

# MT. NEBO LODGE NO. 91

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## The Trestle Board Bicentennial Edition

 **WM Message** - Brethren, as we begin the third Century of Masonry in Shepherdstown, activities to improve the health and size of the Craft continue. Mount Nebo is very busy with degree work and training as are the other Lodges in our District. A great deal of positive feedback was received by visitors to our open house in December. Many physical improvements to the Masonic Temple have been made and we continue to work on maintaining our beautiful building and many new prints adorn the wall of the Dining Room downstairs that reflect the history of our cherished George Washington / Lafayette Masonic Apron. I encourage all the Brethren of Mount Nebo to attend a Stated Communication soon, especially if it has been some time since you have attended Lodge. The Craft is in a state of expansion as men of character find comfort in the stability of Masonry in an unstable world.

 **Degree Work** - Benjamin Harrison Bisher and Daniel Dale Henderson were initiated as Entered Apprentices in the first quarter of 2012 and 3 additional petitions for membership are being processed at the time of this writing. While there are no immediate plans for any of the current Entered Apprentices to be passed to the degree of Fellowcraft, progress is being made on their catechism.

 **Lodge and District practice** - School of Instruction - Mount Nebo conducts a practice session every Monday at 7pm when there is not a Stated Communication at the Lodge. There is also a combined Lodge practice that is conducted once a month, a coordinated effort between Mount Nebo, Logan Lodge in Harpers Ferry, Elk Branch Lodge in Shenandoah Junction, and Triluminar Lodge in Middleway. The April practice will be held on the 11<sup>th</sup> in Middleway at 7pm. All are welcome. The District School of Instruction was held in Hedgesville on March 25. Brothers Emmett Keller, Stu Younkin, Ed Burwell, and George Alwin participated in the day long training session. Mount Nebo will be presented an award at the Grand Lodge annual communication in October for having all Lodge Officers attend the 2012 school.

 **American Friends of Lafayette** Annual Meeting invitation - Mount Nebo received a request through Mount Vernon for a group of historians called the American Friends of Lafayette to view the Washington/Lafayette Masonic Apron at Mount Vernon in May. As part of their Annual Meeting, the group will visit the French Embassy in Washington and then attend a dinner where WM George Alwin and Mark Tabbert of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial will make a presentation to the group about the long history between Washington and Lafayette. Past Master Jim Keller will attend the meetings as a representative of Mount Nebo.

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