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## FROM THE EAST



*Worshipful Chandos Carrow*

Happy Holidays and soon to be Happy New Year Brethren! I am honored to be nominated and elected as the 170<sup>th</sup> Worshipful Master of Richmond Randolph 19 for the year 2022, the 235<sup>th</sup> year of our lodge. Though I have only been a member of this lodge for a few years I feel we have been Brothers forever. I first want to thank Worshipful Jake Crocker for his wonderful tutelage of the lodge during his year and his continued efforts to assist the lodge by accepting to be installed as the Treasurer this year.

I then want to thank the other officers who have accepted the opportunity for the other

And finally, to all other lodge members I want to thank you all the most because without you all we would not have a lodge to call home. We officers are only in the chairs we occupy for that year, and then we advance, take a steady chair, or go back to sitting on the benches. As members of this lodge, I want you all to know that you all have the greatest influence on the course of this lodge not just for this year, but forever. If you have any concerns, questions, or opinions please do not hesitate to express them to me because we are all in this together for the greater good of our lodge.

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We have come a long way as a lodge and as a brotherhood over the past couple years in lieu of the pandemic this world still faces. We still have a difficult path to travel as advent by our most recent scenario and the continuation of the modifications as identified by the Grand Master. I want to thank

chairs they occupy. I feel that I have the greatest line of officers of any lodge in our district if not the state. I want you all to understand that no matter the chair you occupy in this lodge, your opinion and leadership will influence the course of this lodge throughout the year. I look forward to working with you all this year to ensure this year is a year of continued growth for our lodge.

everyone for the rapid and thorough response to the most recent scenario we faced after the installation. Everyone took the necessary precautions and the scenario did not spread. I am proud to serve this lodge as the Worshipful Master for this year and I am excited to see where we can go as a lodge together.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Chandos

## 2022 OFFICERS LINE

### Congratulations to All Officers



Back Row: Rt. Wor. Donald Cunningham (DDGM), Bro. Christopher Martone (SS), Bro. Matthew Maggy (SD), Wor. Chandos Carrow (WM), Wor. Donald Moro (Sec).

Middle Row: Bro. Zachary James (Mar), Bro. Shane Flansburg (JW), Bro. Kyle Bourne (SW), Rt. Wor. William Heltzel (Chap), Wor. Jake Crocker (Treas).

Front Row: Bro. Ryan Mumby (Tiler), Bro. Sami Dodhy (JD)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### *First Friday*

A First Friday Social will be held on Friday, January 7, 2022. Please check the website at

www.richmondrandolph19.com for details. Prospective masons, spouses, and significant others are welcome.

#### ***Stated Meeting***

A Stated Meeting of Richmond Randolph Lodge No. 19 will be held on Saturday, January 8, 2022 at 9:00 AM. Breakfast will be served at 8:00 AM. Dress is coat and tie.

#### ***Called Communication***

A Called Communication of Richmond Randolph Lodge No. 19 for work in the Fellowcraft Degree will be held on Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 6:30 PM. Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM. Dress is coat and tie.

#### ***District Leadership Conference***

Mandatory for all Lodge officers, optional for everyone else, the District Leadership Conference will be held on Saturday, January 15, 2022 at 9:00 AM at the Scottish Rite Temple, 4204 Hermitage Rd., Richmond. This half-day conference is hosted by the Grand Lodge and contains talks and workshops on improving leadership skills within the Lodge. Dress is business casual.

#### ***Masters and Wardens Meeting - Special Date***

All Masons of any degree are invited to meet at Tuckahoe Masonic Lodge, 5500 Bethlehem Rd, Richmond on January 22, 2022 at 8:45 AM for district-wide fellowship and information sharing. Breakfast is served at 8:00 AM. Dress is casual.

#### ***Philosophical Society***

A meeting of the Richmond Randolph No. 19 Philosophical Society will be held on Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 7:00 PM at Masons' Hall. The discussion topic is "Jacob's Ladder." Dress is casual.

#### ***Wednesday Night Practice and Social***

All members are invited to meet at Masons' Hall each Wednesday night at 6:30 PM for ritual practice. Following the practice at 8:00 PM, we adjourn to Rosie Connelly's Pub for refreshment and fellowship. Dress is casual.

### FROM THE TREASURER



Brethren! I've stepped out of the East and a couple of steps over and into the Northeast corner to take over the responsibilities of being your Treasurer. My first thing to do is to remind you that your 2022 dues are now due. They're \$290 this year and they can be paid via our website [richmondrandolph19.com](http://richmondrandolph19.com) under the "store" tab or via Venmo @richmondrandolph19.

Please note the lodge voted at our November stated communication to no longer absorb associated fees when paying through the

## THE TRAVELING BROTHER'S CORNER



Worshipful Michael Joyner

Haven't been to a Lodge outside of Virginia yet? Why not take a drive to Washington DC? There are 48 Lodges in various Temples around the District of Columbia. Many go back to the 18th century such as Federal # 1 (1793), and Potomac # 5 (1789). The Grand Lodge of DC formed in 1811 with 4 Lodges chartered in Maryland and one from Virginia.

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Wor. James Hoban, who designed the Master's Station at Richmond Randolph was from Federal # 1. He was also the architect of The White House, the Octagon House as well as doing consulting work on the US Capitol.



Potomac # 5 owns the gavel Bro. George Washington used at the Capitol's cornerstone laying.



Visiting Potomac Lodge No. 5

Aside from their history, it's a great experience to see masonic ritual in other jurisdictions. DC's ritual is similar to ours, but the nuanced differences are quite interesting. Washington is also a chance to meet many international Brothers. You might just as easily be sitting next to a Brother from Maryland as you may be to a Brother from Switzerland, Israel, Paraguay or Portugal. Many Brothers come over from the embassies within the city. Many Lodges meet on the weekends, so there are opportunities to visit on a flexible schedule. I hope you consider making a Washington Lodge visit in the new year.



Naval Lodge No. 4, Washington, D.C.

## OF MASONIC INTEREST

### The Temple of the Organ

By Rollin Smith, DMA

In a symbolic reading of the organ case worthy of *The Da Vinci Code*, French author Louis Ausseil has described it [the Saint-Sulpice Organ] as a work by a member of the Freemasons, an ascription particularly astute because writers since the 18<sup>th</sup> century have described the Saint-Sulpice organ case as an ancient temple.

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Indeed, Ausseil wrote, the architect was fulfilling the Masonic "ideal goal, which is the reconstruction of the Temple of Jerusalem with the aid of Greek architecture." He even notes the measurements of the case as close to the average dimensions of a Greek temple: the Temple of Aegina was 46 feet high by 33 wide. The eight female figures, inspired by Greek statuary by their poses, clothing, and hairstyles, are also part of the symbolism of the Temple: the four on either side "support and offer two cornucopias from which spring a bouquet of foliage, flowers, and fruit; the movement of the figures is reminiscent of a rite of exaltation of the products of the earth offered in sacrifice."



In this context, the Positif case can be interpreted as the sacrificial altar located in front and in the axis of the Temple, the sign of the divine presence outside of the Holy of Holies. Rectangular, and resting on a plinth, it is supported by two cylindrical producing masses, as in ancient altars; the two elements are decorated with garlands of foliage and crowned with tripod urns with ram's heads and feet, with an amortizement of pine cones (symbols of a rank of Scottish Rite Masonry).

*Editor's Note: This article submitted by Wor. Donald Moro, Grand Organist of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.*

### Richmond Randolph Lodge No. 19 AF&AM

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Masons' Hall  
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#### 50 Year Masonic Veterans

Bro. Bedros Bandazian  
Bro. Irvin Beadles  
Wor. Robert Bedell  
Wor. Lothar Bernhard  
Wor. George "Skip" Brooks  
M.W. Stuart Cook  
Rt. Wor. Wade Evans, Jr.  
Wor. Charles Hundley  
Bro. Waverly Marshall

**Website**

www.richmondrandolph19.com

**2022 Lodge Officers**

Wor. Chandos Carrow	Worshipful Master
Bro. Kyle Bourne	Senior Warden
Bro. Lawrence Pearson	Junior Warden
Wor. Jake Crocker	Treasurer
Wor. Donald Moro	Secretary
Bro. Matthew Maggy	Senior Deacon
Bro. Sam Dodhy	Junior Deacon
Bro. William Heltzel	Chaplain
Bro. John Sibley	Senior Steward
Bro. Christopher Martone	Junior Steward
Bro. Zachary James	Marshall
Bro. Ryan Mumby	Tiler

**January, 2022 Masonic Birthdays**

M.W. William Hershey	45 Years
Rt. Wor. Donald Cunningham	9 Years
Bro. Harold Hamner	8 Years

M.W. Frederick Martin  
 Bro. James Owens  
 Bro. John Stenstrom

**60 Year Masonic Veterans**

Bro. Walter Henry

**RR19 Living Past Masters**

Robert Bedell, 1971  
 Lothar Bernhard, 1988  
 Larry Dixon, 1995  
 Anthony Pearce, 1997  
 Marc Graham, 1999  
 Gordon Sprigg, Jr., 2000  
 Barrye Absher, 2005  
 Thomas Breeden, 2006  
 Wade Evans, Jr., 2007  
 Edward Winder, 2008  
 Charles Sykes, 2009  
 William Heltzel, 2010  
 James Duke, 2011  
 Paul Dierickx, 2012, 2013  
 Lee Oppenheim, 2014  
 Michael Joyner, 2015, 2016  
 Charles Hundley, 2017  
 Chad Vanderpool, 2018  
 Donald Cunningham, 2019  
 Donald Moro, 2020  
 Jacob Crocker, 2021

**Life Members in Perpetuity**

Rt. Wor. Barry Absher  
 Bro. Jacob Allen  
 Bro. Benjamin Barrett  
 Bro. Ronald Childs  
 Wor. Paul Dierickx  
 Rt. Wor. James Duke Jr.  
 Bro. Peter Francisco  
 Rt. Wor. William Heltzel  
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