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June 2024

FREEDOM LODGE NO. 118 TRESTLEBOARD

The Southern Least Lodge in Virginia

Freedom Lodge No.118
28 E Broad Way,
Lovettsville, VA 20180

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From the East

In MAY, in partnership with the Order of the Amaranth, we held a fundraiser to support lodge repairs and the Amaranth Diabetes foundation. Thank you to all Brethren who donated books to make our event a success. Thank you especially to RWB Phil Brooks, Jennifer and Emily Brooks for helping staff the event. Thank you also to my daughter for helping setup the event. A big “Thank You!” to the Lovettsville Library for donating a dozen boxes of books to our event! Thank you WB Jeffrey Dell, Bro.s Brad Westerman and Dejan Susic for coming by to support the event. We even found WB Chuck Wyant there which was a most pleasant surprise!

Our MAHOVA Ambassador, Bro. Dejan Kucic attended the MAHOVA Ambassador Conference and will give an update at our June Stated. Please plan to make a donation to MAHOVA at the meeting if within your ability to do so. Please see his pictures below.

Sadly, Lovettsville Mayfest was canceled due to weather, so we will have to look to other opportunities to connect with the community. At the end of the month, our two Fellowcrafts successfully completed their catechism returns. Congratulations to Bros. Erikson and Susic and the mentors on a job well done! Two Master Mason degrees are scheduled for July.

I have authorized a relaxed dress code for Freedom Lodge for June, July, August and September. Dockers/khakis and short-sleeved collared shirts (polo or dress) are acceptable. Shorts, blue jeans and t-shirts are NOT permitted. Jacket and tie are still required for any Called Communication.

Bro. Brad Westerman and I represented Freedom Lodge in support of DeMolay youth by attending the degree for the Grand Master’s class at Luray Caverns on June 1. See some pictures below. It was a wonderful performance by the cast. If you have never seen it, I suggest you make the trip at least once.

At our JUNE meeting, we will recognize Bro. James “Jim” Crunk with his 50 year veteran pin. We will continue to support our youth groups through attendance at a DeMolay Degree on June 1st (see below). Next, WB Wes Hirschhorn has organized a family Putt Putt event on June 8th. See below for details. The Larry Frye school awards will be presented on June 13th. We also feature a tour of Washington National Cathedral on June 15th to get inspired by some Operative Masonry. On Saturday June 22nd, we will be visiting Williamsburg No. 6 Brethren to join them in celebrating St. John the Baptist Day! To help those in need in our community, your Senior Deacon, Bro. Brad Westerman has planned a food drive for Saturday, June 29th from 9am to noon, delivery to the pantry following collection. Please let Bro. Brad know if you can help out!

Brother Cameron Gore has organized festivities for the town July 3rd parade. Freedom will plan to serve hot dogs, chips and drinks from the lodge and to participate in the parade. Thanks to Bro. Dan Little for donating the food. Please reach out to Bro. Gore if you can help out! See below for details.





Lodge Calendar

<https://tinyurl.com/yckzjc4j>

Sat

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Virginia DeMolay degree
6 – 8 PM
Luray Caverns, 101 Cave Hill Rd, Luray, VA 22835...

Jun 2 – 8

Wed

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Masters & Warden's / D2 school
6:30 – 9:00 PM
108 Cornwall St NE, Leesburg, VA 20176, USA

Fri

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Stated Communication
8 – 9 PM at 28 E Broad Way, Lovettsville, VA 201...

Sat

8

Freedom Lodge Family Golf-O-Rama Putt Putt...
11 AM – 2 PM
21593 Jesse Ct, Sterling, VA 20166, USA

Thu

13

Larry Frye school awards presentation
8:30 – 9:30 AM

Sat

15

Washington National Cathedral Tour: Angel's...
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM
Washington National Cathedral, 3101 Wisconsin...

Washington National Cathedral Tour: Behind t...
2:00 – 3:30 PM
Washington National Cathedral, 3101 Wisconsin...

Wed

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Lodge practice
7 – 9 PM at 28 E Broad Way, Lovettsville, VA 201...

Sat

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Saint John the Baptist celebration at Williams...
9 AM – 1 PM
233 Francis St E, Williamsburg, VA 23185, USA

Jun 23 – 29

Sat

29

Food drive
9 AM – 1 PM



NOTE: If we do not get 10 more people to signup to attend by this Wednesday the event will be cancelled due to insufficient participation.

GOLF-O-RAMA

JOIN FREEDOM LODGE FOR A MINI GOLF FAMILY EVENT

SATURDAY, JUNE 8 AT 11AM

AT DULLES GOLF CENTER & SPORTS PARK

21593 JESSE COURT, STERLING, VA 20166

\$20 PER GOLFER INCLUDES GOLF AND CHIK-FIL-A MEAL

CONTACT BRO. BILL HOHL TO SIGNUP





Freedom Lodge No. 118 goes to Washington National Cathedral

Saturday, June 15th





We will be travelling to Colonial Williamsburg to join
Williamsburg Lodge No. 6
to celebrate St. John the Baptist Day
Saturday, June 22nd 9am to 1pm

The celebration is open to Brethren and their families, the Lodge will not be tiled. Brethren to wear full regalia for the procession and church service.

- 09:00am Lodge Open, Coffee and Fellowship
- 09:30am Open Lodge Presentation by the Grand Organist, Worshipful Don Moro.
- 10:30am Lodge to form procession
- 10:40am Procession Steps Off to Bruton Parish Church - led by fife and drum
- 11:00am Short service at Bruton Parish Church, presentation of 18th century sermon by Worshipful David Coffee PM
- 11:20am Recess back to Lodge
- 11:30am Lunch in the Social Hall

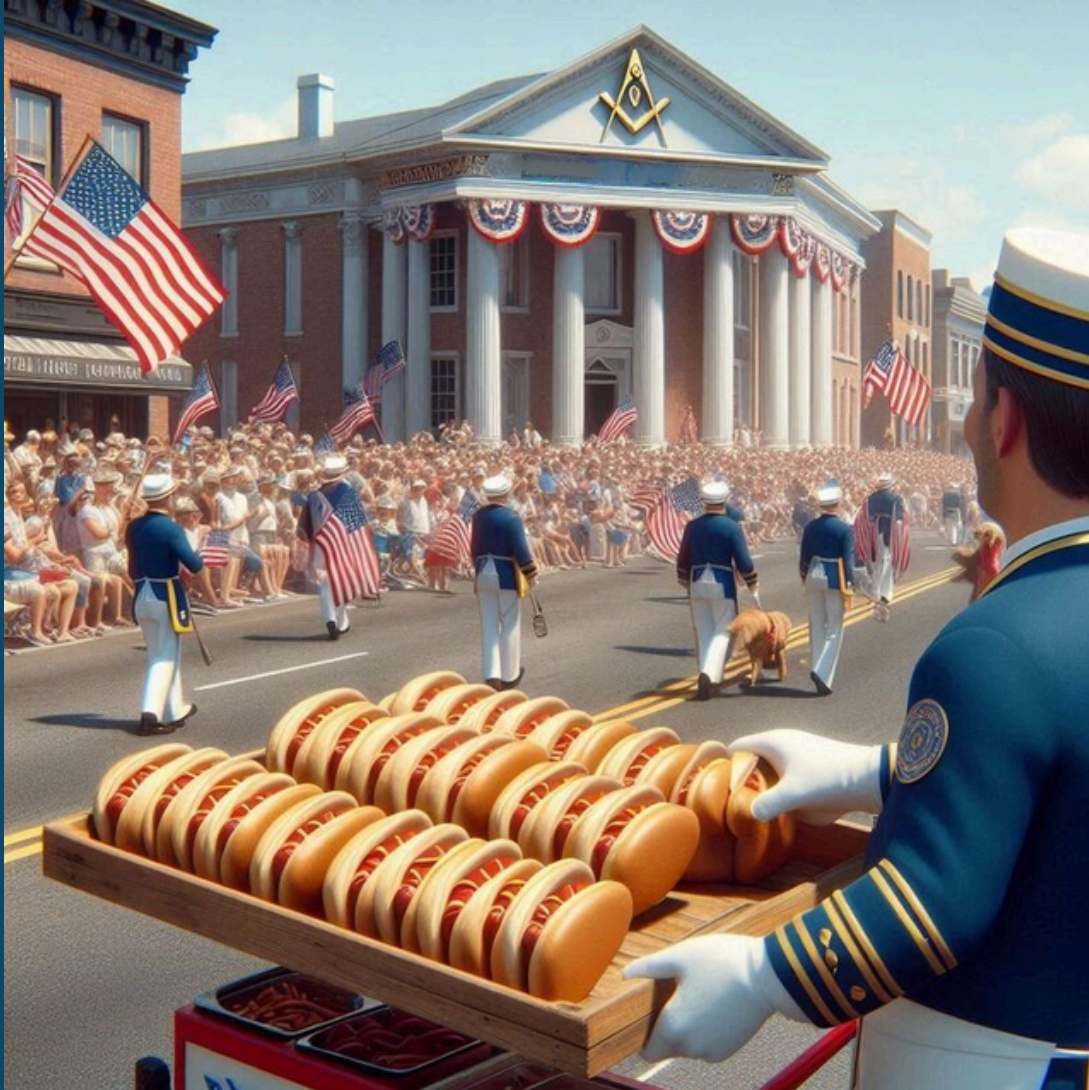
If you plan to join us, please make sure to let the Worshipful Master know as well so we can give the host lodge an idea on how many Brethren to expect.



Support our Food Drive for the
Western Loudoun Food Pantry
Saturday, June 29th
9am to 1pm

[Click for Pantry Current Needs](#)

See Bro. Brad Westerman to signup!



LOVETTSVILLE INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION
WEDNESDAY, JULY 3RD

We want YOU to participate in representing Freedom Lodge to our community!

We plan to serve hotdogs at the lodge to folks attending the parade and plan to have a unit representing the lodge in the parade.

See Bro. Cameron Gore to signup to help at the lodge or to be in the parade!

Please wear lodge shirts or Masonic ballcaps etc.

4:30 PM PARADE LINEUP IN LOVETTSVILLE PARK
EQUESTRIAN PARKING LOT

5:30 PM PARADE THROUGH TOWN

Join Freedom Lodge No. 118
Veteran's Day
Saturday, Nov. 11th at 11:00am
To honor Brother George Washington
in a Wreath Laying Ceremony at his tomb.

Participation is limited to 50. Cost is \$20 per person, paid in advance, to cover the grounds pass only. Signup today via the Secretary!



The Wreath-laying ceremony will consist of the Pledge of Allegiance, General Washington's prayer for his country, and the placement of a wreath by the Worshipful Master and his designated assistant. We will be seeking a dispensation to wear Masonic regalia, but this has not yet been approved.

Masonic Birthdays

- Loyd Davis
- Daniel Fleming
- Robert Sagers



Living Past Masters	
Brother	Year(s) Served
Larry D. Frye	1983, 2005 - 2007
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, 2023
Thomas W. Brierton	2013
Loyd E. Davis	2015
J. David King	2016
Chuck Wyant	2017
Wes Hirschhorn	2018
Mark Canter	2020 - 2021
Matthew T. Duley	2022, 2024

Hurry, hurry, hurry, step right up and get your Freedom Lodge one pint mug! This item was so popular that our initial delivery SOLD OUT! See Worshipful Matt Duley to get on the order list for the next delivery. These fantastic collectables are being sold for \$30 each with profit being donated to the lodge. Better yet, buy both our mug and our unique stone token for an even \$40!



As a fundraiser for the Lodge, I have purchased 200 of these stone tokens, which were crafted by a brother Mason. Instead of a standard lodge coin, I wanted something that would stand out and reflect the connection to operative Masonry. They are made of honed marble, so each one is unique. I am selling them for \$10 each, and 100% of the profit will go directly to Freedom Lodge.



MakersHandsWorkshop

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 Etsy

Freedom Lodge No. 118 Officers

Worshipful Master:	Matt Duley, PM
Senior Warden:	Wes Hirschhorn, PM
Junior Warden:	Bro. Bill Hohl
Treasurer:	Bro. David Kirk
Secretary:	Mark Canter, PM
Senior Deacon:	Bro. Brad Westerman
Junior Deacon:	Bro. Dan Little
Chaplain:	Bro. Nebojsa Todorovic
Tiler:	Greg Valker, PDDGM
Marshall:	Bro. Cameron Gore

Lodge Instructor of Work (LIW): Harris McGarragh, PDDGM
Lodge Education Officer (LEO): Phil Brooks, PDDGM
Lodge MAHOVA Ambassador: Bro. Dedan Kocic
Blood Coordinators: Greg Valker, PDDGM (regional)
Bro. David Kirk (local)



District 2 News

Below is the schedule of the D2 Ritual Schools. This year the schools will be held in conjunction with and immediately following the D2 Masters & Wardens meetings (which are scheduled to start at 7:00pm (potluck dinner 6:30)).

All Master Masons are welcome to attend the Ritual School, and all Line Officers are specifically encouraged to attend *as many as they can*.

Attendance is highly encouraged for those seeking a Warden's Certificate.

First Wednesday ▼	Location ▼	Time ▼
1/3/2024	Olive Branch	8:00PM
2/7/2024	Olive Branch	8:00PM
3/6/2024	Olive Branch	8:00PM
4/3/2024	Olive Branch	8:00PM
5/1/2024	Olive Branch	8:00PM
6/5/2024	Olive Branch	8:00PM
9/4/2024	Olive Branch	8:00PM
10/2/2024	Olive Branch	8:00PM
11/6/2024	Olive Branch	8:00PM
12/4/2024	Olive Branch	8:00PM

District Officers

DDGM: RW Jason Todd Wolfe

DIW: RW Christopher Conway Thompson

DEO: Wor. Eric J. LeHew

Grand Master

Most Worshipful Jack Kayle Lewis





THE **CHRIS MICHAEL** EXPERIENCE

JUNE, 22
6PM

HERNDON MIDDLE SCHOOL
901 LOCUST ST, HERNDON, VA 20170

Get ready for a wild ride of laughter and jaw-dropping magic with Chris Michael at Herndon Middle School this June 22nd at 6pm! It's not just a magic show; it's a comedy bonanza where you're not just watching - you're part of the mayhem! Suitable for all ages, it's the perfect way to turn your evening into a hilariously magical adventure. Don't miss out - grab your tickets now!



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Reunions to bring in new members are held in April and October each year to communicate and confer the Scottish Rite degrees at the conclusion of which you will be a 32nd degree Master of the Royal Secret.

The Scottish Rite Representative for Freedom Lodge is currently Wor. Matt Duley.

Brochures with much more information are available in the dining hall for more details, or visit <https://www.alexandriascottishrite.org/>