

## October, 2011 Trestleboard



Brethren:  
The 610<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, October 6<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*

Robert W. Noble, PM  
Worshipful Master

*James E. Duck*

James E. Duck, PM  
Secretary

### Masonic Birthdays October, 2011

Robert N. Morrison	55	Jack L. Weer	53
Melvin D. Gillam	52	Donald T. Heath, Sr	50
Drue J. Robbins	49	George R. Berry	47
Edward D. Tozour	45	John W. Robson	44
Herbert R. Palmer, Jr	41	Thomas O. McDermet	36
Thomas W. Ferguson	35	Andrew W. Geiss, Sr	32
John R. Valente	32	Perry L. Porter	28
Rayford W. Jenkins, Jr	27	Thomas P. Gordon	24
Kenneth A. Wehde	24	Erik G. Bergstrom	23
Carl E. Kurten, Jr	18	Robert A. Pudvan	16
John H. Schlage	15	Donald L. Squibb	15
Philip V. Allen	13	Eric A. Loveless, Jr	13
Deacon M. Myers	6	Taylor J. Watkins, IV	5
Fred M. Palmer	2	Timothy M. Reeder	1

### PRACTICE WITHOUT, THAT WHICH YOU HAVE LEARNED WITHIN

#### 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

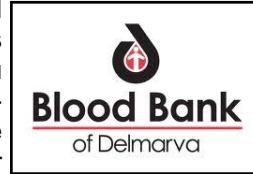
#### Ionic Lodge Column Award

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



To all the brethren who missed our September meeting, I can only say that you missed a very informative presentation by Linda Popper of the Blood Bank of Delmarva. Ionic Lodge is now sponsoring a group plan which is open to all members, family and friends. Being a Mason is not a requirement. If you are interested in participating in this plan, please contact the Secretary or me.



### Upcoming Activities

At our October 6<sup>st</sup> meeting, our guest speaker will be "Turbo" John Burriss. John is what most people refer to as a "motor head." John holds many records at several local drag strips, and he has a reputation for making 4 cylinder bikes go extremely fast.

### The Northeast

*(From Carl Claudy's Introduction to Freemasonry—The Entered Apprentice)*

Cornerstones are laid in the Northeast Corner because the Northeast is the point of beginning; midway between the darkness of the North and the light of the East.

The Entered Apprentice lays his Masonic Cornerstone standing in the Northeast corner of the lodge, midway between the darkness of profane ignorance and the full light of the symbolic East.

Here, if indeed he be a man of imagination and no clod, he receives a thrill that may come to him never again – save once only – in Masonry. For here he enters into his heritage as an Entered Apprentice. All that has gone before has been queer, mysterious, puzzling, almost mind-shocking, devastating with its newness and its differences from the world he knows.

### 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.



### Thoughts for the Month

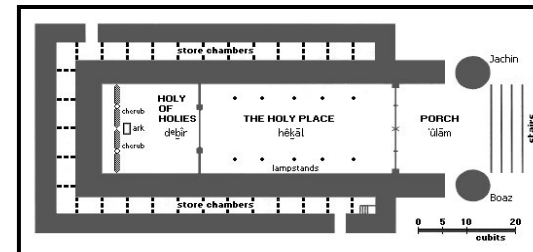
*"Never put off until tomorrow the hug you can give today."*

### The Northeast—continued

Now he stands "a just and upright Mason" to receive those first instructions which, well studied, will enable him to understand what has been done with and to him as to all who have gone this way before.

Never again will he stand here, an Entered Apprentice – a man receives the degree but once. Never, therefore, should he forget that once he stood there, nor how he stood there, nor why. And if, momentarily, memory leaves him, let him look in the Great Light and read (Ezekiel II, 1-2): *"And God said unto me, Son of Man, stand upon thy feet and I will speak unto thee. And the spirit entered into me when he spake unto me, and set me upon my feet, that I heard him that spake unto me."*

No man stands in the Northeast Corner with his heart open but hears that Voice which thundered to the prophet of old.



Groundfloor plan of Solomon's Temple

### Dates to Remember

October 3 <sup>rd</sup>	206 <sup>th</sup> Grand Lodge Annual Atlantic Sands Hotel Rehoboth Beach, DE, 9:00 AM
October 6 <sup>th</sup> October 6 <sup>th</sup>	Stated Meeting, 7:30 PM Grand Lodge Installation Sheraton Hotel Dover, DE 7:00 PM
October 12 <sup>th</sup>	Special Meeting, 7:00 PM* EA Degree (Pending Favorable Ballot)
October 19 <sup>th</sup>	Special Meeting, 7:00 PM* FC Degree (Pending Proficiency)
October 26 <sup>th</sup>	Special Meeting, 7:00 PM* MM Degree (Pending Proficiency)

\*Officers' Practice if no Degree



### Ionic Lodge Past Masters

<i>E. H. Livermore</i>	1950	<i>William H. Edwards</i>	1951
<i>Clifford L. Barlow</i>	1952	<i>Charles O. Bratton</i>	1953
<i>Alfred F. Jefferis</i>	1954	<i>Henry F. Seeds</i>	1955
<i>Raymond L. Blades</i>	1956	<i>Theodore H. Work</i>	1957
<i>John C. Crowley</i>	1958	<i>Charles S. Rhoads</i>	1959
<i>C. D. Bratton</i>	1960	<i>Samuel L. Hodgekiss</i>	1961
<i>Lawrence Hodgekiss</i>	1962	<i>William Morris</i>	1963
<i>Horace D. Taylor</i>	1964	<i>Clifford Berry</i>	1965
<i>G. W. Grandel, Jr.</i>	1966	<i>Harry M. Miller, Jr.</i>	1967
<i>Albert G. Mitchell</i>	1968	<i>Bruce D. Phillips</i>	1969
<i>George H. Harris</i>	1970	<i>Warren K. Kessler</i>	1971
<i>Raymond B. Bowers</i>	1972	<i>Robert H. Davis</i>	1973
<i>John W. Collett</i>	1974	<i>James W. Emerson, Sr.</i>	1975
<i>Karl Steinbrunner</i>	1976	<i>J. Donald Davis</i>	1977
<i>Chester G. Hamm</i>	1978	<i>Emil H. Lawrence</i>	1979
<i>J. A. Sukeena</i>	1980	<i>Robert Bryant</i>	1981
<i>Gilbert S. Leigh</i>	1982	<i>C. A. Walls</i>	1983
<i>I. J. Colegrove</i>	1984	<i>L. S. Strycharz</i>	1985
<i>Carl W. Morris</i>	1986	<i>W. Dale Reardon</i>	1987
<i>Karl Steinbrunner</i>	1988	<i>Carl E. Kurten</i>	1989
<i>Richard Smith</i>	1990	<i>Craig M. Cannon</i>	1991
<i>James T. Pratzner</i>	1992	<i>D. C. Matthews, Sr.</i>	1993
<i>C. C. Simmermon, Jr.</i>	1994	<i>Jay C. Bergstrom</i>	1995
<i>W. David Pudvan</i>	1996	<i>J. Sherman White</i>	1997
<i>D. Edward Wright</i>	1998	<i>Dale T. Irwin</i>	1999
<i>Mark S. Warrington</i>	2000	<i>J. Sherman White</i>	2001
<i>Dale T. Irwin</i>	2002	<i>W. F. Huxtable, Jr.</i>	2003
<i>C. C. Simmermon, Jr.</i>	2004	<i>James E. Duck</i>	2005
<i>James E. Duck</i>	2006	<i>Benjamin H. Deeble, Jr</i>	2007
<i>Robert W. Noble</i>	2008	<i>Robert C. Wood</i>	2009
<i>Robert W. Noble</i>	2010		

*Italics = CFL*

#### Affiliated Past Masters

John C. Rayias	1998	Brandywine No. 33, Delaware
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