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

Greetings From The East,

Greetings to all who read this letter. I really hope good happens to you this month. It is hard to believe we are already in the 11th month of the year. At this month's stated we will have the election of next years officers. I will attempt to getting all loose ends taken care of. Take care and have a Happy and Safe Thanksgiving!

Congratulations to Brother Louis Scicli who is now a 32° Scottish Rite Mason and a Master of the royal Secret!

GRAND ANNUAL COMMUNICATION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF VIRGINIA – NOVEMBER 7-11, 2018

The 240th Grand Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Virginia will be held at the Hilton Richmond Hotel and Spa, 12042 West Broad St., Richmond, Va. The Business Session will commence on Friday, November 9, 2018, at 8:30 A.M. The Business Session will continue on Saturday, November 10. Installation of Grand Lodge Officers will be on Saturday afternoon. Exemplification of the Degrees will be held beginning on Wednesday, November 7 at 7:30 P.M. and ending on Thursday, November 8 at 8 P.M.

Brethren, your dues notices for 2019 will be coming soon. YOUR DUES FOR 2019 ARE TO BE PAID BY DECEMBER 31, 2018. This is very important and allows us to operate for the 2019 year. There are a number of you who have not paid your dues for 2017 and 2018?? This simply compounds the situation. Please catch up your dues and get them paid on time. Fraternal thanks.

We were hoping to have a successful fund raiser at our Oct. 11 Stated but the hurricane rain kind of put a damper on it and our turnout was lower than usual.

The dinner menu for November 8 is Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Tossed Salad, Bread, Drink, and dessert. We will eat at 6:30 P.M.

We want to wish for you and your families a Wonderful Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is always a time for gratefulness, family, food, football, etc. Please take a moment to remember those who are less fortunate than you are. Do what you can to make their Thanksgiving as wonderful as yours.

SOME THOUGHTS ABOUT THANKSGIVING

At the end of the first harvest in the new world, the Pilgrims at Plymouth along with Chief Massasoit and a party of 90 friendly Indians joined in a celebratory act that consisted of "three days of prayer and feasting."

The Mayflower passengers that signed the agreement that became know as the "Mayflower Compact" stated they had come to the New World to escape religious persecution and "for the Glory of God, and Advancement of the Christian Faith." They endured a stormy voyage across the Atlantic Ocean at the worst time of the year and later participated in that festival to give thanks to Almighty God. The Pilgrims were thankful they had survived a stormy voyage, endured a terrible winter, and had been blessed with a good harvest that provided them with food.

Food was scarce during that terrible winter, their first in the new world. Hezekiah Butterworth, an American author of the last half of the 19th century, passed on information that the daily ration of food was 5 grains of parched corn. During that winter, 47 members of the original 102 died, and at any one time, only "6 or 7 were in proper condition to attend the sick and bury the dead" on Cole's Hill. Yet, in spite of the hardships they endured and the sufferings they experienced, those sturdy Pilgrims at Plymouth, after inviting the friendly natives to join them, paused to celebrate and to give thanks to God for His providential care.

LEST WE FORGET, THIS IS THE HERITAGE THE PILGRIMS PASSED ON TO US!

A national holiday, celebrated with a festive turkey feast, commemorates it, but the heritage of those sturdy Pilgrims should remind us that true Thanksgiving is much more. While surrounded by an abundance of things which are the bounty of an affluent society, we must not forget that back of these things there is the providential care of Almighty God, and like the Pilgrims, we are recipients of that care.

TO SEE LIFE FROM THIS PERSPECTIVE IS TO SEE THAT GOD'S MERCIES, NEW EVERY MORNING AND FRESH EVERY EVENING, ARE MORE THAN WE CAN NUMBER. SO, GRATITUDE RISES IN THE HEART, AND WE ARE HUMBLY THANKFUL!

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Lodge Schedule

> Stated Communication - 2nd Thursday at 7:30 P.M. We will have dinner at 6:30 P.M. before each meeting . (We do begin early on occasion when work is going on).

> 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 be 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 have one of your family members inform Rt. Wor. Jimmy P. Carter our Lodge Secretary. Ph.540-586-6570 E-mail:39presidentjim@gmail.com

Important Dates to Remember

September 13, 2018 – Stated Meeting - 7:30 P.M. / Dinner at 6:30 P.M.

September 20, 21, 2018 – Scottish Rite Conference of Virginia

September 20, 2018 – District Rotational School hosted by Evington/Newman Lodge Meeting at Campbell Lodge No. 316 at 7:30 P.M.

September 25, 2018 – Scottish Rite Meeting – Dinner at 6:30 P.M./Meeting at 7:30 P.M.

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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