




MT. NEBO LODGE NO. 91


December 2011

The Trestle Board Bicentennial Edition

 Bicentennial Brochure, Lapel Pin, and Aprons - In preparation for the Bicentennial of our Lodge, a great deal of work was put into reviewing and studying items in our Archive Room. To document the research, many items being reviewed were documented and preserved in a Bicentennial Brochure that was distributed at the Special Communication. This final color copy includes two photos found while cleaning a closet in the archive room in the Fall of 2011 in preparation for the Bicentennial. One photo is from the 1860s of the Lodge Officers and includes the oldest known photo of the George Washington apron, which shows very little fringe wear. The other photo is from a Past Masters dinner from 1957 and includes dozens of Past Masters in the posed photo. There are only 200 of the final full color copies of this brochure printed, in honor of our 200 years, and they are numbered accordingly. The first of the brochures were distributed at the Bicentennial Special Communication to the Brethren present, and the remainder will be offered as a gift to those present in a Tiled Lodge. No additional copies will be distributed. A Bicentennial Lapel Pin was likewise distributed and will be made available to guests, along with a paper apron commemorating 200 years of Ancient Craft Masonry in Shepherdstown. Join us in Lodge for your copy.

 Degree work. In the last quarter, both Thomas Edward Elliott and George Emmett Keller returned their Fellowcraft degrees and were raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Both of these new Brothers were very helpful in working during the Bicentennial weekend at Mount Nebo. Welcome to Mount Nebo as the newest Master Masons at Mount Nebo #91 AF&AM!

 Mount Nebo will be putting on an Entered Apprentice degree on Monday, December 19th and will also be balloting on two new Petitions. The Lodge continues to be very busy with new interest in Masonry as we move into our third Century! Many local Lodges are likewise busy as men of character are attracted to the stability of Masonry in an unstable world.

 Multi Lodge Practice - In addition to Mount Nebo practicing on Mondays when there is no Stated Communication at 7pm, several local Lodges have gotten together to hold a once per month practice. The location rotates around the Lodges locally. In January, the joint Lodge practice will be held at Mount Nebo on Wednesday, January 11. There is no set format for the practice, but work is conducted on whatever is needed and decided by the group. Join us if you can.

 Grand Lodge of West Virginia - The Grand Lodge of West Virginia convened at Clarksburg, West Virginia in October. Past Grand Master Randy B. Martin turned over control of the Grand Lodge to Charles A. Louk, who will serve as Grand Master of Masons for 2011-2012. Gearl G. Raynes of Martinsburg will serve as Deputy Grand Master. WM George Alwin attended the Annual Communication and served as Chair of the Charters and Dispensation Committee.

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