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NOTE TO LODGE COMMITTEES AND APPENDANT BODIES Input for the *Burning Taper* by Lodge Officers, Committees and Appendant Bodies must be submitted to the Worshipful Master Marlo Pilar (13lakay@cox.net) no later than the third Wednesday of each month. E-mails accepted and preferred.



The Burning Taper

Lynnhaven Masonic Lodge No. 220, AF & AM
Virginia Beach, Virginia

March, 2020
Our 58th Year



FROM THE EAST



Greetings Brethren,

Trestleboard for March @ the Masonic Temple on Granby Street, are the following...(1) Division Leadership Training (DLC) on Friday the 6th at 6PM and (2) on Monday the 9th @ Atlantic 2 at 6:30 PM Dinner, Stated @ 7:30 PM where Brother Wes Latchford will have a presentation as the DEO for 35th district. We need as many members as we can muster and a minimum of five (5) to count for the requirement in the Noah Hillman Award.

Our Stated, will be on March 14, at 6 PM and our in-house speaker is our Junior Warden, Bro Wes Latchford who will be discussing about everything you need to know regarding the Herald.

The parking lot has been measured, laid out, scraped, leveled, prepared, poured, and paved and it looks good and safer to walk on. We do not have to be so concerned about our members breaking their legs and/or hips owing to tripping from the potholes and unevenness of the surface. About two weeks prior to the movement of the parking lot paving equipment into our compound, the PARKING LOT FUND DRIVE got off to a good start and now it is well underway. The total amount of donations dedicated exclusively for the PARKING LOT has exceeded \$1,000 in checks and cash (mostly checks). The donation amount will be listed only as the total exceeds a thousand-dollar amount to date because donations are continually rolling in. Our DONORS to date are the following...Bros. Robert Schratweiser, Ernie Ivan, James Caton, Jim Wagner, James Kiphart, S. Vance, Jim Witcher, Anthony Jay Oubre, Marlo Pilar, John Brown, Tommy Bryant, Ron Hudson, Dave Cunningham, Jerry Anderson, Dave Conner, VB Commandery #36 Knights Templar and Ronnie Shank. If you have sent your donation and did not see your name listed here, they are most probably in the mail, or in the Secretary's office in which case it will be included in next month's Taper update.

The Italian Dinner Social Event on Feb. 15 was successful...our dining room was filled with members, their family and friends having a pleasant enjoyable gathering. The proceeds from that and all upcoming fundraising events are all going to the Building Fund which can be used for the parking lot, or any other building maintenance.

Thank you, Brethren, for your much needed charitable and generous support to our Lodge.

Sincerely and fraternally
Marlo B. Pilar
Worshipful Master
Cell: (757) 779-0705

FROM THE WEST



Brethren,

"Seven or more, Worshipful" WM, SW, JW, SD, JD, Treasurer and Secretary. We all know these seven Officers of the Lodge, and most of us can recite their duties at the drop of a hat. The first five are usually a progression of Masons, seeking more knowledge in Masonry and responsibility in their Lodge, culminating in a year as Worshipful Master, the last two are usually Past Masters who, in addition to their core duties, provide their wisdom and experience, not just to the Master, but to all the Station Officers, best of all, they are right there, no need to seek them out to ask for assistance. They are right in the room and already involved in every evolution. Frequently, they see potential issues and problems that we are not even aware of yet, or have not thought to ask about. I am very grateful that after having served their long full year as Master, these Brothers still have the drive and dedication to serve in their respective Offices and help us all.

Indeed, the WM does rule and govern his lodge, and we all assist him, but it is the Treasurer and Secretary who keeps it running smoothly, makes sure no important business is neglected, all communications are addressed, all deadlines are met, bills are paid, accounts balanced, and no important issue escapes the Master's, or anyone else's attention. Like so many things we take for granted, when the job is done well, we hardly notice it. But what we do not see is all the bad things that could have happened, but did not, because we have available to us, the service, the good council, and experience of all our Past Masters, and these two Past Masters in particular.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Dale Graham
Senior Warden
(757)805-1441

FROM THE LODGE OFFICE

BRETHREN, PLEASE CHECK YOUR DUES CARD!
IF IT DOESN'T SAY YOU ARE PAID THROUGH 12/31/2020,
YOUR DUES ARE DUE!

So, please send your dues payment
without further delay!

PHONE NUMBERS

Secretary Wor. Bob Rathbun639-3407
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Chaplain..... Carl Pennington.....822-9863

PRAYER CORNER

Please keep the following Brethren and families in your thoughts and prayers:

- Rt. Wor. Raymond Mountford
- Bro. Jack and Dianne Lawlis
- Nita Leonard
- Nancy Linger
- Lola Thompson
- Pat Rathbun



In memory of:

- O'Dell Fike
- Thomas Irving
- William Sawyer
- Don Super
- Sonia Gregory

Prayer request, please call Carl at 757-822-9863.

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS MARCH, 2020	
Philip R. Arenz.....	03/03/2005
Stephen H. Brewer, Jr.	03/19/2009
Alan K. Brown.....	03/31/1994
Linwood W. Cherry, Jr.	03/02/1982
Thomas W. Ferguson.....	03/27/1980
Thomas L. Gillikin, Sr.	03/24/1983
Shane W. Higgs.....	03/16/2000
James N. Kelly.....	03/14/1966
Kenneth L. Letsom.....	03/03/2010
Ernest E. Marrow.....	03/23/1967
Edward T. McCarthy.....	03/14/1978
Michael L. Mullins.....	03/24/1987
George D. Norton.....	03/28/1996
Paul A. Olich.....	03/04/2014
Richard A. Oliver.....	03/15/2018
William D. Osborne.....	03/14/1970
Marvin L. Overfelt.....	03/29/1962
William S. Parsons.....	03/16/1982
Jeffrey C. Quinn.....	03/03/2004
Nicholas Stanich, III.....	03/29/2016
Levi A. Strauss.....	03/26/2013
Carl F. Stroh.....	03/12/2012
James L. Taylor.....	03/30/1995

FROM THE SOUTH

MASONIC HOME OF VIRGINIA MORLOCK AWARD 2020

The Morlock Award is presented to Lodges that have at least 15% of its members each make a gift of \$5.00 or more in any one year to the Masonic Home of Virginia.

This award recognizes the number of active donors, not necessarily the total dollars given.

LYNNHAVEN LODGE NO. 220
 GOAL = 35% MEMORANDUM DONATIONS

We are just FIVE members away from our goal of 35!

This is the most significant award which can be presented to a Lodge for their gifts to the Masonic Home of Virginia!

To donate, please see Bro. Wes Latchford (ecclesxii@gmail.com | 757-831-2438) or mail your donation with your name to:
 LYNNHAVEN LODGE NO. 220
 ATTN: MAHOVA
 2959 N LYNNHAVEN RD
 VIRGINIA BEACH, VA 23452

As of: February 12, 2020



SCHOLARSHIP

→ DON'T FORGET!

The Worshipful Master and Officers of Lynnhaven Masonic Lodge No. 220 are pleased to announce that applications are now available for two (2) \$500.00 scholarships for the 2020-2021 academic year.

Students eligible to receive this scholarship are graduating seniors (children, grand- or great-grand children) of family members of Lynnhaven Masonic Lodge No. 220 and Lynnhaven Chapter No. 184, Order of the Eastern Star.

This scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic excellence, demonstrated financial need, community service, school activities, the desire and ability to further their education at the next level and recommendations.

Eligible students may write for an application to:
 Scholarship Committee
 Lynnhaven Masonic Lodge No. 220
 2959 N Lynnhaven Rd
 Virginia Beach VA 23452

Deadline for requesting applications is 15 June 2020, and the deadline for submitting applications is 15 July 2020.

The winner will be notified prior to 31 July, 2020. The scholarship will be presented on 13 August, 2020, at our Stated Communication.

For further information, contact Rt. Wor. Peter J. Gordon at 757-486-9778, Chairman, Scholarship Committee.

We are now just FIVE members away from qualifying for the Morlock Award!

As of February 12th, we are at 86% of our fundraising goal with 30 members having made their donation of at least \$5.00 to the Masonic Home of Virginia – just five more Brothers donating will put us over the top!

The number ‘5’ has a special place in Freemasonry. Mackey's *Encyclopedia of Freemasonry* tells us, “Among the Pythagoreans, five was a mystical number because it was formed by the union of the first even number and the first odd, rejecting unity; and hence it symbolized the mixed conditions of order and disorder, happiness and misfortune, life and death.” For Lynnhaven Lodge No. 220—it’s also a means to a goal!

Please be sure to see me in Lodge to give your donation or, mail it along with your name to Lynnhaven Lodge No. 220, ATTN: MAHOVA, 2959 N. Lynnhaven Rd, Virginia Beach, VA 23452.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
 Bro. Wes Latchford, 32^o, Junior Warden
 757-831-2438
 ecclesxii@gmail.com

Message from the Worshipful Master...

The Lynnhaven Masonic Lodge #220 is currently undertaking a project for the lodge. This initiative is another alternative to securing funds for maintaining our building and to ensure we have funds for future projects and repairs. All proceeds from the brick sales will go directly to improvements for the lodge.

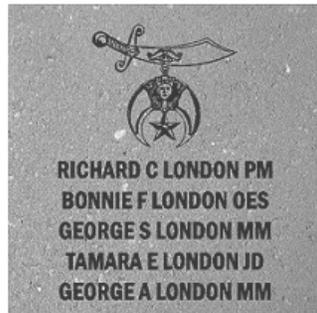
These bricks are placed in the front walkway at the lodge and are of high quality, have great appearance and will last forever. The bricks are available in two sizes and your choice of artwork from a selection found on the supplier's website can be added to your brick.



4" x 8"
\$75.00



8" x 8"
\$125.00



Here are some ideas on how to participate:

- Dedicate a brick in memory of someone.
- Give a brick as a gift to someone.
- Buy a brick for yourself, your family or even your family pet.
- Devote a brick to someone who played an important role in your life.
- Honor a friend who has been there when you needed them.

Highlight the following link and paste it on your Search Engine for more information
<https://polarengraving.com/Lynnhavenmasoniclodge220>

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Bob Rathbun at 757-639-3407.

