



Freedom Lodge No. 118 A F & A M

28 E. Broadway, Lovettsville, VA

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Stated Communication 1st Friday, 8:00 pm

From the East

Well the winter weather has started to break, but the March winds have already hit Lovettsville. Let's hope they die down because March is going to be a very busy month. The Month starts with the District Deputy's Official visit at our stated communication. I'm hoping for a good turnout to greet our DDGM. He will also make his official visits to Olive Branch and Ashburn-Sterling this month.

And then the main event of the month, the Grand Master's Official Tiled Visit to the Second Masonic District on St. Patrick's Day (Mar. 17) at Hamilton-Thompson. So put on your green and come out to meet our Grand Master.

As I mentioned in the last Trestleboard, my theme this year is, "Let Your Little Light Shine!" The primary purpose is to let others, especially your friends, know you are a Mason. Hopefully this will inspire them to ask that "secret" question we all asked to become a Mason. Well, my theme not only applies to us as individuals, but also to the Lodge. In an endeavor to let our community see Freedom's little light, I would like for us to present at least one Community Builders Award this year. This program is designed to recognize and show our appreciation for outstanding community-oriented achievements of non-Masons who reside within the area. I would like all of you to think of people you know who meet these criteria and provide me with their names and a brief synopsis of what they have done. My goal is to have the names for discussion at our April stated.

Sincerely & Fraternaly
R. Harris McGarrah, Jr. WM

Ritual Instruction

Right Worshipful Larry Fry has again agreed to be our Lodge Instructor of Work (LEO). We have two opportunities to improve on our ritual work this month. We are fortunate to have one of the Grand Lodge's Area Masonic Ritual School in our District. It is the Ken Shelton Area Masonic Ritual School held annually at Olive Branch. The school this year will be on Saturday March 12 at 9:00 am (time subject to change). We need your support for this school or we may lose this very convenient location for our Area Ritual School.

The District School this month will be held at Freedom Lodge. To try and stimulate more interest in the schools, the DDGM has requested each host lodge for the schools to have a light meal before each school. So come out early and enjoy a meal and fellowship with the Brethren of District 2.

Masonic Education

Brother Tom Brierton has agreed to be our new Lodge Education Officer (LEO). This month the lodge program will be given by our DDGM during his official visit. He will be discussing his plans for our district this year as well as the plans and programs of our Grand Master.

The annual Grand Lodge Division Leadership Conference will be held at the Scottish Rite in Alexandria on Friday March 18. Registration will begin at 6:30 pm and the conference begins at 6:55 pm. If you plan on going and would like to carpool, contact the Worshipful Master.

**Support the Lovettsville Food Bank!!
Don't forget your obligations. Bring canned goods or other non-perishable foods to Lodge each month and we will see they go to the Lovettsville Food Bank.**

"LET YOUR LITTLE LIGHT SHINE!"

In the future we will be providing the Trestleboard in electronic format to save money. If you are willing to receive the Trestleboard electronically, please provide your email address to: harrismcg@verizon.net.

If you prefer to continue receiving it in the mail you do not have to do anything.

Upcoming Events

Mar 4 DDGM Official Visit Freedom 118 Stated
 Mar 4-5 VACHIP Event Reston YMCA
 Mar 7 DDGM Official Visit Olive Branch 114
 Mar 8 DDGM Official Visit Ashburn-Sterling 288
 Mar 12 Ken Shelton Ritual School Olive Branch 114
 Mar 17 Grand Master's Tiled Visit Hamilton-Thompson 37
 Mar 18 Division Leadership Conference Scottish Rite
 Mar 23 District School Freedom 118
 May 2 Grand Master's Open Visit Place TBD
 May 7 Gettysburg Battlefield Tour Herndon 264 Sponsor

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Today ◀ ▶ March 2011 ▼ Print Week Month Agenda ▼

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	Mar 1	2	3 7pm Freedom Ritual School	4 7am Child ID Reston YMCA 8pm Freedom Stated	5 7am Child ID Reston YMCA
6 7:30pm Herndon Stated 8pm Olive Branch Stated	7	8 7:30pm Ashburn-Sterling Stated	9	10	11	12 8am Ken Shelton School
13 Daylight Saving Time Begins	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day 6:30pm Grand Master's Visit 7:30pm Hamilton-Thompson Sta	18 6:30pm Div Leadership Confere 6:30pm Scottish Rite, Alexandri	19
20 7:30pm Herndon Stated	21	22	23 7pm District School	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	Apr 1 April Fool's Day 8pm Freedom Stated	2

Events shown in time zone: Eastern Time

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