Board of Directors and 2018 Annual Meeting

The 142nd Meeting of the Board of Directors of The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association was held in Indianapolis, Indiana on February 17, 2018. The focus of the meeting was two-fold: first, the ongoing restoration of the Memorial and second, the 2023 Centennial Anniversary of the laying of the Cornerstone of the Memorial. The Board approved the continuation of the Memorial restoration with a projected completion by 2023. Planning for the Centennial will begin under the leadership of Vice President Kenneth G. Nagel.

The 108th Annual Meeting of The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association was held in Indianapolis, Indiana on February 18, 2018. The Active Members of the Memorial Association, the Grand Masters, or their Representatives, of the Grand Lodges of the United States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico approved changing the Memorial Association By-Laws to facilitate and streamline the oversight of the Memorial’s finances. In other business, the following were elected to serve a three-year term on the Board of Directors: Scott A. Thomas, Arizona; J. F. “Jeff” Webb, Louisiana; John S. Ryan, New Jersey; Mike Rodman, South Dakota; John R. “Bo” Cline, Alaska; and Thomas K. Sturgeon, Pennsylvania.

Our sincere thanks and appreciation are extended to the following Board Members who completed their terms of service: Orville R. Armstrong, Tennessee; Philip G. Buchholz, Wyoming; John M. Chambliss, Virginia; Richard J. Elman, Indiana; Mansour Hatefi, the District of Columbia and Douglas W. McDonald, Sr., Georgia. These Board Members served the Memorial with active participation in guiding, directing, and focusing the Memorial on the continuation of its mission to inspire humanity through education to emulate and promote the virtues, character, and vision of George Washington, the Man, the Mason, and Father of our Country. We are grateful to them for the time, energy, and thought they gave to the Memorial and we are confident they will continue to represent and work for the Memorial.

The following members of the Board of Directors were appointed to the Executive Committee: Robert P. Conley, Chairman; J. F. “Jeff” Webb, Claire V. Tusch, Kenneth G. Nagel, Thomas K. Sturgeon, Michael P. Bible, and George D. Seghers.

The Memorial Association is in very able hands as it moves forward with many new and continuing projects, programs, exhibits, and events. This is truly an exciting and inspiring time as we move forward to promote and preserve the legacy of Bro. George Washington.

President’s Message

Light on Washington’s Legacy

by Robert P. Conley

With each new year comes fresh opportunities to understand and more deeply appreciate the blessings that we all enjoy thanks to the dedication and courage of George Washington. I recently had the pleasure of officiating at the Memorial’s annual George Washington Birthday Celebration where I was reminded of a great event in Masonic and American history — the laying of the cornerstone of the United States Capitol.

Over the past year, one of our major projects was the restoration of the Cornerstone Mural in Memorial Hall depicting this historic occasion. At the Birthday Celebration the restored mural was unveiled during a formal ceremony. It was an impressive moment. This large-scale painting shows many people gathered to witness George Washington and his Masonic Brothers perform the ancient ceremony of dedicating a cornerstone. It was September 18, 1793, and this Masonic Ritual laid the foundation for the first democratic seat of a national government in the world.

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What went through George Washington’s mind in those moments? The War for Independence had been long and costly, but now, surrounded by the “Sons of Light,” he held the symbolic trowel of brotherly unity. When Corn, Wine, and Oil were laid upon that cornerstone, the American Revolution was truly complete, crowned with optimism and blessed by Divine Providence.

As a Grand Lodge Officer, I have participated in that same ceremony. But, in all of human history, was there ever a more momentous cornerstone ceremony than that performed by George Washington at the Capitol? On that day, the world was changed forever. Freedoms that had been largely theoretical now had an established seat of government to defend them. It was an auspicious hour for the rights of man.

Many don’t realize that the trowel used by George Washington to lay the cornerstone of the Capitol in 1793 was the same trowel used by President Calvin Coolidge to lay the cornerstone of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in 1923. It is one of the many items on display at the Memorial that visitors can see and learn about. This is a tangible link to our collective heritage.

The restoration of the Cornerstone Mural and other projects at the Memorial are possible thanks to your generous assistance. Thank you for your support in preserving the rich legacy of George Washington.

**Annual Celebration of Washington’s Birthday**

On February 24, 2018 the Memorial held its annual Gala Celebration of George Washington’s Birthday. The evening began with a special reception for Charter Members of the George Washington Memorial Society in the George Washington Museum on the fourth floor. The general reception took place in Memorial Hall where the restored Cornerstone Mural was ceremonially lighted by Memorial Association President Robert P. Conley (see story, page 4).

Attendees then enjoyed a concert by the Symphony Orchestra of Northern Virginian in the Theater. Afterward, a banquet was held in Grand Masonic Hall. During the banquet, the George Washington Memorial Award was presented to Prof. Timothy H. Breen, author of numerous books on George Washington and American history.

![The Symphony Orchestra of Northern Virginia, conducted by Maestro Jeffrey Dokken, performs at the Gala.](image)

![Memorial Association President Robert P. Conley presents the George Washington Memorial Award to Prof. Timothy H. Breen.](image)
The Memorial is first and foremost a physical representation of the respect and admiration that the Masonic Brethren who built the Memorial had for George Washington. The Memorial was built by Masons but it was not built just for Masons; it was built for everyone. This was certainly evidenced in the Cornerstone Ceremony held in 1923 with the participation of President Calvin Coolidge, who was not a Freemason. We have just completed the restoration and reinstallation in Memorial Hall of the mural depicting that singular event which was without doubt the most significant Masonic event in the history of American Freemasonry. It signifies and presents the fact that the new nation was based on the beliefs and tenets of our Fraternity — a new nation built on freedom and justice for all; a new nation of limitless opportunity and security.

The exterior restoration of the Memorial continues and the fifth level to the top of the tower has been completed. Interior restoration also continues and the most significant recent project was the Cornerstone Mural in Memorial Hall (see article, page 4). A new Reception Station has been built and installed at the North Entrance. It houses security camera monitors, telephones and computers and is manned by Tour Guides and/or Security Officers for daytime and evening events. We also completed fabrication and installation of safety handrails throughout the Memorial interior. Two concrete walkways were installed from the front of the Memorial along the entrance driveway to connect to the sidewalks on Callahan Drive and King Street. These walkways were provided through the generosity of Bro. William A. Simms, a lifelong Alexandria resident and active Mason in the Fraternity and DeMolay.

The ongoing projects include the re-paving of the front driveway, the replacement of the windows in Memorial Hall and the installation of the Houdon statue of George Washington in Grand Masonic Hall. There are numerous other projects that comprise the ongoing maintenance and restoration of the Memorial.

In his Farewell Address on September 19, 1796, Washington wrote, “...let us with caution indulge the supposition, that morality can be maintained without religion. Whatever may be conceded to the influence of refined education on minds of peculiar structure, reason and experience both forbid us to expect that National morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle.” One of the founding principles of our nation was religious freedom. It seems that to certain segments of our society this has been changed to freedom from religion. We see the result of this in the chaos and horrendous acts being perpetrated in our nation. Now more than ever we need the example and model of George Washington, that truly good and great man who was the Father of our Country. Thank you for your continuing interest in and support of your Memorial.

Thanks to generous support received last year, a new walkway connects the Memorial to the sidewalks on King Street and Callahan Drive, allowing for better access.
Cornerstone Mural returned to Memorial Hall

After nearly a year of being cleaned and repaired, the Allyn Cox mural of the United States Capitol Cornerstone Ceremony was reinstalled in February. While the three-panel mural was off-site at the Olin Conservation Studio, workers in Memorial Hall removed the plaster layer over the collapsing terra cotta wall behind it. After demolition, the entire 80 feet by 30 feet wall was re-built over a period of three months. Skilled tradesmen spent an additional three weeks re-plastering the wall.

In early January David Olin and his crew returned with the cleaned, repaired and conserved mural. The first two days were spent ensuring that the first of the three panels was properly plumb and level. After coating both the canvas and the wall with specialized adhesive, the canvas was slowly unrolled and adhered to the wall from the bottom to the top. Work proceeded more rapidly with the remaining two panels. The artist, Allyn Cox, had cut the interior edges of the panels so that they would meet without producing visible seams. It speaks to the quality of the artist, the conservators, and the craftsmen who re-built the wall, that the irregular cuts are perfectly matched.

With the three panels and the painted border framing the mural installed, two weeks of work still remained. Conservators carefully painted across the seams to give the impression of one long canvas and to enhance the mural’s beauty. All work was completed by February 17th.

The restored mural was unveiled by President Robert P. Conley on February 24th with a special lighting ceremony during the reception at the George Washington Birthday Celebration.

Mark A. Tabbert

Annual George Washington Symposium Held

As part of the Memorial’s annual celebration of George Washington’s birthday, the George Washington Symposium was held on February 24th, with Mark Tabbert, Director of Collections, as Master of Ceremonies. Matthew Costello, Ph.D., Senior Historian, The White House Historical Association, presented “The Origins of His Excellency’s Character: George Washington and the American West.” Joseph Stoltz, Ph.D., Digital Historian, The Fred W. Smith National Library for the Study of George Washington, Mount Vernon, spoke on “Roads to Independence: Washington’s Travels During the Revolution.” Timothy H. Breen, Ph.D., presented “President Washington’s Political Genius: A Journey of the American People.” Prof. Breen was presented with the George Washington Memorial Award later in the evening.

The George Washington Symposium is held each year to provide audiences with an opportunity to hear the research of leading experts on the life and legacy of George Washington.

The scholars who presented at the annual George Washington Symposium: Timothy H. Breen (left), Matthew Costello (center), and Joseph Stoltz (right).
Aft he George Washington Masonic National Memo-
rial broke ground on June 5, 1922, American Freemasons
began to anticipate a grand Masonic cornerstone ceremony and
celebration. During the Memorial Association’s February 1923
meeting, the membership approved $500,000 to clad the entire
333-foot structure in granite. Also, President Watres proposed
November 4 — the anniversary of George Washington’s initiation
as Entered Apprentice Mason in the Lodge at Fredericksburg, Vir-
ginia — for the cornerstone ceremony.

While coinciding with Washington’s initiation anniversary was
desired, the Association’s decision was based on additional factors.
Foremost was securing the necessary men and materials, along
with sufficient fair weather, to properly prepare the Memorial and
grounds for the ceremony.

The Association also had to negotiate a time that would work
for everyone in the context of an extremely busy American
Masonic calendar. Between Labor Day and St. John the Baptist’s
Day, numerous grand jurisdictions held annual meetings. Freem-
asons in Washington, D.C. were already preparing for the Shrine
Imperial Session in June and the Scottish Rite Supreme Council’s
biennial session in October. There was also the availability of key
state and federal government officials to consider. With all those
factors in mind, Thursday, November 1, 1923, was selected.

The Association’s Executive Committee appointed a local Free-
mason, John Elmer Winfield Timberman (1876–1962) to chair and
coordinate all the day’s events. He was a close friend of Charles H.
Callahan, the driving force behind the creation of the Memorial.
Timberman, a pharmacist and owner of a well-known local drug
store, was active in his church and a wide variety of civic organiza-
tions. He joined Andrew Jackson Lodge No. 120 in 1898 and served
as its Master in 1903. After serving as the High Priest of Mt. Ver-
non Royal Arch Chapter in 1907, he was elected Grand High Priest
of the Grand Chapter of Virginia in 1917. Later in his life, in 1933,
he would receive perhaps the highest and rarest Masonic honor —
attending the dedication of a Masonic lodge named for him — at
Elmer Timberman Lodge No. 54.

Besides being well-connected, Chairman Timberman had sev-
eral advantages working for him. The celebration would include
a parade comprised of Military units and American Freemasons.
Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, and Freemasons had conducted parades
and cornerstone ceremonies since well before President Washing-
ton laid the cornerstone for the U.S. Capitol in 1793.

Additionally, the main railroad line from Maine to Florida
passed through Alexandria at the foot of Shuter’s Hill where the
Memorial was being constructed. The Washington Southern
Railroad maintained a large freight yard north of town that could
accommodate scores of passenger and sleeper cars. The Washing-
ton to Mount Vernon trolley lines could also transport hundreds of
local citizens. Ferries could bring hundreds more from up, down,
and across the Potomac River. Lastly, if any problems arose, he
could call on his brother Masons, U.S. President Warren G. Hard-
ing, Virginia Governor E.L. Trinkle, and Chief Justice (and former
President) William Howard Taft, for help.

Between February and August 1923, the Association’s Execu-
tive Committee discussed several important issues surrounding the
November 1st event. Two different invitations would be printed:
one for Masons and one for non-Masonic officials. Reduced ticket
rates were secured from major railroad passenger associations.
Reproductions of the trowel used by President Washington in 1793
were ordered at $15 each. Attending Grand Masters would receive
a souvenir trowel, with remaining copies to be given to attending
high government officials and Memorial Association officers.

Another topic was the actual cornerstone. Harvey Wiley Cor-

Portrait of J.E.W. Timberman (1876–1962), Chairman of the Ceremony Committee, Past
Master of Andrew Jackson Lodge No. 120 and Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal
Arch Chapter of Virginia.
Bett’s original design included the Masonic square and compasses emblem but omitted the “G” in the center. A final design was settled upon in mid-October, including the Letter G.

In June 1924, the Executive Committee hired Bro. A.P. Johnson to promote the great event. Recommended by consulting architect S.E. Osgood, Johnson specialized in advertising and publicity. For $13,000 plus expenses, Johnson would do four monthly mailings of information and invitations to the more than 15,000 American Lodges in hopes of reaching the nearly three million American Master Masons. His campaign was important not just to encourage attendance at the event, but to build greater support from the public and Masons alike as construction continued in the years ahead.

However, Johnson’s work met with some disappointment. A careful reading of the Executive Committee’s minutes reveals that Johnson took great liberties, both in the means of promotion and in the advertisement copy. From his pen came erroneous stories that George Washington once owned Shuter’s Hill and that it was Thomas Jefferson’s first choice for the site of the U.S. Capitol. But there can be no mistaking Johnson’s exuberance when he promised that the Memorial would “be the most wonderful monument ever erected in honor of any man.”

In the midst of the growing excitement, U.S. President and Brother Mason Warren G. Harding died on August 2. Initiated in 1901 at Marion Lodge No. 7 in Marion, Ohio, Bro. Harding suffered a heart attack while on a speaking tour in San Francisco.

Vice President Calvin Coolidge of Massachusetts was not a Freemason, although his wife Grace was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. Fortunately, President Coolidge did agree to honor the invitation to attend the cornerstone ceremony, but on the condition he would not be asked to give a speech. “Silent Cal” resolved to remain silent in the first few months of his administration. The November 1st celebration was one of his first presidential appearances.

By the first week of October, Chairman Timberman had all the details resolved and the program set. The U.S. Army Signal Corps would set up an electric amplifier system with the necessary loudspeakers to reach an audience of 100,000. Washington, D.C. radio station WCAP would broadcast descriptions of the parade and ceremony as well as the speeches given at the ritual and the evening’s banquet.

The last few days before the great ceremony all the pieces came together. On October 29th the Executive Committee met at the Willard Hotel in Washington, D.C. Besides continuing to oversee the ongoing construction, they made final adjustments to the schedule and ceremony. After the meeting they visited the job site to inspect the physical preparation — including the spreading of cinders around the hill to protect the grounds from the huge crowds and alleviate any mud, should it rain.

That day, The Alexandria Gazette reported the arrival of the first train load of Freemasons. To fully accommodate the oncoming crush, the city encouraged vendors to sell food and drink on the street, before, during, and after the parade. Alexandria businesses closed and there was no mail delivery, but the Post Office remained open to accept mail. Schools were also closed, giving the students a chance to watch the parade.

The final schedule of events went as follows: at 10:00 a.m. the Grand Lodge of Virginia would open in Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22’s meeting room in City Hall. At 10:30, the parade would begin promptly from the intersection of King and Fairfax Streets. The Cornerstone Ceremony would begin at 12 noon and finish by 1:30 p.m.

First to arrive to the celebration from Norfolk was the Masonic Lodge officers along the King Street parade route. Master Masons from all over the U.S.A. joined in the celebration.
U.S. Navy's new light cruiser, the *U.S.S. Richmond* (cl-9). It steamed into Alexandria on October 29th with its complement of 500 sailors ready to march in the parade. The *Richmond* later served in the Caribbean through the 1930s. During World War II it earned two battle stars in action against the Japanese Imperial Navy in the North Pacific and near the Alaskan Aleutian Islands.

The parade consisted of seven divisions with 22 marching bands totaling over 18,000 men. Divisions assembled on the side streets off of King Street. Leading the parade was a US Army cavalry troop, a company of infantry, two platoons of engineers and “Pershing’s Own” marching band. Behind the Army came a company of U.S. Marines and the Marine Corp Band, and lastly the *Richmond’s 500* sailors. U.S. Army biplanes circled above the crowd.

The second division contained automobiles carrying government officials and other civilian dignitaries and guests. The third division consisted of Masonic Knights Templar with their marching bands, and the fourth division contained officers from every U.S. Grand Lodge and brethren from many Lodges from around the country.

The fifth division contained Virginia, Maryland, and District of Columbia lodges, chapters, councils, and commanderies. Honored among these were Washington’s mother lodge, Fredericksburg Lodge № 4, Alexandria-Washington Lodge № 22, and Potomac Lodge № 5. The sixth division contained numerous Shrine marching bands, drill teams, and choirs.

The last division contained the Memorial Association’s Officers and Board Members and the Grand Lodge of Virginia’s Officers. Also included in this division were the heads of the General Grand York Rite Bodies, the Sovereign Grand Commanders of both Scottish Rite jurisdictions, and the Shrine Imperial Potentate.

Two and a half hours after stepping off, the last division took its place within the arc of spectators assembled around the north and east of the Memorial. Later estimates claimed nearly 50,000 people had enjoyed the spectacle on that brisk and sunny day.

With President Coolidge and Governor Trinkle, many government officials, and the Grand Masters of the United States assembled near the cornerstone, Acting Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia Charles Callahan stepped up to the microphone to begin the Masonic ceremony. His dreams were coming true after 13 years of relentless planning and indefatigable labor.

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Participants and the public crowd around the Memorial’s northeast corner to witness the Cornerstone Ceremony.
The restoration efforts now taking place at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial are truly historic. Thanks to the growing support that we receive from individuals and organizations, many major projects continue to take place both inside the Memorial and on the building’s exterior. As we begin 2018, we celebrate some major achievements and look forward to upcoming projects.

**The Restored Cornerstone Mural**

During the George Washington Birthday Celebration, the restored Cornerstone Mural was presented by President Conley (see story, page 4). This mural is an impressively large oil painting, measuring 48 feet wide by 18 feet high, and was completed in 1935 by the great American painter Allyn Cox. It depicts George Washington laying the cornerstone of the United States Capitol. Through the years it had suffered significant damage, including a 30-foot line of strain on the fabric, causing visible tearing and loss of paint.

Olin Conservation, Inc., of Great Falls, Virginia, was hired last year to completely restore this work of art. The mural was carefully removed from the Memorial in March and April of 2017, and transported to Olin’s facility for repairs. There, the mural’s delicate fabric was carefully reinforced. The tearing was repaired. In January and February, the conservators returned the mural to Memorial Hall. Using a special scaffolding, the painting was installed on the south wall. Then, trained conservators meticulously completed the final repairs to the painting itself.

Today, the Cornerstone Mural is once again enjoyed by the Memorial’s daily visitors. The painting now looks as it did in 1935 when it was first installed. The colors now appear more vivid, and the repairs to the canvas are not visible. Most importantly, the image of Washington laying the cornerstone serves as a focal point on our guided tours, and visually communicates the connections between Masonry and the values that shaped the early American Republic. While this repair had a formidable cost, it was necessary and worthwhile. Thanks to your support, the Cornerstone Mural has been preserved to educate and inspire future generations.

**Operative Masonry at Work**

The repairs needed for the Memorial’s exterior masonry are approximately halfway completed. Beginning with the Pyramid level in 2014, and progressing to the Observation Level in 2015, the eighth floor Chapel level in 2016, the sixth floor Library level and fifth floor in 2017, this project’s goal is to completely repoint the building’s mortar joints, repair any underlying issues, and restore the stonework to its original condition.

As 2018 begins, work will now begin on the third and fourth floor exteriors. The third floor houses *The Family of Freemasonry* exhibit, and the fourth floor is the location of *The George Washington Museum*. While this is taking place, new LED-based exterior lighting will be added to the fifth through eighth levels. This will allow the Memorial to be lit in different colors at night, in keeping with the Memorial’s architectural inspiration, the Lighthouse at Alexandria.

When completed, visitors to the Memorial will experience the building in a condition not seen since the structure was dedicated in 1932. Of course, the purpose behind all of this restoration work is to honor the life and memory of George Washington in a way that will continue to impress and inspire those who come to experience the Memorial and learn from its message.

As we begin our first century as a National Historic Landmark, it is imperative that we support that mission so that future generations will be able to receive the Memorial’s positive message.

**How You Can Help**

Our work is made possible by the generous support of individuals, Masonic groups, and other dedicated supporters. This restoration is an historic opportunity to make a difference. By participating in this restoration, you can personally have a part in preserving and sustaining the greatest joint effort of American Freemasonry.

We have been grateful for the excellent start the campaign has experienced. The Landmark Century Campaign received outstanding support in 2017, including $480,530 in direct campaign contributions, as well as a bequest for $1.3 million which will also be applied to the restoration work. Now, you can be a part of helping us reach our next milestones. All funds given as part of
the Landmark Century Campaign are dedicated to the ongoing restoration and improvement work.

Many of our existing donor programs are now part of the Campaign. Donations from the Friends of the Memorial and Patrons now directly support the restoration. And today, it is easier than ever to participate in these valuable programs. Using our new website (see the story below), donors may make monthly pledges in amounts to fit any budget.

All donations to the Landmark Century Campaign are cumulative. That means that a monthly pledge of $25 or more will accumulate over time, passing through the levels of recognition that are noted in our publications and on our website (see pages 10–13 for a list of recent contributors by level).

Because the Memorial is a 501(c)(3) educational foundation, these donations are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law. Please visit our website today. Whether via a monthly pledge of $25 or more, a single donation, or a bequest, you can be a part of this inspiring and important work.

To make a donation to the Landmark Century Campaign by mail, please use the form on page 13. Simply select your chosen amount and whether it is a one-time gift or monthly pledge.

Shawn Eyer is the Director of Communications & Development of The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

An Impressive Conservation

Even as the restoration of the exterior stonework of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial was midway, it became necessary to simultaneously embark on the restoration of the Cornerstone Mural in Memorial Hall. The photographs below provide a rare, close-up look at the results of the project.

Before: The Cornerstone Mural had developed a 30-foot line of strain which was tearing the canvas, causing major damage and flaking of pigment.

After: The tear across George Washington’s breast has been carefully repaired, and the lost paint meticulously restored by Olin Conservation.

Monthly Giving Option Makes Supporting the Campaign Convenient

The Memorial’s recently updated website makes it easier than ever to participate in the Landmark Century Campaign. One of the most important new features of the site is the ability to make an automatic monthly contribution.

Simply visit the site and select “Support the Memorial” in order to see various options. To make a monthly gift choose either “Take a Friend of the Memorial Pledge” (for gifts of $25 and up) or “Take the Patron Pledge” (for gifts of $100 or more per month).

Convenient monthly payments allow you to support the Memorial’s restoration at your own pace. It is easy to make one-time donations on the site as well.

If you wish to send your gift through the mail instead, please use the convenient form on page 13 of this edition of LIGHT. Thank you for your support.
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The Patriot Flag was flown from the raised aerial of a ladder truck provided by the Alexandria Fire Department. The 20-minute display was witnessed by thousands of local residents, commuters, and visitors to the Memorial itself. The Patriot Flag has been displayed at the Pentagon, the 9/11 Memorial, dozens of state capitols, and many other landmarks. The Memorial Association joins the organizers of the Patriot Flag’s tour in thanking America’s troops and first responders, and remembering the victims of terrorism.