



The Ashlar



January 2012

Kempsville Lodge No. 196, A.F.&A.M.
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From the East...



First, I hope that you all had a great Holiday Season with friends and family. I send my best wishes for a happy, successful and prosperous year.

Second, I want to thank Worshipful Michael Johnstone for nominating me, and you, the Brethren, for electing me as your Worshipful Master for the 2012 Masonic Year. Thank you for your trust and confidence. I have already met a couple times with the elected and appointed Officers and we are planning some interesting events such as celebrating Brother Joseph Smith's 108th birthday with the Grand Master at Marian Manor on January 14, 2012 following the Past Masters Breakfast.

In closing, I want to say it's an honor serving as your Worshipful Master. I'm looking forward to working with you and having a great year!

Brother Bill Peterson, Worshipful Master

Masonic Veterans for 2012

March	Charlie Linwood Pallett, III	25 Years
April	Joseph Henry McCoy, Jr.	50 Years
	Allen Kenneth Chandler	25 Years
May	Joseph Timothy Salt	50 Years
June	Gerald Bernard Barham	50 Years
	Richard Walter Meers, Jr.	50 Years
July	Joseph Edward Smith	60 Years
	Jack Lee Waller	50 Years
September	David Borntrager	25 Years
October	Thomas Henry Cutchins, III	25 Years
	Henley Albert Morgan, Jr.	25 Years
November	Donald Eugene Howard	25 Years
	Raymond Russell Rowley	50 Years
December	David Howard Weast	25 Years

Thoughts and Prayers

Please keep these Brethren and their families in your thoughts and prayers:

Brother George Boggs – 461-7939
Brother Grady McGuire – 495-0778
Brother Leslie Miller – 420-7560
Brother F. B. "Nick" Nickerson – V.A. Hospital.

Masonic Birthdays for January

Hardaway S. Abernathy '48	Patrick M. Miller '06
Onrubio L. Florendo '10	James E. Pearsall, Jr. '79
Henry L. Foiles, Jr. '59	Matthew D. Pilgrim '11
Fleetwood M. Frias, Jr. '57	John R. Preddy, III '07
Luician A. Gunter, III '58	Bill Rensko '96
Gerald T. Hallal '08	George F. Roberts, III '96
Christen W. Hoedt '09	William Bruce Ross '03
Richard I. Kimbrell '93	Marvin L. Spruill '57
Ronald S. Melton, Jr. '04	Richard B. Temple, Sr. '55
Francis G. Mielkey, II '98	Charles G. Thompson '85

The Brethren shown above have a total of 481 years in Masonry!

Trestleboard

January 3	DDGM's Official Visit Willis V. Fentress Lodge No. 296, 6:30PM
January 4	DDGM's Official Visit Princess Anne Lodge No. 25, 6:30PM
January 5	DDGM's Official Visit Bayside Lodge No. 218, 6:30PM
January 10	Stated Communication DDGM's Official Visit, 6PM
January 11	DDGM's Official Visit Virginia Beach Lodge No. 274, 6:30PM
January 12	DDGM's Official Visit Lynnhaven Lodge No. 220, 6PM
January 14	Past Masters Breakfast, 8:30AM
January 14	Appendant Bodies Meeting, 10AM
January 21	Grand Master's Official Visit Khedive Shrine Center, 6PM
January 23	District Blood Drive Lynnhaven Lodge No. 220, 3PM-7:30PM
January 28	Monthly Breakfast, 8AM
February 14	Stated Communication, 6PM

For the latest, most up-to-date, schedule check our web site at
www.kempsvill lodge.org.

Worshipful Mike Lombardo 90th Birthday



Worshipful Mike Lombardo celebrates his 90th Birthday during the 2012 Installation of Officers reception.

The Question of Solicitation

Many of our Brethren are under the delusion that they cannot ask or even talk to a profane about Freemasonry. This is absolutely false!

There is nothing in the Methodical Digest which prohibits this and the Methodical Digest is our law. Yes, we see many references to coercion and solicitation in other reading materials, but these are not the law. Coercion and persuasion certainly should not be used because they only create resentment and bitterness, but there is nothing wrong in talking to people about Masonry, showing them the pamphlets we have, and telling them the reasons why you think they would enjoy becoming a Mason.

Certainly you know many people in your churches, work place, and social environment that you would like to call Brother. Talk to them about Masonry. Tell them about the youth organizations that we support. Let them know about the women's groups

that are associated with us and the charities that we support.

Let us work together to get Masonry back in the public eye.

Right Worshipful Tom McGowan
Lodge Education Officer

2012 Installation of Officers



left to right: Greg Muir – Chaplain, Scott Foxwell - Junior Deacon, Christopher Anders - Senior Steward, Jerry Hallal - Senior Warden, Bob Lankford – Tiler, William Peterson - Worshipful Master, Bob Stanek – Secretary, Steve Ridgeway - Junior Warden, Robert Johns – Marshal, John Preddy - Senior Deacon. Not shown: Bill Nelligar – Treasurer.

To Our Masonic “Sweethearts”

Happy Birthday to our special ladies in January:

Barbara Cole	January 16
Carol Barber	January 20
Wanda Webb	January 27

If any of our ladies are in need of assistance from the Lodge, please don't hesitate to contact the Worshipful Master, Secretary, or Right Worshipful Bill Knowles (757-495-0626).

Brethren, respectfully, please be reminded...

Your Lodge dues are payable by January of one year to be current for that same year. Any member who has not paid the current year's dues by December 31 of that year is not current, and will not be issued a valid dues card until all dues are paid. Your dues card should now indicate an expiration date of "December 31, 2012" - please check it now. If you have not yet remitted your 2012 dues to the Secretary, please do so promptly. (Dues for 2012 are \$100.00.) Thank you, Bob Stanek, Secretary

Lodge Officers

Worshipful Master	Bill Peterson	237-5249
Senior Warden	Jerry Hallal	472-1200
Junior Warden	Steve Ridgeway	270-7338
Treasurer	Wor. Bill Nelligar	456-0034
Secretary	Wor. Bob Stanek	619-7646
Secretary Emeritus	RW Bill Pierce	804-226-4181
Senior Deacon	John Preddy	495-0771
Junior Deacon	Scott Foxwell	490-2797
Senior Steward	Chris Anders	635-7617
Chaplain	Greg Muir	676-3761
Marshal	Bob Johns	467-8804
Tiler	Bob Lankford	763-9713
Instructor of Work	Wor. Adam Green	615-1659
Education Officer	RW Tom McGowan	646-5878
Blood Coordinator	Scott Foxwell	490-2797
Youth Advisor	Justin Gray	338-7218

Articles for the next Ashlar should be submitted by the 20th of each month to RW Buddy Pate (emmett@epate.com) or Worshipful Bob Stanek (bob.stanek@gmail.com)

Coming Up at
Kempsville Lodge!

Stated Communication
District Deputy Grand
Master's Official Visit
January 10th, 6PM

Grand Master's Official
District Visit
Khedive Shrine Center
January 21st, 6PM

Lodge Breakfast!
Saturday, January 28th
8 to 10AM

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