



JANUARY- 2024

TRESTLEBOARD

Ashland Lodge No. 168

Message from East

WOR. CHRISTOPHER S. TOMLIN

Dearest Brethren and Friends of Ashland Lodge,
I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and your 2024 is off to a great start! I want to thank everyone who came out on a dreary, rainy evening to help install our officers for 2024. It was a fantastic evening full of love, friendship, and fellowship. I want to give a special thank you to Worshipful Scott Davis, who helped us prepare, RW Jonnie Lowell Harris for making all the arrangements, RW Buddy Isgett for performing a beautiful ceremony, RW Goldie Wilson Tomlin Jr for stepping in last minute to act as the installing Marshall, and Worshipful Six, and Worshipful Parrish for your leadership and setting the bar so high for those of us coming behind you. The feedback from those visiting is a testimony to Your Lodge. All noticed and felt the warmth, love, and inviting spirit of our Brotherhood.

December was an exceptional month, as the work was completed on the HVAC units! It has been a long time coming. We have another big project planned for January. We will be replacing and repairing the floors downstairs in the Lodge. Brother Witt gathered samples and we decided on the flooring. It will be a lovely addition. If you can assist with installation, please get in touch with Brother Witt or myself. We will be discussing dates very soon. In January, we will be resuming our regular practice schedule every Thursday night. Practice will begin at 7 pm on January 4th and each Thursday after that. I would also like to get back to practicing catechisms. As you all know, it is the foundation of our ritual and, quite often, the tie that binds us. I would encourage you all to join us at 6:30 for catechism work. Please join the fellowship, the laughs, refreshments, and maybe learn something new.

Hot Dog Lunches will continue on the second Friday of each month. It is open to all, please come out to support our first responders and our brothers in law enforcement. Please let Worshipful Six or I know. If you plan to attend, we can get a rough headcount and have enough for everyone. There is a blood drive scheduled for January 22 at the Ashland YMCA. Please come out and donate. If you are interested in assisting with the drive, please get in touch with Worshipful Six, Worshipful McIntire, or myself.

Lastly, we are receiving Right Worshipful Richard Fisher, DDGM for the 8th Masonic District, for his official visit at our Stated Meeting on January 18th. Please come out to support RW Fisher and hear his message from MW Lewis and his plan for the district. I am very excited for the upcoming year. Your Lodge is solid. We have an incredible group of men in place to lead Ashland 168 through the year. Thank you for your trust in me; I hope to bring some ideas for work, community exposure, and growth within our Lodge. I genuinely look forward to seeing everyone soon!

Upcoming Lodge Events

Lodge Catechism/Practice
JANUARY 4 @ 6:30 PM

Lodge Catechism/Practice
JANUARY 11 @ 6:30 PM

Hotdogs at Lodge
JANUARY 12 @ 11:30 AM

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

Lodge Catechism/Practice
JANUARY 21 @ 6:30 PM

Blood Drive
JANUARY 22 1 PM TO 6 PM

Lodge Catechism/Practice
JANUARY 28 @ 6:30 PM



Masonic Education Corner

BY BRO. JEREMY KILLIAN

Did you know that on February 19, 1858, the town of Ashland was chartered? Though the area was developed in the late 1840s, it wasn't until 1858 that the town was incorporated and named after Henry Clays Kentucky estate. But did you know that the Grand Lodge of Virginia granted Ashland Lodge's charter on December 15, 1857? Though the lodge's name wasn't confirmed until March 27, 1858, our charter is older than the town itself!



2024 Lodge Officers

- Worshipful Master Wor. Christopher Scott Tomlin
- Senior Warden Bro. David Renner
- Junior Warden Bro. Adam Long
- Treasurer Wor. Gregory Six
- Secretary Wor. John Parrish
- Senior Deacon Steve Witt
- Junior Deacon Josh Rosengaft
- Chaplain Wor. Robert McIntire, III
- Senior Steward Ed Hunt
- Junior Steward Matt Raab
- Marshal Bro. Robert Tribble, III
- Tiler Wor. Garry Corker
- Lodge Instructor of Work Wor. Tom Cage
- Lodge Education Officer Wor. John Parrish

Masonic Birthdays

BRO. CHRISTOPHER SCOTT WOODY
JANUARY 9

BRO. JACOB CHRISTOPHER PERRY
JANUARY 14

BRO. TROY EDWARD SAMUELS
JANUARY 22

WOR. ANTHONY MICHAEL BOOR
JANUARY 28

WOR. GREGORY CLINE DUVALL
JANUARY 28

BRO. JAMES LAMAR MACFARLAND, JR.
JANUARY 30





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](#)

Jan 27- District 8 Masters and Wardens (Master Masons Only)

[Upcoming Grand Lodge Events](#)

Jan 20 - District Leadership Conference (Register on Grandview)

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