

Freedom Lodge No. 118 AF&AM

28 E. Broadway, Lovettsville, VA

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Stated Communication 1st Friday, 8:00 pm

From the East

Well the year is drawing to a close. Grand Lodge will be the weekend of Veterans Day and I will be at Grand Lodge. But I want to make sure all of you that are not going to Grand Lodge know of a special event in Lovettsville on 11/11/11. The 5th annual Veterans Day Ceremony will take place in the Town Square (Squircle) at 11:00am. This year the new Veterans Memorial will be dedicated. I would like to ask all of you to go to the ceremony to show our support for those who have served our great country in military service. Wear Masonic apparel such as hats, shirts, jackets, belts, etc., to show that Freedom Lodge and Freemasonry in general support our Military Veterans.

We will be celebrating Past Masters Night at our November stated. I hope to see all of our Past Masters there. Think about your year(s) as the Worshipful Master of Freedom Lodge and come prepared to share you memories.

"Should You Ever Meet a Fellow Creature"

The food bank still has a great need for food and other items for those less fortunate than us. Right now they can especially use: canned chicken, tuna and meats; Mac & Cheese; Chef Boyardee/canned ravioli, spaghetti, etc.; canned veggies other than corn and green beans; cold cereals; pancake mix and syrup; and jam/jelly to go with their peanut butter. Also they can use bath soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toilet paper, tissues, paper towels, laundry detergents and bleach, dish soap, and other cleaning materials.

Sincerely & Fraternally R. Harris McGarrah, Jr. WM

Ritual Instruction

Freedom Lodge Thursday November 10 at 7:00 pm. District School November 23. Place TBD

Masonic Education.

The Past Master

The honorable station of Past Master can not be honored by the brethren if it is not honored by its possessor. Fortunately, almost all who have earned the title of Past Master continue to serve their lodges with distinction. It is a title which has been earned by their total involvement in lodge activities and by their personal sacrifices. As with all honors and titles, Past Masters find that there are new rights and privileges which go with the title. There are also additional duties and responsibilities...and new challenges. With the title of Past Master, he is also accorded the accolade of "Worshipful" indicating that he is an honored and respected brother. It is a reputation which he must continually strive to uphold. Yes! Past Masters can be properly referred to as the "backbone of the Craft." It is a wise Master who recognizes the talents of the Past Masters and who uses them to good advantage. They can serve as a "sounding board" for the programs and activities a master is considering. He can "pick their brains" for ideas and he can count on the Past Masters to give him the wisdom of their experience. The Master serves as the rudder, steering the course, but it is often the Past Masters who assist him to "keep it on an even keel."

From the January 1931 Short Talk Bulletin,

Support the Western Loudoun 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 Western Loudoun Food Bank.

Upcoming Events

Nov 4 Freedom 118 Stated Nov 10 Lodge School Nov 23 District School

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