

From the President

The George Washington Masonic Memorial is owned by and is the proud possession of all American Freemasons. It is not owned by the Grand Lodges, the Grand Masters, the appendant bodies, or the Alexandria-Washington Lodge – it is the proud possession of all Freemasons in the United States. A thoughtful brother has calculated that each American Freemason owns about one square foot of the some thirty-six acres on Shooters Hill in Alexandria, Virginia, where the monument is erected.

With the ownership of property, there is responsibility. The property must be kept-up and maintained. Every Freemason in the United States is encouraged to contribute liberally for the upkeep and maintenance of the Memorial, erected and dedicated to our First President and the Father of Our Country. We want it to be worthy of the acclamation “Pride of Freemasons.”



Ownership of the Memorial has its privileges for American Freemasons. The eight floors, from the Assembly Hall on the first level to the observation deck in the tower, are replete with Masonic history, artifacts and colorful exhibits awaiting the visits of all brethren and the public, especially the Replica Lodge Room where our distinguished brother, whom we honor, presided as Master of his Lodge.

There are also two lodge rooms and an auditorium available for use by Grand Lodges, Lodges and appendant bodies at no charge. There is a dining room where the Martha Washington Chapter of the Eastern Star, or other caterers, will serve meals.

What an honor it would be for a Grand Master to preside over a special communication of his Grand Lodge in the Memorial. It likewise would be an honor for a Worshipful Master to hold a communication of his lodge in one of the lodge rooms and there raise a candidate to the sublime degree of Master Mason. What a lasting impression it would make on the candidate!

Families of course are welcome in the Memorial. If your Grand Lodge or Lodge visits the Memorial, please do bring the family. While the brethren are in Lodge, family members can tour the Memorial, be entertained in other areas of the Memorial, or go shopping in Old Town Alexandria walking the same streets and viewing some of the same sights as did George and Martha Washington.

Brethren, the Memorial is yours. Support it. Use it. And bring your families!

For group use of the Memorial, contact our Executive Administrator.



Dedication Ceremony A Success



The unveiling of the granite markers on June 9, acknowledging the contributors to the Square and Compasses and identifying New Hampshire as the source of granite for the Memorial was a very successful event, well-attended by Grand Masters, Grand Lodge Officers, Brethren and guests from across the country. Both Grand Masters, Most Worshipful James Dean Cole, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, and Most Worshipful Jeremy J. Sawyer, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, presented inspiring and informative messages.



First Vice President Installed as Grand Sovereign

Warren D. Lichty, First Vice President of The George Washington Masonic Memorial Association, was installed as Grand Sovereign of the United Grand Imperial Council, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders for the United States of America, Mexico and the Philippines, and was invested with the Rank and Dignity of Knight Grand Cross. This occurred on June 2, 2001 in Hartford, Connecticut at the annual Assembly of the Imperial Council. Brother Lichty, of Lincoln, Nebraska, is a Past Master of Craftsmen Lodge No. 314 in Lincoln, and is a Past Grand Master of Masons in Nebraska.

The Red Cross of Constantine, an invitational body, is part of the York Rite of Freemasonry. It has 174 Conclaves in the United States, including Guam, Puerto Rico, Mexico, the Philippines, Guatemala, Japan and Panama. Brother Lichty served as Sovereign of Nebraska's Coeur de Lion Conclave in 1983. He will preside at the 130th Annual Assembly, which will be held at the Old Market Embassy Suites Hotel in Omaha from May 30 to June 1, 2002.

James A. Schad Receives Award of Appreciation

W. Scott Stoner, Second Vice President of The George Washington Masonic Memorial Association, presented Brother James A. Schad, Sr. an *Award of Appreciation* for his dedication, enthusiasm and hard work as State Chairman for The Grand Lodge of Michigan. Brother Schad was appointed as State Chairman in 1987 and was named State Chairman of the year in 1994 by the Memorial. After fourteen years of exemplary service to the Memorial and to the Craft, Brother Schad resigned as State Chairman this year. His efforts and innovations have been an inspiration to all who have known and worked with him.



Scottish Rite Valleys in Virginia Continue Support of the Memorial

Illustrious David Kruger, 33°, Grand Secretary General and S.G.I.G. in Virginia presented an annual contribution to M.W. Paul E. Ellis, President of The George Washington Masonic Memorial Association on May 18. The eight Scottish Rite Valleys in Virginia contribute a \$0.15 per member assessment to the Memorial each year. Ill. Kruger presented the donation to M.W. Ellis in the Replica Lodge Room, which is located adjacent to Memorial Hall. The Replica Lodge Room contains the Chair that Brother George Washington presented to Alexandria-Washington Lodge while he was Master. The room also contains the original lodge furniture and many artifacts and personal possessions of Brother Washington.



Memorial Tree Program

This year the Memorial is introducing a Dedicatory Tree Program. For a donation of \$500.00 a tree will be planted on the Memorial grounds in honor or memory of an individual or organization. Five trees have been donated since the inception of the program this spring. (See page 4 article, Contributions to the Memorial) A granite marker will be installed near each tree to identify the donor and honoree. For more information or to participate in this program contact George D. Seghers at 703-683-2007 or [Email:gseghers@gwmemorial.org](mailto:gseghers@gwmemorial.org).



A Message from the Executive Secretary-Treasurer

In Masonry we are taught that the four Cardinal Virtues are *Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence* and *Justice*. In our rapidly changing world *Temperance* is needed more than ever. To the Ancient Greeks *tempering* meant using a fixed set of processes in the making of metals. The right ingredients had to be chosen. They had to be divided, weighed and mixed in the exact proportions. The ingredients were then heated and cooled according to a strict schedule. The result was a metal that was not brittle. It was flexible, strong and true. For a man to have *Temperance* as a virtue means that he knows the ingredients of his own character and personality. He is able to distinguish one from the other and holds them in the right proportions and combines them in a unity of character. Our actions toward each other should be molded by the virtue of *Temperance*. We should remember that all people are creations of the Supreme Architect and we should treat them as such. We reap untold benefits when we extend the courtesy, integrity, fairness and concern for others that we in turn would like to receive. In a letter to John Luzac dated December 2, 1797,



George Washington wrote: *"In times of turbulence, when the passions are afloat, calm reason is swallowed up in the extremes to which measures are attempted to be carried; but when those subside and the empire of it is resumed, the man who acts from principle, who pursues the path of truth, moderation and justice, will regain his influence."* This statement is as true today as it was when written. George Washington was tempered and strengthened by the events and trials of his time. This Memorial is dedicated to the memory and honor of a man who lived and exemplified the Cardinal Virtues.

“Projects That Need Funding - 2001”

The following projects need funding before they can be accomplished. The Memorial does not have the funds to complete these projects. If you would like to sponsor one or more of the following please contact George D. Seghers at 703-683-2007 or [Email:gseghe@gwmemorial.org](mailto:gseghe@gwmemorial.org).

Re-tube one Boiler in the Heating Plant	12,000
Install Room Dividers in the Dining Room	7,200
Refinish Stage Flooring in the Auditorium	2,500
Replace Sidewalks on each side of the Square and Compasses	5,000
Structural Engineer Survey of the Memorial	30,000
Install Dampers on the 12th Level of the Tower	42,000
Install Emergency Lighting in the Memorial	35,000
Install Emergency Generators for the Elevators and the Memorial	125,000
Install Interior and Exterior Security Cameras and Monitors	35,000
Install Security Lights on the North Parking Lot and Driveway	7,000
Replace Sheers in the Auditorium	24,500
Replace Shrubbery on the North side of the Memorial Grounds	6,000
Remove, Reset and Replace Front Steps	250,000



Shrine Hospital Awareness Ride Kicks Off At The Memorial

On Friday, June 29, The Shrine Hospital Awareness Ride departed from The George Washington Masonic Memorial on a historic 13,000 mile motorcycle journey. The riders visited 20 of the 22 Shriners Hospitals for Children in the United States and Canada, ending at the Philadelphia Hospital on August 11, 2001. The ride was organized by Kena Shrine of Fairfax, Virginia to increase public awareness of the 22 Shriners Hospitals for Children. These hospitals provide Orthopedic, Spinal Cord and Burn treatments for children without cost.



Andrew Jackson Lodge No. 120 Dedicates Lodge Office to Pete Melvin

Andrew Jackson Lodge No. 120 dedicated their new office in the Memorial in memory of Right Worshipful Brother James George "Pete" Melvin, Jr. Brother Pete was a Past Master of Andrew Jackson Lodge and a Past District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic District 1-A. The very moving and loving dedication held on May 17 was attended by friends and family who shared their memories and love for a truly honest, giving and loving man who is greatly missed by all who knew him.

Grand Master Visits Memorial During Grand Lodge Month

Most Worshipful Brother Jack L. Allen, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, and his wife Yvonne, visited the Memorial in June during *The Grand Lodge of Ohio Month*. The Grand Master and Mrs. Allen toured the Memorial and grounds and viewed the Grand Lodge of Ohio exhibit in Assembly Hall. Each month the Memorial recognizes and honors the Grand Lodges that support and sustain the Memorial. The schedule of Grand Lodge months for 2001 is: July - Louisiana, August - Indiana, September - Mississippi, October - Illinois, November - Alabama, December - Maine.



Memorial Windows Available for Dedication

To dedicate a window in honor or memory of an individual or an organization requires a donation of \$7,500. The Memorial will install a dedicatory plaque at, or near, the designated window stating for whom the window is dedicated and by whom it was presented. This is an excellent way to support the Memorial and perpetuate the memory of an individual or organization. For more information contact George D. Seghers at 703-683-2007 or [Email:gseghe@gwmemorial.org](mailto:gseghe@gwmemorial.org).

Library Open on Wednesdays

The Memorial Library is now open on Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with Harry B. Lyon, Assistant Librarian, on duty. The Library is open to the public for research on Masonry, Colonial America and George Washington.

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Capital City Opera Establishes Home in the Memorial Theatre

The George Washington Masonic Memorial is proud to have Capital City Opera as its Resident Opera Company. The Memorial's relationship with Capital City Opera began with sold-out performances of *"Hansel & Gretel"* last December under the guidance of Maestro Kim Allen Kluge. Maestro Kluge and Capital City Opera co-founder Marcia Neuhaus Speck chose the intimate Memorial Theatre as the perfect setting for their unique approach of accentuating the human elements of opera and establishing an immediate and powerful rapport with the audience. *"Hansel and Gretel"* will again be presented this season with performances on December 15, 16, 22, and 23, 2001. *"La Traviata"* will be presented June 1, 7 and 9, 2002. For further information call 703-683-1220.

Collector's Edition for 2001



The Tall Cedars of Lebanon are sponsoring the 2001 Holiday Ornament. Each ornament is crafted in America and comes with a beautiful 24kt gold finish. A booklet with historical and educational information is enclosed in each gift box. The ornament is available through the Memorial Gift Shop at 703-549-9234 or the [Memorial Website Click Here](#)

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MEMORIAL

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* Dr. Stacey Lee McMarlin, MD	<i>by Robert D. McMarlin</i>	VA
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