

Lynnhaven Lodge No. 220, A.F. & A.M.

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The Burning Taper

JANUARY 2023

#### **KEY EVENTS FOR** THE MONTH

OUR

Brethren,

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YEAR!

DDGM'S OFFICIAL VISIT TO PA25 Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> Dinner 6:30 pm Meeting 7:30 pm

DDGM'S OFFICIAL VISIT TO **BAY218** Thursday, January 5<sup>th</sup> Dinner 6:30 pm Meeting 7:30 pm

DDGM'S OFFICIAL VISIT TO VDL1778 Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup> Breakfast 8:00 am Meeting 9:00 am

LODGE OFFICERS MEETING Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm-8:00 pm

STATED COMMUNICATION Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup> Dinner 6:00 pm Meeting 7:00 pm

FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am-10:00 am "All You Care to Eat-\$5.00!"

LITTER PICK @ GROVELAND PARK Saturday, January 14th 11:00 am-12:00 pm

ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm-9:30 pm

DDGM'S OFFICIAL VISITS FOR FEBRUARY 2023 Tuesday, February 7—WVF 296 Thursday, February 9–LYN220 Tuesday, February 14-KVL196



Thank you for allowing me to be your Master of the Lodge for this Masonic year. It was a very humbling experience to stand in front of you and be installed. I cannot say enough how thankful and grateful I am to the Brethren for their trust and support given to me. I am looking forward to a good year.

Operation Poinsettia was a success! Thank you to all that participated in the deliveries. On Saturday, January 14, 2023, from 8:00 am to 10:00 am, there will be a Fellowship Breakfast. Come one, come all and enjoy fellowship and a good breakfast. It is open to all. The first scheduled litter pickup at Groveland Park for 2023 will be at 11:00 am right after breakfast on Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup>. This will be our first community service project of the year in keeping with the Grand Master's proclamation of "A Year of Community Service" for the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

There will also an Entered Apprentice degree at 7:00 pm, Thursday, January 19th; be on the look out for an email—and keep an eye on "The Trestle Board" on our website <https://www.lynnhaven220.org> for more information as we get closer to that date. Come participate in the degree or join along the sidelines of the Lodge room to welcome this new Brother to Freemasonry!

> Sincerely & Fraternally, **Bob Adams** Worshipful Master 2023 bob-adams@outlook.com | 757-754-9216

LYNNHAVEN LODGE NO. 220, A.F. & A.M. CALLED COMMUNICATION 7:00 pm-9:30 pm Thursday, January 19th For the purpose of Initiating a worthy Candidate as an Entered Apprentice. ynnhaven Lodge No. 220 959 N. Lynnhaven Rd. irginia Beach, VA 23452 ttps://lynnhaven220.org

Attire: Coat & Tie



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

Bro. Wally Maybery, Bro. Roy Smith, the Family of Bro. John Henry Knox, Sr.

"May you be well. May you be cleansed and purified of all that isn't health. May every cell in your body wake up and fight. May the powerful light of healing move into every part of you. May you return to being purely you. May you be well. -Joanna Fuchs, American Poet-

Have a Prayer Request? Please contact our Lodge Chaplain at Wor. John Brown at 757-573-5027 or johnbrown15@verizon.net.



## January Masonic Birthdays

Rt. Wor. Gerald Alan Anderson (01/20/1978) Bro. Luke Alexander Blanchette (01/18/2022) Bro. Earl Randolph Coward, Jr. (01/22/1977)

Bro. Jack Henry Kirtland (01/18/1996)

Bro. Thomas Mirsky, Jr. (01/30/2020)

Bro. Charles Ray Smith (01/23/1979)

Bro. John Jacob Stahl III (01/22/1987)

# The Importance of Understanding in Freemasonry

Memorization without understanding will only take a person to the end of his memorized work... much like memorizing a geometric equation does not prove truly useful unless you understand its components. For example: If asked to tell stat the equation to measure the area of a circle, the answer quickly coming from your lips may very well be  $\Pi r^2$ ... and we would applaud your knowledge. But how useful is that knowledge if you do not know that:

- $\Pi$  = The ratio of the circumference to the diameter of a circle; approximately equal to 3.1415926..., or 3.1416 if you round it off.
- r = Radius of the circle...the measurement from the center-point to its perimeter or boundary.
- <sup>2</sup> (Squared) = The radius times itself.

Therefore, your quick answer of  $\Pi r^2$  (the equation with which you may perform the task) was absolutely correct, but if you cannot understand each component of the equation, you cannot "do the math," and therefore your journey ends.

Memorization of ritual is important within Freemasonry. However, without learning the biblical, symbolic and historical components within Freemasonry's depths, your journey, too, will end without your finding Freemasonry's true light.

True Masonic retention is obtained when both Masonic ritual and educational knowledge are balanced with one another. Masonic education is the means by which the Fraternity can both retain its current membership and produce new members who truly understand what it means to carry on Freemasonry's proud traditions and



	Sat	31 NEW YEARS EVE	7 DDGM's OFFICIAL VISIT TO VDL1778 9:00 am-11:00 am	14 FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST 8:00 am-10:00 am LITTER PICKUP @ GROVELAND PARK 11:00 am-12:00pm	21	28	4
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		27	3 LODGE MASONIC EDUCATION 7:00 pm-8:00 pm	10 LODGE OFFICERS MEETING 7:00 pm-8:00 pm	17 MASONIC EDL 7:00 pm	24 LODGE MASONIC EDUCATION 7:00 pm-8:00 pm	3
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