



Freedom Lodge No. 118

The Southern Least Lodge in Virginia
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Virginia
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Stated Communication

First Friday
Lodge: 8:00 PM

P.O. Box 293
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2021 Officers

Worshipful Master
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Senior Warden
Geoff Hoyt

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George Shoemaker, Jr.

Senior Deacon
Lee McPeak

Junior Deacon
Wes Hirschorn

Chaplain
Ray Mauk

Marshal
Bobby Isleib

Tiler
Dick Bond

LIW
R. Harris McGarrah Jr.

LEO
Loyd Davis

From the East

As we continue the Craft remotely into February, remember the loved ones in all of our lives as we approach Valentine's Day. It's with family and friends that we keep pushing forward through these tough times. And, while we usually have our annual Freedom Valentine's Day dinner, we will be doing something special for the widows.

For the month of February, while we will not have our in-person Stated Communication, we are planning on conducting a remote Lodge meeting during our regular Stated Communication. I'm optimistic that we will continue our in-person Stated Communications during the month of March based on the Grand Lodge orders.

As we move forward, the challenge is to balance the health, safety, and welfare of the brethren with the health of the craft. We have not had our food drive that was planned for the end of January due to the ongoing orders. That will be postponed as we get more clarity on safely reopening. I want to honor and ensure that we follow the Grand Master's orders as we move forward safely.

Stay tuned to the normal channels of communication as I continue with updates throughout the month based on the available information.

On the Level,
Mark

In the West

Brethren,

Greetings from the West! We no doubt are facing unprecedented times as we move through this pandemic. Hopefully you all are staying safe. At this point, there isn't much to report to you from the ritual and education side of things, but hopefully in the near future, that will change. Once we are able to get back together, it will be full steam ahead! We look for a time when we can be together and enjoy each others company during practices and Stated Meetings. Stay safe Brothers and we will be together soon!

Your SW
Brother Hoyt

From the South

"Let him await a time with patience..." I heard when I knocked at the door



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several years back. That sentiment has for the last year continuously come to mind.....waiting on a vaccine, waiting on restaurants to open, waiting to return to the office, waiting to raise a brother.

Instead of dwelling on the delay and all the things I cannot do at present, I try to focus on the things I can do. I can work on preparing a new program for the lodge, reading a good book (I am great at starting them anyway!), spending time with my daughter, helping out more around the house, or check in on a brother I have not seen in awhile.

The time we have until we can meet and work again as brothers is not just an obstacle, but an opportunity. Take advantage and grow from it.

S&F,
 Your Junior Warden,
 Matt

Living Past Masters

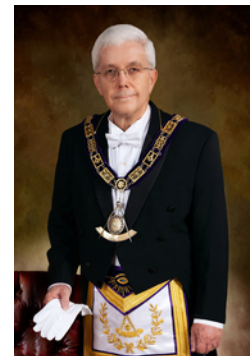
Larry D. Frye	1983, 2005-2007
Roy Harris	1992-1995, 2011
McGarrah, Jr.	
Clifford S. Free	1996-1999
Richard A. Phillips	2000-2003
Gary R. Ing	2004
George M. Shoemaker, Jr.	2008-2010
Philip Brooks	2012, 2014
Thomas W. Brierton	2013
Loyd E. Davis	2015
J. David King	2016
Chuck Wyant	2017
Wes Hirschhorn	2018

February Masonic Birthdays:

Blake Gillenwater
 Gary Ing

Most Worshipful

Vernon Douglas Jones
 Grand Master
 Grand Lodge of Virginia,
 A.F. & A.M.
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February 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
JAN 31	FEB 1	2	3	4	5 Fellowship Virtual Meetup 8:00P	6
7	8	9	10 Virtual Meetup 7:00P	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Virtual Meetup 7:00P	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Virtual Meetup 7:00P	25	26	27
28	MAR 1	2	3	4	5 Stated Communication 8P	6

Future Dates

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Check the website for more updates.	Check the website for more updates.

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