

ASHLAND LODGE NO. 168, A.F. & A.M.
CHARTERED BY THE GRAND LODGE OF VIRGINIA DECEMBER 14th, 1857



THE TRESTLE BOARD



Fellowship 6:00 PM
Dinner 6:30 PM
Stated Communication 7:30 PM

Stated Communication Third Thursday 7:30 PM
*EXCEPT SECOND THURSDAY IN DECEMBER

MAY 2022

“Make A Difference In Our Community!”

“Laying the Cornerstone for the 21st Century”



ASHLAND MASONIC LODGE NO. 168

Goals & Objectives

**“Laying the Cornerstone for the 21st
Century” 2022 Major Goals:**

1 – Ashland Lodge No. 168 will “Lay the Cornerstone for the 21st Century”

- *Build upon the existing strengths of Ashland Lodge No. 168*
- *Be there for, and focus on, current members facing illnesses*
- *Identify and address short-term goals of Ashland Lodge No. 168*
- *Identify and address long-term goals of Ashland Lodge No. 168*

2 – Establish the Executive Leadership Committee

3 – Establish Ashland Lodge No. 168 as a leader in the 8th Masonic District and within the Ashland area

4 – Build lasting relationships with local lodges (Glen Allen Lodge No. 131 & Washington and Henry Lodge No. 344) and the Hanover Chapter of the OES

5 – Continue excellence in ritual and degree work and establish protocols to ensure that subordinate officers are prepared for advancement to the East

6 – Reemphasize the importance of Masonic Education by providing meaningful Masonic Education at every Stated Communication



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Message from the East

Brethren, welcome to May! As the month of April comes to an end, I bring you greetings from Greenville, South Carolina. I have had the opportunity to represent Ashland Lodge No. 168 at the 285th Grand Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina. As I talked to many Brothers from across South Carolina, we discussed the issues that face their state and their individual lodges. This makes me appreciate our Grand Lodge and reminds me of how grateful I am for our Lodge and your friendship. Our growth, camaraderie, and community engagement is truly rare and something not easily replicated!

May brings a number of exciting activities for our Lodge. On May 3rd, we will be presenting a Community Builder Award to retired Chief Douglas A. Goodman, Jr. (Ashland Police Department) at the Ashland Town Council meeting. This will be the first Community Builder Award presented from Ashland Lodge in several years. If you are able to join us for the presentation, please meet us at the new Ashland Town Hall on May 3rd at 6:45 PM.

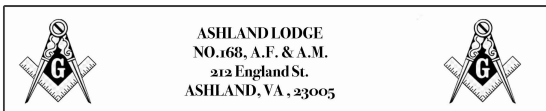
In addition to presenting our Community Builder Award, Ashland Lodge will have THREE Called Communication this month. We will have a Fellowcraft Degree and we will be raising two Brothers to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. If you are able, please join us for a good time and be there to support our newest members. Here are the current events planned for this month:

- 05/03 – Community Builder Award Presentation (7:00 PM)
- 05/05 – Called Communication (MM Degree – Bro. Charles Randall Aylor)
- 05/09 – Hanover Chapter OES Stated Communication (7:30 PM)
- 05/12 – Called Communication (MM Degree – Bro. Robert Lee Tribble, III)
- 05/19 – Stated Communication
 - Social @ 6:00 PM
 - Dinner @ 6:30 PM
 - Stated @ 7:30 PM
 - Guest Speaker – Bro. David Cline, Lodge Education Officer
- 05/24 – District Class at Fredericksburg
- 05/26 – Called Communication (FC Degree – Bro. Benson Eldridge Shelton)

I continue to be excited for the future of this Lodge. I am grateful for your trust, and I appreciate the opportunity to serve the members of this Lodge. If you are in need of ANYTHING, please reach out and we will be here to support you.

With the utmost fraternal respect,

Wor. John M. Parrish
 Worshipful Master
 “Laying the Cornerstone for the 21st Century”





MESSAGE FROM THE JUNIOR DEACON:

Gentlemen and Brethren,

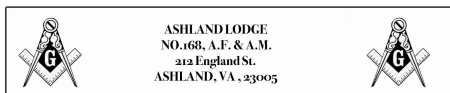
I was initiated as an Entered Apprentice in September of 2019. On the 5th to be exact. I will never forget that night when my name was announced. As it was unfolding, it was hard to hold back the tears as I thought about my grandfather and great-grandfather on my dad's side. Both were Masons and I am named after both of them. Winfred Renner Jr. and Winfred Renner Sr. My thoughts were "I am going through the same thing they did many, many years ago."

As much as I enjoyed the experiences of the Entered Apprentice and Master Mason Degrees, it was the Fellowcraft Degree that captured my heart. The Working Tools of a Fellowcraft really speak to my journey of faith. I have found the Plumb, Square, and Level are tools that can be used every day in our faith journey to remind of what God truly desires from us who follow Him. "The Plumb admonishes us to walk uprightly in our several stations in life before God and man" is a reminder of how we should strive to do our best toward God and others. "The square to square our actions" to remind us to think before we act. "And by the Level a king is reminded that although a crown may adorn the head and a scepter the hand, yet the blood in his veins is derived from the same almighty parent and is no better than of the humblest citizen and teaches us all that we are traveling on the broad level of time to that undiscovered country of whose born no traveler returns" reminds us to stay humble throughout life. It reminds me of a man who came humbly to humankind to serve and save the world and a wretch like me.

Not only has Masonry enriched my faith but has provided me with great fellowship with some great people. I have met some wonderful people whom I have found to be Brothers. I got the great privilege to work with not one, but two, awesome instructors (Greg Duvall and Chris Tomlin) who brought the catechisms to life for me. They also showed great patience working with me. Sessions of work turned into meaningful conversations around life and faith solidifying to me that God had me in the right place. It is a real honor to be part of this fraternity and humbling to serve as your Junior Deacon.

Sincerely & Fraternally,

Bro. David Renner
Junior Deacon





May 2022



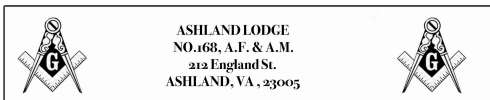
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Community Builder Award 7:00 PM	4	5 CALLED - MM Degree @ 7:00 PM	6	7
8	9 Hanover OES Meeting @ 7:30	10	11	12 CALLED - MM Degree @ 7:00 PM	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 STATED MEETING Fellowship @ 6:00 Dinner @ 6:30 Meeting @ 7:30	20	21
22	23	24 District Ritual Class (Fredburg) 7:00 PM	25	26 CALLED - FC Degree @ 7:00 PM	27	28
29	30	31	1	2 Lodge Practice Catechism @ 6:30 PM Degree @ 7:00 PM	3	4
5	6	Notes *** May Stated Communication: Guest Speaker Bro. David Cline (Lodge Education Officer)				

2022 Lodge Officers

MAY 2022 Masonic Birthdays:

Worshipful Master	Wor. John Michael Parrish
Senior Warden	Bro. Gregory Wayne Six
Junior Warden	Bro. Christopher Scott Tomlin
Treasurer	Bro. Adam Bartlett Long
Secretary	Wor. Lloyd Thomas Hall, III
Senior Deacon	Bro. Thomas Jennings Daneker
Junior Deacon	Bro. David Winfred Renner
Chaplain	Bro. Terrence Lee Sullivan, Jr.
Senior Steward	Bro. James Lamar Macfarland, Jr.
Junior Steward	Bro. Jeremy Lee Killian
Marshal	Wor. Alvin Sanders Peyton Wor.
Tiler	Garry Christopher Corker
Lodge Instructor of Work	Wor. Gregory Cline Duvall
Lodge Education Officer	Bro. David Russell Cline

Bro. Donald Ray Fields	56 Years
R.W. Johnnie Lowell Harris	53 Years
R.W. Donald Michael Boor	47 Years
R.W. Lee Jackson Sloppy	46 Years
R.W. Larry Spencer Ball	42 Years
Wor. William Thomas Cage	39 Years
Bro. Gerald Wayne Maxey	34 Years
Wor. Daniel Frederick Lyons	31 Years
Bro. David Felix Huber	14 Years
Bro. Charles Randolph Howard	14 Years
Wor. Robert Rowland Seitz	11 Years
Bro. Tucker David Walton	8 Years





SECRETARY'S CORNER

Brethren,

The Grand Lodge has now shifted over to the new Grand View data system. I am currently trying to be sure that everyone is appropriately documented in the new database. If you are missing your copy of the Masonic Herald, have recently changed your phone number or address, etc, now is the time to let me know! Also- the new system can track your current dues status. If you have not paid for 2022, please do so or call the Worshipful Master to make arrangements.

Our current dues are \$178.57 for 2022. At this point, only about 50 members have paid for the year. Please send your payments to:

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PO Box 89
Ashland, VA 23005

or pay by credit or debit card at <http://www.ashland168.com>

We have paid our bill to the Grand Lodge, so our resources are now depleted below where they should be. If you have not paid your dues for 2022, please do so now. Don't let your brothers down. If your circumstances make this impossible, please contact Wor. John Parrish immediately.

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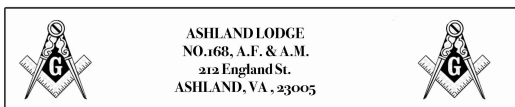
Our new website is up and running!
Please visit the website and give us your feedback.

The new site includes:

- Dues Payments Online!
- View the Current Trestleboard
- Updated Calendar of Events
- Anonymously Request Financial Assistance
- View Current Line Officers
- Visitor can sign up for our Mailing List



Also... Join our new Facebook page! Just search for “Ashland Lodge No. 168” and follow the page for upcoming events.



**WHAT YOU MISSED IN APRIL :**

On April 21, 2022, Ashland Lodge held its Stated Communication. We were pleased to host several distinguished Brethren from Temple Masonic Lodge No. 9 for a fraternal visit. The Masonic education was presented by our very own Bro. David Cline, Lodge Education Officer. He spoke on esotericism and received a standing ovation. He will join us again in May for the second part in this series of lectures.



On April 14, the Ashland Lodge held a Called Communication to pass Bro. Robert Lee Tribble, III to the degree of Fellowcraft. On April 23, Wor. John Parrish and Bro. Greg Six (Senior Warden) attended the Subordinate Lodge Officer Training (SLOT) for the 8th Masonic District. On April 26, members conducted a fraternal visit to Spotsylvania Lodge No. 26 for the Official Visit of Grand Master James Golladay, Jr. Over the last month, members attended stated communications at Fredericksburg No. 4, Washington & Henry No. 344, Glen Allen No 131, Temple No. 9, and Spotsylvania No. 26.



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**LIVING PAST MASTERS**

C.M. Reece – 1964
 M. Pearson Jr. 1976
 J. Harris – 1976
 D.M. Boor – 1980
 W.B. Howard – 1981
 W.T. Cage – 1987
 E.E. Fisher – 1988
 A.S. Peyton – 1989 – 1990
 W.T. Marshburn Jr. – 1992
 S.F. Stone Sr. – 1994
 D.F. Lyons – 1999
 A.L. Christiansen Jr. – 2004
 J.M. Puryear Jr. 2007
 M.P. Coyle – 2010
 M.S. Ball – 2011
 L.T. Hall III – 2013
 A.M. Boor – 2014
 J.U. Harrison – 2015
 R.Seitz – 2016–2017
 R.McIntire – 2018
 C.Duval – 2019
 G.Corker – 2020 – 2021

TRUSTEES

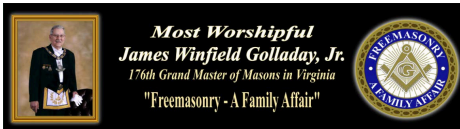
R.W. – Johnnie Lowell Harris
 R.W. – Anthony "Tony" Boor
 Wor. – Robert Leroy McIntire, III

PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

R.W. – M.B. Young – 1960
 R.W. – J.D. Nelson – 1969
 R.W. – D.M. Pearson Jr. – 1975
 R.W. – R.I. Gibbs – 1976 (15C)
 M.W. – A.W. Adkins – 1982
 R.W. – S.F. Stone Sr. – 1995
 R.W. – E.E. Fisher – 2001
 R.W. – J.L. Harris – 2007
 R.W. – L.S. Ball – 2013
 R.W. – D.M. Boor – 2019
 R.W. – Lee Sloppy – 2005 (1B)

LIFE MEMBERS IN PERPITUITY

C.H. Burnette – 1996	M. Puryear Jr. – 2005
W.T. Cage – 1998	K.G. Sands – 2011
E.F. Fisher – 1997	A. Traylor Jr. – 1996
D.F. Lyons – 1998	R. Seitz – 2012
J.C. Beck – 2000	S.F. Stone Sr. – 1995
L.Nuckols Sr. – 2002	J.C. Perry – 2016
R.C. Nuckols – 2004	L.T. Hall III – 2016
M.P. Coyle – 2016	D.A. Emerson – 2017
J.M. Parrish – 2012	J.U. Harrison – 2018

**EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT LODGES
STATED COMMUNICATIONS**

KILWINNING-CROSSE LODGE #2-237
 2nd MONDAY, 7:30 PM

HUDSON-MORRIS LODGE #80
 2nd TUESDAY, 7:30 PM

EDWARD H. CANN DAYLIGHT #1752
 4th WEDNESDAY, 11:00 AM

ASHLAND LODGE #168
 3rd THURSDAY, 7:30 PM

STAFFORD LODGE #279
 4th THURSDAY, 7:30 PM

FREDERICKSBURG LODGE #4
 2nd FRIDAY, 7:30 PM

SPOTSYLVANIA LODGE #26
 4th MONDAY



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