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THE GRAND MASTERS THEME FOR 2018: “FREEMASONRY – A TOWER OF STRENGTH”

Greetings From The East;

I hope everyone fared well during the storms of June. Congratulations to Brother Tyler Moorhead on being raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason! I would like to thank all who helped with the degree work. Our program for July 12 will be brought to us by Rt. Wor. Matt Reedy. I hope to see you all in Lodge on July 12.

At our Stated Meeting on June 14. We also raised Hill City's newest Fellow Craft to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. We read and voted on 2 new petitions. These 2 new candidates will receive their degrees at the One Day Conferment on August 4, 2018 hosted by the Scottish Rite Valley of Lynchburg.

> The dinner menu for July 12th is Hamburgers with all the fixins', Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Fruit, Drink, and Dessert.

> We had a Eubank Blood Drive sponsored by the Red Cross at the Moose Lodge on Waterlick Road on June 23, 2018. Six pints of blood donated and we especially appreciate Brothers Glenn Harvey, Lonnie Godfrey, Louis Scili, Beau Barfield, Scott Robert, Ray Heinrich, and Fred Mayer who came out and assisted and gave blood. Much thanks to Brother Will Keatts who set it all up.

THE FOURTH OF JULY

As Freemasons, we well remember the adoption of the Declaration of Independence,

July 4, 1776. It is a vital part of the history of our country and the history of our Craft. In this country it is our belief that a people ho forget, or treat lightly such a great past – cannot have a great future. To take the celebration indifferently or as a matter of course will cost much in suffering and sacrifice.

The old disputes which led up to the American Revolution and the legacy of enmity it left is mostly forgotten except in history books. But we must think with kindness and respect of the land on which our forefathers fought. Since that time we have fought hand-in-hand with Great Britain against mutual enemies. But the American Revolution still stands not only as the birth-hour of our country, but the beginning of a new and great era in the history of humanity. I do not think our younger generations grasp the meaning and measure of what happened. As Freemasons it is our responsibility to remind them.

From 13 thinly settled colonies united in a struggle for freedom and loyalty to a newly written Constitution, our nation as grown to be one of the greatest, strongest, more far reaching nations on earth. It is a human marvel and a social wonder. It has been a flowing together of peoples which has formed America. It is a fraternal achievement in which many races have built the Fatherland of Mankind.

The real history of Masonry in America belongs to the genius of poetry, and its story is an epic. Silent, ever-present, always active, by its constructive genius our Fraternity built itself into the very foundations of the Republic. When our forefathers affirmed that “Governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed,” Masonry was present assenting to one of its own principles. Clustered in the Old Green Tavern in Boston, Webster called it the “headquarters of the Revolution.” That's where they planned a Tea Party.

Throughout the colonies Masonry was active and on behalf of a nation “Conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.” Many Masons were signers of the Declaration of Independence. Our first President, George which gives law it authority and teaches with intellectual and spiritual refinement the life of any vital society!

Along the Atlantic Coast, the Great Lakes, in the wilderness everywhere, in centers of populations Lodge Rooms began to rise up. We as Freemasons met, and still meet, in the name of God and the moral law, seeking to create that influence and sentiment which gives law its authority and teaches with intellectual and spiritual refinement the life of any vital society!

As Freemasons we believe that the things that made our country great, also made it possible and powerful and are the essence that will keep it so. America not great because of its resources, not in its educational institutions, not in the enterprise of its people, not in its military, not in its financial wealth – rather we are great by the form of our government. Masons realize that “WE THE PEOPLE” are responsible for who and how our country is governed. We do not neglect of right to VOTE!

We must realize today a new spirit of citizenship, of public-mindedness, and of devotion to the state for what we can do into it.

The increase of lawlessness in the past 25 years is appalling. This is a strike against our ordered civil life. For those in our country who disregard its laws leads to anarchy and chaos. The obedience to law must be the political religion of our country. The growth of racial rancor poisons private fellowship and leads to all kinds of social diseases. We must only know the human race and of whose future and fulfillment must establish hope and promise. Americanization is not a formula – it is a friendship.

So once again we celebrate The Fourth of July. How you celebrate it says much about what kind of citizen you are. Take a moment to renew your love, honor, and loyalty to our Constitution and to our President and our flag. They symbolize all that is important to all who are real Americans. If we can do this we can join those signers of the Declaration of Independence in honestly saying, “WE MUTUALLY PLEDGE TO EACH OTHER OUR LIVES, FORTUNES AND SACRED HONOR.”

ONE-DAY CONFERRAL OF THE BLUE LODGE DEGREES – AUGUST 4, 2018

(As of this date we have 27 candidates)

> A One-Day Conferral of the Blue Lodge Degrees will be held on August 4, 2018 at the Lynchburg Masonic Temple on Lemon Drive in Lynchburg. A planning meeting was held for the One-Day on March 10, 2018 at the LMT at 10 A.M. The following are more details of that meeting:

There are 9 Districts assigned to be hosted by the Scottish Rite Valley in Lynchburg, they are 19, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 37, and 38. The address is 214 Lemon Dr., Lynchburg, Va. 24502.

The District Deputy Grand Masters for the respective Districts are responsible for informing all the Lodges in their Districts about the One-Day Conferral and the necessary procedures concerning new candidates.

The One-Day Conferral is not mandatory, but it is hopeful that each Lodge in the respective Districts will want to participate in the event. All new petitions are to be handled by their Lodges in the usual manner, with the exception that the 3 Blue Degrees will be given at the One-Day Conferral. If Lodges have new candidates it is imperative that their full name, Lodge and District, and the candidates mailing address, phone number/e-mail address be received before July 1, 2018 and e-mailed to: Larry W. Dalton - 5863 Bedford Hwy., Lynch Station, Va. 24571, Ph. 434-944-0173 / lwdalton@embarqmail.com

Lodges who have candidates who might have started their Degrees and want to finish them at the One-Day Conferral may do so, with the exception that they must attend the whole day and receive all the degrees.

Lodges are to charge their normal fees and no additional fees are required by the Grand Lodge.

A mentor must accompany each candidate.

Candidates must bring their apron, Bible, and square/compass.

The Time Schedule is as follows:

7 A.M. - 7:50 A.M. - Continental Breakfast and registration at the Shrine Club Building next to the Lynchburg Masonic Temple.

8 A.M. - Candidates enter Lodge Room for the Entered Apprentice Degree and Lecture.

9:15 A.M. - EA Degree completed and further information given about EA Degree.

10:10 A.M. - Fellow Craft Degree conferred, Lecture, and further information.

11:45 A.M. - Lunch at the Shrine Club Building

1 P.M. - Master Mason Degree Conferred and Lecture.

2:45 P.M. - More information and question answering.

The main objective of the One-Day Conferral is to make this an impressive and informative Masonic event for these new candidates. As you know, first-time impressions are important. Your Lodge mentors/coaches and Lodge Education Officers are as vital as receiving the degrees themselves. If you have any questions or concerns contact:

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

July 12, 2018 – Eubank's Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M. (Dinner at 6:30 P.M.)

August 4, 2018 – Master Mason Association Meeting 7:20 P.M. At Reedy Spring Lodge # 203.

LODGE SCHEDULE

- > Stated Communication - 2nd Thursday at 7:30 P.M. (We will have dinner at 6:30 P.M. before each meeting).
- > Ritual and Educational Schools - 4th Thursday at 7:30 P.M. (Held on a rotational Lodge schedule within the 25th Masonic District).
- > Your annual dues should be paid immediately after receiving notice. For example: your dues for 2018 should have been paid by Dec. 31, 2017. We have the assessment for each member which is required by the Grand Lodge of Virginia, plus our usual local Lodge expenses. If you are behind, please catch up ASAP!
- > In the case of sickness, distress or death please contact our Lodge Secretary.

COMMITTEES FOR 2018

MASONIC RELIEF/SICK/WIDOWS – Glenn Harvey & Winston Mead

FELLOWSHIP/MEMBERSHIP – All Members

COMMUNITY SERVICE – Scott Robert & Larry Williams

BLOOD PROGRAM – Percy W. Keatts

FUNERALS – Jimmy P. Carter

NEWSLETTER/ WEB-SITE – Lonnie Godfrey & David Davis

LODGE INSTRUCTOR OF WORK – Ray A. Dooley

LODGE EDUCATION OFFICER – Lonnie Godfrey



DISTRICT SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Marshall Lodge # 39 – 1st Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.

Mackey Lodge # 69 - 3rd Thursday at 7:30 P.M.

Staunton River Lodge # 155 - 1st Thursday at 7:30 P.M.

Hill City Lodge # 183 - 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.

Reedy Spring Lodge # 203 - 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.

Edward N. Eubank Lodge #262 - 2nd Thursday at 7:30 P.M.

Thomas J. Traylor Lodge # 348 - 3rd Wednesday at 10 A.M.

Campbell Lodge # 316 - 3rd Monday at 7:30 P.M.

Evington/Newman Lodge # 333 - 2nd Monday at 7:30 P.M.

Lynchburg Scottish Rite - 4th Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.

Royal Arch Commandary # 10 - 4th Wednesday at 7 P.M.

Commandary # 4 - 2nd Wednesday at 7 P.M.

Order of Eastern Star - 1st Thursday at 7:30 P.M.

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