

Prince Frederick Lodge No. 142

A. F. and A. M.

Celebrating 147 Years of Freemasonry



Chartered May 10, 1869

**Stated Communications
2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 7:30 P.M.**

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November - December 2016

Prince Frederick Lodge No. 142

Officers for 2016

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| Terry Royce, Sr., PM rolls88@aol.com | Worshipful Master 301-452-8540 |
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| James Cloud, Jr., PM james.cloud@comcast.net | Grand Inspector 301-254-0284 |
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WORSHIPFUL MASTER'S MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

Brethren, Family and Friends,

As the seasons change and the days become shorter, the air gets cooler and Mother Nature displays her beautiful array of colors across the landscape. Take time to enjoy all that Mother Nature has to offer. The same is with Masonry, take time to enjoy all that the Fraternity has to offer. The warm smile and firm handshake of a brother telling you he's happy to see you. The pat on the back of a brother saying "hope to see you soon" or sitting down to dinner, enjoying good conversation with brothers and making new friends. As the seasons come and go each year, we all say, I need to get back to lodge, but I don't know anybody or I have forgotten some things and I don't want to ask anyone. We are here to help everyone feel comfortable in their lodge. Now is the time my Brothers, don't let another season pass you by before you attend lodge and enjoy all that Masonry has to offer.

Your lodge, the officers and members have been very busy this past year and a great deal has been accomplished. We have hosted community events such as the MDCHIP program. Through the Maryland Masonic Charities Scholarship Program, Prince Frederick Lodge sponsored four high schools. Two of our students were recipients of a scholarship from the Grand Lodge. The lodge celebrated its 147th Anniversary with a dinner. We held a "Strawberry Night" and a lodge picnic both of which were well attended. This year, we initiated one new member, passed four to the Degree of Fellowcraft and raised two Master Masons. None of this was done by one man, but by the dedicated officers and members who had a desire to see Prince Frederick Lodge grow, prosper and move forward. Based upon the Lodge's involvement in many activities as well as our community involvement, Prince Frederick Lodge has applied for the Grand Master's Award with Distinction. I will always be thankful to the officers and members who assisted whenever needed. Thank you to the 20 members of The Pillar Club for your generous donations.

Fall is a time for dinner with family and friends. We will be collecting canned goods and other non-perishable food items at our Stated Communications in November and December to give to a local food bank in the name of the lodge. Please no glass jars.

We still have a very busy schedule before we conclude the year beginning with our Paint Night Fundraiser on Friday, November 4, 2016, at 7:00 PM. The painting will be “Pumpkin Moon” – Pumpkins and the Moon – perfect for fall! Cost: \$45 and registration is required 48 hours in advance. You will find more information elsewhere in the Trestleboard. The Sojourners will hold an “Open Lodge of Military Tribute” ceremony on Wednesday, November 9, at 7:30 PM, honoring the men and women have or are currently serving in the Military. Please invite your family or friends who have or are currently serving in the Military so that we may honor them.

December 3rd and 4th from 12 PM till 5 PM will be our Holiday Open House and pictures with Santa. Bring the kids and enjoy the spirit of the season with us. MDCHIP Event both days. Contact Mike Daily, JW at 301-399-9554 to assist

Saturday, December 10, 2016, from 7:00 PM till 9:00 PM will be the Lodge “Ugly Holiday Sweater Party”. Wear your most outlandish Holiday Sweater and join us for a night of celebration and fun. Light refreshments will be provided. You may bring your favorite beverage or snack to share.

Wednesday, December 14, 2016, Stated Communication and election of Officers for 2017. Dinner - 6:30 PM, Lodge – 7:30 PM.

Past Masters Homecoming - Join us as we welcome the Past Masters back into their Lodge. John W. LeRoy, PM will be our speaker.

November 23rd, December 23rd and January 11th, there will be no Stated Communications.

Finally, I would like to thank you for giving me the privilege of serving as your Worshipful Master in 2016. It has been a pleasure to work with the officers and members moving Prince Frederick Lodge forward in 2016.

The Officers and their wives join Nancy and I in wishing you the very best this Holiday Season and in the coming New Year.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Terry Royce, Sr., PM

Worshipful Master

Message From The West

Brethren,

It has been a great year. I would like to thank our Worshipful Master Bro Terry Royce for all of his hard work and dedication in the management of the lodge, as well as extend a personal thank you for listening to me fumble through the lectures over and over again until I got it right. To my fellow line officers and lodge members who helped make this such a successful year, I thank you for the time and effort you put into our events and meetings. A lodge is only as strong as its membership, and we truly could not do it without the strength and support of all who stepped up to the tasks required. I would like to congratulate our new members on the progress made so far, and wish you success on the journey ahead.

November is here and time is definitely going to change. With this summer behind us and the coming election, change is inevitable. Let each and every one of us remember our obligation as masons to honor men of all political, religious, ethnic background, color, and opposing viewpoints. Appertaining to brotherly love, relief, and truth.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Holiday Season and I look forward to seeing you at one of our many coming events.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Brother Bobby Hight, Jr., SW

Prince Frederick Lodge No. 142 and the Patuxent Sojourners Present

“Open Lodge of Military Tribute” Ceremony
Wednesday, November 9, 2016, at 7:30 PM

Tribute to the men and women who have
or are currently serving in the military

Open to the public

Light refreshments served after the meeting

From The South

Greetings,

The end of the year is almost here. It will soon be time to vote on next year's officers. This year has gone by so fast and a lot has happened. I recently had the privilege of showing Prince Frederick Lodge 142 to the community by marching in the PRAD Parade in Solomon's. Thank you to those marching with me: Norman Briggs, Daniel Daily, James Pouncey and Jeff Martin. I would like to further thank Brother Pouncey for his hospitality in allowing us to park at his house and providing refreshments after the parade. Santa weekend is fast approaching. We will be reaching out for volunteers. Please contact me at 301-399-9554 to assist.

Sick Report

Diana Simpson -

Brother Jon Simpson's Wife had food poisoning.
Doing better.

Michael Breder -

had gallbladder surgery.
Is feeling better and even attended the last meeting.

Michael O'Kelley, PM -

will need to have further surgeries,
but feeling better than he has in a long time.

Please keep the above listed members and their families in your thoughts and prayers. If you or someone you know are sick or injured; please let me know. Conversely, if you know of a positive event (birth of a child, marriage, etc.) please let me know that as well.

Michael Daily, JW

**Congratulations!!!
To our 60 & 50 Year
Masonic Birthday
Milestone Members**

**Bernie Fowler - 60 Years
Joseph Dodson, PM - 50 Years**

**Masonic Birthdays
November**

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| Robert Allen | 26 Years |
| Arien Blaylock, PM | 26 Years |
| Gordon Bowen | 56 Years |
| Dan Daily | 26 Years |
| Arthur Dawson | 23 Years |
| Edward Dyckman, PM | 33 Years |
| Charles Grierson | 6 Years |
| Wayne Grover | 42 Years |
| Kirk Kugel, PM | 11 Years |
| William Midgett, III | 5 Years |
| Michael O'Kelley, PM | 16 Years |
| Joseph Roberts, PM | 20 Years |
| William Schwallenberg | 46 Years |

Total Masonic Years 310

Trestleboard for November

- Nov 03 @ 7:30 PM Grand Lodge School of Instruction
Fellowcraft and Master Masons Welcome
Centennial Lodge No. 174
- Nov 04 @ 7:00 PM Paint Night at Prince Frederick Lodge
Plan to join us for a great night of fun and fundraising
Cost: \$45
For more information, contact Nancy Royce at 301-518-6188
- Nov 09 @ 7:30 PM Prince Frederick Lodge Open Meeting
Sojourners "Open Lodge of Military Tribute" Ceremony
Tribute to the Men and Women who have or are currently
serving in the military. Open to the Public.
Light refreshments provided after the program
We will be collecting non-perishable food items
at this meeting. Food donations will be given to a
local food bank in the name of the Lodge
- Nov 18 @ 6:00 PM Grand Master's Banquet
Grand Lodge Ballroom, Cost \$57
Reception 6:00 PM - Dinner 7:00 PM
Dress: Formal
RSVP to Grand Lodge by November 10, 2016
Contact the Grand Lodge for tickets 410-527-0600
Credit Cards Accepted
- Nov 19 @ 10:00 AM 230th Grand Lodge Annual Communication
Lunch - \$20 Per Person at 12:00 PM
Dress: Officers - Tux, Apron and Jewel
Reconvene at 1:00 PM
RSVP for Lunch/Dinner tickets by November 10
Contact the Grand Lodge at 410-527-0600
Credit Cards Accepted
- Nov 19 @ 5:00 PM Grand Lodge Officers Open Installation
Dinner - 5:00 PM, Open Installation 7:00 PM
Cost: \$27 Per Person
Menu: Hot Roast Beef Sandwich, Mashed Potatoes,
Gravy and Roll
RSVP to Grand Lodge for lunch/dinner tickets by
November 10, at 410-527-0600
Credit Cards Accepted
- Nov 23 No Stated Communication
"Happy Thanksgiving"

Trestleboard for December

- Dec 01 @ 7:30 PM Grand Lodge School of Instruction
Master Masons Welcome
- Dec 03 & 04
@ 12:00 to 5:00 PM Pictures with Santa and Lodge Open House
Please assist with this very important community event
MDCHIP Event both days
Contact Mike Daily, JW at 301-399-9554 to assist
- Dec 10 @ 7:00 PM Lodge “Ugly Holiday Sweater” Holiday Party
Wear your most outlandish Holiday Sweater
Join us for a night of celebration and fun.
Light refreshments will be provided. You may bring your
favorite adult beverage or snacks to share
- Dec 14 @ 7:30 PM Prince Frederick Lodge Stated Communication
Election of Officers for 2017
Past Master’s Homecoming
Guest Speaker - John W. LeRoy, PM
Topic: The George Washington Masonic National Memorial
Collection of canned goods and other non-perishable
food items to be donated to a local food bank
6:30 PM Dinner
- Dec 17 @ 8:00 AM Breakfast with Santa at Applebee’s
555 Solomon Island Road N, Prince Frederick, MD 20678
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Santa needs assistance taking pictures
Contact Mike O’Kelley at 410-231-2596
- Dec 28 No Stated Communication “Happy Holidays”

Upcoming Events in 2017

- Jan 11 No Stated Communication “Happy Holidays”
- Jan 25 @ 7:30 PM Prince Frederick Lodge Stated Communication
Open Installation of Officers for 2017
6:30 PM Dinner
- Feb 08 @ 7:30 PM Prince Frederick Lodge Stated Communication

*****Please Note*****

***Entered Apprentice and Fellowcraft are welcome to attend
all Stated Communications***

***Entered Apprentice and Fellowcraft with their families
are welcome to attend all Lodge events.***

Masonic Birthdays

December

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| Macsen Carter | 12 Years |
| Robert Dellinger | 29 Years |
| Joseph Dodson, PM | 50 Years |
| John Jensen | 5 Years |
| Benjamin Krause | 5 Years |
| Donas McCready | 62 Years |
| Rudy McCumber, PM | 37 Years |
| Anthony Pingitore | 5 Years |
| Gregory Viands, PP | 32 Years |

Total Masonic Years 237

Total Masonic Years to Date 3,242

Prince Frederick Lodge

Food Drive

We will be collecting non-perishable food items at our November 9 and December 14 Stated Communication. Food donations will be given to a local food bank in the name of Prince Frederick Lodge No. 142. Examples of food items: beans, cereal, canned fruit, tomato, spaghetti, noodles, vegetables, canned tuna or chicken, box cake mixes and icing mixes, rice, evaporated milk and other canned food items. Please No Glass Jars.

THE PILLAR CLUB

Brethren:

Annually, Prince Frederick Lodge has a fundraising raffle to help support the cost of operating our Lodge. Unfortunately, some of our members live out of the area and are unable to participate and support these events. This year we have established a Pillar Club for members. If you would like to join the Pillar Club you can do so by making a donation of \$100.00 for the year. The money raised will help support our operating fund. In each bulletin we will print the names of those who joined the Pillar Club and you will receive a certificate of appreciation from the lodge. Your donations can also be made in the memory of or to honor someone. The Pillar Club is open to widows as well as children of members. Your donations can be sent to the lodge secretary at P.O. Box 2025, Prince Frederick, MD 20678, attention Pillar Club Membership.

Thank you to the following Pillar Club Members:

Michael Grierson - In memory of Boyd Bowen

Robert Hight, Jr. - In memory of Bobby and Sandy Hight

Terry Royce, PM - In honor of Kelsey and Zoey Royce

Jon Simpson, PM - In memory of John Hall, PM, RWPSGW

Fred Haller - In memory of Bobby Pouncey 33^o

Reverend Kenneth Bowen

Michael Daily - In honor of the Daily Family

Betty Johnson - In honor of Carl Johnson, PM

James Lofton, PM - In memory of Buck Herbert

Mike O'Kelley, PM

David Chadwick - In honor of the Chadwick Family

James Pouncey - In memory of Bobby and Clara Pouncey

Vincent Keyser - In memory of Milton Robertson, PM

William Hines - In memory of Clark Hines

Randy Geck - In honor of the Geck Family

Norman Briggs - In memory of Robert Briggs

Thomas Kelly, PM - In memory of those who revived the charter

Norman Broyles, PM - In honor of the Broyles Family

Mike Sirk, PM - In honor of the Sirk Family

Rudy McCumber, PM - In memory of Cheryl McCumber

**Paint Night Fundraiser
at Prince Frederick Lodge No 142
“Pumpkin Moon”**

On Friday, November 4, at 7:00 PM, Prince Frederick Lodge Paint Night Fundraiser - Come out and join us for a great night of painting and fundraising for the Lodge. The design will be lightly traced on the canvas so no experience is necessary! The painting will be “Pumpkin Moon” – Pumpkins and the Moon – perfect for fall! Cost: \$45 and registration is required 48 hours in advance. Please invite your friends to join you. Wine and soft drinks will be available for purchase – light snacks provided free. To see the picture to be painted or to register please use this Link <https://www.wineanddesign.com/calendars/event.php?id=38047>

For More information, contact Nancy Royce at 301-518-6188.

**Prince Frederick Lodge
“Holiday Party”**

Join us on Saturday, December 10, 2016 at 7:00 PM for the Lodge “Ugly Holiday Sweater” Holiday Party. Wear your most outlandish Holiday Sweater and join us for a night of celebration and fun. Light refreshments will be provided. You are welcome to bring your favorite beverage or snack to share.

Awaiting Catechism Proficiency

FELLOWCRAFT

Alexander Brehm

David Van-Fossen

Michael Breder

John Rhodes

MASTER MASON

Jacob Junge

Michael Lake

2016 Dues Reminder

We have a few members remaining who have not submitted their 2016 dues payment. This serves as a friendly reminder to please remit your dues as soon as possible. The 2017 Dues Notices will be arriving shortly. If you have not received your 2016 dues notice, please contact the Secretary, Bill Hines, PM at 301-758-5221.

12 INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT FREEMASONRY

- The conventional establishment of Freemasonry is usually dated to 1717, when the Grand Lodge of London emerged on the 24th June. The emergence of this Grand Lodge marks the beginning of Grand Lodges governing other Lodges.

- The third degree did not exist at the beginning of Freemasonry. In fact, it only started in the 1720s, and it took quite some time to spread through Masonic Lodges.

- The Grand Lodge of England modified Anderson's Constitution in 1815 to clarify the question of religion in Freemasonry. Anderson's Constitution originally stated that a Freemason can "*never be a stupid Atheist nor an irreligious libertine*", but this was later modified to "*let a man's religion or mode of worship be what it may*", professing freedom of religion and of worship.

- Charles Darwin was a Freemason. Darwin became a Freemason in Scotland, and his grandfather and son also were Freemasons.

- Freemasons played a great part in the Enlightenment. In the late 1700s they helped reform society. Since always, Freemasonry has valued human consciousness and reason, and these values were transmitted to the Enlightenment, when people were fighting for freedom of worship and speech, public education and a democratic government.

- Freemasons were also the first advocates of equality. The fraternity has always disregarded social distinctions and was one of the first organizations in the world to believe all men are equal.

- Freemasonic symbols are usually regarded as existing because of the secrecy of the fraternity. However, in reality, Freemasonry started being illustrated by symbols because at the very beginning most Freemasons could not read, so the symbols served to remind the members of the teachings of the Fraternity.

- The oldest Masonic symbol is the square and compasses. It is also the most universally recognized symbol of Freemasonry, even though its exact significance varies in different countries. The square usually symbolizes morality while the compasses symbolize wisdom of conduct. Together they mostly symbolize the harmony and perfection experienced when one lives in honesty and follows the path of right.

- The term "*on the level*", used to describe someone who is truthful and honest, was actually derived from Freemasonry, where the level symbolizes being straightforward and truthful.

- During the American civil war, enemy soldiers who recognized each other as Freemasons helped each other and saved each other's lives. Even during war, these Freemasons' loyalty to the craft did not fade away.

- While Freemasonry is often considered a cult there are actually quite a few hard facts that differ it from cults. First of all, to become a Freemason a man has to ask a Freemason, while members of a cult are always looking for new recruits. Also, it is very easy to leave Freemasonry. On the other hand, once in a cult it can be extremely hard to leave.

- Built in 1892, a Masonic building used to be the world's tallest building. The Masonic Temple in Illinois, Chicago was the tallest building in the world at the time it was built and it is 22 floors high.

COMMITTEES FOR 2016

Communication Committee

Bobby Hight - Chairman

Michael Daily; Darryl Duty; Jon Simpson, PM; William Hines, PM

Sickness and Distress

Michael Daily - Chairman

James Dixon, PM

Maryland MDChip Program

Bobby Hight, Jr. - Chairman

Norman Briggs; Rudy McCumber, PM;

Michael Daily; Michael Grierson

By Laws Committee

Jon Simpson, PM - Chairman

Frederick Haller, PM; William Hines, PM;

Rudy McCumber, PM; Mike Grierson

Audit Committee

Bobby Hight - Chairman

Michael Daily; Norman Briggs; Frederick Haller, PM;

William Hines, PM; Mike Grierson

Charlotte Hall Veterans Home

Norman Briggs - Chairman

Terry Royce, WM; Bobby Hight;

Randy Geck; Michael Grierson

Widow's Program

Bobby Hight - Chairman

Jon Simpson, PM; Dan Daily

Catechism/Rehearsal Committee

Michael Daily - Chairman

Norman Briggs; Mike O'Kelley, PM; William Kugel, PM;

Randy Geck; Michael Grierson

Santa Committee

Michael Daily - Chairman

Norman Briggs; Mike O'Kelley, PM

Temple Holding Corporation

Michael Daily - President; Mike Grierson - Vice President

Dan Daily - Secretary; Bobby Hight - Treasurer

Retention Committee

William Hines, PM; William Kugel, PM;

James Thompson

*All Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft and Master Masons
are requested to assist the committees.*

SURVIVING PAST MASTERS

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| Norman Broyles, PGI | 1970 |
| Joseph Dodson | 1971 |
| John Doyle | 1972 |
| John Smith | 1976 |
| James Lofton | 1977 |
| William Hines, PGI, WPAGT - Patuxent Lodge No. 218 | 1980 |
| Russell Piovesan - York Lodge No. 225 | 1982 |
| Frederick Haller, PGI | 1984 |
| Rudy McCumber, GI, WPJGS - Patuxent Lodge No. 218 | 1984, 2013, 2014 |
| John Altman | 1986 |
| Terry Royce, Sr, GI, WPGP - Patuxent Lodge No. 218 | 1986, 2010, 2011 |
| Edward Dyckman | 1989 |
| Edward Miller - Birmingham Lodge No. 188 | 1989 |
| William Kugel, PGI, WPGSB | 1990, 1993 |
| Lawrence Wilson | 1992, 2002 |
| Arlen Blaylock | 1995 |
| Benjamin Dyer, PGI, WPSGD | 1996 |
| Thomas Kelly - Ligonier Lodge No. 331 in PA | 1999, 2000 |
| EJ Todd, PGI, WPSGS | 2000 |
| Page Bowen | 2004 |
| Joseph Roberts | 2005 |
| Michael O'Kelley, PGI, WPJGD | 2006, 2008, 2009 |
| Douglas Cooper, PGI, WPSGD | 2007 |
| Jonathan Davis - Ocean View Lodge No. 335 in VA | 2009 |
| Kirk Kugel | 2010, 2011 |
| James Dixon | 2012, 2013 |
| Jon Simpson, GI, WGSB | 2014, 2015 |

Honorary Past Masters

MWPGM B. Hope Harrison, MWPGM Ronald Belanger
 MWPGM Bennie Owens, MWGM Kenneth Wyvill, Jr.,
 John Leroy, Sr., PGI

Honorary Members

Randall Nelson