



APRIL- 2024

TRESTLEBOARD

Ashland Lodge No. 168

Message from East

WOR. CHRISTOPHER S. TOMLIN

Greetings, Brethren and Friends of Ashland Lodge,

March was another busy month. Looks like April is shaping up to be the same. Ashland has continued to make its presence known by making 2 fraternal visits last month, both with at least 8 brothers from Ashland #168 in attendance. We had great visits with our Brothers in Fredericksburg, and Washington and Henry for their GMOV. Both were wonderful evenings, we appreciate the hospitality.

Our Lodge is in great shape because of the hard work of so many brothers. I am so proud to be a part of this group of men. Please thank these brothers for what they have done and continue to do. We finalized the HVAC project spearheaded by Worshipful Six. We had yet another successful Blood Drive and Ashland 168 is Ranked 17 th among Lodges in Virginia , thanks to Worshipful McIntire, Worshipful Six, and all the Brothers that contributed their time. I am also very proud to announce that your Lodge, in conjunction with Dover Baptist Association, was able to help a Good Brother in need. A handicap accessible ramp was needed, and because of your generous donations of funds and time, was built to make a family's life a little better. Thank you all! The Hanover OES made their famous Easter eggs and were able to have a very successful fund raiser. Thousands were sold and the, approximately 250 eggs that were unsold were donated to MAHOVA. They were very excited to receive them! Many thanks to the OES for including us in this endeavor!

At our March Stated Meeting we had the privilege of welcoming Bro. Patrick John Fox as he received a favorable ballot on his application for membership. Please come meet Pat, he is a wonderful addition to our Lodge. We were also treated to an outstanding MM catechism return given by Bro. Joshua Andrew Rosengaft. Well done gentlemen!

There are a few dates to put on your calendars in April. Most Worshipful Jack Lewis will be making his official visit to District 8 on April 26th at 6:30. Please come help show the District and MW Lewis how strong and warm Ashland is by making a great showing. We have another trip planned to Spotsylvania #26 on April 22 nd . Come travel with us, we really have an amazing time! Look forward to seeing you all at the Stated Meeting April 18 th .

If your Lodge can ever be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to reach out to myself or any officer.

Upcoming Lodge Events

Hotdogs at Lodge
APRIL 12 @ 11:30 AM

Stated Meeting
APRIL 18 @ 7PM
SOCIAL HOUR @ 5:30PM
MEAL @ 6PM

Fraternal Visit to Spotsylvania #26
APRIL 22 @ 7:30 PM

District Ritual Class
APRIL 23 @ 7:00 PM

GMOV to District 8
APRIL 26 @ 6:30 PM

Master and Wardens
APRIL 27 @ 8:30 AM

Lodge Practice
THURSDAYS @ 6:30 PM



Masonic Education Corner

REFLECTION OF THE MASONIC APRON AND A MASON'S CHARACTER

Mason's innocence is based on his gentleness and chivalrous determination to do no moral evil to any person, man, woman, or child.

The lambskin Aaron presented to the initiate during his Entered Apprentice Degree should be a very precious possession for all his life, the outward and visible symbol of an inward and spiritual tie.

Our Masonic Aprons are a shield against the vices and impurities of life.

While we physically wear them when we are in the Lodge, from the minute we are presented with the apron in our Entered Apprentice Degree, we symbolically wear them every minute of our lives.

Your apron, both real and symbolic, is intended to be forever spotless and pure, an ever-present and conscious reminder of your conduct as a Mason.

Masonic Birthdays

- BRO. TERRENCE LEE SULLIVAN
APRIL 5
- BRO. JOHNNIE EAL MERRITT
APRIL 9
- WOR. GREGORY WAYNE SIX
APRIL 12
- WOR. JAMES MADISON PURYEAR
APRIL 18
- WOR. ALBERT "CHRIS" CHRISTIANSEN
APR 21
- WOR. CLYDE MONROE REECE
APRIL 24
- BRO. JOBE KING DESHAZO
APRIL 25
- BRO. ROGER THOMAS GILBERT
APRIL 25
- WOR. ALVIN SANDERS PEYTON
APRIL 29
- BRO. BRADLEY THOMAS BERG
APRIL 29
- BRO. BRIAN PAUL CARLUCCI
APRIL 29
- BRO. MATTHEW TAYLOR RAAB
APRIL 29
- BRO. JOSEPH RAYMOND STROHMAN
APRIL 29
- BRO. AUSTIN CARTER WHITE
APRIL 29





Highlights from last month



Did we miss something?

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Living Past Masters

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1964- C.M. Reece | 1994- S.F. Stone, Sr. | 2015- J.U. Harrison |
| 1976- D.M. Pearson, Jr. | 1998- D.F. Lyons | 2016(17)- R.R. Seitz |
| 1976- J.L. Harris | 2004- A.L. Christiansen, Jr. | 2018- R.L. McIntire III |
| 1981- W.B. Howard | 2007- J.M. Puryear, Jr. | 2019- G.C. Duvall |
| 1987- W.T. Cage | 2010- M.P. Coyle | 2020(21)- G.C. Corker |
| 1988- E.E. Fisher | 2011- M.S. Ball | 2022- J.M. Parrish |
| 1989(90)- A.S. Peyton | 2013- L.T. Hall, III | 2023- G.W. Six |
| 1992- W.T. Marshburn, Jr. | 2014- A.M. Boor | |

Past District Deputy Grand Masters

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

Legacy Members in Perpetuity

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| 1996- C.H. Burnette | 2005- J.M. Puryear, Jr. |
| 1996- W.T. Cage | 2011- K.G. Sands |
| 1995- S.F. Stone, Sr. | 2012- J.M. Parrish |
| 1996- A.L. Traylor, Jr. | 2012- R.R. Seitz |
| 1997- E.F. Fisher | 2016- M.P. Coyle |
| 1998- D.F. Lyons | 2016- J.C. Perry |
| 2000- J.C. Beck | 2016- L.T. Hall, III |
| 2002- L. Nuckols, Sr. | 2017- D.A. Emerson |
| 2004- R.C. Nuckols | 2018- J.U. Harrison |
| | 2019- R.L. McIntire III |

Trustees

- R.W. Johnnie Lowel Harris
 Wor. Robert Leroy McIntire, III
 Bro. R. Allen Davidson

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[Upcoming District 8 Events](#)

April 23 - District 8 Ritual School Fredericksburg
April 27- District 8 Masters and Wardens (Master Masons Only)

[Upcoming Grand Lodge Events](#)

April 26 - GMOV to District 8 - 6:30pm Bowling Green

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