
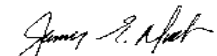


## September, 2012 Trestleboard



Brethren:  
The 619<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, September 6<sup>th</sup> 2012, 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 July, August & September, 2012

|                          |    |                           |    |
|--------------------------|----|---------------------------|----|
| Witold A. Brick          | 59 | Kenneth L. Dambach        | 57 |
| Howard R. Othoson        | 57 | Robert J. Stamp           | 57 |
| Charles L. Murphy, Jr.   | 53 | Donald Parks              | 49 |
| Clifford C. Walker, Sr.  | 46 | Lonnie D. Dillon          | 45 |
| Clarence W. Drummond, Jr | 42 | Dayne R. Smith            | 40 |
| Thomas B. Wright         | 39 | Lawrence W. Mullikin, Jr. | 28 |
| Joseph A. Bruno, Jr.     | 24 | Frances E. Kates, Jr.     | 21 |
| James D. Taylor, Sr.     | 21 | Greg A. Lochten           | 16 |
| Louis M. Dyer, Sr.       | 15 | Franklin D. Lloyd         | 10 |
| Michael R. Walls         | 9  | Christopher R. Emerson    | 4  |
| Eric C. Sheehan          | 3  |                           |    |

**Called From Labor**  
**Thomas B. Nolan, Jr.**  
June 1, 2012

#### 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



Where did the time go? The summer of family events, the beach or barbecues is coming to an end, and it's time to resume our labors in the quarries of Freemasonry. I welcome everyone back and trust that your summer was a safe and enjoyable one.

The US Olympic Archery Team received a Silver medal at the London Games, and **Brother J. David Lewis** of Armstrong Lodge will be our speaker in September to discuss the sport of Archery and the training process for the Olympic Team.

Dinners before our stated meetings will continue this year, but an accurate head count is essential. If you plan to attend, please let **JD Fred Palmer** know by the Tuesday before the meeting. His contact information is on the back of the Trestleboard.

The meal for our OCTOBER meeting will be a barbecue, with hot dogs and hamburgers cooked on the grill outside. At this meal, we are asking the brethren to bring a covered dish. Please contact Fred and let him know what you can bring.

I welcome your input on the holding an Oyster Stew Dinner at an upcoming meeting. Please contact me to give me your suggestions.

### Trivia Nights Planned

On a Wednesday night in October, we will be holding a Trivia Night in Lodge. This will be the first of several, with a Grand Prize for the winner that will be the talk on the town. More information will be forthcoming.



### Thought for the Month

**"In a head full of prejudice, there's not room for a good idea."**

## 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 conrad7@aol.com.

### Looking Back

In November 2000 Worshipful Master **Mark S. Warrington** marked our lodge's 500<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication by having **Charter Past Master Edward H. Livermore** and **Past Master J. Sherman White** present historical perspectives on Ionic's formation and growth. The following April, during Past Masters' Night, the Master Mason Degree was conferred in full costume with 79 Masons in attendance. The various stations of the lodge were occupied by Ionic Past Masters.

### September's Famous Freemason

**Elliott Richardson** - Decorated soldier & public servant, held many top governmental posts. As Attorney General of the US, he resigned in what became known as the 'Saturday Night Massacre' rather than carry out President Richard Nixon's orders to fire Watergate Special Prosecutor Archibald Cox who had been investigating White House wrongdoings.

### Attention Grand Lodge Members

The 208<sup>th</sup> Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Delaware will be held on Monday, October 1, 2012 at the Atlantic Sands Hotel in Rehoboth Beach, DE. The communication will begin at 9:00 AM. Registration begins at 8:00 AM. THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE. Govern yourselves accordingly.



## Dates to Remember

|                            |                                                                                               |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| September 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Labor Day Observed                                                                            |
| September 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Stated Meeting, 7:30 PM<br>Archery Program                                                    |
| September 12 <sup>th</sup> | Special Meeting, 7:00 PM<br>Fellowcraft Degree                                                |
| September 19 <sup>th</sup> | Officers Practice, 7:00 PM<br>Master Mason Degree                                             |
| September 26 <sup>th</sup> | Officers Practice, 7:00 PM<br>Master Mason Degree                                             |
| October 1 <sup>st</sup>    | 208 <sup>th</sup> Grand Lodge Annual<br>Atlantic Sands Hotel<br>Rehoboth Beach, DE<br>9:00 AM |
| October 4 <sup>th</sup>    | Stated Meeting, 7:30 PM                                                                       |

### Living Ionic Lodge Past Masters

|                      |      |                        |      |
|----------------------|------|------------------------|------|
| G. W. Grandel, Jr.   | 1966 | Emil H. Lawrence       | 1979 |
| J. A. Sukeena        | 1980 | Robert Bryant          | 1981 |
| C. A. Walls          | 1983 | Carl W. Morris         | 1986 |
| Craig M. Cannon      | 1991 | James T. Pratzner      | 1992 |
| C. C. Simmermon, Jr. | 1994 | Jay C. Bergstrom       | 1995 |
| W. David Pudvan      | 1996 | D. Edward Wright       | 1998 |
| Dale T. Irwin        | 1999 | Mark S. Warrington     | 2000 |
| 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 |
| Robert W. Noble      | 2010 | Robert W. Noble        | 2011 |

### Affiliated Past Masters

|                    |      |                                  |
|--------------------|------|----------------------------------|
| John C. Rayias     | 1998 | Brandywine No. 33, Delaware      |
| William D. Johnson | 2009 | Penns Grove-Excelsior No. 54, NJ |

**Don't Forget**  
**First Day of Autumn:**  
**September 22, 2012**

### 2011-2012: Ionic Lodge by the Numbers

The 2012 Ionic Lodge Annual Return has been submitted to Grand Lodge and it shows the Lodge membership at June 24, 2012 at 252. This represents a net increase of 5 members over the Masonic Year ending June 24, 2011.