



The Rough Ashlar

Kempsville Masonic Lodge, #196 A.F.&A.M.
4869 Princess Anne Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23462

Stated Meetings 2nd Tuesday @ 7:00PM
Dinner @ 6:00PM
Work Nights @ 7:00PM

From the East...

My Brethren, just as swiftly as the sands flow through the hourglass, my year as your Master is coming to and end. I would like to thank each and every one of you for all the support and dedication that you have shown me during my year as Master of our lodge. The lodge is in good shape structurally, financially and morally. We have been very busy in the quarries and have lots of new brethren in various stages of the degrees for the ensuing Masonic year. I am leaving the care of the lodge in the very capable hands of our Senior Warden/Worshipful Master elect Brother "Buddy" Pate, et al. And would ask you to show and to extend to them every courtesy that you have shown to me and my officers. Although I am leaving the chair, I will be here to support the lodge in whatever capacity I may be needed. May The Supreme Architect of The Universe bless you and your family, may brotherly love prevail and every moral and social virtue unite and cement us.

Farewell,
Brother Prentice Tuck, WM

From the West...

Roger, Shawn, and I would like to personally thank those brethren who came out and helped "swab the deck" on November 20th. Brothers Robb Worthington, Joe Salt, Adam Green, Al Torres, Ron Jacobson, Hank Foiles, Don Robinson – we couldn't have done it without you! Brother Hank kicked off the morning with a hearty breakfast followed by 4 hours of stripping, mopping, and waxing. It was well-worth the effort – the floor looks great. If you missed this one, don't worry – something tells me there will be more opportunities to grab a mop and help out.

Have a happy Holiday Season and I look forward to seeing you in January as we bring in the new year.

Brother Buddy Pate, SW

Trestle Board

December 14.....Annual Stated
December 18.....Open Installation – 2 PM
December 27.....Ritual School
December 28.....Fellowcraft Degree
January 3....Masters, Wardens & Deacons Meeting
Bayside, 7 PM
January 3.....Ritual School – 8 PM
January 4.....Entered Apprentice Degree
January 8.....Past Masters' Breakfast – 8:30 AM
January 10.....Ritual School
January 11.....Stated Communication
DDGM's Official Visit
January 13.....DDGM's Official Visit - Lynnhaven
January 15.....Khedive Installation – 11:30 AM
January 17.....Blood Drive Lynnhaven
3 PM to 7:30 PM
January 22.....Lodge Breakfast – 9 AM

Lodge Officers

Worshipful Master	Prentice G. Tuck, Jr.	497-2734
Senior Warden	Emmett "Buddy" Pate	306-8048
Junior Warden	Shawn P. Garfield	474-0532
Treasurer	RW George J. Wallace	420-2507
Secretary	RW William H. Pierce	497-5160
Senior Deacon	Roger Cort	467-5349
Junior Deacon	Jeff A. Rasmussen	420-2195
Chaplain	Dennis G. Tompkins	471-4091
Senior Steward	Paul J. Lafond	486-9792
Junior Steward	Albert L. Torres	456-0915
Marshal	Robert C. Metz	497-2886
Musician	Robert S. Foxwell	490-2797
Tiler	Robert L. Lankford	499-0115
Instructor of Work	RW Tom McGowan	497-3881
Education Officer	Wor. Bill Nolan	467-2252
Blood Coordinator	Roger Cort	467-5349

Articles for the next next Rough Ashlar should be submitted by 1/4/2005 to Bro. Buddy Pate (emmett@epate.com).

From the South...

Brethren, I would like to thank you all for letting me sit as your Junior Warden this year – it has been an honor. This year has been real good and I'm looking forward to next year. Hopefully, I'll be a good Senior Warden (pending a favorable ballot, of course). We raised 15 brethren this year and hope to do even better next year.

Brother Shawn Garfield, JW

The Gift of Life...

The holiday season is fast upon us. It is the season of giving and receiving. It is the season of new life. Give the most precious give of all – the gift of life. Be ever aware of what's around you and don't be the receiver of this precious gift. Have a happy holiday season – give the gift – give blood. God bless.

Brother Roger Cort, SD
Lodge Blood Coordinator

Masonic Birthdays for December

BRIAN K. BLACKMAN '95
DOUGLAS H. BROWN SR. '62
BILLIE A. BURCHAM '59
DENNIS L. CREEF '61
WILLIAM E. DENNIS '61
LINCOLN FIGUEROA '01
EJNAR O. JORGENSEN '53
RUBIN KRAVITZ '60
MICHAEL LOMBARDO '48
TIMOTHY M. MAGUIRE '01
WILLIAM A. MCPHERSON JR. '62
JESSIE R. RITCHIE '92
ROGER J. ROWE JR. '92
PHILIP M. SCHOEPFLIN '96
ROBERT M. SHELBURNE '61
NORMAN L. SHEPPARD '78
JAMES R. SMITH '94
BOB S. TURNER '62
ALFRED L. VANHORNE '54 (50 Year Veteran!)
DAVID H. WEAST '87