

PETER M. RASMUSSEN LODGE 916

AF & AM

TRESTLE BOARD

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From the East
MW Brother Eddie M. Guevara (PGM/PM)

Fraternal Greetings, Brethren:

46th years ago today (25 March 2018) the Charter proclaiming the formal establishment of our Lodge was issued by the United Grand Loge of Germany, AF & AM. Today the members of the Lodge can celebrate with justifiable pride 46 years of service to, and within the Masonic community.

During the past 46 years our Lodge has been the medium through which numerous good men were received into our ancient and honorable fraternity. It has served as a Masonic home-away-home for hundreds of Freemasons in all walks of life who found themselves residing in Germany as the result of their employment, normal vocations, or who were temporarily passing through the jurisdiction of the Lodge.

It is almost certainly true the Founding Members and Charter Members of our Lodge foresee the consecration of our Lodge in the Orient of Worms could not, at

that point in time and considering the particular circumstances, conceive of the Lodge successes. Hence the occasion of our Lodge Anniversary 25 March 2018 is an auspicious one, and takes on greater significance when one considers the constantly changing world which have affected the local membership status in the present and will continue to do so in the future.

It is a rare privilege and honors that devolves upon me at this time and extend the congratulations, good wishes, and high esteem of all the officers and members of Peter M. Rasmussen Lodge 916, and I am humble to have had the opportunity to serve you as your Master this Masonic Year. To all the members of our honorable Lodge, both past and present. In token thereof, and to commemorate this august event of the latest posterity, I present you with this Letter of Congratulation. May the blessing of the Grand Architect of the Universe be with our members and families, and our Lodge, as we enter upon our 46th Masonic year!

Fraternally yours,

Eddie

Peter M. Rasmussen Lodge 916
25 March 1972 – 25 March 2018
46th Anniversary



Early History of Square and Compass Club
and Peter M. Rasmussen Lodge 916

Who created it?
What was it at first?
When did it originate?
Where did it start?
Why was it needed?
How was it began?

1971 started out as Worms Square and
Compass Club. Taukkunen Barracks Snack
Bar

19 Aug 71 petition to form a lodge
submitted to ACGL

24 March 1972 Chartered by VGL as
Lodge 916 and consecrated in Worms

4 Brethren over a cup of coffee discussed
to open a regular lodge

25 Brethren agree to form a lodge in
Worms

1971 Square and compass club

Jan – 4 brothers over a cup of coffee

April - First meeting Taukkunen barracks
chapel 24 Masons attended

May – Second meeting (cable tow
commitment)

May – third meeting with ACGL at
Domschanke restaurant attended by 25
masons. Voted/approved to open lodge

June – fund raiser attended by 47 masons
& ladies

June – Peter M. Rasmussen was chosen
to be the name of lodge

October 20 – picture of Peter M.
Rasmussen unveiled

1972 – 8 February Peter M. Rasmussen
passing

1972 – 25 March 1400 hours Peter M.
Rasmussen Lodge 916 consecrated in
Doschanke. Symbolic light brought to
light by brethren of Zum Wiedererbauten
Temple der Bruderliebe Lodge 135

25 march 1972 Elected and
Appointed line

Worshipful Master Edward D.
Martin **Senior Warden** Gerald R.
Dodd **Junior Warden** John O. Lofton
Treasurer Earl C. Hicks **Secretary**
Richard E. Nielsen **Senior Deacon**
John W. Peterie **Junior Deacon**
Douglas H. Sowards **Senior Steward**
Louis M. Santelli **Junior Steward**
Richard A. Simmons **Chaplain**
Demery M. Austin **Marshal** Joseph
C. Reves **Tyler** John E. Justice

Founder members

+EDWARD D. MARTIN **WILLIAM D.
DEBUSK** GERALD R. DODD**
WILLIAM E. SMITH, JR. +JOHN O.
LOFTON +**NATHAN FRANK** EARL C.
HICKS **EDWARD B.W. RIPPY**
+**RICHARD E. NIELSON** **DAVID J.
LUNSFORD** JOHN W. PETERIE
+**WILLIAM R. WRIGHT** DOUGLAS H.
SOWARDS **JOHN T. SIKORSKY** LOUIS
M. SANTELLI **BILLY J. FLETCHER**
RICHARD A. SIMMONS +**ERNEST W.
RAABE** DEMERY M. AUSTIN
+**ROBERT L. WALKER** +**JOSEPH C.
REVES** +**ISADORE DORTCH** +JOHN
E. JUSTICE +**JULIAN W. EASLEY**
JOHN C. CASBEER **CHARLES E.
CHESTNUT** WILLIAM M.
HERNDERSON **WALTER A. IRISH**
WILLIAM L. MAGNUS **CALBIN H.
GARNER** BILLY M. H. JACKSON
LELAND D. HOMES BURTON T.
POOLE **THOMAS H. LOCKETT** JAY P.
HOCHSTAIN** **MORTON S.
LINDNER** (*Denotes: + Deceased
**Active member*)

Charter members

HARRY J. RAMIREZ, JR., ARTHUR L. YORK, CLARENCE B. PATE, JR., CHARLES E. CAPE, MICHAEL R. WILKIE, JOHN W. SANDERFER, JR., LARRY L. SELLARS, TOMMIE R. PRUITT

Past Masters

1972-1973 W.BRO. EDWARD D. MARTIN+

1973-1974 W.BRO. GERALD R. DODD

1974-1975 VW.BRO. JOHN O. LOFTON+

1975-1976 W.BRO. PETE ADCOX

1976-1977 W.BRO. RAYMOND HANSON

1977-1978 W.BRO. WOODY HARWELL+

1978-1980 W.BRO. WILLIAM BESTPITCH

1980-1981 W.BRO. CHARLIE CAPE

1981-1982 W.BRO. TED O. MARKS+

1982-1983 W.BRO. DON WILCOX

1983-1984 W.BRO. CHARLES L. HUNSUCKER (PGM)+

1984-1985 W.BRO. HENRY COLEMAN

1985-1986 W.BRO. ADAM KOVALSKI

1986-1988 W.BRO. ROBERT E. YOUNG, JR.

1988-1989 W.BRO. RICHARD A. BROWN

1989-1990 W.BRO. MANFRED DIEFENBACH

1990-1992 VW.BRO. WARD R. WILLIAMSON, II

1992-1993 VW.BRO. GABOR E. ECSODI+

1993-1994 W.BRO. ANDREW SMITH+

1994-1995 W.BRO. GERALD BURROUGHS+

1995-1996 W.BRO. K. ZANE JOHNSTON

1996-2001 W.BRO. TERRY L. ORMAND

2001-2002 W.BRO. RICHARD E. PARKS

2002-2005 W.BRO. ROBERT E. YOUNG, JR.

2005-2006 W.BRO. MATTHEW J. BAKER

2006-2008 W.BRO. KEVIN WADE CURRAN

2008-2009 W.BRO. ROBERT E. YOUNG

2010-2010 W.BRO. RONALD W. STRADLING

2011-2017 W.BRO. KOMLA C. EZO

2017-2018 MW.BRO. EDDIE M. GUEVARA (PGM)

Past Grand Masters of ACGL

MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER PETER M. RASMUSSEN GRAND MASTER OF MASONS 1962-1963

MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER CHARLES L. HUNSUCKER GRAND MASTER OF MASONS 1989-1990

MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER EDDIE M. GUEVARA GRAND MASTER OF MASONS 2015-2016



**25 March 2018 46 years of
Freemasonry (Elected and
Appointed Officers as August 2017)**

Very Worshipful Brother Ward
Williamson (PM)

Tyler
Brother Luke Mason

Elected officers

Worshipful Master
MW Brother Eddie M. Guevara
(PGM)

Senior Warden
Worshipful Brother Michael
Osswald

Junior Warden
Brother Jerome L. Ajaye

Treasurer
Brother Ruediger G. Glaser

Secretary
RW Brother Robert "Bob" Young
(PM)

Appointed Officers

Chaplin
Worshipful Brother Komla C. Ezo
(PM)

Senior Deacon
Worshipful Brother Peter Lohr
(PM)

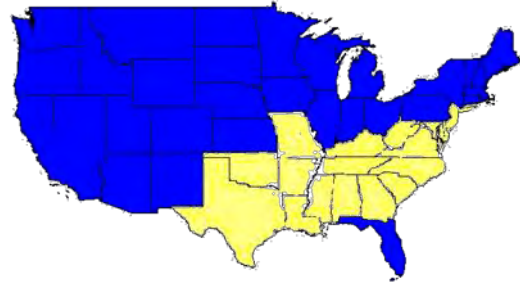
Junior Deacon
Brother Brady A. Caulder

Marshal
Brother Vivianos Adandogou

Senior Stewart
Brother Stanley Reams

Junior Stewart

Lodge Members



Larry J. Boyd

Frak Q. Cook Jr

Richard P. Marshall

Bruce J. Hood

John M. Reeve

Charles A. Hart

James Winston Cox

William F. Lowell

Thomas M. Sulton

Wilbur D. Beasley

Randy A. Holloway

Karl T. Ward

James D. Leigh

Billy C. Vaughn

Clifford E. Cannon

Richard A. Brown

Joseph Goldberg

John A. Seek

Manfred Diefendbach

Andrejs Bedelis

Felix I. Flores

Lowell J. Mills Jr.

Walter E. Coffing
Frank P. Bajus
Dewey W. Morse
Jimmy A. Mcgrath
Wayne C. Toberman
Mark E. Matthews
Terry L. Ormand
Daniel M. Morrow
Deward B. Rice Jr.
Loyal J. Johnson
Thomas R. Wright
Thomas F. Kiefer
Michael Banda
Matthew J. Baker
Thomas E. Tierney
Gerald R. Dodd
Founder Member
Lawrence C. Young
Pedro M. Barrios
Troy Barton
Jerry M. Burns
Billy Joe Staffiles
Ronald W. Stradling
Billy D. Neal
John E. Ralston
Leland E. Irvin
Jimmy D. Hix
Anthony D. Crump
Daniel Moreno
Arthur J. E. Beard
Oscar H. Currin
Nigel R. Fursdon
Stephen S. Slyfield
JW Hall

John C. Cooper
Darryl C. Johnson
Alfred A. White
Richard R. Emmart
Jay P. Hochstaine
Founder Member
Angel L. Robles

Residence Members

Eddie M. Guevara
Michael Osswald
Lee Ajaye
Robert E. Young
Ruediger G. Glaser
Peter Lohr
Brady Caulder
Stanley Reams
Ward R. Williamson II
Komla E. Ezo
Vivianos Adandogous
Luke Mason
Darryl C. Johnson
Ronald W. Stradling
Karl Rick
Larry Painter
Stefanos Tsachtidis
Christian A. Koerk
Stefanos Psachtidis
Jannis Olf

Lodge Honorary Members

Valentin Schmitt +
Hermann Hehlenbeck+
Bert Anderson +
Duncan Currie +
William Denney
Hans Frick +
Billy C. Hayes (PGM)
Charles Hummel
Arthur Kile (PGM)
William Lanham+
Julius Lutz

Jesse Miton (PGM)
John Mitchel +
Qwen Quell (PGM)
Donald Rutherford
Gerhard Severin (PGM)
William Smith
Dan Taylor
Hugo Thomas (PGM) +
Marlon Westenburg +
Reihold Rissel
Nate Johnson
Bernd Detroy

Written in Lodge Archive 46th Years Peter
 M. Rasmussen Lodge 916 history also
 preserved the memory and incidents in
 its association in Freemasonry
 Tercentennial



1972 – Consecrated as Peter M.
Rasmussen Lodge 916
1990 – Reduction in forces affected
membership

2011 - 2017 – WB Ezo became the longest
serving Master (6 years consecutively)
2017 – MW Brother Eddie Guevara
became the first PGM AGL to serve as
Master
2017 to present – the only lodge with
expertise to confer all the degrees and
rituals exemplification from memory
1971 to present – the only lodge to award
distinguish service and meritorious
achievement in the name of Peter M.
Rasmussen
2016 to present – the only lodge that can
educate the three degree in Freemasonry
from start to finish
2017 – The only lodge to award all its
members appropriately
2017 – Celebrated and remembered
Freemasonry 300 years
2018 to commemorate 46th Years making
a difference the Lodge initiated Entered
Apprentice Brother
Jannis Olf, and pass to the Sublime
Degree of Master Mason Brother
Stefanos Psachtidis.







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