

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...



March 14th, the Grand Master, Most Worshipful G.H. Jones III will be at Kempsville for a Special Someone's 60th Masonic Birthday – RW William H. Pierce. Dinner at 6PM, Lodge at

7PM. We're going to have good food, a good time, and great fellowship. I Hope to see you there!

Brother Shawn Garfield, WM

From the West...



I want to thank all the brethren for their cards and concerns during my interlude with the surgeon. I am doing well and may soon be able to lift my arm over my head.

I want to congratulate the kitchen crew for the fine job and breakfast they put out. It was orchestrated by Brothers Adam, Paul, Mark and many others. I went to supervise but got kicked out of the kitchen in short order! Brother Hank was conspicuously absent attending a baseball clinic.

I still want to encourage our younger Master Masons and those of you side-liners to learn a little ritual and join in the degree work. Sometimes it gets a little short handed.

Brother Roger Cort, SW

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Bring a Sweetheart Night		
February 20Ritual School, 7:30PM		
February 21Entered Apprentice Degree, 7PM		
February 25Lodge Breakfast, 8-10:30AM		
February 27Ritual School, 7:30PM		
February 28Entered Apprentice Degree, 7PM		
March 4Area Leadership Conference		
March 6Masters, Wardens, and Deacon Meeting		
Willis V. Fentress Lodge, 7PM		
March 13Ritual School, 7:30PM		
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		
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Installation, 7:30PM		

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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...



The year is progressing quickly. Preparations for the Grand Master's visit and Past Masters' night continue. Worshipful Don Meyer promises to once again provide an outstanding

dinner for the Lodge. Any assistance you can provide Don in preparing the meal will be greatly appreciated. Contact Brother Mark Wegesin and let him know if you can help.

Our January Lodge Breakfast was a huge success. We cleared over \$200 for the kitchen fund. Brother Hank was at a baseball clinic and Brother Roger was recuperating, so "head cook" duties fell to me. I want to thank all of the Brethren that pitched in to help me keep the chafing dishes full. If you know of any folks that work on Saturday and would like a home cooked breakfast, we can deliver. Just let Hank, Roger, Mark or myself know how many and what time and we'll get them ready for delivery or pick-up.

February's breakfast will be on the 25th. Bring your friends and family. We are also inviting the Firefighters and EMT's from the Kempsville Squad to stop by for a free breakfast. Come out and help support these local heroes. We'd love to have another big turnout for this monthly tradition.

Brother Adam Green, JW

Something To Think About

The wise woman's stone.

A wise woman who was traveling in the mountains found a precious stone in a stream. The next day she met another traveler who was hungry, and the wise woman opened her bag to share her food. The hungry traveler saw the precious stone and asked her to give it to him. She did so without any hesitation.

The traveler left rejoicing in his good fortune. He knew the stone was worth enough to give him security for a lifetime.

But a few days later he came back to return the stone to the wise woman. I've been thinking, he said. I know the value of this stone, but I give it back to you in hope that you will can give me something even more precious. Give me what you have within you that enabled you to give me the stone in the first place.

Submitted by RW Tom McGowan

Masonic Birthdays for February

Alex H. Adkins '76

Vance W. Apple '56 (50 Year Veteran!)

David H. Armstrong Jr. '77

Scott E. Bateman '99

Timothy L. Blackstone '01

George F. Boggs Jr. '77

Albert L. Creef Sr. '62

Dilliam J. Davis '49

Edward J. Foley '93

Lewis J. Forrest '85

Glenn D. Fraser II '80

Shane L. Fuson '04

Glenn L. Gilman '78

William F. Grice '70

Ronald S. Johns '67

Kenneth W. Lancaster '05

Marvin B. Lancaster '05

Stanley J. Levine '64

Joshua N. McClanan Jr. '66

Gordon W. Moffat '47

Donald J. Nachman '64

John M. Nuzum '02

Galen K. Rogers '99

Joseph M. Snook '65

Ronald L. Stukey '81 (25 Year Veteran!)

Joseph D. Wines II '96

Masonic Recognition Day

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

56th Masonic District Blood Drive

Our next blood drive is March 20th, 3:00 to 7:30PM at Bayside Lodge. 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.

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