

MT. NEBO LODGE NO. 91

The Trestle Board

June 2011

 Brethren, as we start the Masonic year that marks the 200th Anniversary of Mount Nebo Lodge No. 91, I encourage all to be involved and enjoy this historic event by attending our Stated Communications leading up to and including the Bicentennial Celebration on December 10th and 11th. Mount Nebo and the entire town of Shepherdstown have much to be proud of as we reflect on the last two Centuries of progress in Masonry. Masonry continues to flourish in our District and all local Lodges are very busy with Degree work at all levels. The friendship and brotherhood that is shared at the 9 different Lodges in our area is very rewarding to behold. We look forward to another Masonic Year, helping to expand the principles of Masonry.

 Mount Nebo hosted the Regional School of Instruction on April 10, 2011. 68 participants, representing each of the Lodges in our District, enjoyed a day of instruction and fellowship. District Deputy Lecturers Bruce Carroll and Randy Perrell organized the day of instruction and many commented on the proficiency of the Degree work, both for our Lodge and in the District. Many of Grand Lodge Officers were in attendance, including Grand Lecturer Steve Swank and Grand Master Randy Martin, Brother Mark Tabbert, Director of Collections of the George Washington Memorial.

 On September 2nd, "Freemason Fellowship Night" will be observed at the Hagerstown Suns game. Lodges from Maryland, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia will gather for an evening of relaxation and fun. Ticket information is available at the Lodge.

 Two new petitions for membership are being processed by the Lodge. A vote on the applications will be in early July. Provided that the ballot is clear, Mount Nebo will be putting on Entered Apprentice Degree work in August. Please make plans now to attend these Initiations and help to grow the Lodge.

 On June 14, several members of our Lodge made a visitation to Hiram Lodge in Winchester. Hiram Lodge is a very beautiful Lodge that is well known for its ornate murals that adorn the Lodge wall. These "frescos" of Masonic emblems were painted in 1868 and have never been re-touched. The vivid coloring and several paintings that appear to be 3 dimensional are amazing to behold. The Worshipful Master Harold Rohde of Hiram Lodge sends his greetings and best wishes to all of the Brethren at Mount Nebo.

 The Grand Lodge of WV will be increasing its assessment on each Mason in 2011. Therefore, 2011 Lodge dues will increase to \$50 per year. This will be the first increase in dues since 1984. As always, if any Brother is in financial distress and unable to pay the increased dues, he can approach the Lodge for relief.

 On a recent vote in open Lodge, our Bylaws were amended so that our Stated Communications dates no longer include St Johns days. Our normal meetings on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month are still the same. Lodge Officers at Mount Nebo for the Masonic year 2011 will be George Alwin Worshipful Master, Steuart Younkin Senior Warden, Ed Burwell Junior Warden, Chris Colbert Treasurer, Ed Calhoun Secretary, Jeff Jones Senior Deacon, Jon Brusco Junior Deacon, and Jim Keller Tyler.

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