



Yorktown Lodge no205 AF&AM

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February 2010 Trestle board

From the East

Greetings Brethren,

Our January stated communication was well attended and enjoyed by all. Rt. Wor. Don Moyer, Chef Extraordinaire, with the assistance of the stewards, out did themselves. The menu consisted of bacon wrapped Filet Mignon, delicious sides and finished with pie ala mode pleasing the palate of all.

Yorktown Lodge was pleased to host Most Worshipful William E. Rorer, Jr. He graciously yielded the floor, to allow the business of our lodge to be conducted. Three petitions were read and ordered to be held over for one Masonic month. Two petitions were read and balloted on with positive results. We have several more petitions pending. I am very excited about the growth of our lodge.

After completion of our business, Most Worshipful Rorer offered thanks to our military members and their families, as well as important Masonic contributions made by the brethren. After his message was delivered, he closed our meeting in the usual Masonic tradition.

Remember brethren, Ladies Night will be held on February 13 at 6:30 PM. I look forward to enjoying a wonderful evening of food, music, and fellowship.

Fraternally,
Stephen M. Swicegood,
Worshipful Master

Excerpt from the Masonic Service Association - Short Talk Bulletin "Franklin Freemasonry and the Enlightenment"

In February of 1731, Benjamin Franklin became a Freemason. Shortly thereafter he volunteered to draft bylaws for the embryonic local chapter, named for *St. John the Baptist*; upon acceptance of the bylaws he was elected warden and subsequently Master of the Lodge. Within three years, he became Grand Master of all Masons in Pennsylvania.

The enlightenment was a term use for the rational, liberal, humanitarian, and scientific trend of the 18th Century of Western thought, also sometimes known as the *Age of Reason*. Representatives of the Enlightenment are such thinkers as Voltaire and Montesquieu who were Freemasons, and in America, Thomas Paine, Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin.

The Historic Triangle Senior Center has arranged a motor coach trip to the **Marine Museum in Quantico** on **March 9**. The cost is \$58 and will leave the center on Longhill Road at 8 a.m., and return approximately at 6 p.m. Lunch own your own at the museum, If you are interested, you can call the Senior Center at 259-4187 to place your name on the list.

Sickness & Distress reported in January

- Billy Strickland’s Mother-in-law and wife’s Grandmother are battling cancer.
- Wor. Bob Whiteman, recently out of the hospital, joined us for awhile.
- Bro C D Hudson is Scheduled for surgery
- Bro D C Westcott’s Aunt is in failing health.
- Bro Bill Corvello had Eye Surgery.
- Most Wor. Wm Lee Holloway having difficulty w/ blood pressure.
- Bro Richard Wallace of Monitor lodge passed

Please keep the brethren and their families in your prayers

From the Secretary:

- ❑ Brethren for our February stated we have an application for membership for the first reading and three petitions to be read and balloted on.
- ❑ Anyone wishing to make reservations for the Grand Annual Communication can either contact me or visit the Grand Lodge website at www.glova.org .

Coming Events:

- Feb 01** - E Tyree Mountcastle Dist. School @ Mann Page 7:30pm
- Feb 07** - Grand Visitation, Bethels 13 & 39 2:00 pm @ St. Tammany Lodge.
- Feb 08** – Williamsburg Lodge Stated.
- Feb 09** - Mann Page Stated.
- Feb 13** – Yorktown Ladies Night Dinner (Supper According to the WM)
- Feb 15** - **Yorktown Stated** 7:30pm, dinner 6:30 Reception of the DDGM, Balloting on petitions.
- Feb 16** – Chickahominy Lodge Stated.
- Feb 22** - **Called Comm.** Work & Instruction in the E.A. degree

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Trustees:

- R.W. Tom Copes 2010
- R.W. William H. Sulzberger 2011
- Brother C. D. Hudson 2012

Finish each day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and absurdities no doubt crept in; forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day; begin it well and serenely and with too high a spirit to be encumbered with your old nonsense.

Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803 - 1882),

Masonic Birthdays

February

Wor. Harold Daniel Story	February 24, 1955
Wor. William H. Sulzberger	February 28, 1959
Phillip Freeman Walker	February 24, 1969
Dewey Clayton Engle Jr.	February 02, 1973
Donald Wright Saunders	February 25, 1974
Cladwell David Hudson	February 25, 1985
James Glen Shelton	February 24, 1992
William Joseph Reed Jr.	February 28, 1994
Gary Dora Coxton	February 24, 1997
Dale Eugene Wilson	February 23, 2009

March

M.W. William F. Perdue	March 23, 1957
R.W. Larry F. Richardson Jr.	March 06, 1969
Edward G. Mitchell Jr.	March 29, 1971
William B. Winfree III	March 31, 1980
Lewis F. Kim III	March 23, 1992
Robert Michael Hartley	March 25, 1996
Wor. Stephen M. Swicegood	March 29, 2004
Clinton M. Gowen	March 10, 2008
Anthony S. Kapuschansky	March 09, 2009
Clark Alan Kimmel	March 09, 2009

April

Paul Max Smith Sr.	April 09, 1951
Wor. Arthur Roland Oliver Sr.	April 28, 1958
R.W. Jack Kendal Adams	April 25, 1960
Philip Beckert Worst	April 22, 1963
John Roller Huffman	April 25, 1963
R.W. Matthew Todd Szramoski	April 23, 1988
Christopher Kirk Haynie	April 22, 1991
Michael Robert Barbeau	April 26, 1999
Jeffrey Allen Luther	April 11, 2005
Dean William Densmore	April 25, 2005

Past Masters

	<u>Year</u>	<u>DDGM</u>
Wor. Albert W. Banton Jr.	1958	
Wor. Roy Erwin Mathis	1961	
R.W. Jake George Zalumas	1963	1965
Wor. James Walter Sparrer	1964	
R.W. Stover C. Thomas	1971	1986
Wor. William H. Sulzberger	1975	
Wor. Robert F. Whiteman Sr.	1977	
R.W. Bobby Allen Kessler	1979	1993
Wor. Raymond T. Sparrer	1980	
Wor. Willard Allen Haynie	1982	
R.W. Kenneth N. Cole	1983	1990
R.W. Lewis B. Stratton	1985	1997
Wor. Hedrick Gillikin	1986	
Wor. Darrell W. Warren	1988	
Wor. John Carl Murray Jr.	1991	
Wor. Robert Glenn Murray	1992	
R.W. Matthew T. Szramoski	1993	2002 #1A
Wor. Harold Daniel Story	1994	
R.W. Donald C. Moyer Sr.	1996	2000
Wor. David Wayne Murray	1998	
R.W. Jack Kendal Adams	1999	2005
Wor. Preston King Hargis	2000	
Wor. Lambros P. Tzerefos	2001	
Wor. F. Wray Emerson Jr.	2003	
Wor. Arthur R. Oliver Sr.	2004	
R.W. John Harrison Smith	2005	2009
Wor Stanley Mark Thomas	2006	
Wor. David C. Westcott	2007	
Wor. Donald C. Moyer Jr.	2008	
Wor Ronald Floyd Michaud	2009	

I always remember an epitaph which is in the cemetery at Tombstone, Arizona. It says:
 'Here lies Jack Williams. He done his damnedest.' I think that is the greatest epitaph a
 man can have - When he gives everything that is in him to do the job he has before him.
 That is all you can ask of him and that is what I have tried to do.

Harry S Truman (1884 - 1972)