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February, 2024 Bulletin

For Members and Friends of Richmond Randolph Lodge No. 19
Ancient, Free & Accepted Masons
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FROM THE EAST



Greetings Brethren! January was an active month for our lodge. We had our first stated communication of the year, a well-attended Masters and Wardens meeting (thank you to those of you who could attend), the District Leadership Conference, and most importantly the passing of a brother to the degree of

Fellowcraft. We also hosted a 95 the birthday celebration for Ms. Patsy Pettus, who is the largest single contributor to the restoration of Mason Hall.

February is also shaping up to be a big month as we prepare to host our District Deputy Grand Master on his official visit to our lodge. We also are looking forward to (presumably) initiating a new Entered Apprentice and possibly conferring a Master Mason degree as well.

One of the topics being discussed in our district (and beyond) is that of etiquette and decorum. Lack of etiquette and decorum is not just a problem in masonry, but I believe that it is an issue in our society as a whole. We once could at least look to our elected officials as a guide for how to act and behave (publicly at least) but now with so much vitriol and hate displayed by many of these public figures, I'm hardly comfortable listening myself, let alone letting my kids be exposed to it.

We have an obligation as Masons to be better than this, and I am so proud to say that I think that we are! We must continue to demonstrate for the profane and uninitiated how members of a civilized society should act, and this begins with how we act in the lodge.

To assist in our continuing education on this topic, I have authorized the purchase of several "Masonic Etiquette and Decorum" pamphlets published by the Grand Lodge of Virginia. They will be available for you to review in the lodge library. Your officers will be studying and discussing this, and I hope that all of you will take a few moments to do the same.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Shane C. Flansburg
Worshipful Master



THANK YOU PATSY PETTUS



Ms. Patsy Pettus celebrated her 95th birthday with a champagne toast at Masons' Hall. She is seen here with her family in front of the rebuilt front porch that she helped finance.

RECENT DEGREE WORK

Congratulations to Brother Tyler Mathews on being Passed to the Second Degree of Masonry on January 24!

FROM THE SECRETARY



Greetings from your Secretary. Here are a few important reminders:

2024 dues of \$326 were due on December 31, 2023. You have until December 31, 2024 to pay them. As our lodge is funded primarily on dues, we hope that you will pay your dues sooner than later.

On the GrandView system you can always see your current dues balance. Just log into Grandview and look at the bottom of the screen for your balance. Click on Actions / View Membership Details / Transaction History to see your financial transactions.

If you have not yet logged into GrandView, just [click on this link](#) to register. You will need a special member number (not the number on your dues card) which you can [get from me](#).

THE TRESTLEBOARD

FEBRUARY, 2024

February 2nd

6:30 PM First Friday Social
Tequila Sunrise, 11581 Robious
Rd., Midlothian

February 10th

8:00 AM Breakfast
9:00 AM Stated Meeting
Masons' Hall

February 25th

7:30 PM Philosophical Society
Topic: The Written and Unwritten
Laws of Masonry

February 4th

7:30 PM Officers Meeting
Via Zoom

February 21st

**** Tentative ****
6:00 PM Light Meal
6:30 PM Called Communication
Work in the EA Degree

March 1st

6:30 PM First Friday Social
Location: TBD

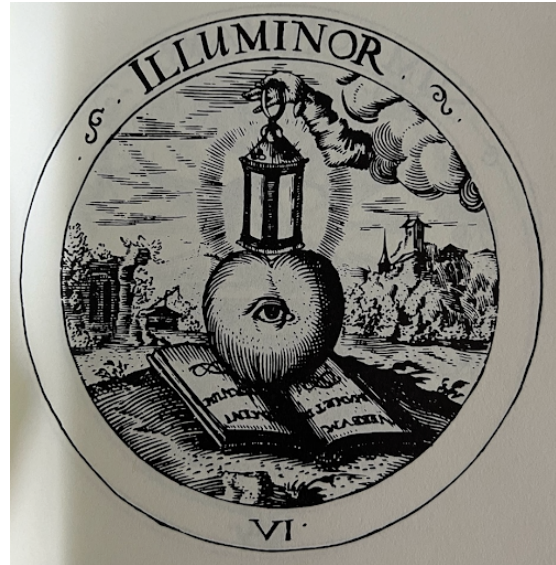
Catechism and Ritual Schools are held every Wednesday night at 6:30 PM unless otherwise noted on the lodge calendar. All Masons are welcome.



ESOTERIC CORNER

The Rosicrucian Emblems of Daniel Cramer by Brother David Allen

In 1617, German Lutheran theologian Daniel Cramer published a rare book titled "The True Society of Jesus and the Rosy Cross" at the height of the rosicrucian publishing period, just a year after the appearance of a famous book called the Chemical Wedding of Christian Rosenkreutz.



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The Written and Unwritten Laws of Masonry, Book of Constitutions, and Methodical Digest

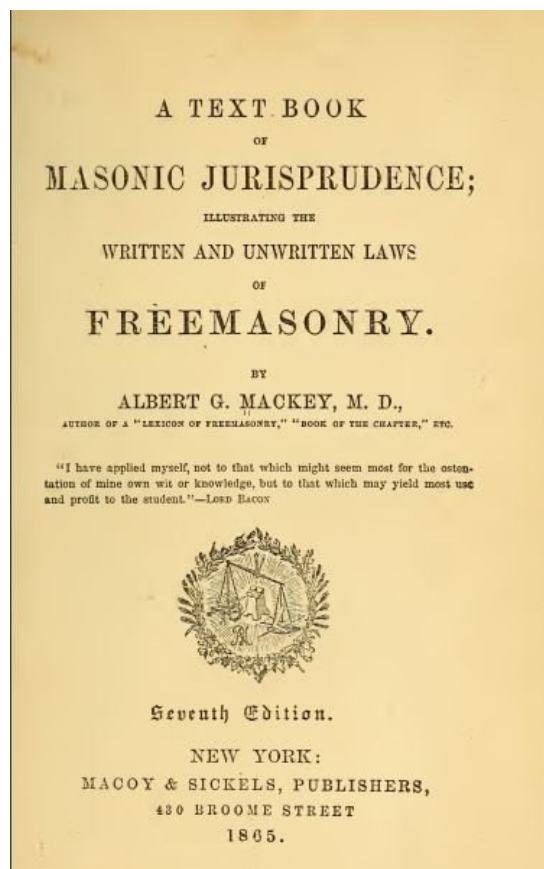
February's Philosophical Society Topic

Did you know that the Landmarks of Freemasonry are considered by Mackey to be some of the unwritten rules of Masonry, and that while they're written, Grand Lodges don't agree on how many there are or what they are? We all know the Methodical Digest. We'll explore how these things started and what the legal basis is for Freemasonry. When we carry traditions through time, this addresses what's actually "in" and "out" as far as tradition is concerned, where those traditions come from, and how we know.

Please join us on Sunday, February 25, 2024 for our monthly Philosophical discussion. This month we will be meeting by Zoom. Find the Zoom link on our [lodge calendar](#).

Pre-reads:

- [What does the Book of Constitutions Really Mean](#)
- Book: (Full PDF online since it's 1865) [Albert Mackey's Jurisprudence of Freemasonry](#)
- Refer to past 6-8 months of [trestle boards](#) for our lodge for the serialized Constitutions of Freemasonry series (cliff's notes edition)



HAPPY MASONIC BIRTHDAY

Brother Jacob Adam Allen, 2/7, 6 Years
Brother Brent Lee Arnold, 2/21, 11 Years
Brother Christopher Robert Martone, 2/25, 7 Years
Brother Matthew James Murcin, 2/7, 6 Years
Brother Jordan Scott Tucker, 2/10, 6 Years
Rt. Worshipful Preston Chad Vanderpool, 2/2, 13 Years
Brother Jesse Alexander Wingate, 2/26, 10 Years
Brother Michael Klaus Worrell, 2/6, 18 Years
Brother Kenneth William Wright, 2/21, 44 Years

Total of 121 Masonic Years



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50 - 60 YEARS

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1988	Lothar A. Bernhard
1995	Larry J. Dixon, P.D.D.G.M.
1997	Anthony C. Pearce
1999	Marc D. Graham
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2005	Barrye L. Absher, P.D.D.G.M.
2006	Thomas E. Breedon

2009	Charles T. Sykes, P.D.D.G.M.
2010	William R. Heltzel, P.D.D.G.M.
2011	James H. Duke, Jr. P.D.D.G.M.
2012, 2013	Paul A. Dierickx
2014	Lee A. Oppenheim
2015, 2016	Michael D. Joyner
2017	Charles W. Hundley
2018	Preston Chad Vanderpool, D.D.G.M.
2019	Donald A. K. Cunningham, Jr., P. D.D.G.M.
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2022	Chandos J. Carrow
2023	Kyle D. H. Bourne



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