



Freedom Lodge No. 118

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

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From the East

Brethren,

This last week, eighteen Ashburn Chapter DeMolays and five advisors attended Virginia DeMolay's 2019 Conclave at Christopher Newport University.

Ashburn Chapter won state championships in basketball and volleyball and were runners up in the softball competition.

Noah Pendleton was elected and installed as Virginia DeMolay's State Master Councilor (SMC). As SMC he will be coordinating the activities of seventeen chapters and over 375 of his DeMolay brothers across Virginia.

At the Conclave banquet, the State Master Councilor recognized Ashburn Chapter as the Most Improved Chapter in Virginia for 2019. Masonic District Two was designated as the 2019 Sponsoring Body of the Year.

As you may have read about in the latest Virginia Masonic Herald, three buses of Virginia DeMolays went to Kansas City in June to celebrate DeMolay's centennial. There, Ryan Pendleton of Ashburn chapter was recognized for earning the Centennial Past Master Councilor's Meritorious Service Award. Ryan was the only Virginia DeMolay to obtain the award, and one of twenty-four internationally.

Yours in service,

Mark Shapiro, Worshipful Master



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Marshal

Brad Westerman

Tiler

Dick Bond

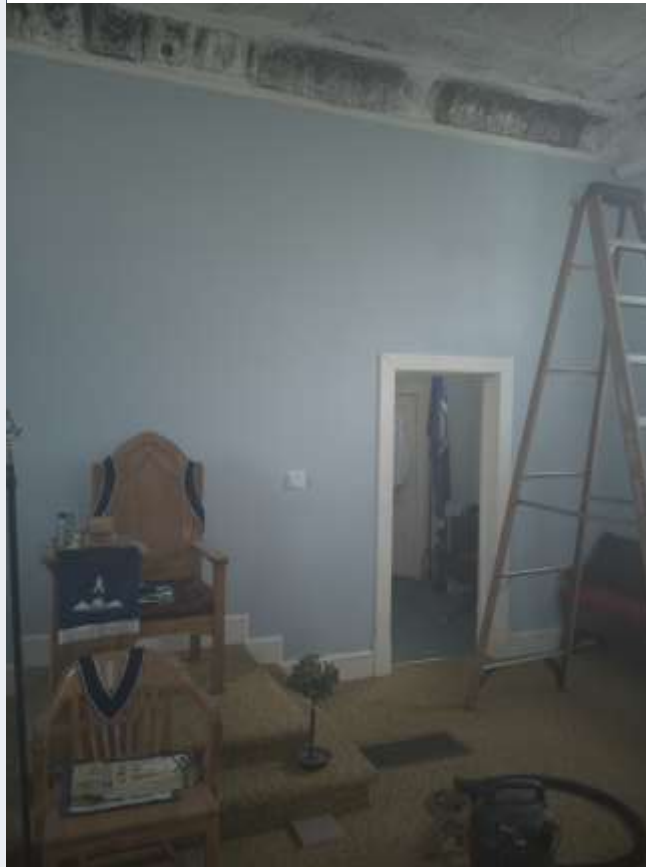
LIW

R. Harris McGarrah Jr.

LEO

Loyd Davis

From the West



Thank you to all the brethren that came out to help, assist, and support the painting of the lodge that occurred on July 20 and 21. We have replaced the light switches in the lodge and rewired the tapers over the altar.

The lodge manual of work is growing. As we finish painting there are many other areas to contribute towards and get ready for the winter. A complete list will be distributed on the email listserv.

The Lodge budget is coming together. As we work to solidify the finances, any brother deficient in their dues should be working to get current.

On the Level, Mark

From the South

Greetings from the South!

We had 16 Brothers and 2 visitors at our July Stated Meeting. Dinner will be provided by non-other than yours truly (my wife actually)! We are looking forward to a wonderful meal! Dinner reservations are open to those that would like to share one of their amazing meals for our stated meetings. I am still looking for volunteers for the following months: October and November. Please contact me if you would like to provide a meal.

Upcoming Social Events

Freedom Lodge 118 Events

WHAT: Chicken Dinner/Open House

WHEN: 03 August 2019 11AM to whenever the meals run out

WHERE: Freedom Lodge #118



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ADDITIONAL INFO:

\$9 Includes:

- 3 Piece Chicken
- Baked beans
- Hand Cut Fries or Baked Potato
- Cole Slaw
- Dinner Roll

Free Iced tea with Dine In

Iced Water \$1.00

District 2 Events

WHAT: Night At The Drive In

WHEN: 06 July 2019 6PM to 11PM

WHERE: 5890 Valley Pike, Stephens City, VA 22655

ADDITIONAL INFO: Contact me if you are planning to attend

<http://www.thefamilydriveintheatre.com>

WHAT: Tank Days

WHEN: 07 September 2019 10AM to 4PM

WHERE: Nokesville, VA (Exact address TBD)

ADDITIONAL INFO: Contact me if you are planning to attend

Suggested \$10 donation per adult

<https://www.nmaw.org>

Other Events

WHAT: Treadwell Lodge #213 Annual Corn Roast

WHEN: 11 August 2019 600PM

WHERE: 173 Skirmisher Ln, Middletown, VA 22645

ADDITIONAL INFO: <http://treadwell213.org>

WHAT: Treadwell Lodge #213 Open Air Lodge

WHEN: 05 September 2019 630PM (Dinner) 730PM (Stated Meeting)

WHERE: 172 White Post Rd, White Post, VA 22663

ADDITIONAL INFO: <http://treadwell213.org>

S&F, Brother Geoffrey Hoyt

***What Makes a Mason? Is it what he is and does in the lodge room? Not at all.
It is practice out of the lodge those great moral duties that are inculcated in it.***



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Living Past Masters

Larry D. Frye	1983,2005-2007
Franklin C. Lamm	1985
Roy Harris McGarrah, Jr.	1992-1995, 2011
Clifford S. Free	1996-1999
Richard A. Phillips	2000-2003
Gary R. Ing	2004
George M. Shoemaker, Jr.	2008-2010
Philip Brooks	2012,2014
Thomas W. Brierton	2013
Loyd E. Davis	2015
J. David King	2016
Chuck Wyant	2017
Wes Hirschhorn	2018

August Masonic Birthdays:

- Dick Bond
- Charlie Brannon
- Jonathan Brannon
- Cliff Free
- Wes Hirschhorn, Jr.
- Bobbu Isleib
- Jason Lage
- Robby Miller, II
- J Still

Most Worshipful

William Edward Hershey
 Grand Master
 Grand Lodge
 of Virginia, A.F. & A.M.
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Freedom Stated 7:00P/8:00P	3 Freedom's Chicken Cookout 11:00A
4	5	6 Ashburn-Sterling Stated 6:30P/7:30P	7 Lodge Officers' Meeting/Practice 7:00P/8:00P	8 Hamilton- Thompson Stated 6:30P/7:30P	9 Scottish Rite Mtg 7:00P	10
11	12 EA Degree 7:00P Herndon Stated 6:30P/7:30P	13	14 Freedom 118 Meet-up (Bonnies) 6:30P	15	16	17
18	19 Potomac RAC Ashburn 7:30P	20 Bethel 52 Stated	21 District 2 School: TBD 6:30 PM	22	23 District 2 M&W Meeting (Telecon) 7:00 PM	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

More Info at <http://freedomlodge118.org/>

Mark Your Calendar

September 7 – Tank Days @ Amer. in Wartime Museum, Nokesville
 October 5 – District 2 Picnic
 November 8-10 – Grand Annual Communication

“For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others.”
Nelson Mandela