



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



View From The East WM Bob Feigenblatt

November 2009

Congratulation to Brother Mark and Deirdre on the birth of their son on 08 Oct 2009. Mother and baby boy are doing well. Please say hello to them next time in the Lodge Fellowship Hall.

*** Come and join us at Mt. Vernon's Family Halloween Party – Dinner/Cake Walk on 31 Oct starting at 6 pm. We are encouraging costumes, and having one of Karen's chicken dishes. The cost of the dinner will be \$7 for adults, \$4 for children 10 years of age and below, while children 4 years and below are free. See your Lodge Officers for Tickets. We will also hold a Cake Walk; tickets available at the dinner for \$1 per round. It is a great way for Masonic families to spend the evening and give their kids a chance to meet others their own age.

November is Past Master's Night. This should be an enjoyable evening.

Brethren, WB Covert Williamson III heads the committee for Mt. Vernon's 50 Year Anniversary. I have not heard of any brothers stepping forward yet. I am tugging on your cable tows. Some of the work entails dinning hall coordination (which has to be done now for 2011), coin minting, invitations, ticket coordination, money collection prior to event, etc. A tremendous amount of work for just one person!! Next time you see WB Covert, please ask how you can help.

Please come out and support your lodge and the brethren.

Watch for upcoming events in the calendar on the following pages. Finally Brethren, Halloween is approaching. Everyone wants to have a safe and happy Halloween for themselves, their guests, and their children. Using safety tips and common sense can help you make the most of your Halloween season and make it as enjoyable for your kids as it is for you! Safety tips can be found at <http://www.halloween-safety.com/>.

Be Well 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 Alexandria-Washington Lodge Room

On the south side of the second floor is the Alexandria-Washington's Lodge room. As you walk into the first anti room you are struck with paintings of some very famous people. The first one I will draw your attention to is Marquis De Lafayette on the

right. He is wearing a Knights Templar apron with a skull and crossed bones on it, which represents the 'death of a brother'. Next to him is a portrait of George Washington standing with his right hand extending outward. I usually tell people that a painting of an individual showing their arms and legs would really cost a lot money. That is where we got the phrase, "it is going to cost you an arm and a leg." Over on the left side of the room is the Past Masters Gallery; with many pictures of the Past Masters of Alexandria-Washington Lodge going all the way back to George Washington. Over in the second anti room is bust of Harry S. Truman who used to visit this lodge when he was President of the United States. On the opposite side is a window cabinet with many historical artifacts belonging to the lodge, such as trowels, handcuffs, and shaving razors. When you walk into the lodge hall itself, you are immediately struck with awe. It is large room with a very high ceiling and beautiful painting on both walls.

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

Fraternally,

Bro. John T. Tillery
Junior Warden



PM's Desk:
WB Bob Feigenblatt

On October 10th, the GM of Virginia, with assistance from brethren around Virginia dedicated the WWII Veteran Memorial at the Masonic Home of Virginia. It was a very heart warming tribute to our greatest generation. Pictures of the celebration can be viewed at the picasaweb of Brother William Baumbach II:

<http://picasaweb.google.com/WilliamBaumbach/MasonicFamilyDayAndWWIIMonumentDedication101009#>

Now a word from our Secretary about the LMIP. Our Lodge has an initial issue of the new (really good looking) LMIP lapel pins for brethren who have LMIP memberships in our Lodge. We have been giving them out to brethren in Lodge during ritual nights or stated meetings...so if you are local in the area and have not received your LMIP pin, come by the lodge and see our Secretary.



At some point soon, we hope to have some more lapel pins in hand so they can be mailed to our LMIP brethren who do not live in the local area.

I can't tell you how much LMIP memberships mean to Mount Vernon Lodge and to you as a Master Mason...it means a lot....besides never having to pay dues anymore, it is truly the gift that keeps on giving to your lodge. If you need further information about LMIP, please contact WB Charles Hinkle or me....and we will be glad to help.

The current LMIP costs \$1,088....but we have a program in the lodge where you can make regular payments as your budget allows (no interest)....and when your balance reaches \$1,088, we submit your LMIP paperwork...it is that simple. There is also a Memorial Life Membership in Perpetuity (MLMIP) that you can buy to honor another Master Mason. If you are interested, again, please contact WB Charles Hinkle or me.

Honoring Brothers:

I want to thank all the brothers who served their country. On 11 November we celebrate Veterans' Day. The Allied powers signed a cease-fire agreement with Germany at Rethondes, France on November 11, 1918, bringing World War I to a close. In November of 1919, President Woodrow Wilson issued his Armistice Day proclamation.

Congress, in 1938, passed a bill that each November 11 "shall be dedicated to the cause of world peace and ...hereafter celebrated and known as Armistice Day." That same year President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed a bill making the day a legal holiday in the District of Columbia. For sixteen years the United States formally observed Armistice Day, with impressive ceremonies at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, where the Chief Executive or his representative placed a wreath. In many other communities, the American Legion was in charge of the observance, which included parades and religious services.

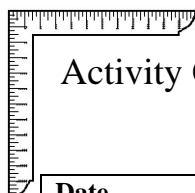
After World War II, there were many new veterans who had little or no association with World War I. The word, "armistice," means simply a truce; therefore as years passed, the significance of the name of this holiday changed. Leaders of Veterans' groups decided to try to correct this and make November 11 the time to honor all who had fought in various American wars, not just in World War I.



Beginning in 1954, the United States designated November 11 as Veterans Day to honor veterans of all U.S. wars. To honor these men, symbolic of all Americans who gave their lives in all wars, an Army honor guard, the 3d U.S. Infantry (The Old Guard), keeps day and night vigil. At 11 a.m. on November 11, a combined color guard representing all military services executes "Present Arms" at the tomb. The nation's tribute to its war dead is symbolized by the laying of a presidential wreath and the playing of "Taps."

Masonic Birthdays

Samuel Thomas Atkinson – 11/20/64	45
Stacy Lee Ball - 11/15/95	14
Marvin M. (Gus) Beach – 11/07/69	40
Richard Andrew Corrigan – 11/9/64	45
Bob I. Feigenblatt – 11/16/89	20
Marcus Alonzo Harrison Jr. – 11/25/64	45
Andrew Everett Hensley III – 11/10/04	5
Roy Louis Learnard – 11/23/92	17
Earl Delbert Magill – 11/15/72	37
Raymond Frank Martines – 11/3/65	44
James Lawrence Pryor – 11/14/73	36
Gene Robert Richardson – 11/17/71	38
Ronald Lewis Stokes – 11/15/00	9
James Raymond Wallace – 11/22/72	37
Robert David Wallace – 11/17/71	38
William Vernon Hitchcock - 11/19/91	18



Activity Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location/Notes</u>
Oct 26	7:00 pm	Ritual Practice for EA Degree	Mount Vernon Lodge
Oct 28	7:00 pm	District School of Instruction	Springfield Lodge
Oct 31	6:00 pm	Mt. Vernon Halloween Dinner & Cake Walk. See your Lodge Officers for tickets	Mount Vernon Lodge
Nov 02	7:00 pm	Ritual Practice	Mount Vernon Lodge
Nov 04	7:30 pm	Stated Meeting, Past Master Night	Mount Vernon Lodge
Nov 09	7:00 pm	Ritual Practice for EA Degree	Mount Vernon Lodge
Nov 14	8 am – Noon	Pancake and Egg Breakfast Committee Chair: Bro John Tillery Adult \$5, Children 4-12 years \$2 Under 4-years free	Mt. Vernon Lodge
Nov 16	7:00 pm	Lodge Audit	Mount Vernon Lodge
Nov 23	7:00 pm	Ritual Practice for EA Degree	Mount Vernon Lodge
Nov 25 Tentative	7:30 pm	EA Degree	Mount Vernon Lodge
Nov 25	7:00 pm	District School of Instruction	Springfield Lodge
Nov 30	7:00 pm	Ritual Practice	Mount Vernon Lodge
Dec 02	7:30 pm	Stated Meeting, Election of Officers	Mount Vernon Lodge
Dec 05	7:00 pm	Mt. Vernon Open Installation of Officers	Mount Vernon Lodge
Dec 05	6:00 pm	Springfield Open Installation of Officers	Springfield Lodge

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
 .
 Marshal Philip S. Downs Jr., PM
 Tiler Lloyd L. Nicely, PM

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 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