

## 2003 President's Message

Our annual meeting in the beautiful North Lodge Room of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial, is upon us, as is the end of my term as your President.

Our meeting will be a busy one with several new members taking the Philately Degree. Since two of the candidates are coming from England and others from distant states, I hope that all of our members from Pennsylvania, Maryland, D.C. and Virginia will make a good faith effort to attend. Members and friends start assembling and looking at philatelic materials about 30 to 60 minutes before the scheduled start of the meeting at 2 p.m. Club and member covers, etc. will be made available for sale, trade, or barter, depending on whom you are dealing with. For those not familiar with the Memorial, the Gift Shop will be open and available to all.

Looking back upon my term, there were ups and downs in my personal and professional life. My youngest daughter, Estela, has become a stamp collector due to attendance at BALPEX, which she thoroughly enjoyed. Both her and my attendance would never have come about without my involvement as your President. I have enjoyed it so much. We (Estela and myself) will make every effort to make it an annual event. But more seriously I wish to thank and acknowledge the help your President has received from Mo, John, Paul, Stan and all of the other officers over the past two years. We have issued some outstanding covers and have seen increase interest in our Club. Our successes would not have been possible without help and support of all the officers. I am sure that the next president will continue to rely and depend on their invaluable help.

Our dinner is at Joe Theismanns, (1800 Diagonal Road, Alexandria, VA 22314, phone: 703 739-0777) located at the foot of Shooter's Hill across from the Metro station. Brother Dr. Alan Boudreau is our dinner speaker. He is a member of GWMSC, received the Master of Philately from GWMSC and MSCNY, is Past President of Masonic Stamp Club of New York, Editor of MSCNY's Masonic Philatelist, & Grand Librarian of the Grand Lodge of New York. I look forward to hearing what he has to say!

I wish all our members a most Happy New Year 2003! It has been a true pleasure and honor to serve as your President.

**Walter P. Benesch,**  
GWMSC President, 2001-2003



**ANNUAL MEETING and BANQUET**

**2:15 PM GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL  
ON SHOOTERS HILL  
Alexandria, VA  
FEBRUARY 23, 2003**

# GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC STAMP CLUB

2003 ANNUAL MEETING and Banquet

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ON SHOOTERS HILL

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- WELCOME –  
Invocation

Presentation of the Colors and Patriotic Opening

- Business Meeting -  
Reports of Officers  
Master of Philately Degree  
Exchange philatelic items  
Benediction  
Annual Dinner

Speaker: Dr. Allan Boudreau

GWMSC President

2003-2005

PAST PRESIDENTS

1956

Robert Fellers\*

1957

George N. Wendt

1958

James Wong\*

1959

Sol Glass\*

1960-62

Herman J. Lichty\*

1962-64

James W. Zollickoffer

1964-66

John A. Kelly, Jr.\*

1966-68

Paul Sturman\*

1968-70

Whit W. Laudeman\*

1970-72

Art Cady

1972-74

John N. Hoffman\*

1974-76

Howard W. Cantwell\*

1976-78

M. L. Nafzinger, M.D.

1978-80

Ralph F. Knisely

1980-82

William A. Engstler\*

1982-84

John R. Allen

1984-86

Raymond R. Wiegand\*

1986-88, 96-99

Stanley R. Longenecker

1988-90

Paul M. Williams

1990-92, 94-96

Kenneth Hanson

1992-93, 99-01

Edward P. Smith

1993-94

Henry W. Scott

1994-96, 90-92

Kenneth Hanson

1996-99, 86-88

Stanley R. Longenecker

1999-2001, 92-93

Edward P. Smith

2001-2003

Walter P. Benesch

\* Deceased