



June 2015 Trestleboard

Brethren,
The 648th Stated Communication of Ionic Lodge No. 31 A.F. & A.M. will be held in the Newport Masonic Temple on Thursday June 4, 2015 at 7:30 PM. The reading of the minutes, reception of petitions, Masonic Birthdays, committee reports and all other business, as may lawfully be brought before the Lodge, will be transacted.

James T. Pratzner, PM Attest: Christopher Dent,
Worshipful Master Secretary

June Special Events

Weds. June 10, 2015 - 7:00 PM Actual Past Master's Degree for incoming Master, Bill Held. **Attendance by Past Masters Only.** To be held in the Newport Masonic Lodge Bldg.

Friday June 26, 2015— 7:00 PM Officers' Open Installation. All invited. **To be held at the New Castle Lodge Bldg.—1401 Wilmington Ave New Castle, De**

Masonic Birthdays - June 2015

Edward Abrams 44	Thomas Bullock, Sr 36
Vincent J Cochran 6	Mark A Cuoma 18
Edward T Darrah 18	Dennis G Davis 50
Ronald D Haass 50	William Huxtable Jr PM 32
Lawrence Julian 8	John W McKenny Jr 10
Ronald Nichols Sr 6	Philip E Parke Sr 4
James F Peterson 38	Daniel C Saienni 10
Leslie E Singleton 48	Harry E Skinner 4
Jonathan Skinner 4	Robert D Spencer 68
Mark Warrington PM 20	Kevin Winter 21
D. Edward Wright PM 22	Thomas Wright 42
Richard S Yoncoskie 20	

Ionic Lodge is Moving!

Brethren,
At our stated communication in May it became official. We are moving to the New Castle Masonic Hall. Our new address will be:

Ionic Lodge #31
1406 Wilmington Road
New Castle, De 19720

This is for your information only right now! We will be moving during the summer months of June and July.

Check out their web site at:
<http://www.stjohns-no2-de.com/index.html>

Both St. John #2 and Christiana #35 are also located there. They are looking forward to us joining them and have pledged to share both time and equipment if we need anything. Looks like we will have a great relationship. In the meantime we are beginning to plan the details of our move such as making an inventory of what we will take with us and what we will leave in Newport. We can use all the help we can get. We'll need help to load and unload trucks, carry things from the lodge room and hall and place them in our new location. Not to mention cleaning up when we leave. While this is a big job, with your help and at least 2 months, we can do it. This is an exciting time for Ionic Lodge filled with hope for our future. Please let me or any officer know if you can help and let's get this job done.

Program for June

Brethren,
Our June communication will be the annual election of officers. Here are the candidates for office:

Wilcox W Held, Jr	Master
Eric L Thompson	Senior Warden
W Bryan Irwin	Junior Warden
W. David Pudvan, PM	Secretary
John M Maiorano	Treasurer

Nominations may be made from the floor but it is not permissible to make any nomination speech other than to present a nominee's name and no seconding speeches are permitted. I hope to see everyone there for the elections and to celebrate our future.

We Continue to Grow!

Brothers,
At our May communication we read 4 more petitions. Our schedule for conferring degrees is getting very busy. This is both exciting and fun. Please join us in welcoming our new members. You can check our web site for the dates.

Bylaw Changes

At our June communication, we adopted a new set of bylaws. The changes were mostly procedural and they mostly refer to the Grand Lodge bylaws. We have adopted a change to the way we address our dues. Before the change we needed to change the bylaws each time. We wanted to change the dues. With the new version, we can make changes by vote of the Lodge.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

June 4th - Thurs. 7:30 Ionic Stated Communication
June 6th— Sat. 6:00 PM Nur Shrine Potentate's Ball
June 9th—Tues. 7:30 PM Christiana Lodge #35 - Regular Communication
June 10th - Weds. 7:00 PM APM Degree. Past Masters only
June 13th— Sat. 10:00 AM New Castle Separation Day Parade
June 17th — Weds 7:00 PM EA or FC Degree
June 21st —Fathers Day
June 24th—Weds 7:00 PM EA or FC Degree
June 26th— Friday 7:00 PM Officers Open Installation- **New Castle Hall**

Sick and Visitation

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) 239-7150 or by email at corady7@aol.com.

Ionic Past Masters

Emil H. Lawrence 1979	J.A. Suksena 1980
Robert Bryant 1981	C.A. Wallis 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	Robert W. Noble 2012

Affiliated Past Masters

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

Ionic web site