



Freedom Lodge No. 118

The Southern Least Lodge in Virginia
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Virginia
www.freedomlodge118.org

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Stated Communication

First Friday

Lodge: 8:00 PM

P.O. Box 293
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2021 Officers

Worshipful Master

Mark Canter
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Senior Warden

Geoff Hoyt

Junior Warden

Matthew Duley

Treasurer

David Kirk

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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

March marks one year since the pandemic began. As of this point, I am thankful that all of the brethren continue to stay healthy and safe. March also marks our second reopening during the pandemic. As the numbers continue to trend downward, I continue to consider the pattern and the effects of what we can do as a lodge to support the community.

At this time, we still do not have a good understanding on when we can have Called Communications for Conferring the Degrees. Hopefully this will change soon. For now, we will continue to plan our Masonic gatherings and events such as:

First, we will begin having our usual Stated Communications beginning in March. As of now, we are still limited to the 10 or under provisions set forth in the Grand Masters orders.

Second, we will have our food drive in March 20th from 9am to 2pm. All donations will be going to the Lovettsville Food Pantry and we hope to have a great showing and the number of donations like we did last time.

Lastly, as we move forward, we will be limiting our virtual meetups to weeks where we do not have in-person Masonic events such as our Stated Communications and meetups. All information is updated in the calendar below.

I continue to wish everyone to stay safe and remain healthy in these times.

On the Level,
Mark

In the West

As the pandemic eases, we will find ourselves busy at lodge learning again. Meet ups will be more frequent to help become more proficient in our current and future rolls. These times are what we have been looking forward to for over a year. Getting back together to learn and enjoy each others company will be wonderful! Our main focus currently is to raise Bro Danny, as he has waited so patiently this past year. We look forward to welcoming him fully into our craft. I encourage you all to help raise him in any way you can. It will be nice to see all of the familiar smiling faces again soon. We are almost there!

Geoffrey Hoyt
Senior Warden



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From the South

The days are steadily growing longer, much of the ground has thawed and the familiar sounds of Spring have begun to fill the air. We are looking ahead towards the warm embrace of the Summer, and Spring is the perfect time to pause and consider how we can all spruce up our Lodge in the spirit of Spring cleaning season.

There is much that we need done, and I anticipate that we will soon be seeking volunteers to help. We have floors that need repair, trim that needs replaced and/or painted, window cleaning both inside and out, electrical work, and a host of other things. Please consider how you can best help make your Lodge a clean and welcoming space. If you will be unable to help in a physical way, contributions for needed supplies to complete the work are always welcome.

Matt Duley
Junior Warden

Living Past Masters

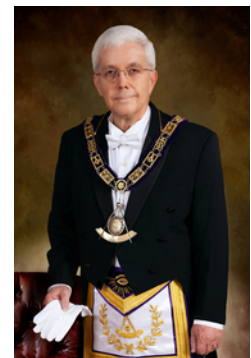
Larry D. Frye	1983, 2005-2007
Roy Harris	1992-1995, 2011
McGarrah, Jr.	
Clifford S. Free	1996-1999
Richard A. Phillips	2000-2003
Gary R. Ing	2004
George M.	2008-2010
Shoemaker, Jr.	
Philip Brooks	2012, 2014
Thomas W. Brierton	2013
Loyd E. Davis	2015
J. David King	2016
Chuck Wyant	2017
Wes Hirschhorn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

March Masonic Birthdays:

Mark Canter
Garland Cooper
George Facer
Donovan Libby
Lee McPeak

Most Worshipful

Vernon Douglas Jones
Grand Master
Grand Lodge of Virginia,
A.F. & A.M.
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	MAR 1	2	3	4	5 Stated Communication 8P	6
7	8	9	10 Virtual Meetup 7:00P	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Lodge Practice 7:00P	18	19	20 Food Drive 9A-2P
21	22	23	24 Virtual Meetup 7:00P	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	APR 1	2 Stated Communication 8P	31

Future Dates

Freedom Lodge #118	District 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lodge Dues are past due Lovettsville Food Drive 	Check the website for more updates.

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