

Charity Lodge No. 134
Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons
Freeland, Maryland

"MARYLAND'S ONLY MOON LIGHT LODGE"

Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Stated Communication 7:30 p.m.

Saturday January 15, 2011

Installation of Officers

Ladies & Gents of Leisure Breakfast
Mason Dixon Restaurant
Shrewsbury, PA. **8:00 a.m.**
Monday January 24, 2011

MASON'S BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY

Thomas S. Ruby	46 years
Robert S. Yates, P.M.	34 years
George E. Lang, III, P.M.	34 years
William Pearce	1 year
William "Colt" Norris	1 year
Dennis Curtis	1 year

From The East

HAPPY NEW YEAR

It is an honor to serve as Worshipful Master of Charity Lodge for 2011.

As any incoming Master, I plan for future meetings getting the attendance up and getting you involved and interested in our Lodge, which I feel is very important. Remember, seeing the seats filled for you as you were made a Mason. We have two

applicants waiting to be made Masons, hopefully in February. Also we need to encourage the current officers to move up the line, to sit in the East. A pat on the back or good hand shake speaks louder than any negative comments.

I was trying to come up with ideas or a plan to rekindle interest in Charity Lodge and Masonry. With information gathered from the survey and input from some who didn't reply in writing to the survey, but made their feelings known, I will be trying some of the suggestions gathered. Many who can't or don't want to drive at night, please feel free to call me or some of our brothers who have offered to pick up anyone who would like to attend a meeting. Please allow a day or two notice to make the arrangements.

Another reason given for not attending was "I forgot signs or words used during a meeting". If you think you have forgotten the signs or words, come 30-40 minutes early and there will be someone to help you with this information. Father time will catch up with us all.

In the past the "ladies", the other half of us, would come to meetings to help with refreshments, they talked, and became friends. Meeting nights came to be something for "us", part of the friendship that helped Charity Lodge be one of the best Lodges anywhere. I encourage all brothers, especially the officers, to invite their other half to come to the meetings.

The January meeting is our installation of Officers. We will have a turkey and ham dinner, with all the trimmings, prepared by our ladies. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.

Anyone wishing to receive their Lodge communication by e-mail and save the Lodge the necessary postage, please contact the Secretary, by either e-mail ELBONGRP@qis.net or U.S. mail at 3811 Rockdale Road, Millers, MD 21102-2620.

If you know of anyone that should be on the sick list, please let myself or one the Officers know.

Your 2011 dues are now due. The Grand Lodge amendment for a \$2.00 increase did not pass. Charity Lodge dues are the same as last year, \$75.00. Please send your dues to the Secretary

Grand Lodge and Scottish Rite Cruise, September 1, 2011. Cruise on the "Explorer of the Seas" for 9 nights sailing from Cape Liberty, New Jersey to Portland, Maine, Bar Harbor, Maine, Saint John, ND (Bay of Fundy), Halifax, Nova Scotia, and Boston, Mass. Prices from \$760.00 to \$2,060.00 per person. For additional information, contact Judy at Cruises Plus (410) 494-1414 or (800) 395-9550.

"Wages of a Mason"

Masonic labor is purely a labor of love. He who seeks to draw Masonic wages in gold and silver will be disappointed. The wages of a Mason are earned and paid in their dealings with one another, sympathy begets sympathy, kindness begets kindness, helpfulness begets helpfulness, and these are the wages of a Mason.

Benjamin Franklin

Sincerely and fraternally,

George E. Lang, III, P.M.
Worshipful Master Elect.

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