



Mount Vernon Lodge No. 219  
A. F. & A. M.  
Mount Vernon, Virginia 22121



View From The East WM Bob Feigenblatt

July 2009

We have many events to peak the families' interest in the next couple of months. Our recent Mount Vernon Table Lodge was enjoyed by the brethren in attendance. I am sorry to see many of you in the area missed the event. Our secretary is looking through his files and this Table Lodge may have been the first for Mount Vernon Masonic Lodge. Brethren, please work with your Lodge officers to see that it is not the last. I also want to thank RW John Shroeder for leading us in the songs.

While on the subject of our Table Lodge; please thank your JW, Bro. John Tillery. The Table Lodge success was, in no small part, because of his coordination and logistics.

Mark your calendars and be sure to tell your wives and families about our 01 Jul Stated Meeting. Mt. Vernon is presenting "A Night of Patriotism," featuring Bethel #1 Choir. The family dinner starts at 6:00 pm. I have been working with Bethel #1's leadership and we expect about ten of their girls and families for this event. Brethren and families, please come out and support your Lodge and our youth. They are truly our future!!

Your line officers are putting together a Mt. Vernon Ladies Night at our August's stated meeting. Watch upcoming Trestle Boards for more information.

Your JW and I are planning fund raisers and need brothers and families to help us with the planning, participation, etc. Two ideas are a Summer Cookout/Games and Pancake Breakfast. The last Pancake Breakfast did not even cover the cost of supplies. Brethren, this is your Lodge. We need your support and participation. Come join us and get caught up in the fellowship.

Brethren, WB Covert Williamson III heads the committee for Mt. Vernon's 50 Year Anniversary. Some of the work entails dinning hall coordination, coin minting, invitations, ticket coordination, money collection prior to event, etc. A tremendous amount of work for just one person!! Next time you see him, ask how you can help.

I am making long range planning because I will be moving in 2010. I have pledged to help the Worshipful Master while I'm here. Though, I need a volunteer to take over as Trestle Board Editor. I also need a volunteer to manage the Lodge's Web Site. To that end, I have registered our name "mtvernon219.org" with GoDaddy.com. I will work with the brother to move the existing pages from my personal verizon web space or assist in creating his or her own web pages. Did you catch the "her." There are many talented Masonic family members that have Desktop Publishing or Web Page Creation knowledge and may want to take over as Official Trestle Board Editor and/or Web Master.

Be Well this 4<sup>th</sup> of July and See You in Lodge!!!!  
Fraternally,

Bob Feigenblatt, WM

Note: The e-Trestle Board may be found at <http://mysite.verizon.net/vzeoy21x/mtvernon219/>



From the Desk of the Junior Warden - Brother John Tillery

### **The Observation Deck!**

The first thing people do while visiting the Tall Cedars room is walk out the east or west door and be awe inspired by the breath taking view of the surrounding areas as seen on the observation deck. If you go out the east door, the first thing you see is the City of Alexandria; and looking down King street, you see the Potomac river and across to Maryland. Look straight down and you will see the Masonic symbol, the square and compass with the letter G inside. It is one of the largest ground displays in America. Then turn towards the northeast and look over to Washington D.C., and see the Capitol building. To the north you can see the Washington Monument. Did you know that it stands 555 feet and 5 inches tall? Interesting! On the very top inscribed in Aluminum are two Latin words – Laus Deo meaning praise be to God. The George Washington Masonic Memorial stands 333 feet high. Masons love prime numbers. Right next to the Washington Memorial is the Jefferson and Lincoln Memorials. You can distinguish them by their tops. The Jefferson is round and the Lincoln is square. As you look straight down onto the property of the GWMM, you will begin to see the grounds of the memorial. There are 36 acres. This was once a Civil War Fort known as Camp Ellsworth. The hill was named after a Colonel killed during the Civil war here in Alexandria. The remains of the Fort Ellsworth are etched in the ground forever. Looking to the west of the building the grass, at some points during the year, has different shades of green because of the nitrates in the gun powder used back then. Going around to the south side of the building you get a great view of south Alexandria. Down below are two water holding ponds; the largest was used to store water for the City of Alexandria.

You are welcome to come up to the memorial with your own camera and take all the pictures you like. I am looking forward to giving you all a tour.



Ref: <http://www.gwmemorial.org/>

Please come up on Tuesdays and Thursdays. I would love to give you a special tour!!!

Fraternally,

Bro. John T. Tillery  
Junior Warden

## Masonic Birthdays

David Edward Boothe – 7/30/69	40	Arthur Lynwood Nalls Jr. – 7/14/76	33
Donald Lee Cottle – 7/30/69	40	Douglas Eugene Shelton – 7/10/91	18
Manuel Mario Cumes – 7/20/77	32	Walter Lamar Stringfellow – 7/22/57	52
James Ronald Dalby – 7/10/68	41	Julius Burson Taylor – 7/21/53	56
Allen Herbert Drews – 7/8/64	45	John Thomas Tillery – 7/22/72	37
Cecil Gene Elder – 7/16/80	29	Elbert Rufus Turner – 7/16/63	46
Ronald Thomas Graves – 7/29/64	45	Donald Walter Wiethuechter – 7/1/64	45
Fredi Gerd Guerke – 7/24/74	35	Covert Wesley Williamson III – 7/26/72	37
James Keith Harmon – 7/10/02	7	Michael Howard - 7/27/05	4
Grayson Leroy Koogle – 7/8/70	39	David H. Smith Jr. - 7/29/04	5
Kenneth Ray Meade – 7/15/81	28	Michael Lee Ramsey - 7/23/2008	1



### Activity Calendar

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location/Notes</b>
Jun 24	7:00 pm	District School of Instruction	Springfield Lodge
Jun 27	1:00 pm	Masonic Family Bowling	Ft. Belvior Bowling Alley
Jun 29	7:00 pm	Ritual Practice	Mount Vernon Lodge
<b>Jul 01</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Stated Meeting, Bethel #1 Choir, A Night of Patriotism, Family Dinner prior to meeting.</b>	<b>Mount Vernon Lodge</b>
<b>Jul 04</b>		<b>Independence Holiday!!!</b>	
Jul 06	7:00 pm	Ritual Practice	Mount Vernon Lodge
Jul 11	1:00 pm	Masonic Family Bowling	Ft. Belvior Bowling Alley
Jul 13	7:00 pm	Ritual Practice MM Degree	Mount Vernon Lodge
Jul 18	1:00 pm	Masonic Family Bowling	Ft. Belvior Bowling Alley
Jul 20	7:00 pm	Ritual Practice MM Degree	Mount Vernon Lodge
<b>Jul 22</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>MM Degree (tentative)</b>	<b>Mount Vernon Lodge</b>
Jul 25	1:00 pm	Masonic Family Bowling	Ft. Belvior Bowling Alley
Jul 27	7:00 pm	Ritual Practice	Mount Vernon Lodge
Jul 29	7:00 pm	District School of Instruction	Springfield Lodge
<b>Jul 29</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>Tentative EA Degree</b>	<b>Mount Vernon Lodge</b>
<b>Aug 05</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Stated Meeting, Lady's Night, Family Dinner prior to meeting.</b>	<b>Mount Vernon Lodge</b>
<b>Aug 19</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Tentative FC Degree</b>	<b>Mount Vernon Lodge</b>
Aug 26	7:00 pm	District School of Instruction	Springfield Lodge

# A Night of Patriotism

**Mt. Vernon Masonic Lodge #219  
Presents Bethel #1 IOJD Choir  
01 July 2009**



**Come join us for a  
night of heavenly  
voices and family.  
The family dinner  
starts at 6:00 pm.**

**Mt. Vernon Masonic Lodge #219 A.F. & F.M.**

## Life Membership In Perpetuity (LMIP)

### 1992

Allen B. Shaw (D)  
Lorance D. Lisle  
Samuel T. Atkinson

### 1994

John D. Denton

### 1995

Charles C. Hinkle  
Thomas N. Johnson

### 1996

Lee J. Sloppy  
Charles J. Allen  
Marcus A. Harrison  
Hal B. Beachum (D)

### 1997

Robert L. Burnett III  
M.M. Gus Beach  
John D. Killian  
Guy B. Glean  
William T. Spencer  
Kenneth M. Dague  
Eric R. Guthrie  
Covert W. Williamson III

### 1998

David H. Smith  
Daniel W. Hinkle  
George Washington\*  
Manuel M. Cumes  
Carl R. Beard  
Richard B. Colyer

### 1999

Harold M. Sloppy\*  
George G. Koogle Jr.\*  
Grayson L. Koogle  
Charles E. Wallace\*  
Robert C. Coe\*  
Murray Scheine  
Karl L. Park Jr.  
Werner H. Morlock\*  
Charles J. Hinkle

### 2000

Philip S. Downs Jr.  
Ted E. Amick

### 2000 (cont'd)

James L. Pryor  
James E. Rowland  
George H. Chapin  
Stanley R. Stewart

### 2001

Earl D. Magill  
Clinton C. Morningstar  
Maurice W. Downs  
Arthur C. Harrold  
Thomas R. Storer (D)  
Lawrence E. Hyer\*  
Ronald P. Miklovic  
Philip S. Downs Sr.\*  
William K. Morrow (D)  
John H. King\*  
Douglas M. Dwyer  
Ronald G. Elliott  
Glenn R. Teale\*  
Robert C. Hutton\*  
Howard F. Schneider\*  
Cecil G. Elder  
Jack E. Snyder  
Ernest A. Snyder

### 2002

Wayne T. Frakes  
Paul E. Wampler  
James E. Coffey  
Ernest G. Haynes  
William A. Sacra (D)  
William C. Broyles \*  
Gordon R. Craig  
Finis L. Smith  
Martin L. Gogolski (D)  
Donald J. Marshall  
Robert J. Bauman (D)  
Edward Palmer\*  
J. David Scarce  
David E. Boothe  
Richard J. McDonagh  
Carl P. Hudson  
Richard C. Allen  
Maynard E. Hildebrandt  
Benjamin Franklin\*  
Glen Guffey  
Sidney I. Stark  
Dennis D. Keeton  
Leslie J. Healea\*

### 2003

Henry H. Ward Jr.  
Julius B. Taylor  
Robert D. Wallace  
Armand A. Scott Cerrone  
Ronald L. Stokes

### 2004

Lewis A. Armistead\*  
David E. Stout Jr.  
Glen S. Faxon\*

### 2005

Bob I. Feigenblatt  
William Ashby Downs\*  
H.H. Jerry Thompson\*  
Harvey Lee Hyatt\*  
Edward Buckmaster\*  
John David Hunt\*  
John William Judy

### 2006

Roy L. Learnard  
Gary L. Short  
Robert C. Berger  
Lloyd L. Nicely  
David H. Smith, Jr.  
Anthony K. Feigenblatt

### 2007

President Gerald R. Ford\*

### 2008

President Harry S. Truman\*  
Elbert R. Turner, PDDGM

### 2009

Bushrod C. Washington  
Jay E. Garbus

(106 LMIP/MLMIP)

\* Indicates Memorial Life Membership in Perpetuity  
(D) Indicates Deceased Brother

NOW IS A GREAT TIME TO GET YOUR LMIP THE PRICES KEEP GOING UP

Lodge Officers  
 Worshipful Bob I. Feigenblatt, PM  
 Master  
 Senior Warden Ronald G. Elliott, Sr., PM  
 Junior Warden John T. Tillery  
 Treasurer Murray Scheine  
 Secretary Grayson L. Koogle, PM  
 Senior Deacon Anthony K. Feigenblatt  
 Junior Deacon Lukas E. Hoska III  
 Senior Steward John D. Killian, PM  
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 Junior Steward  
 Chaplain Clinton "Clint Morningstar, PM  
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 Marshal Philip S. Downs Jr., PM  
 Tiler Lloyd L. Nicely, PM

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AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS  
 William A. Shortt, ABG #275  
 Ernest A. Snyder, ABG #275  
 George Harry Chapin, PGM

TRUSTEES  
 Covert W. Williamson, III, PM  
 Ronald G. Elliott Sr., PM  
 David H. Smith, PM

PAST MASTERS  
 Charles E. Wallace, PGM (D) 1961-62  
 Ralph I. Merrill, PDDGM 1963  
 John H. King, PDDGM(D) 1964  
 James E. Coffey 1965  
 Leonard S. Lorentzen \*\* (D) 1966  
 Harvey L Hyatt (D) 1967  
 Robert C. Coe, PDDGM (D) 1968  
 Sidney I. Stark 1969  
 Harold M, Sloppy (D) 1970  
 Samuel T. Atkinson, PDDGM 1971  
 Clarence A. Johnson\*\* 1972  
 Lloyd L Nicely 1973  
 Paul E. Wampler Jr. 1974  
 Howard F. Schneider, PDDGM (D) 1975  
 Glenn E. Teale (D) 1976  
 Elbert R. Turner, PDDGM 1977  
 Robert D. Wallace 1978  
 John D. Denton, PDDGM 1979  
 William C. Broyles (D) 1980  
 Roy C. Bragg Jr. \*\* 1981  
 Clinton C. Morningstar 1982  
 Stanley R. Stewart 1983  
 Ralph E. Simmons, PDDGM 1984  
 George E. Toomey (D) 1985  
 Douglas M. Dwyer 1986  
 Lawrence E. Hyer (D) 1987  
 William C. Broyles (D) 1988  
 Lorance D. Lisle 1989  
 David H. Smith 1990-91  
 Hal B. Beachum (D) 1992  
 Alan B. Shaw (D) 1993  
 Jay K. Smolins \*\* 1994-95  
 John D. Killian 1996-97  
 Lee J. Sloppy, PDDGM 1998  
 Charles C. Hinkle 1999  
 Daniel W. Hinkle 2000  
 Covert W. Williamson III 2001  
 Manuel M. Cumes 2002  
 Grayson L Koogle 2003  
 Philip S. Downs Jr. 2004  
 Bob I. Feigenblatt 2005  
 Covert W. Williamson III 2006  
 Ronald (Ron) G. Elliott Sr. 2007-08

\*\* Demitted  
 (D) Deceased

**LODGE COMMITTEES AND LEADS**

**Lodge Instructor of Work:**  
**Covert W. Williamson III, PM**  
**Lodge Education Officer:**  
**John T. Tillery**  
**Blood Program:**  
**John D. Killian, PM**

**Masonic Youth:**  
**John D. Killian, PM**  
**Building and Grounds:**  
**Ronald G. Elliot, WM**  
**Sick and Widows:**  
**Clinton C. Morningstar, PM**