

## May, 2011 Trestleboard



Brethren:

The 607<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication of Ionic Lodge No. 31, A.F. and A. M. will be held at the Newport Masonic Temple on **Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 2011, at 7:30 PM.** The reading of the minutes, reception of petitions, Masonic Birthdays, committee reports and all other business, as may be lawfully brought before the Lodge, will be transacted.

Robert W. Noble, PM  
Worshipful Master

James E. Duck, PM  
Secretary

### Masonic Birthdays May, 2011

George H. Pyle	59	George W. Grandel, Jr/PM	56
Harold W. Wink	48	Horace C. Heller	46
William D. Cochran	45	James R. Hall	44
George D. Johnson	42	James J. Beird	40
C. Allan Walls, PM	40	Lawrence M. Blackway	39
Paul J. Ferguson, Jr.	36	Karl A. Schopfer	36
Winfield T. Stewart	35	John C. Rayias, PM	20
Charles W. Welch, III	18	Kenneth E. Fowler	17
Wilcox W. Held, Jr.	17	Stephen R. Mills	17
Lester A. Israel	15	Raymond L. Maniscalco	15
William R. Adams	10	Michael R. Lawson, Sr.	10
John M. Maiorano	10	James Stimeling, Jr.	7
David C. Manners	6	Adam W. Guinn	5
Scott C. Horton	4	Keith R. Laverty	4
Raymond P. Paoletti	4	Kurt W. Weis, Jr.	4
John R. Swierk	3	Eric L. Thompson	3
Roger D. Booth, Jr.	3	Terence L. Scott, Jr.	3
Brian W. Cochran	1	Joseph A. Kardos, III	1
Robert L. Wilson	1		

#### Ionic Lodge Grand Lodge Award of Honor

William A. Calloway (1993)      W. Bryan Irwin (2007)

#### Ionic Lodge Distinguished Service Award

Charles P. Wolfe, Sr — 2007  
James E. Duck, PM — 2008  
Charles C. Simmermon, Jr., PM — 2009  
Dale T. Irwin, PM — 2010

#### Ionic Lodge Column Award

Benjamin H. Deeble, Jr, PM	2007	W. Bryan Irwin	2007
James E. Duck, PM	2007	Robert C. Wood	2007
William Precht	2008	John M. Maiorano	2008
C. C. Simmermon, Jr, PM	2008	Charles L. Porter, Jr	2010
Eric L. Thompson	2010		

## From The East



The month of May signals that the Masonic Year is almost over. We have just our May and June Stated Meetings and we will be dark for the summer.

Due to a new job, I have been absent from a number of activities of the Lodge. I'd like to thank all the Brethren who stepped up and helped with the meetings, programs and activities in my absence.

Our June Meeting will be a busy one, with elections and voting on the proposed By-Law Changes. Please make an effort to attend.

See the article that follows for information on our May Meeting and the Memorial Night. Pastor Gregory Eidell of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Newark will be present to deliver the Eulogy. I hope that a large group can be present to remember of deceased brethren.

### Upcoming Activities

On May 5<sup>th</sup>, we will conduct our Annual Memorial Service for the members of our Lodge who have been called from labor. We will be having dinner prior to the meeting and the Ladies and Families are invited.

All of our Ionic Widows are invited to be our guests for dinner and be present for the Memorial Service. All Ionic Widows who are planning to attend should make their reservations with **Mrs. Laura Pudvan**, by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Mrs. Pudvan can be reached at (302) 690-6549.

All Lodge members who are planning to attend, should make their reservations with the Secretary, no later than May 1<sup>st</sup>, also. Please note: If you are planning to eat, you **MUST** contact the Secretary and make a reservation. No Reservation, No meal!

Dinner will commence at 6:30 PM and the cost will be \$12.

## Past Activities

At our Stated Meeting on April 7<sup>th</sup>, the Secretary presented a Masonic Education program on the history (both from a Masonic and Religious standpoint) of the Four Cardinal Virtues and how they relate to the Perfect Points of Entrance.

Also, several proposed changes to our By-Laws were presented. These will be voted on at our June, 2011 Stated Meeting.

The Lodge also voted to update the Life Membership Annuity Table. If you'd like to receive a copy of the updated version, please contact the Secretary.

On March 30<sup>th</sup>, we conferred the Fellowcraft Degree upon **Brother Ronald C. Warne, III**. The Degree was conferred by **Brother Dale T. Irwin, PM**, and the Stair Lecture was presented by **Brother Robert C. Wood, PM**.

### Sick & Visitation Committee

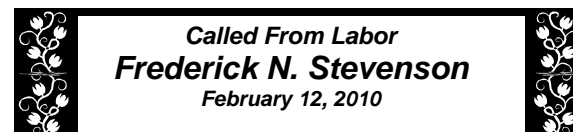
Please contact **Brother Ben Deeble, PM**, Chairman of the Sick & Visitation Committee to report on the illness or needs of any member of Ionic Lodge. Ben can be reached at (302) 475-3900 or by email at conrady7@aol.com.



### Thought for the Month

**“Commitment is what transforms a promise into reality.”**

*—Abraham Lincoln, 16<sup>th</sup> President*



## Dates to Remember

May 5 <sup>th</sup>	Stated Meeting, 7:30 PM Dinner @ 6:30 PM Memorial Night Program Special Meeting, 7:00 PM EA Degree (Pending Favorable Ballot)
May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Special Meeting, 7:00 PM MM Degree (Pending Proficiency)
May 18 <sup>th</sup>	Memorial Day Observed Stated Meeting, 7:30 PM Election of Officers Special Meeting, 7:00 PM Installation of Officers
May 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	
June 29 <sup>th</sup>	

**“Although no sculptured marble should rise to their memory, nor engraved stone bear record of their deeds, yet will their remembrance be as lasting as the land they honored.”**



*— Daniel Webster*

### Ionic Lodge Past Masters

E. H. Livermore	1950	William H. Edwards	1951
Clifford L. Barlow	1952	Charles O. Bratton	1953
Alfred F. Jefferis	1954	Henry F. Seeds	1955
Raymond L. Blades	1956	Theodore H. Work	1957
John C. Crowley	1958	Charles S. Rhoads	1959
C. D. Bratton	1960	Samuel L. Hodgekiss	1961
Lawrence Hodgekiss	1962	William Morris	1963
Horace D. Taylor	1964	Clifford Berry	1965
G. W. Grandel, Jr.	1966	Harry M. Miller, Jr.	1967
Albert G. Mitchell	1968	Bruce D. Phillips	1969
George H. Harris	1970	Warren K. Kessler	1971
Raymond B. Bowers	1972	Robert H. Davis	1973
John W. Collett	1974	James W. Emerson, Sr.	1975
Karl Steinbrunner	1976	J. Donald Davis	1977
Chester G. Hamm	1978	Emil H. Lawrence	1979
J. A. Sukeena	1980	Robert Bryant	1981
Gilbert S. Leigh	1982	C. A. Walls	1983
L. J. Colegrove	1984	L. S. Strycharz	1985
Carl W. Morris	1986	W. Dale Reardon	1987
Karl Steinbrunner	1988	Carl E. Kurten	1989
Richard Smith	1990	Craig M. Cannon	1991
James T. Pratzner	1992	D. C. Matthews, Sr.	1993
C. C. Simmermon, Jr.	1994	Jay C. Bergstrom	1995
W. David Pudvan	1996	J. Sherman White	1997
D. Edward Wright	1998	Dale T. Irwin	1999
Mark S. Warrington	2000	J. Sherman White	2001
Dale T. Irwin	2002	W. F. Huxtable, Jr.	2003
C. C. Simmermon, Jr.	2004	James E. Duck	2005
James E. Duck	2006	Benjamin H. Deeble, Jr	2007
Robert W. Noble	2008	Robert C. Wood	2009

*Italics = CFL*

### Affiliated Past Masters

John C. Rayias      1998      Brandywine No. 33, Delaware