

George Washington Masonic Stamp Club



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Annual Meeting – February 22, 2004

In Memorial: 2 Past Presidents - GWMSC

Brothers & Past Presidents of GWMSC, Edward P. Smith (Alexandria, VA) and Paul M. Williams (New Providence, PA) died in August 2003, with the club and its members in mind until the end. Paul Williams was Cover Chairman for many years, having organized the club's inventory and laboring in filling orders, with little more than "Thank You" for his many efforts. Ed Smith sent cheery emails, during failing health, until his passing.

Brother Paul M. Williams served as GWMSC President from 1988-1990.

Paul M. Williams, 78, of New Providence, died at 12:45 AM on August 14, 2003, at Lancaster General Hospital after a brief illness. [Paul was active particularly in York Rite Masonry.]

Williams retired in 1987 from General Telephone and Electronics Corp.

He previously worked for Commonwealth Telephone Co., which brought him to Lancaster County in 1967. He was a 1942 graduate of Huntington Mills High School, a 1947 graduate of Coyne Electrical and Radio School, Chicago, and a 1949 graduate of Central Radio and Television School, Kansas City.

Brother Edward P. Smith served as GWMSC President from 1992-1993, and 1999-2001.

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Meeting Agenda 1:30PM – 4:30PM

1:30 PM Gather/Assemble.

2:15 PM Call to order.

- ✚ Invocation.
- ✚ Presentation of Colors and Patriotic Opening.
- ✚ Reports by Club Officers, especially Cachet Chairman.
- ✚ Confer Master of Philately.
- ✚ Member comments.
- ✚ Benediction; Adjourn
- ✚ Speaker (Ladies invited):
Robert A. Domingue
- ✚ Philatelic items exchange
- ✚ Depart for dinner.



*GWMSC Meeting – North Lodge Room,
Sunday, February 22, 2004, at 2:15 PM.*

Location: George Washington Masonic National Memorial

101 Callahan Drive (at Duke St & King St.) in Alexandria, Virginia

The annual conferral of the Master of Philately degree is for GWMSC member(s) who have't yet received it.

Meeting discussion will include recent and/or planned club cachets & covers, and other club business including the Annual Dinner at Theisman's Restaurant across from Amtrack Station (directions available).

Reservations Received for Master of Philately include Borthor Domingue (MA) & Watkins (VA).

GWMSC web site:

<http://GWMSC.tripod.com>

GWMSC President, 2001-2004

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Edward P. Smith, Col Usa (Ret.) On Saturday, August 23, 2003, of Alexandria, VA. Beloved husband of Jane Lotter Smith and loving father of Suzanne Klingelhofer and Karen Swanson. Also surviving are his brother, Dr. Russell P. Smith; his sister, Grace Brannock Dougherty; and three grandchildren. Memorial services were held Thursday, August 28, 11 a.m. at the Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 1301 Collingwood Rd., Alexandria, VA 22308. Interment Friday, August 29, 11 a.m. at East New Market Cemetery in East New Market, MD. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in COL Smith's name to The Scottish Rite Foundation, designated for the Child Language Disorder Fund, 1733 - 16th St., NW, Washington, DC 20009; or to Aldersgate United Methodist Church, address above.

May the memories of these departed brothers, and their many contributions to the club and to everyone's enjoyment of Masonic covers, be remembered as we meet again in 2004 and in the future!



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2004 Annual Banquet

Location: Joe Theisman's Restaurant (1800 Diagonal Road, Alexandria, VA 22314, phone: 703 739-0777), is at the foot of Shooter's Hill across from the Alexandria Metro station.

Dinner RESERVATIONS will be taken by President Walter Benesch at the meeting, please provide the name(s) & number of people who will be dining with us. If you prefer email John R. Allen at jrallen@erols.com by Feb-20th.

Mailing Envelope for 2004 Annual Meeting: The envelope imprint was designed & computer printed by Brother Allen. Use of the Richmond Royal Arch Chapter No. 3 seal was authorized by its Secretary, Brother Sherrill Watkins. We hope this mailing will be postmarked with the special 12/22/03 RAM 250th Anniversary pictorial postmark, designed by Brother Allen. This cachet was only used on these #10 envelopes. Some 6 ¾ envelopes (2 different cachets) are available.

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The Herman J Lichty Memorial fund honors the memory of GWMSC Past President, Secretary Emeritus, Co-founder, and distinguished Freemason Herman J. Lichty through annual donations to worthy Masonic endeavors. In all of his Masonic travels, the spirit of brotherhood was foremost in Herman's actions. Lillian Lichty still honors our club with her presence at most Annual Meeting Banquets.