and Ice Cream Social
Laurel Lodge 237. Bring the kids.
See announcement in this message

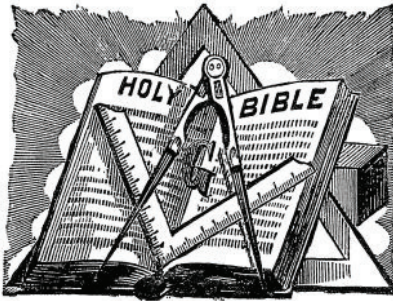
Monday May 25th at 10AM
Memorial Day Wreath Laying
Ceremony, meet at Lodge 9:15AM

Tuesday May 26th 5:30PM
Gold Token Night
See announcement in this message

Worshipful Master Road Trip
Saturday August 15th 2015
See announcement in this message

See Additional Events in this
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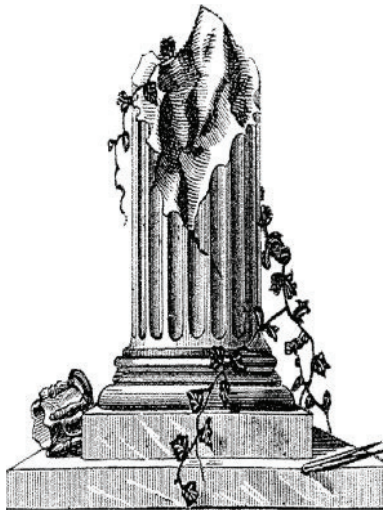
IN MEMORIUM



Worshipful Brother Stewart Walsh

Raised June 21st 1985
Past Master 1991

Called from Labor
April 7th 2015



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Bro. Wilfredo Halina

Thank you from Worshipful Master

Candidates In Waiting

<u>Name</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Last Date</u>	<u>Next Status</u>	<u>Next Date</u>
	FC	11/21/14	MM	TBD
	EA	9/9/14	FC	TBD
	EA	10/17/14	FC	TBD
	EA	10/17/14	FC	TBD
	EA	4/3/15	FC	6/19/15
	EA	4/3/15	FC	TBD
	EA	4/3/15	FC	TBD
	EA	4/3/15	FC	TBD
	MR	N/A	Ballot	5/15/15
	MR	N/A	Ballot	5/15/15
	MR	N/A	Ballot	5/15/15
	MR	N/A	Ballot	5/15/15

18th District Masonic Work Party to Benefit the Boy Scouts!

Saturday May 16th Pine Hill Scout Reservation 120 New Freedom Road, Pine Hill, NJ 8am to 4pm. Help us put new roofs on several lean-tos and a couple pavilions! Please come out and assist for whatever part of the day you can. Bring work gloves and tools.

Lunch will be provided. If you can help, please respond to: RW Jim Miller (856) 924-1301 or WB Joe Britt (856) 783-4866. We need an approximate count so we know how much food to provide.

38th Annual Masonic Wheelchair Track & Field Meet

Saturday, June 6th 730am to 4pm and Sunday June 7th 7am to 3PM

Place: North Brunswick High School, 98 Raider Road North Brunswick, NJ 08902

Coffee and donuts will be served both mornings and lunch both days. All volunteers will receive a Masonic Wheelchair Track and Field Meet t-shirt and pin. Contact is Neil McCarthy 83 Highview Terrence Dover, NJ 07801 E-mail is ddgmn11@gmail.com. Donations for this event can be mailed to Neil. We need at least 100 volunteers each day to assist with the events and cheering the athletes, so this is a good chance for new Mason's or friends who may be interested in Masonry to come and see just what it is that Masons do for the community.

2015 Grand Lodge Spring Officers Seminar

Saturday May 16th at the Fellowship Center, Burlington

Registration 8:30 AM Adjourn 2:00 PM

\$10 per person (Lunch included) Dress Business Casual

Topics: "Tools for Masonic Success IV"

Masonic Leadership Training and Education

Break-out session with the Elected Line

Masters and Wardens Highly Encouraged to Attend

Online Registration link will be available next week on the Grand Lodge web site www.newjerseygrandlodge.com

Sincerely and fraternally, Larry S. Plaskett PGM Acting Grand Secretary

New Jersey Masonic License Plate Campaign

Ends: June 30th, 2015 Cost: \$35.00

Call Bro. Scott Slimm for information, 609-313-3628 or bring copy of vehicle registration and current dues card to officers practice or next lodge meeting. Example only:



Memorial Day May 25th Wreath Laying Ceremony

Laurel Lodge #237 will be laying a wreath at the Laurel Springs Memorial Day Ceremony.

Your attendance is greatly appreciated to honor the men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice defending the freedoms we hold dear in this great country. Please meet at Laurel Lodge at 9:15am and we will walk over to the ceremony at 9:45am. The ceremony begins at 10am. Donuts and coffee will be served prior to the ceremony.

Civilian Awareness in the Event of Fire

A fire safety presentation will be given at our regular meeting Friday May 15TH after lodge closes. Brother Brian Emenecker, Captain from the Camden City Fire Department will be giving this presentation. Please invite family and friends to this event.

**“FIRE SAFETY”
PRESENTATION
MAY 15TH**

Laurel Lodge to accept Credit Cards

(coming soon)

We will begin accepting credit cards in the near future for merchandise, dues payments, ticket purchases, lodge dinners, donations, etc..

A convenience fee will apply to all transactions (swiped/invoices 2.8278% excluding donations)

75/40 Members

Laurel Lodge continues to value and honor our 75/40 members by not requiring Lodge dues payments. In order to preserve our lodge's financial stability, we are requesting that if you are able, and it will not cause you any undue hardship, to pay only the Grand Lodge assessment of \$44.50. This is voluntary on your part, but will help our Lodge meet its financial responsibilities.

2015 DUES ARE PAST DUE

Your 2015 dues were due on 12-31-2014.

Please note; if you are behind on your dues contact the Worshipful Master or Secretary.

Please send your payments to

Laurel Lodge No. 237

P.O. Box 127

Stratford, N.J. 08084

LAUREL LODGE NEEDS YOUR HELP

If you have interest in serving your Lodge as an officer or serving on one of the many committees please call or e-mail the Worshipful Master.

Our Lodge needs Brethren to donate their time and talent.

Committees include: Auditing, Budget & Finance, Craftsman, Entertainment, Exam practice for Candidates, Masonic Education, Mentorship, Refreshments, Membership Retention & Trestleboard Mailing.

We especially need assistance with Exam Practice for new Brothers. In addition, we could use help reforming the Craftsman Association for Master Mason Degrees.

Laurel Springs Day May 9th

Brethren, bring your family and friends to Laurel Springs Day Saturday May 9.

Stop by the center of town anytime between 11:00am & 4:00pm. Vendor tables include food, refreshment and fun for the kids. There's also a car show happening.

The Worshipful Master's 1965 Oldsmobile Convertible will be making an appearance at the car show. Enter your antique or classic car.

May Masonic Birthdays

Bro	J. Bruce Mumie	1962	53
Bro	Harry E Parvin	1967	48
Bro	Herbert L Seidman	1969	46
Bro	James D Sannipoli	1970	45
Bro	Leonard F Albig	1971	44
Bro	Donald E Slimm	1978	37
Bro	William A Lambert	1986	29
Bro	Michael A Lisowski	1989	26
Bro	Christopher T Mascioli	1989	26
Bro	Jackie R Longmire, Jr.	1992	23
Bro	Timothy P Roedig	1992	23
WB	Eugene J. Applegate, PM	1995	20
Bro	Christopher A Milner	1997	18
Bro	Joseph W Obrish, Jr.	1999	16
Bro	Joseph A Gazzara	2001	14
Bro	Michael W Harrell	2001	14
Bro	Anthony J Mazziotti	2001	14
Bro	James H Gleeson Jr.	2006	9
Bro	Anthony A Lafferty	2006	9
WB	Robert A. Taylor	2008	7
Bro	Brett M Wiley	2008	7
Bro	Anthony Carozza	2010	5
Bro	Walter S Keebler	2010	5
Bro	Andrew J Read	2010	5
Bro	Fred H Hurlburt	2012	3
Bro	Michael P McKenney, Jr.	2012	3
Bro	William E Roche'	2012	3
Bro	Daniel T Walsh	2012	3

Brethren,

Do not forget your Masonic Birthday.

Visit your lodge this month, enjoy Brotherhood, refreshment and receive your Masonic Birthday Gift from the Worshipful Master.



Words to Live By

By three methods we may learn wisdom: First, by reflection, which is noblest; second, by imitation, which is easiest; and third by experience, which is the bitterest.”

— Confucius

Volunteer Services

This year Laurel Lodge will be assisting the residents of The Masonic Home to Sunday Services June 28th & October 4th

902 Jacksonville Road, Burlington, NJ 08016

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.

Student Assistance Available

Free of charge, academic tutoring is available to any student of any Brother. Location: Laurel Lodge Tuesdays at 7PM or if available at your home.

Subject areas:

Comprehensive Social Studies, Humanities, Language Arts. Grade K-12, NJ State Certified Teacher of Students with Disabilities. Bro. Bob Hankins, M.ED., 32nd SPEDteacherbob@comcast.net

Department 56 Items for Sale

Rite Worshipful Jim Miller generously donated

Department 56 Season Bay collectible items to Laurel Lodge. If you have interest in purchasing one or a few of these items to complete your collection please contact the Worshipful Master. These items are presently located in our Lodge for you review.

Laurel Lodge Items for Sale

Did you know that Laurel Lodge has a SWAG committee?

Presently we have Laurel Lodge shirts for sale. Our goal is to build our inventory to include hats, jackets, etc.

Brother Willie Halina from Family Imports LLC donated 10 coffee mugs. There are a few mugs left sale at \$5 each. Please contact Brother Bob Outlaw at 609-471-2869 or e-mail routlaw74@gmail.com

Trestleboard Mailings

Help your Lodge save postage by receiving your monthly Trestleboard via e-mail. Please contact the Worshipful Master or Secretary with your e-mail address. Also, if you've moved recently please contact us.

Email



Laurel Lodge Masters Hat

Please donate your dollar bills to the Laurel Lodge Masters Hat, if the \$1 bill has the letter "L" to the left of Worshipful Brother George Washington. Fun Fact: did you know the letter "L" represents the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. Thank you!



18th Masonic District Gold Token Night

Tuesday May 26th 2015 5:30PM

Pennsauken Country Club

3400 Haddonfield Rd. Pennsauken, NJ

\$40.00 per person (cash bar – reduced prices)

Please join us to Honor our Senior Members from your Lodge and around the District.

Reservations by Advance Payment Only

Dinner choices:

Filet Mignon, Honey Glazed Salmon
Chicken Marsala

Please make check payable to:

18th District Masters, Wardens & Past Masters Assoc.

Remit by Friday, May 8th, 2015 to

Bro. Keith Josepayt 20 Cherry Place, Bellmawr, NJ 08031

E-mail kjosepayt@comcast.net or 856-261-2369

Family Bingo Night & Ice Cream Social

Saturday May 16th at 7PM

Free admission, RSVP by May 9th

Please join Laurel Lodge 237 and the Order of the Eastern Star for a fun filled night playing bingo at Laurel Lodge. Enjoy hand dipped ice cream with a make your own toppings bar. Bring your kids and grandkids.

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14	25	36	50	64
11	27	★ FREE	49	70
2	30	41	47	69
8	17	39	54	62



Worshipful Master Road Trip

Saturday August 15th 2015

Enjoy a day trip with the Worshipful Master. First we stop at America's oldest brewery for a tour of the Yuengling Brewery located in Pottsville, PA. After the brewery tour we'll stop for lunch at the Cracker Barrel and then proceed to Cabelas located in Hamburg, PA. Our final stop will be Cigar International also located in Hamburg, PA.

Details: We will leave Laurel Lodge at 7:45am. Our goal is to rent a 15 passenger van depending upon attendance. Price is estimated at \$20 to \$25 per person to pay for van rental and fuel. Lunch is your expense. Refreshments and snacks will be provided. Please RSVP to Worshipful Master by Friday August 7th. Cell 856-834-3917 or Taylor89@comcast.net

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Come One Come All To the Annual Laurel Lodge Picnic

Saturday, July 25, 2015

At the Alspach homestead
493 Marshall Mill Road

Franklinville, New Jersey 08322
12:00 P.M. until ??

Reservations are required by 7/18.

\$5.00 per person donation suggested

Call or send an Email to the Worshipful Master.

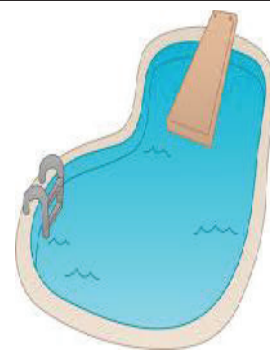
856-834-3917 or Taylor89@comcast.net

Bring your favorite covered dish or dessert.

The Lodge will provide the Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and Beverages.

Bring your swimsuits and beach chairs

For directions call 856-694-4388



PAST MASTERS

** Deceased*

Dual Member

1922 Albert C. Stack *	1974 Robert W. Bates, PSGD
1923 Harry A. Beck *	1975 Frederick W. Knox
1923 William S. Martin # *	1976 Leroy See *
1924 Arthur Scrimshaw *	1976 John J. Eitel # *
1925 Benjamin Forrest *	1977 Roy F. Gutshall, Jr. *
1926 Elmer F. Giffin *	1978 John R. Beetle
1927 Charles B. Giffin *	1979 Charles W. Bell
1928 John T. Reif *	1980 Benjamin H. Read, Jr. *
1929 Charles V. Osborne, Sr. *	1981 Joseph H. Rival Jr., PGM
1930 Samuel G. Garrison, Jr. *	1982 Warren E. Rival, PGC
1931 Charles P. Mills # *	1982 Ronald A. Rocco #
1932 William R. Cannon *	1983 Hugh C. Williams *
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1934 F. Maurice Goodwin *	1984 Charles E. Oppido, Jr. # *
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1973 Louis W. Bradley, PGT *	2014 James A. Weisensee

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