



Freedom Lodge No. 118 AF&AM
 28 E. Broadway, Lovettsville, VA
<http://FreedomLodge118.org>



Stated Communication 1st Friday, 8:00 pm

From the East

Month in Review – Our February stated was once again well-attended and filled with activity. Among the highlights of the stated were the first readings of two new EA petitions, a petition for affiliation, visitors from Lodges in Frederick MD and Shepherdstown WV, and a program in honor of the great Virginia Mason George Washington.

Freedom recorded two fraternal visits in the month of February, visiting Hamilton Thompson 37 for a Fellowcraft degree on Feb 7th, and Olive Branch for a Master Mason’s degree on Feb 25th. Thanks to all the Freedom Brethren who came out and attended these fraternal visits.

IN MEMORY OF WOR. JAMES R. FRYE

On February 12th, our Brother, Wor. Jim Frye laid down the working tools of his life and became a member of the Celestial Lodge, that temple not made with hands, Eternal in the Heavens. Freedom Lodge is greatly saddened by the loss of our Friend and Brother. A very large group of over two dozen Freedom Brethren came out to mourn his passing, pay their final respects, and perform the Masonic funeral rites for our departed Brother on Feb 15th.

**HIS SPIRIT TO GOD – HIS MEMORY IN OUR HEARTS –
 HIS BODY TO THE EARTH**

KEN SHELTON SCHOOL AT FREEDOM 118

Mark Saturday March 9th on your calendars!!! Freedom Lodge has the honor this year of hosting the annual District 2 Ken Shelton School of Instruction. This once-a-year event will be taught by Wor. Bill Johnson, District 2 Member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Work. The school will begin at 830 am. Coffee and donuts will be available beforehand, and refreshments afterward. The opportunity to learn ritual directly from a Member of the GL Committee on Work is an excellent opportunity to learn which all Brethren should take advantage of if possible.

DISTRICT 2 DEGREE WORK IN MARCH

3/7 Fellowcraft Hamilton Thompson37@7 pm
 3/16 Triple/Quadruple Master Mason Degree Olive Branch 114@830 am (Lunch Provided Afterwards)

A Look Ahead – March and beyond promises to be a very busy month for the Brethren of Freedom Lodge. In addition to hosting the Ken Shelton School, I anticipate that we will have 4 or more degrees to confer over the next several weeks. This will require a lot of work, preparation, and coordination by all the Brethren to ensure that we are successful in this task and do justice to the Brothers receiving these degrees. The help of everyone in accomplishing this goal is needed.

We will discuss a **special fraternal visit to Brunswick Lodge on March 13th** at our stated. This will be the first of several fraternal visits we hope to make to Lodges outside of Virginia and District 2 in 2013. Take note that we are planning on asking for a **dispensation for our April 5th stated to begin at 730 pm** to accommodate a very special educational program from the Kena Home Brew Club followed by a post-Lodge continuing-education visit to the new Mad Horse Brew Pub. Finally, do not forget that the March stated will feature the **official visit of the District Deputy Grand Master**, RW George Shoemaker!!! Let’s have a great turnout of our Brethren to welcome and honor our very own RW George and hear him deliver his message from the Grand Master.

Sincerely & Fraternally
 Tom Brierton, WM

March Ritual Instruction

Ken Shelton School – Mar 9 at 830 am
 (hosted by Freedom Lodge 118)
 Freedom School of Instruction – Mar 14@7pm
 D2 School of Instruction – Mar 27 at 7p
 (District School at Hamilton-Thompson 37)

Wish these Brothers a Happy Masonic Birthday in March!
 Frank Lamm Donovan Libby Garland Cooper

“Should You Ever Meet a Fellow Creature”

Please bring your donations to our March stated meeting to support the Lovettsville Food Bank. The food bank has a need for non perishable food items and other household items for those less fortunate than us. There is a need for bath soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toilet paper, tissues, paper towels, laundry detergents and bleach, dish soap, and other cleaning materials in addition to non perishable food items.

Upcoming Events

- Mar 1 Freedom Stated, Dinner @7p, Meeting @8pm
(Visit of the District Deputy Grand Master)
- Mar 2 Called Communication EA + FC Catechism@9am
- Mar 9 **Ken Shelton School of Instruction**
Hosted by Freedom Lodge @830 am
- Mar 13 Freedom Fraternal Visit to Brunswick Lodge@6pm
- Mar 20 Freedom 118 Meetup@Lovettsville Pizza and Subs
- Mar 27 District 2 School of Instruction at HT37 @7pm
- Apr 5 Freedom Stated, Dinner at 630p Meeting@ 730p
- May 4 Freedom Annual Blood Drive at Lovettsville Game Club @TBD

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March 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Freedom 118 Fellowship – 7:00 Stated – 8:00 	2 Called Communication EA and FC Catechism Proficiency Exam Freedom @9 am
3	4 Olive Branch 114 Fellowship – 7:00 Stated – 8:00	5	6	7 Fellowcraft Degree Hamilton Thompson 37@7pm	8	9 Ken Shelton School @830 am Freedom Lodge
10	11	12 Ashburn Sterling 288 Fellowship – 6:30 Stated – 7:30p	13 Fraternal Visit to Brunswick Lodge. Dinner @6pm, Stated to Follow	14 Freedom Lodge School of Instruction 7pm	15	16 Triple/Quadruple MM Degree Olive Branch 114 @830 am
17	18	19	20 Freedom 118 Meetup – 7 pm Lovettsville Pizza and Subs	21 Hamilton- Thompson 37 Fellowship 6:30 Stated 7:30	22	23
24	25 Potomac 88 RAC 7:30p	26	27 D2 School of Instruction – Hamilton Thompson 37 – 7p	28	29	30

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