



**February
2019**

*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 February 2019

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

Friday February 1st 7:45PM

**Enjoy Masonic Light with Birthdays, Brotherhood,
Regular Business & Refreshment's after Lodge.
Guest Speaker RW George Neissner will discuss a topic
called "Conflict Resultion"**

Friday February 15th 7:45PM

**Official Visit of RW Bernard J. Madgey V, DDGM
Enjoy Masonic Light with Birthdays, Brotherhood,
Regular Business and Refreshment's after Lodge.
Brethren; this Evening is our Official Visit from Grand
Lodge. Please make every effort to attend.
"A Venison Lasagne Dinner will be served"**

Saturday February 2nd 9am to 2pm

**The 18th District will have a Blood Drive at Laurel Lodge.
It's the Masonic thing to do!**



Blood Drive!

***By Order of
WB Edward S. Bohi
Worshipful Master***

***Attest
WB Robert A. Taylor, PM
Secretary***

Worshipful Masters Message

Brethren,

“The Gavel”

In the first degree of Masonry, the common gavel is used by Operative Masons “to break off the corners of rough stones “, or by Speculative Masons “to divest our mind and consciences of all the vices and superfluities of life “. These metaphors are outstanding concepts that should remain with us throughout our masonic and life journeys.

But there are additional perspectives of the gavel not often considered. As Masons, our intentional and unintentional behaviors and instructions have a profound effect on our less experienced brethren and candidates. As mentors who “wield the gavel”; we should be aware of our own positive and negative attributes to be effective.

A slight tap here and a calculated strike there with the gavel; begin’s the transformation of the stone into a square. Conversely, the wrong word or an inconsiderate action can cause “the stone” to fracture, potentially losing a potential contributing member of the lodge or failing to improve ourselves.

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Worshipful Masters Message Continued

Operative masons utilized several types of gavel to form stones, depending on what type of stone was used for construction and whether they were cutting or shaping stones. As Speculative masons, until we begin to mentor a young mason or candidate, we do not truly know what type of person we are dealing with, in regards to their positive and negative attributes. But with “time and experience”, we begin to realize what “type of stone” we are working with and learn to utilize our skills as masons, to help them grow spiritually and morally. Most, if not all masons and candidates, are aware of their short comings and mistakes. Skillful use of the gavel can turn a mistake into an opportunity to learn and help someone grow. The next time you hear the gavel sound, take a moment to ponder how your actions and inactions effect the development of masons and/or others perspective on Masonry, and how you may better use the gavel.

***Sincerely and Fraternally
Edward S. Bohi
Worshipful Master***

Light From The West Landmarks Continued

- 4. A Masonic Lodge must have a Master and two Wardens, and when convened for masonic work, must be duly Tyled.**
 - 5. No person can be made a Mason unless he is a man, freeborn, of mature and discreet age, of good character and reputation, and having no maim or defect in his body that may render him incapable of learning the art and of being advanced to the several degrees, nor unless he apply for admission without solicitation, and take upon himself Masonic obligations. Nor can he be admitted to membership in a Masonic Lodge except upon a secret ballot by the brethren of that Lodge.**
 - 6. Masons, as such, are equal, possess the right to visit every Lodge or assembly of Masons where their presence will not disturb the peace and harmony of the same, and to appeal to the General Assembly of Masons, or its substitute, the Grand Lodge, whenever aggrieved by any act of a Lodge.**
- Additional Landmarks will appear in next month's Tresleboard.**

The Grand Lodge



TO: All Lodge Secretaries

RE: **GRAND LODGE BANQUET - ANNUAL COMMUNICATION**

The following is to be published in your Trestleboard and read at every regular communication of the lodge between now and the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in April.

Most Worshipful Roger B. Quintana, Grand Master extends a cordial invitation to our Brethren and their Ladies to attend the Grand Lodge Banquet at the 232nd Annual Communication in Atlantic City. Details are as follows:

Place: **Traymore A & B, 6th Floor, Bally's Hotel & Casino**

Park Place and the

Boardwalk

Date: **Wednesday, April 17, 2019**

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

Dinner – 7:00 P.M.

Price: **\$ 80.00 per Person**

Entertainment

For tickets, please forward your check made payable to the **Grand Lodge of New Jersey** for the number of tickets needed along with a ***self-addressed stamped envelope***, to Arnold "Butch Elliott, 38 Main Street, Flanders, NJ 07836. The **DEADLINE for reservations is Friday, March 29, 2019**. Tables of 10 can be reserved. ***We must have the name of every person for whom a ticket is purchased.***

To pay by credit card, please call Butch Elliott at (201) 390-3415.

Thank you for your interest and support. We look forward to breaking bread and sharing an evening of Masonic fun and fellowship with you.

Sincerely and fraternally,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Larry S. Plasket", is written on a grey rectangular background.

Larry S. Plasket, P.G.M.
Acting Grand Secretary

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February Masonic Birthdays

Bro Herman Kruckner, III	1957	62
Bro James M. Carroll	1959	60
Bro John R. Pavolec, Sr.	1973	46
WB Frazier R Alburger, PM	1977	42
Bro Frank A Delucca, Jr.	1977	42
Bro George E Widing	1977	42
Bro Herbert A. Morris	1980	39
Bro Daniel G. Dunleavy	1988	31
RW Henry J. Rahn, Jr., PSGD	1988	31
WB Frank M. Blizzard III, PM	1994	25
Bro Michael H. DiGenova	1996	23
RW Leonard M March, PDDGM	1996	23
RW Bernard J. Madgey, V DRI	1997	22
Bro Samuel B Cohen	1997	22
Bro Donald H. Demarest	2000	19
Bro Richard Genzlinger, Jr.	2000	19
Bro Scott M. Lorimer	2012	7
Bro Jeffrey S. Slimm	2012	7
Bro Joseph DiCiano	2012	7

**Happy Masonic Birthday from the Brethren of Laurel
Lodge #237 F&A.M.**

New Building Fund Benefactors for 2019

WB Joseph Abiuso	Bro. Gerard DiBona
WB Frazier Alburger	Bro. Michael J. Tavani, Sr.
Bro. James B. Alspach, Sr.	Bro. William E. Roche
Bro. James C. Black	Bro. Donald Demarest
Bro. Robert F. Brittain	Bro. Wilfredo Halina
Bro. William P. Buchanan	Bro. Steven Brooks
Bro. Kenneth Cashin	Bro. James Sannipoli
Bro. Barclay M. Champion	Bro. Richard Faunce
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Bro. Kenneth Cheesemen	Bro. William F. Campbell
WB Robert F. DiOrio	Bro. Richard Faunce
WB. Eric B. Erickson	Bro. Richard A. Greiner
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Bro. Murray Lightman	
Bro. Fred L. Maiden, Jr.	
Bro. James H. Norcross	
Bro. Joseph Novella	
Bro. James R. O'Brien	
Bro. Robert J. Powell	
Bro. Robert H. Price	
WB Ronald Rocco	
Bro. John L. Stoll	
Bro. William R. Terwilliger, Jr.	
Bro. Marvin O. Thorn	
Bro. Worrell R. Walker III	
<u>Brethren,</u>	<u>Thank you!</u>

MASTER MASON NIGHT

Attention Brethren,

Fairview Chapter #219 would like to invite the members of your lodge to attend their annual Master Mason Night on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at the Mantua Masonic Temple. This year, instead of refreshments afterwards, there will be a dinner preceding the meeting at 6:30pm in the dining hall. Afterwards, we will open a short business meeting in the Lodge Room at which time the Worshipful Masters will be introduced and asked to introduce the brethren from their respective lodges who accompanied them. There will be entertainment immediately following the meeting. This is open to all Master Masons. Please join us for a fun evening.

Fraternally, Francine Zionce, WM & John Zionce, WP

**RW B. Madgey - DDGM-18
Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee
Grand Lodge of N.J. F&AM
856-470-7609
budmadgey@gmail.com**

Masonic Family Bowling Night

Saturday March 9th

7:30 PM to 10:00 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



NOTE FROM THE SECRETARY

Brethren, please note the following information.

**I will be at Lodge every Tuesday evening at
6PM excluding holidays and vacations.**

**If you have Lodge business to conduct, this is
the best time to contact me in person, e-mail or
phone call. I also plan on being at Lodge on
Stated Communications around 6PM as well.**

856-834-3917 or laurellodge237@gmail.com

Fraternally,

Robert A. Taylor, PM

Secretary

Ladies Night

Place: Paris Caterer's

281 Berlin-Cross Keys Rd. Berlin, NJ

Date: Saturday, March 23

Time: 6-10 pm

Dinner: appetizers, salad, Top Round Beef Au Jus, Shrimp scampi, Parmesan crusted chicken, Farfalle pasta with sausage/spinach/sun dried tomatoes and dessert buffet

BEER AND WINE INCLUDED

Cost: 50.00 per person

Music will again be provided by Dance Party DJ's

PLUS: gifts and raffles for the Ladies.

See you there!!

RSVP to the Worshipful Master

1037 Shawnee Lane Shamong, NJ 08088

609-410-6422 or reeltherapy35@aol.com

The logo features the word "Ladies" in a large, elegant, pink cursive script. Below it, the word "NIGHT" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif, all-caps font. The two words are centered and overlap slightly.

18th Masonic District – Official Visits for 2019

Lazarus Lodge #303 February 4th
Rising Sun Lodge #15 February 6th
Collingswood Cloud Lodge #101 February 12th
Laurel Lodge #237 February 15th
Mozart Lodge #121 March 5th
Merchantville Lodge #119 March 8th
Audubon Parkside Lodge – March 14th
USS NJ Lodge March 18th

18th Masonic District – District Lodge of Instruction Dates for 2019

Collingswood Cloud Lodge #101 February 20th
Laurel Lodge #237 March 13th
Lazarus Lodge #303 April 10th
Merchantville Lodge #119 May 8th
Mozart Lodge #121 June 13th
Rising Sun Lodge #15 September 11th
USS NJ Lodge October 9th
Qualifications Teams November 13th & TBD
Masters & Wardens @6:45PM
DLI Opening @7:30PM

Candidate Status

NAME	STATUS	LAST DATE	NEXT STATUS	NEXT DATE
	FC	1/18/19	MM	TBD
	EA	6/15/18	FC	TBD
	Mr.	N/A	Petition Clearance from Grand Lodge	TBD
	Mr.	N/A	Petitioned Laurel Lodge	TBD
	Mr.	N/A	Petitioned Laurel Lodge	TBD
	Mr.	N/A	Petition Read in Lodge	March
	Mr.	N/A	Petition Read in Lodge	March
	Mr.	N/A	Petition Read in Lodge	March
	Mr.	N/A	Petitioned Laurel Lodge	TBD

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 *	1990	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. Peppler 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 #

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. *		
1992	Harry H. Wible # *		
1993	Dale A. Lynch, Jr., PDDGM		
1994	Henry J. Rahn, Jr. PSGS		
1994	Charles A Castley PDDGM *		
1995	Russell B. 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. Blizzard, 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		
2012	Bernard J. Madgey, V		
2013	Kevin D. Kloss		
2014	James A. Weisensee		
2015	Robert A. Taylor		
2016	Gene G. Olson		

Volunteer Cooks Needed

Brethren, our Lodge is in need of a few cooks for our Lodge Meetings. If you're interested in cooking a meal or two for an evening please let Worshipful Brother Abiuso know that you're interested. Those Brethren who volunteer their cooking talent will be eligible for waiver of annual dues for the next Masonic Year! A drawing will be held based upon those Brethren who volunteered their services. Now that's what I call incentive!

Masonic Home Wheelchair Push

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

2019 Dates:

March 17th

June 2nd

August 18th

November 3rd

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

2019 A.D.

Officer Line

6019 A.L.

Worshipful Master

**Bro Edward Bohi – Martha
1037 Shawnee Lane Shamong, NJ 08088
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Senior Warden

**Bro William Roche – Patricia
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Junior Warden

**Bro Charles Heimerl IV
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Treasurer

**MW Joseph H. Rival, Jr., PGM – Judy
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Secretary

**WB Robert A. Taylor, PM
30 Indian Birch Rd.
Turnersville, NJ 08012
856-834-3917 - LAURELLODGE237@GMAIL.COM**

Secretary Emeritus

RW Louis W. Bradley PGT*

Treasurer Emeritus

**WB Charles W. Bell PM
WB John R. Beetle, PM
WB Whitney H. Myers, PM ***

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye!



**Please free to bring Libations for Refreshment after Lodge!
Remember Brethren, all in Moderation**

Officer Line Continued

<u>Senior Deacon</u>	Bro Don L. Keppen Jr – 856-371-8675
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<u>Senior Steward</u>	Bro Ross A. Chase - 856-503-7677
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<u>Chaplain</u>	Bro Thomas Pace - (856) 261-7901
<u>Tyler</u>	Bro William F. Anderson - 856-547-0453
<u>Historian</u>	RW Albert L. Hann, PJGD - 856-845-6951
<u>Proxy to Grand Lodge</u>	Bro Don L. Keppen Jr – 856-371-8675
<u>Director of Ritual</u>	RW Brian J. Read PJGS
<u>Webmaster</u>	DB Raymond T. McManus - 856-346-9150
<u>Dir. of Craftsmen</u>	Brother William Gahagan 609-313-0924
<u>Entertainment</u>	By Committee
<u>Sick and Visiting</u>	RW Albert L. Hann ,PJGD, PM 856-845-6951 RW Bernard J. Madgey, V, DDGM, PM 856-470-7609
<u>Auditing, Budget & Finance</u>	RW James E. Miller, PGC and Bro Gerard DiBona
<u>Blood Bank Chairman</u>	DB Robert S. Outlaw - 856-471-2869
<u>Photographer</u>	Bro William Roche - 609-314-0505
<u>Masonic Education</u>	RW Albert L. Hann, PJGD, RW Brian J. Read, PJGS, RW Bernard J. Madgey V DDGM
<u>Advisor to Officers</u>	RW Albert L. Hann , PJGD
<u>Refreshments</u>	By Committee
<u>Funeral Coordinator</u>	RW Albert L. Hann, PJGD 856-845-6951
<u>Building Trustees</u>	3 Year WB Joseph Abiuso & WB Fred Knox
<u>Building Trustees</u>	2 Year RW Bernard J. Madgey, V, DDGM, PM 2 Year WB John P. Gomen, PM
<u>Building Trustees</u>	1 Year Bro John C Read & WB Gene G Olson PM
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<u>Financial Trustees</u>	1 Year Bro Scott Slimm

Grand Master	M.W. Roger B. Quintana, Grand Master 75 Cameo Place Colonia, NJ 07067 732-831-6974 / E-Mail is 2018GM@gmail.com
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DISTINGUISHED BROTHERS

**DB Richard P. Alspach, DB Raymond T. McManus,
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HONORARY MEMBERS

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

2019 DUES NOTICE

**Please note: Your dues for 2018 were due
12-31-2018. If you know or believe that you haven't paid dues please
contact the Worshipful Master or Secretary.**

**Payments: Laurel Lodge No. 237
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