



# The Rough Ashlar

Kempsville Masonic Lodge, #196 A.F.&A.M.  
4869 Princess Anne Road  
Virginia Beach, VA 23462

Stated Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday @ 7:00PM  
Dinner @ 6:00PM  
Work Nights @ 7:00PM

## From the East...

Greetings Brethren. Another month has passed and we're still hard at work and have been very productive with our efforts. As you will see from our Jr. Warden's report, we have "fruit on the vine".

The Grand Master of Masons in Virginia has proclaimed September as "Honor the Widows" month. In keeping with this, we will honor all our Ladies and Widows in September. By this advance notice, please contact as many of our lodge widows as you can and inform them that on September 13<sup>th</sup> we will host a dinner in their honor. Also, all of our significant others are invited. The Jobies will be selling dessert at the September dinner and will also put on a brief program prior to our meeting. Bring a widow if you can, bring your wife or girlfriend, bring your appetite, and bring some money for the Jobies.

See you there.

Brother Prentice Tuck, WM

## From the West...

It's time for a little Masonic Trivia. On December 18, 1866 a man was born in Murray, Kentucky that was destined to be a Mason. In 1894 he was ordained as a Methodist minister and served churches in Fort Worth, Abilene, and Dublin. He received his Masonic degrees in 1922 in Granger Lodge #677 in Texas before an usually large crowd and later became the Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Texas in 1953. He passed to the Celestial Lodge in 1962.

Why was this Brother destined to become a Mason? It should be pretty obvious - his name was Hiram Abiff Boaz.

Brother Buddy Pate, SW

## Trestle Board

- August 10.....Stated Communication
- August 16.....Fellowcraft Degree
- August 17.....Master Mason's degree
- August 21.....District Ritual School  
Bayside (8AM)
- August 23.....Ritual School
- August 24.....Fellowcraft Degree
- August 30.....Ritual School
- August 31.....Master Mason Degree
- September 5.....Fish & Chicken  
Lynnhaven #220 (4 - 7PM)
- September 6.....Labor Day
- September 7.....Degree work as needed
- September 9-12.....MASA @ Virginia Beach
- September 11.....Breakfast  
Virginia Beach #274 (6:30AM-noon)
- September 13.....Ritual School
- September 14.....Stated Communication
- September 19.....Family Picnic (1-4PM)
- September 20.....Blood Drive  
Virginia Beach #274 (3-7:30PM)

## Lodge Officers

Worshipful Master	Prentice G. Tuck, Jr.	497-2734
Senior Warden	Emmett "Buddy" Pate	306-8048
Junior Warden	Shawn P. Garfield	474-0532
Treasurer	RW George J. Wallace	420-2507
Secretary	RW William H. Pierce	497-5160
Senior Deacon	Roger Cort	467-5349
Junior Deacon	Jeff A. Rasmussen	420-2195
Chaplain	Dennis G. Tompkins	471-4091
Senior Steward	Paul J. Lafond	486-9792
Junior Steward	Albert L. Torres	456-0915
Marshal	Robert C. Metz	497-2886
Musician	Robert S. Foxwell	490-2797
Tiler	Robert L. Lankford	499-0115
Instructor of Work	RW Tom McGowan	497-3881
Education Officer	Wor. Bill Nolan	467-2252
Blood Coordinator	Roger Cort	467-5349

Articles for the next next Rough Ashlar should be submitted by 9/7/2004 to Bro. Buddy Pate (emmett@epate.com).

## From the South...

Brethren,

The Lodge is "Gettin-R-Done"! By the end of this month we will have raised 11 to the Sablime Degree of Master Mason. We also have more in the pipeline.

We are still needing people to help out with degree work. Come on out and learn something – especially for the second section of the Master Mason's degree.

Finally, don't forget about September 19<sup>th</sup> – the Family picnic. Bring your girl friends, bring your wives, just don't bring both!

Brother Shawn Garfield, JW

## Masonic Birthdays for August

ROBERT L. AKERS '66  
RAYMOND M. BASS '91  
RAY L. BENTON '88  
CURTIS E. BRANNON '65  
KESLER J. CROUCH JR. '59  
HOMER J. CULLIFER '65  
JOHN N. FARR '98  
ROBERT S. FOXWELL '02  
MOSS S. FRIEDMAN '91  
SHAWN P. GARFIELD '00  
BRIAN K. HEADLEY '00  
WALTER L. HUMPHRIES '71  
WILLIAM T. KEMP '66  
JONATHAN R. KING '00  
WALTER A. LIFFICK '94  
GRADY MCGUIRE '69  
NEWBURY E. MEADER JR. '99  
DONALD E. MEYER '77  
MICHAEL J. MURPHY '98  
BENNELL W. POWERS '93  
WESLEY E. POWERS '99  
LARRY D. SANTOS '93  
STANLEY Z. SHIPOWITZ '94  
JOSEPH B. TATE '65  
WALTER M. WALES '65  
CLAUDE W. WATKINS JR. '91

## Past Master's Corner

Our Lodge is heading for a crises. We need people to step in line to fill some vacancies. Our Junior Deacon and our Chaplain have been forced to stand aside due to personal reasons. We are also short on Stewards.

If Kempsville is to remain a vibrant lodge we need people to step in and fill the gaps or we might be recycling some Past Masters and no one wants to see that happen.

Some brethren might say that they are too old but no one is ever too old to serve.

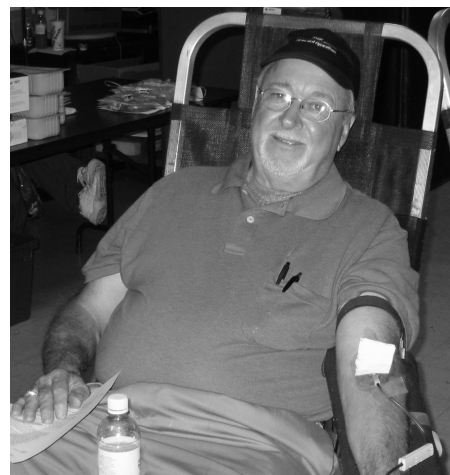
If you feel it in your heart that you can help, please do. If you know someone whom you think would make a good line officer please encourage him to do so. Help us keep our lodge healthful.

Fraternally,  
RW Tom McGowan

## Blood Coordinator

The next Blood Drive will be hosted and sponsored by Virginia Beach Lodge #274 from 3:00PM to 7:30PM on September 20th. It's been quite a while since Virginia Beach has hosted a Blood Drive so lets show our support and make it a good one. With their new parking area, there's no excuse not to come on out. This drive also kicks off the start of the new Masonic Blood Year. The Red Cross will be giving out T-Shirts and we'll have drawings for other prizes. Give "The Gift of Life". Some day it may be you who needs the "Gift"

Brother Roger Cort, SD  
Lodge Blood Coordinator



**You may not be able to get blood out of a turnip, but a Past Master, however, is easy.**