



# Freedom Lodge No. 118

*The Southern Least Lodge in Virginia*  
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Virginia  
<http://FreedomLodge118.org>

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Dinner at 7p, Lodge at 8p

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### **LEO**

Loyd Davis

## **From the East**

### **Greetings Brethren:**

August 12, 2017 was the district Picnic and Grand Master's visit. This was at the Franklin Park and was a great day of friendship, family and brotherly love. Pulled pork, smoked Chicken, and hotdogs were the main course and about 1,000 pounds of potato salad and many other fine dishes. I will take a moment to thank Brother Wes Hirshhorn who got indoctrinated into the world of all night smoking. He endured a wonderful electric storm, rain, little bitty stinging rain, big fat rain, rain that came in sideways, and seemed to be coming straight up. Fun night, not sure he is wanting to do this again soon.

This stated I will unfortunately be down south leaving in the morning so help is needed filling in the chairs and there should be a petition for voting on.

September 8, at 7 pm we will be doing double Fellow Craft degree that night (one candidate from our Lodge and one from Herndon Lodge). Please come out and support our Brethren on their journey.

September 23, we will have an open house. This is the Octoberfest in town and I would like to do the child ID along with tours of our Temple. We need to open at 0900 and close at 1700. Please email me the time you can be there. Also, we need a Lodge clean-up day. If you adopted a room in the Lodge, please get with your Brother who is also an adoptee of the room and do a sprucing up.

The water line has been marked and we need to install the hydrant outside so we have access to a large water source for work around the Lodge.

What is a Lodge? What makes a Lodge great? A Lodge is us. Making it great is **you**. I had a great conversation with Chaplin Brother Ray and he pointed out that all the improvements to the temple are not what makes us a great Lodge, it is our Brothers, and families that support our labors.

Please keep brothers Bob Frye, Mark Shaprio and Most Worshipful Loyd Davis in your prayers as they fight illnesses.

Hillman Up Date. WE need three (3) more fraternal visits and the Community Builders Award (October Stated). 5 including an officer make a Fraternal Visit. Please check the calendar for visits and if your cable tow will allow please join us.

### **Do not forget to drop the ladies off at the Market Table Bistro for the Ladies cocktail.**

Dinner at 7 PM on Friday on September 1, 2017 and followed by Freedom Lodge No. 118 Stated at 8 PM. Summer picnic attire.

Chuck

## Wes from the West –

September, Labor Day, the unofficial end of summer, starting the slide into fall.

This is a great time of year, when the heat has worn off for the most part, lawn care requirements are down and we start looking forward to the holiday season.

For us as Freemasons, it is a time to pick up the pace if you will. Get in some fraternal visits, go to Grand Lodge and start thinking about getting our Lodges prepared for the new year.

I'm excited about the "Have Passport, Will Travel" idea our Worshipful Master sent out to all of us and intend to make as many of those visits as I can. Not only to help with positioning us to win the Hillman Award again this year, but to visit lodges I haven't been to yet and meet new Brothers.

I'm also excited about our Lodge's 125th anniversary next year. Brother Chuck has been doing a lot to get the Lodge building looking better over the past couple of months and I would like to call upon all of you to come together and help us with putting up a fresh coat of paint throughout the various apartments of the temple as it were. We need help moving furniture, taking down the drapes in the Lodge room and doing the work. We will discuss these actions in the coming weeks so we can start the new year with a Lodge building worthy of its Brethren.

<u>Living Past Masters</u>	<u>Mark Your Calendar</u>	<b>Most Worshipful</b> Vernon Stuart Cook Grand Master Grand Lodge of Virginia, A.F. & A.M. <a href="https://grandlodgeofvirginia.org">https://grandlodgeofvirginia.org</a>
Larry D. Frye 1983,2005-2007	<b>Aug 28 – Herndon Called EA Degree</b>	
Franklin C. Lamm 1985	Sep 7 - Rainbow Girls @ Roy Roger E Market St. - Leesburg 5-8pm	
Roy Harris McGarrah, Jr. 1992-1995, 2011	Oct 6 – Freedom Stated	
Clifford S. Free 1996-1999	Oct 18 – Meet Up & Lodge practice	
Richard A. Phillips 2000-2003	Nov 3 – Freedom Stated	
Gary R. Ing 2004	Nov 9-11 – Grand Lodge	
George M. Shoemaker, Jr. 2008-2010	Nov 15 – Meet Up & Lodge practice	
Philip B. Brooks, 2012,2014		
Thomas W. Brierton 2013		
Loyd E. Davis 2015		
J. David King 2016		

## September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Freedom Stated Dinner 7p Lodge 8p	2 Visit to Triluminar Middleway WV 6p
3	4 OB No. 114 Stated	5	6 Visit to Fervency Point of Rocks, MD 6:30p	7 Visit to Treadwell Long Branch 6:30p	8 Freedom Called FC Degree, 7p	9
10	11	12 Ashburn Sterling No. 288 Stated Visit to Metropolitan Leesburg 6:30p	13	14	15 Ed Ray Area School Herndon 6p	16 Ed Ray Area School Herndon 8a
17	18 Herndon No. 264 Stated	19	20 <i>Freedom Meet-Up Fellowship 6:30p, Practice 7:30p</i>	21 HT No. 37 Stated	22	23
24	25	26 Masonic Lunch 7 North King St Leesburg VA 1200 all welcome	27 Masters and Wardens District meeting 7 pm @ OB pot luck all welcome	28	29	30

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