



Freedom Lodge No. 118

The Southern Least Lodge in Virginia
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Virginia
<http://FreedomLodge118.org>

Stated Communication – April 1, 2016
Dinner at 7p, Lodge at 8p

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From the East

Salute to Brother Leslie King Columbia Lodge No. 3

Greetings Brethren:

It is with great exuberance that I would like to thank all the Brothers who attended Grand Master James Litten's official visit and for making it a jovial and deferential occasion. The fellowship of that gathering was wonderful experience for all involved, in which we grew as individuals and as Brothers. I extend a great thank you to Right Worshipful and Brother Phil Brooks for arranging a grand reception. The Creek's Edge Winery venue was a grand backdrop with a delicious meal from the Market Table Bistro and Bluegrass music provided by the Naked Mountain Boys.

My Trestleboard articles will continue to focus on the lives of great Masons. Men of action, nobility, and great extra personal compassion can do great deeds in life, and we should all strive to achieve our own impact in building a better world for all of mankind.

Leslie King was born in Omaha, Nebraska in 1913, Leslie was raised by his mother and his step-father in Grand Rapids, Michigan. As the child of a remarried divorcée, Leslie came to learn that brotherhood was more than blood deep as he was raised alongside his three half-brothers. As a youth, Leslie strove for excellence in all areas, reaching the rank of Eagle Scout through participation in his Boy Scout Troop and acting as the captain of his high school football team. In his college years at the University of Michigan, a young Mr. King played center during two undefeated seasons of Wolverine football. Declining offers to play for Green Bay and Detroit, King opted to stay in school and earn his law degree. After passing the Bar in 1941, he enlisted in the Navy and eventually reached the rank of Lieutenant Commander, earning several medals along the way in the Pacific Theater. Shortly after the end of the war, LCDR King was elected as Grand Rapids' Congressional Representative and then became...

I look forward to seeing you for dinner at 7 PM on Friday on April 1, 2016. The planned theme meal is a surprise which will be followed by Freedom Lodge No. 118 Stated at 8 PM. Coat and tie please.

-David

P.S. – https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leslie_King

Correct in the West

Chuck Wyant
Senior Warden

With the spring upon us, we will hit it hard. WE need to do a spring cleaning of the lodge. We will gather at half past high twelve on April 2 and remove everything from the lodge, wash the windows, sweep and clean the floor, clean the tables and chairs and then reload the lodge. We need to do some weeding, trimming of the shrubs, and mulch the beds, clean Hiram and add the new cork board. Yes an overall spring cleaning.

We will have more work to do through the year and your skills are needed and you can put them to work in the lodge. See you in lodge.



Right in the South

Wes Hirschhorn
Junior Warden

While March gives us the vernal equinox and the start of spring. April starts the flora, fauna, and warmer temperatures which we have been craving during the months of winter.

Most belief systems have stories of renewal and resurrection that take place at this time of year. Our lives are renewed, our spirits cleansed, strengthened and our path forward clarified.

Freemasons are constantly pursuing self-improvement and knowledge. April is a good time to start new challenges and renew commitment to the Craft.

Take time to be with your families and get outside to enjoy nature's surroundings... with luck these don't include cleaning out the garage.

April Masonic Birthdays

Thomas Brierton Robert Frye
Robert Jackson, III David Kirk
David Lang Richard Phillips
George Shoemaker, Jr.

Living Past Masters

Larry D. Frye,	1983,2005-2007
Franklin C. Lamm,	1985
Roy Harris McGarrah, Jr.	1992-1995, 2011
Clifford S. Free,	1996-1999
Richard A. Phillips,	2000-2003
Gary R. Ing,	2004
George M. Shoemaker, Jr.,	2008-2010
Philip B. Brooks,	2012,2014
Thomas W. Brierton,	2013
Loyd Davis	2015

Mark Your May Calendar

May 2 – Olive Branch No. 114 Stated
May 6 – Freedom No. 118 Stated
May 10 – Ashburn-Sterling No. 228 Stated
May 13 – FV to George Washington Lodge No. 143 Chambersburg PA
May 18 - Freedom No. 118 Meet-Up
May 19 – Hamilton-Thompson #37 Stated
Jun 11 – Blood Drive @ Lovettsville Game Club

Most Worshipful

James Edward Litten
Grand Master
Grand Lodge of Virginia,
A.F. & A.M.

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April 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Freedom Stated Dinner 7p, Lodge 8p	2
3	4 Olive Branch 114 Stated	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 Ashburn-Sterling 288 Stated	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Meet-Up! Fellowship 6:30p, Practice 7:30p Peppercorn Ceremony	21 Hamilton-Thompson 37 Stated	22	23
24	25	26	27 District 2 School 7pm @ Ashburn- Sterling 288	28	29	30 ADS LoR GW Memorial 10a



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