

# The Rough Ashlar

Kempsville Masonic Lodge, #196 A.F.&A.M. 4869 Princess Anne Road Virginia Beach, VA 23462 Stated Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday @ 7:00PM Dinner @ 6:00PM Work Nights @ 7:00PM

### From the East...

Being the Master thus far has been pretty cool, even though we've only had two degree nights, so far.

I spent last year getting ready for my year in the East and it still feels weird, realizing that the brethren are looking at me for the answers. Although I should be used to the idea, I keep feeling like I should ask Worshipful Brother Buddy for advice. I know I can ask any of the Past Masters for advice but I don't want to be a pest. Following Worshipful Brother Buddy through the line has been an honor for me. Although I am pretty good at the ritual, unfortunately, I am not a public speaker, but most of you all knew that already. Try to bear with me during the meetings. Yes, I reckon, I'll still have a good year, but it probably won't be a memorable one.

In short, I guess I'm the only one that can make the year memorable and I'll do my best to do so.

Brother Shawn Garfield, WM

### From the West...



2006 is fast upon us. Now that we have passed the hustle and bustle of annual stateds and the Holiday Season, we jump into the same pace for official visits and everyone

adjusting to new jobs. We have already been in the quarries with degree work. We have some special occasions on the Trestle Board with the DDGM Official Visit, Sweethearts Night, and the Grand Master's visit. Come out, participate, and enjoy. That's what Masonry is all about.

Brother Roger Cort, SW

# **Trestle Board**

January 10Stated Communication
DDGM Official Visit
January 14Past Masters' Breakfast, 8:30AM
January 16District Blood Drive, 3-7:30PM
Lynnhaven Lodge
January 17Master Mason Degree
January 28Lodge Breakfast, 8-10:30AM
January 31Entered Apprentice Degree
February 7Dark to visit Willis V. Fentress and
DDGM Official Visit
February 14Stated Communication
Bring a Sweetheart Night
February 25Lodge Breakfast, 8-10:30AM
March 4Area Leadership Conference
March 14Stated Communication
Grand Master's Official Visit
RW Bill Pierce 60th Veterans Presentation
March 20District Blood Drive
3-7:30PM, Bayside Lodge
March 25Lodge Breakfast, 8-10:30AM
March 28Past Masters' Night
March 29Order of the Eastern Star Open
Installation, 7:30PM

# **Lodge Officers**

Worshipful Master Senior Warden Junior Warden Treasurer Secretary Senior Deacon Junior Deacon Chaplain Senior Steward Junior Steward Marshal Musician Tiler Instructor of Work Education Officer	Roger Cort Adam M. Green RW George J. Wallace RW William H. Pierce Ronald S. Jacobson Jonathon Jones William H. Rawson Mark Wegesin Michael D. Johnstone Robert I. Lee Robert S. Foxwell Wor. Chris Jaeger Wor. "Buddy" Pate Wor. Bill Nolan	497-5160 343-3460 535-1241 495-4867 567-5020 334-3013 499-6526 490-2797 893-9253 404-8594 467-2252
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Articles for the next next Rough Ashlar should be submitted by 2/7/2006 to Bro. Buddy Pate (emmett@epate.com).

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# From the South...



Happy new year, my brothers. 2006 promises to be another busy and exciting year. Worshipful Shawn has a good plan and I am looking forward to executing it with him, Brother Roger,

the other officers and, most importantly, with all of you.

Assistance is always needed with degree teams. Come on out to the Monday school sessions and learn the ritual. It gives you a better understanding of what we are about for the newer Masons, and a renewed interest for our older brethren and Past Masters. Don't just sit on the sidelines – get involved.

Brother Hank can always use help in the kitchen for breakfasts and stated dinners. Let our Senior Steward, Brother Mark Wegesin, know when you can work. I am sure he'll find a way to use your talents.

Brother Adam Green, JW

# **Masonic Recognition Day**

Don't forget, Brethren, Masonic Recognition Day is the first day of each month. Wear your Masonic paraphernalia proudly!

# From the Secretary

Forget the hasty, unkind word;
Forget the slander you have heard;
Forget the quarrel and the cause;
Forget the whole affair, because,
Forgetting is the only way.
Forget the storm of yesterday.
Forget the knocker, and the squeak;
Forget the bad day of the week.
Forget you're not a millionaire;
Forget the gray streaks in your hair;
Forget to even get the blues –
But don't forget

To Pay your Dues!

Anonymous

# **Masonic Birthdays for January**

Hardaway S. Abernathy '48 Henry C. Barbee '61 Craig A. Davis '04 Henry L. Foiles Jr. '59 Fleatwood M. Frias Jr. '57 Luician A. Gunter III '58 Thomas M. Huff '95 Richard I. Kimbrell '93 Ronald S. Melton Ir. '04 Francis G. Mielkey II '98 Robert C. Nelson Ir. '99 James E. Pearsall jr Jr '79 Fletcher B. Porter Sr. '53 Daniel E. Price '97 Jeffrey A. Rasmussen '98 Bill Rensko '96 George F. Roberts III '96 William B. Ross '03 Donald C. Scott '80 William E. Taylor '04 Richard B. Temple Sr. '55 Charles G. Thompson '85

# 56th Masonic District Blood Drive

Our next blood drive is January 16th, 3:00 to 7:30PM at Lynnhaven Lodge. Let's get the year started with a good turn out. We hope to see you there. If you donate blood or platelets outside of our blood drives, please be sure to let me know.

Brother Gary Krause, Lodge Blood Coordinator

### Shut Ins...

Let's keep these Brethren and their families in our thoughts and prayers. I'm sure they'd appreciate a phone call or visit.

RW Richard A. Davis III	497-1227
Wor. Wally Tuck Pittard	495-0650
Bro. Grady McGuire	

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