

Grand Lodge Permanent Fund Appeal

For nearly 200 years Freemasons of the Grand Lodge of Delaware have represented the very best of American Patriotism and Brotherhood. As a symbol of your pride in these endeavors you have received a solid brass Car Badge featuring the Masonic Square and Compasses with our country's flag as a background - as pictured below. In return, the Grand Lodge of Delaware is asking that you support our permanent fund to assure the continued Masonic traditions in this jurisdiction. Please respond to the recent mailing you received and help strengthen Freemasonry in Delaware.



Original Warrant Returned to Union Lodge No. 5

In Worshipful Brother Charles E. Greens book on 'Masonic Potpourri' there is an interesting story of a Regimental Lodge. The opening paragraph is:

'In the archives of Union Lodge No. 5 at Middletown, Delaware is an old warrant of great historic interest. It was picked up in the Battle of Princeton (January 3, 1777), presumably brought home by a brother and deposited in the archives of old Lodge No. 5, then located at Cantwell's Bridge. Here it has lain for lo these many years – a treasured document that has become unique for it is the only known Masonic Military Warrant issued to a British Regiment serving in the American Revolution.'

For years, Union Lodge has been of the opinion that the original warrant was lost in a fire that destroyed their Lodge building. A copy of the original Warrant has been on display in the reading room of the Lodge.

On Tuesday evening, March 1, 2005 what was believed lost, was returned to sight. On that evening, the official visitation of the Grand Staff to Union Lodge Number 5, Right Worshipful Bother Earl Emerson, Junior Grand Warden, and Past Master of Union Lodge Number 5, presented to Worshipful Master Marc Mancini, and the Lodge, the original document. It had been stored for years in a bank and quite recently discovered by Wachovia Bank and presented back to the Lodge. The warrant, issued by the Grand Lodge of Scotland bares the date 'the twelfth day of November In the year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One.' Over two hundred years old, it is in remarkably fine shape.

Union Lodge is undertaking steps to preserve this document for future generations. Anyone wishing to assist in that preservation should forward their donation to Union Lodge No. 5, noting their donation as "Warrant Fund".



left to right – Earl Emerson, JGW, Albert Westerside, PGM, Marc Mancini, WM, and Don Thomas, GM



The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association By Earl Emerson



On April 6, 1789, George Washington was unanimously elected the first President of the United States. Washington was one of the most famous men in the world at that time.

General Washington had led the American army to a miraculous victory. At the end of the Revolutionary War, unlimited powers were offered to him. No only did he refuse the powers offered, he resigned his commission and returned to his Mount Vernon home.

Washington wanted no reward or gain for his long years of service. His actions astonished the world, and accepting the presidency of this new land would do nothing to add to his reputation. Washington did accept the presidency because of his strong sense of duty and his belief that this nation was at a critical point in its development.

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial was the first project on which all American Grand Lodges and appendant bodies worked together to honor Washington the man and Washington the Mason. Every Freemason in the United States is considered a part owner of the Memorial.

The maintenance and upkeep of this structure is very expensive. Any and all donations toward the upkeep of this beautiful structure are greatly needed and appreciated. Remember, the Memorial depends on the various Grand Lodges, appendant Masonic bodies and individual donations for its income. There are no government controlled funds accepted.

Come see your Memorial. I know you will like it!

Grand Master's Theme Men's Accessory Dress Set

A limited quantity of the Grand Master's theme are available in a men's accessory dress set. These consist of a pair of cuff links, tie bar and four button covers. These may be purchased at \$10.00 each or \$25.00 for the whole set. Proceeds go to the Permanent Fund. Orders should be placed directly with the Grand Master.



**ATTEND YOUR
BLUE LODGE!**

STATED MEETINGS

1st Thu	Washington No. 1
2nd Wed	St. John's No. 2
3rd Tue	Hope No. 4
1st Tue	Union No. 5
1st & 3rd Tue	Union No. 7
2nd & 4th Thu	Temple No. 9
2nd Wed	Temple No. 11
2nd & 4th Tue	Franklin No. 12
1st & 3rd Thu	Harmony No. 13
1st Tue	Lafayette No. 14
1st & 3rd Wed	Jefferson No. 15
2nd Thu	Endeavor No. 17
3rd Tue	Jackson No.19
2nd & 4th Thu	Hiram No. 21
2nd & 4th Mon	Hiram No. 25
3rd Thu	Armstrong No. 26
3rd Wed	Oriental No. 27
2nd Fri	Gethsemane No. 28
1st & 3rd Mon	Doric No. 30
1st Thu	Ionic No. 31
3rd Mon	Unity No. 32
2nd Tue	Brandywine No. 33
1st Tue	Granite-Corinthian No. 34
4th Tue	Christiana No. 35
2nd Wed	Solomon No. 36
2nd Tue	Delaware No.37
2nd Wed	High Noon No. 38
2nd Thu	Eureka-Dupont No. 23-29

Brandywine Lodge No. 33

**By Gilbert Greenfield
Worshipful Master**

Congratulations to Senior Warden Charles T. Hart who took and passed the Master Mason Degree proficiency. Worshipful Greenfield, with the luck of the ballot will end his time in the Oriental Chair in June. Junior Warden Scott C. Lengel will take his proficiency for Senior Warden on Monday, March 21st and Senior Deacon Pat Miller will take his proficiency for Junior Warden on March 28th.