

## Worshipful Master's Message

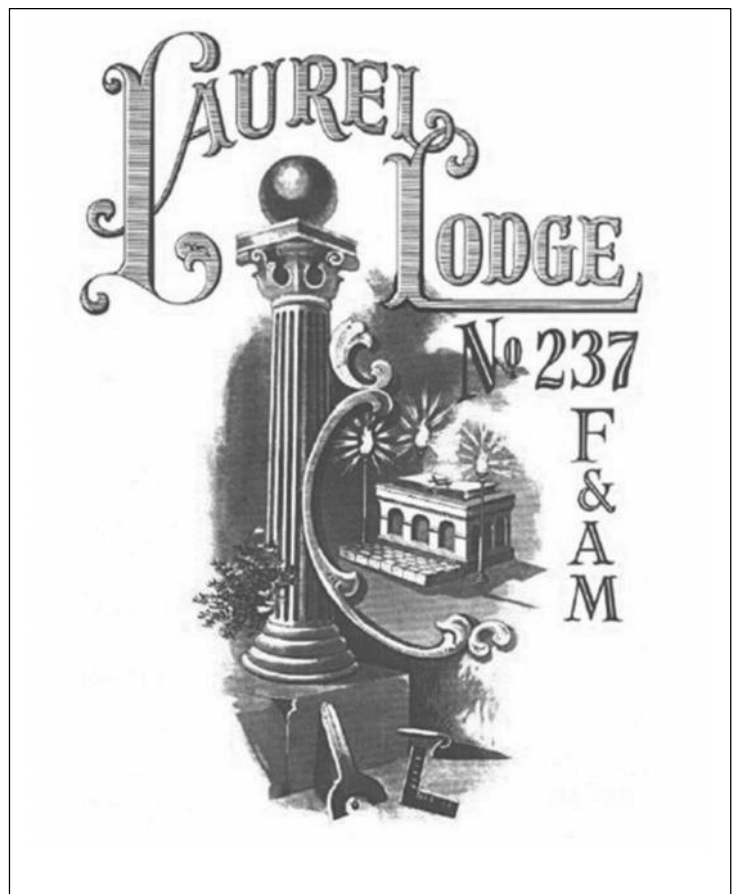
### The Original Orders of Architecture

The Doric, Ionic and Corinthian the first three original orders of architecture teach us many valuable lessons in masonry. These three columns show us wisdom, strength and beauty. They teach us to be strong in character. They remind us to be true and upright in our thoughts and actions. From their detailed work, we can be reminded how important it is to be careful in how we treat one another. That through thoughtfulness and kindness lay true wisdom, strength and beauty. The Doric is plain and natural. The Doric resembles the shape of a strong robust man. The Ionic is a means between strength and delicacy. The Ionic being more detailed shows us strength in the beauty of the delicacy of the work in its capital. The Corinthian is the richest of the orders and is deemed a masterpiece of art. Truly these three columns represent masonry. For as in masonry wisdom, strength and beauty can be seen, heard and felt. Our lodge now has two columns of the Ionic order at its front entrance. They show the wisdom, strength and beauty of our lodge and of our great fraternity. They are dedicated to all of us, to all brother masons. Sincerely and Fraternally,

**John P. Gomen** Worshipful Master

Sincerely and Fraternally

*John P. Gomen*  
Worshipful Master



### Communications for May 2017

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

#### Friday May 5th, 7:45 PM

Regular Business, Birthdays & Refreshment's After Lodge. A Presentation on the Boy Scouts of America will be given by RW Jim Miller

#### Friday, May 19th, 7:45 PM

Regular Business, Ballot, Birthdays & Refreshment's after Lodge. A Presentation on the Naval Battle of Jutland will be given by WB Robert Taylor

**Ballot for Membership by Initiation  
May 19th**

By Order of  
WM John P. Gomen  
Worshipful Master

Attest  
WB James Weisensee, PM  
Secretary

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Every Tuesday, 7:00 PM  
Officers Rehearsal at Lodge

Friday May 5th, 7:45 PM  
Regular Business, Birthdays,  
Refreshments, and Presentation

Friday May 19th, 7:45 PM  
Regular Business, Birthdays, Ballot,  
Refreshments, and Presentation

Saturday May 6th  
GLI Trenton Masonic Temple  
Doric Room, 9AM-2:30PM

Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>  
Brother Larry Golley Golf Memorial  
See separate flyer in this TB

Tuesday May 23<sup>rd</sup> 5:30PM  
18<sup>th</sup> Masonic District Gold Token  
Night Pennsauken Country Club  
Remit by Tuesday, May 9, 2017 to:  
Keith Josepayt 20 Cherry Place,  
Bellmawr, NJ 08031  
Contact: Mozart.sec@gmail.com or  
(856) 261-2369

Laurel Lodge Family Picnic  
Saturday, July 22, 2017  
12:00PM until?  
See announcement in the TB

## DLI Schedule for 2017

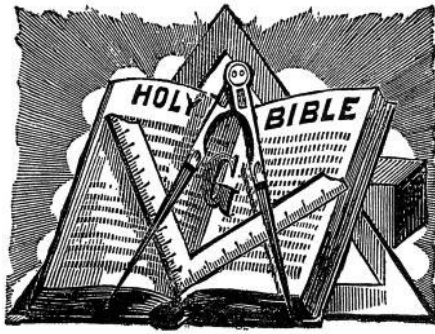
May 10 Mozart #121 (@ Audubon  
Temple June 14

Merchantville #119 September 14

Rising Sun #15 October 12

USSNJ #62 (@ Rising Sun/Haddonfield  
Temple  
November 9 Qualification Teams  
(location TBA)

## In Memorium

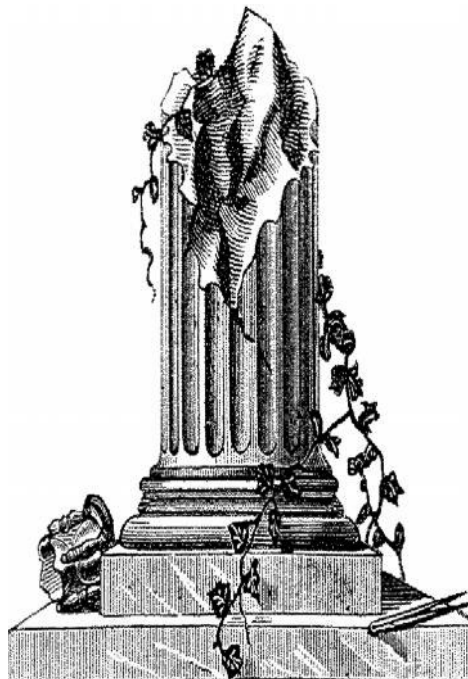


**Brother John J. Flanagan**  
Raised 10-15-2010  
Called from Labor  
April 5th 2017

**Brother Edward P Graham Jr**  
Raised 3-16-1976  
Called from Labor  
April 17th 2017

**To all members of our Armed  
Forces who gave the ultimate  
sacrifice in the service of our  
great country.**

**Remember them always,  
especially Memorial Day  
Monday May 29<sup>th</sup>**



## Building Fund Benefactors

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**Thank you from  
Worshipful Brother Gomen!**

## 2017 DUES NOTICE

Please note: Your dues for 2017 were due 12-31-2016. If you know or believe that you haven't paid dues for 2016 please contact the Worshipful Master or Secretary.

Payments: Laurel Lodge No. 237  
P.O. Box 127 Stratford, N.J. 08084

## Black Horse Square Club

The Black Horse Square Club will hold a Cigar Night outside Laurel Lodge 237 on 5/12/2017 from 7:00 PM until.. The last time we held this event Masons from several lodges participated making for a very memorable night. Once again, we will have great food, great friendship, and a good time for all. Please bring a friend and join us, send an e mail to [Jandread@comcast.net](mailto:Jandread@comcast.net) so we know how much food to prepare.

Thank you! Brother John Read

## Quotes From Brethen

The Society or Fraternity of Freemasons is more in the nature of a system of Philosophy or of moral and social virtues taught by symbols, allegories, and lectures based upon fundamental truths, the observance of which tends to promote stability of character, conservatism, morality and good citizenship.  
H. W. Coil

The men whom I have seen succeed have always been cheerful and helpful, who went about their business with a smile on their faces, and took changes and chances of this mortal life like men. -Charles Kingsley

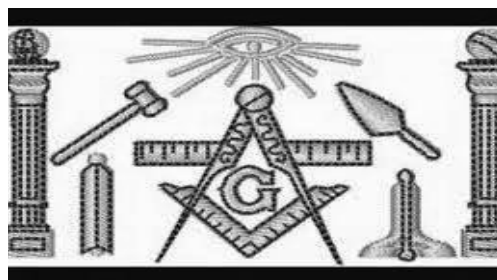
## May Masonic Birthdays

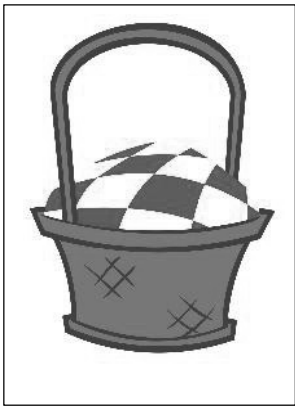
Bro	J. Bruce Mumie	1962	55
Bro	Harry E Parvin	1967	50
Bro	James D Sannipoli	1970	47
Bro	Leonard F Albig	1971	46
Bro	John A Stahl Jr.	1981	36
Bro	William A Lambert	1986	31
Bro	Michael A Lisowski	1989	28
Bro	Christopher T Mascioli	1989	29
Bro	Jackie R Longmire, Jr.	1992	25
Bro	Timothy P Roedig	1992	25
WB	Eugene J. Applegate, PM	1995	22
Bro	Christopher A Milner	1997	20
Bro	Joseph W Obrish, Jr.	1999	18
Bro	Joseph A Gazzara	2001	16
Bro	Anthony J Mazziotti	2001	16
Bro	James H Gleeson Jr.	2006	11
Bro	Anthony A Lafferty	2006	11
Bro	Jon W. Nagle	2006	11
WB	Robert A. Taylor	2008	9
Bro	Brett M Wiley	2008	9
Bro	Anthony Carozza	2010	7
Bro	Walter S Keebler	2010	7
Bro	Andrew J Read	2010	7
Bro	Fred H Hurlburt	2012	5
Bro	Michael P McKenney, Jr.	2012	5
Bro	William E Roche'	2012	5
Bro	Daniel T Walsh	2012	5

## 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.

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





**Come One Come All To the Annual  
Laurel Lodge Family Picnic**

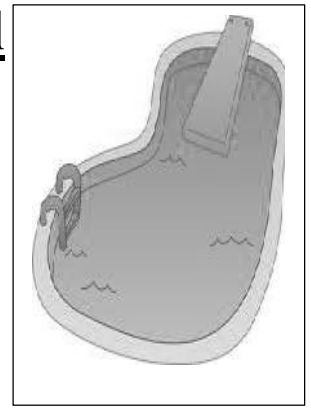
**Saturday, July 22, 2017**

**12:00PM Until?**

**At the Alspach Homestead**

**493 Marshall Mill Road**

**Franklinville, New Jersey 08322**



**Reservations are required by Sunday 7/16.**

**\$5.00 per person donation suggested**

**For reservations call or send an e-mail to WB Robert Taylor at**

**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**

**Masonic Traveller Joke**

**Brother Felix Gordillo**

**(Universal Lodge #178 - Tampa, Florida)**

**There is a lodge located in the backwoods of a small southern town where the brethren are faithful Masons, but lack knowledge of receiving brothers from other jurisdictions.**

**During one of the meetings, the JD (Junior Deacon) informed the WM (Worshipful Master) that there was an alarm at the door, whereupon the WM replied "Attend the alarm and report your findings".**

**The JD opened the door and saw, to his amazement, a brother, impeccably dressed with an elaborate apron and jewels about his chest.**

**The Tyler, being somewhat slow to answer for the visiting brother, the visitor stated, "My name is John Smith, Past Grand Master, who humbly requests an audience with the WM."**

**The JD, upon hearing these words from the visiting brother and the elaborate apron and jewels upon his chest, immediately closed the door, returned to his post and informed the WM: "Worshipful Master, The Grand Architect of the Universe is at the door!!!"**

### Volunteer Services 2017

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

Masonic Home Address:  
902 Jacksonville Road, Burlington, NJ

July 23<sup>rd</sup> October 22<sup>nd</sup>  
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.

### Did You Know?

You can access [www.newjerseygrandlodge.org](http://www.newjerseygrandlodge.org) for information on our Brotherhood. On the left hand side of the home page click the members only tab. For user name use the number on your blue card. The password should be your last name. If you have difficulty accessing the members only section please call NJ Grand Lodge to assist with access 609-239-3950.

### 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 maintain our membership database as accurate as possible.  
Thank you, Worshipful Master



### Candidate Status

<u>Name</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Last Date</u>	<u>Next Status</u>	<u>Next Date</u>
	MM	10/2/15	MM exam	5/19/17
	MM	11/3/15	MM exam	TBD
	MM	N/A	Ballot - Affiliation	TBD
	FC	9/18/15	MM	TBD
	EA	11/17/15	FC	TBD
	FC	2/17/17	MM	TBD
	FC	2/17/17	MM	TBD
	FC	4/7/17	MM	TBD
	Mr.	N/A	EA	TBD
	Mr.	N/A	EA	TBD
	Mr.	N/A	EA	TBD
	Mr.	N/A	Ballot	5/19/17

### Brethren: Attention Please

This memo is directed to Brother Entered Apprentice Masons, Brother Fellow Craft Masons and Brother Master Masons who have not completed their exam work. Your Brethren are available to meet with you at our Lodge every Tuesday evening at 6PM to review and memorize exam work. Please make every effort to attend. Please note; during your committee of investigation you were asked if you were willing to spend at least one hour per week with your Brethren to study Freemasonry.

**PAST MASTERS**

<p><i>* Deceased</i></p> <p>1922 Albert C. Stack *          1923 Harry A. Beck *          1923 William S. Martin # *          1924 Arthur Scrimshaw *          1925 Benjamin Forrest *          1926 Elmer F. Giffin *          1927 Charles B. Giffin *          1928 John T. Reif *          1929 Charles V. Osborne, Sr. *          1930 Samuel G. Garrison, Jr. *          1931 Charles P. Mills # *          1932 William R. Cannon *          1933 Noah C. Bender *          1934 F. Maurice Goodwin *          1935 Michael Balent, Jr. *          1936 Enos J. Jarvis *          1937 Robert F. Ranken *          1938 John H. Fisher, Sr. *          1939 Oscar M. Hansen *          1940 Albert F. Neidinger PGP*          1941 Lawrence E. Gardiner *          1942 B. Franklin Cope *          1943 Fred Humphrey *          1944 Charles. S. Schenick *          1945 Ora L. Wooster, Sr. *          1946 Carl C. Caldwell *          1947 Benjamin A. Glatz *          1948 Joseph H. Matthews *          1949 Ralph E. Husted *          1950 Thomas Milne *          1951 Ferdinand Herbst *          1952 Charles Mannice *          1953 Robert C. Osborne,PGC*          1954 Earl B. Hallowell *          1955 Harry M. Ireland *          1956 John M. Fisher, Jr. *          1957 Albert C. Stack, Jr. *          1958 Whitney H. Myers *          1959 George F. McCann *          1960 Harold T. Wolf*          1961 John P. Steffan*          1962 Harold H. Croom*          1963 Charles F. Yost *          1964 Charles W. Engler, Jr.*          1965 Daniel A. Mullen, III *          1965 Carl H. Gamp # *          1966 Albert L. Hann , PJGD          1967 Henry Baumert *          1968 Robert E. Walsh, Jr.*          1969 George E. Carpenter *          1970 Henry Sannipolli,PDDGM *          1971 Leonard O. Beebe *          1972 Robert D. Rowand *          1973 Louis W. Bradley, PGT *          2015 Robert A. Taylor</p>	<p><i># Dual Member</i></p> <p>1974 Robert W. Bates, PSGD          1975 Frederick W. Knox          1976 Leroy See *          1976 John J. Eitel # *          1977 Roy F. Gutshall, Jr.*          1978 John R. Beetle          1979 Charles W. Bell          1980 Benjamin H. Read, Jr. *          1981 Joseph H. Rival Jr., PGM          1982 Warren E. Rival, PGC *          1982 Ronald A. Rocco #          1983 Hugh C. Williams *          1984 Walter C. Knett *          1984 Charles E. Oppido, Jr. # *          1985 Frank A. Applegate, Sr.*          1985 Henry Bubacz # *          1986 Wilfred E. Wilson *          1986 Donald L. Keppen Sr.          1987 Robert F. Butler *          1988 William E. Hand *          1989 Edwin W. Griffiths, Jr.          1990 Donald C. Lever, PSGS *          1991 Stewart D. Walsh *          1991 Ralph S. Hill, Jr. # *          1992 George W. Stott, Jr. *          1992 Harry H. Wible # *          1993 Dale A. Lynch, Jr., PDDGM          1994 Henry J. Rahn, Jr. PSGS          1994 Charles A. Castley,PDDGM **          1995 Russell R. Hoyle, Sr.          1996 Frazier R. Alburger          1996 James E. Miller, PGC #          1997 Raymond B. Kingett          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 E. Kunze Sr.          2010 Craig R. Thorpe          2011 Brian J. Read PJGS          2012 Bernard J. Madgey V DRI          2013 Kevin D. Kloss          2014 James A. Weisensee          2016 Gene G. Olson</p>
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 MW Larry S. Plasket, Grand Master 2002  
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