

The Patriot Lodge U.A.

at George Mason University
4352 MASON POND DRIVE
FAIRFAX, VA 22030
WARRANTED SEPTEMBER 28, 2010

STATED COMMUNICATION ON 3RD FRIDAY AT 7:00PM
DINNER AT 8:00 PM— DARK JULY & AUGUST
HTTP://WWW.THEPATRIOTLODGE.ORG

2011 Theme "BUILDING OUR FOUNDATION"

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Greetings From the East - March 2011

Brethren, we had a super turnout at our February Stated (31 brethren) to receive the DDGM, RW Bro. Michael Pobat, who is also a member of our Lodge. RW Pobat gave an interesting talk on the Grand Master's priorities for 2011. He also gave a very encouraging talk on The Patriot Lodge and the promise it holds to introduce Masonry to the academic community and help build our membership in Virginia. His support for our new Lodge has really been great!

We were also honored to have Wor. Brother Bryan Toye with us, all the way from London, as well as a brother from Bolivia. He is CEO of Toye, Kenning, and Spencer. This company has been making military and Masonic regalia since 1685! Their products are high quality - in fact, they will be supplying us with our custom green/gold aprons.

We continue to work closely with Dr. Ted Kinnaman and the Philosophy Department. We're building a scholarship for graduate study, in particular in the area of ethics.

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SENIOR STEWARD Steve Fowler

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MARSHALL & LIW Don McAndrews, PM

> MUSICIAN TBD

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Ira Dreyfuss

WEBMASTER
Jon Ruark

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LIVING PAST MASTERS None!

(Greetings From the East cont'd)

This will go well with the Webber scholarship that is already awarded every year to the history department from the Scottish Rite in Alexandria.

Coming up in March

March will be a very busy month for us! We will be having our March Stated on Thursday, 3/10 so that our meeting doesn't conflict with the Division Leadership Conference on Friday, 3/18. We have a special guest speaker, Dr. Patrick Mendis, a GMU professor and brother from Cherrydale Lodge. He will be speaking on his new book, "Commercial Providence," and how it relates to our Masonic principles. There will also be a visit from our DEO, Wor. Don McAndrews.

The Grand Master will be visiting District Four on 3/22 at 6:30 at Mt. Carmel Lodge. We will practice for this on 3/16. Lastly, the Sinclair Ritual School will be 3/25-26 at Herndon Lodge.

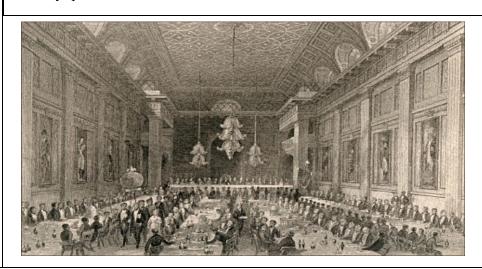
From Labor to Refreshment

Menu for the February 18th Stated:

Coffee or Tea Salad & Bread Fish or Chicken Starch & Vegetables Dessert

Dinner will run from 8:00 to about 9:15 and will include our speaker, Bro. Mendis. This is an open event, so please bring your friends and/or those interested in Masonry! *Your best jokes will be entertained by the Master during dinner*.

All brethren who wish to dine with us are requested to <u>RSVP by using the PayPal feature</u> on our website: http://www.thepatriotlodge.org Dinner is \$25.00, which includes the tip. Dessert and coffee only is \$8.00, or feel free to simply hang out. Please contact Bro. Jon Ruark with any questions.



FROM THE SECRETARY

Brethren,

A reminder - if you haven't paid your 2011 levy yet, please do so. Your Lodge needs this money to operate for the upcoming year.

You can pay for this on the Patriot website, or simply see me at the next Stated.

I also highly encourage you to use the RSVP system for the monthly dinner. It makes things much easier on our Junior Warden, me, and the Master.

Fraternally,

Bob White, PM Secretary Patriot Lodge, U.D.





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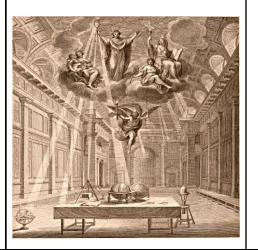
We will be having our regular Stated Communications at the hotel, where we can enjoy hospitality, excellent catered dinners, and the flexibility to stay overnight if necessary.

We will hold our Called Communications at Acacia Lodge, Henry Lodge, and other local Lodges. *Suggestions are welcome!*

LODGE RITUAL

Lodge ritual practices will be held at the call of the Master based on the LIW's (Wor. Bro. Don McAndrews) available schedule. Please watch for these dates on the Lodge website and by e-mail.

If you would like to participate in degrees, please contact the LIW.



New Members

We will vote on a new member in April and another one in May.

Please remember that signers of all petitions will be required to personally know their candidate, be mentors and participate in his Masonic education.

In addition, candidates will be required to attend at least two Patriot social functions, i.e. dinner, breakfast, or another GMU event, and become known to members before their petition is voted on.

UPCOMING GMU EVENTS

Please see this link for upcoming events in February http://today.gmu.edu/month/2011/03

On Saturday, April 30th GMU will host its annual "Relay for Life," which raises money for cancer research. Patriot Lodge will field a team and must keep one person on the track for an entire 24-hour period. Sound fun? Contact Bro. Ira Dreyfuss.



THE PATRIOT CALENDAR

The 2011 Master Calendar can be found on our website at www.thepatriotlodge.org. Please check this calendar for the most up to date information. Please call or send an email to the WM or Secretary to inform us of any events you would like put on the calendar or any conflicts you see.

January:

3rd – Herndon Stated, DDGM OV, 6:30 pm

17th - Fraternal Visit to Columbia No. 285, 6:00 pm

19th – District Class, 7:00 pm, Hay Market

21st – The Patriot Stated, 7:00 pm, Acacia Frat. Visit

22nd – Masters and Wardens with GM at Kena, 9:00 am

February:

3rd - Acacia Stated, DDGM OV

5th - GMU Homecoming Parade

8th – Henry Stated - DDGM OV, 6:30 pm

14th - Hay Market Stated DDGM OV, 6:30 pm

16th – District Class, 7:00 pm, Acacia Lodge

18th – The Patriot Stated, 7:00 pm – DDGM Official

Visit, Fraternal Visit by The Colonial Lodge No. 1821

March:

10th - The Patriot Lodge Stated, 7:00 pm, DEO OV

16th – GM OV Practice, 7:00 pm, Mt. Carmel

18th – DLC Leadership Meeting, 6:30 pm, Alexandria

22nd – GM OV, Mt. Carmel, 6:30 pm

25th – 26th – Sinclair Instructional School, Herndon

April:

Academic Lodge Convocation, Harvard, TBD

15th - The Patriot Stated, 7:00 pm, Speaker: Joe Alonso,

Master Operative Mason for National Cathedral

16th - GMU Relay for Life, Cancer Fundraiser

20th – District Class, 7:00 pm, Henry Lodge

May:

7th - Fraternal Visit to The Colonial Lodge No. 1821

14th – GM open visit picnic, Henry

18th – District Class, 7:00 pm, Mt. Carmel

20th – The Patriot Stated, 7:00 pm

June:

The Patriot Stated, TBD

15th – District Class, 7:00 pm, Manasseh

18th - Hay Market 100-yr Day with GM, $2{:}00~\text{pm}$

July & Aug: Dark

September:

16th - The Patriot Stated, Roll Call Night, 7:00 pm

21st – District Educational School, details TBD

23rd – 24th Ed Ray School

October:

1st – District Four picnic, Acacia Barn, 3:00 pm

19th – District Class, Acacia, 7:00 pm

21st - The Patriot Stated, 7:00 pm

November:

11th - 12th <u>Grand Annual Communication, Richmond,</u> <u>Receive Charter</u>

16th – District Class, 7:00 pm, Henry

18th - The Patriot Stated, 7:00 pm

December:

The Patriot Stated & Elections, TBD







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