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A.F. & A.M. of Virginia

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Stated Meeting:

Every 5th Saturday
with

~~Breakfast at 9:00am~~

Meeting at 10:00am

~~Lunch at 11:30am~~

Lodge Attire:

Officers:

Tuxedo

~~Everyone else:~~

~~Lodge Suit Business
Casual or Dark Suit and~~

Location:

George Washington
Masonic National
Memorial
Alexandria, VA
*The Beautiful North
Room*

DUES

Cash or Check:

\$15 Annually

\$375 LMIP

PayPal:

adslor.sec@gmail.com

or www.adslor.org

\$16 Annually

\$385 LMIP

From the East

My Dear Brothers,

I hope this finds you and yours safe and well. From my family to yours, we wish the best possible holiday season. The year 2020 has been a challenging one and 2021 is shaping up to be as well. I challenge you my Brothers, to pick up the torch of hope in your communities and be that inspiration the downtrodden need, more especially during this time. Remember our Closing Charge and all that it inculcates. The eyes of the profane are upon you and the example you set in both word and deed will determine the answer to the age old principle question facing each Brother to be answered in his heart, "Are you worth anything or nothing to Freemasonry and is Freemasonry worth anything or nothing to you?". Let us work together to persevere with brotherly love, relief, and truth. Again, I ask you to unite with me in petitioning the Great Architect to grant each of us the strength and peace to overcome the challenges of these times. Remember that should you find yourself in or approaching financial hardship that your Brothers are here to support you. Our Grand Lodge has a fund in place to assist you. All you need do is ask and your request will be treated with the utmost care and confidence.

Our Annual Meeting is on 19 December 2020 at 10am in the North Lodge Room of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. Because of the pandemic, attendees will be limited to the officers only and our District Deputy Grand Master. We will not be holding elections as all the officers have agreed to remain in their respective stations and serve again for the next Masonic year. We will be accepting Committee reports, which will be published, replacing our Trustees as previously published and balloting on several new applications. I expect the meeting to last no more than 30-40 minutes as it is only to conduct business with no papers/presentations being given. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach me.

Please keep in mind that our scheduled Annual meeting occurring is of course subject to civil authority mandates regarding gatherings and the direction from our Grand Master. To reiterate, masks will always be worn, and social distancing will be observed at all times as well.

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WHAT IS FREEMASONRY?

"We're a group of men who meet on the level, act upon the square, and walk uprightly in life. We take good men and make them better by the teachings of Masonry, and work towards brotherly love, relief, & truth."

by our late friend and Brother, Charles Richard (Dick) Walk

Meeting Schedule

Date	Presenter	Program
Dec 21 st , 2019	David King, DDGM	Annual Meeting with the Election and Installation of Officers
Feb 29 th , 2020	Raymon Bacchus, PM	Reception of the DDGM
	James Landerkin, PM	The History of the "Band of Brothers" and its implications for Freemasons
	Jeremy Chevrier	Shabbat, Shechinah and the Solomonic Pillars
May 30 th , 2020	David Peters	Evolution of the Military & Military Lodges and the Globalization of Freemasonry to the Mid 1700's
	Kevin Homan, PM	A Primer on Irregularity and Clandestine Freemasonry
Aug 29 th , 2020	James Landerkin, PM	The Importance of Ritual in Freemasonry... and in Life
	Jason Himsey, PM	Appropriateness, regarding the flag of the United States of America
Oct 31 st , 2020	Brian Walaszczyk	Manichaeism and Freemasonry
	James Simonetti	Interpretations of the Blazing Star Symbol in Masonry
Dec 19 th , 2020	Raymon Bacchus, PM	Annual Meeting with the Election and Installation of Officers

Awards Program

Award	Recipient	Year
THE MW WERNER HERMAN MORLOCK MEMORIAL LECTURE	Douglas L. Jordan, PDDGM	2002
	Andre Salmon, PM	2003
	Roger W. Peak, PDDGM	2005
	Douglas L. Jordan, PDDGM	2007
	Rhey Solomon, PDDGM and David Stanley	2013
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD	Lloyd U. Jefferson, PGM	2002
	Stewart W. Miner, PGM	2003
	Melvin (Mickey) Ander, PDDGM	2010
	Donald L. McAndrews, PDDGM	2012
	G. William Miller, PM	2013
MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD	William Adrian Brown, PDDGM	2002
	John Shroeder, PDDGM	2003
	Roger W. Peak, PDDGM	2009
	Roger M. Firestone, PM	2010
NEW MASONIC RESEARCHER AWARD	Preston E. Burner, PM	2002
	Carlston O. Schlutter	2003
	Roger W. Peak, PDDGM	2004
	Rhey Solomon, PDDGM	2011

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At our virtual meeting in October we received a paper from Brother Brian Walaszczyk titled, "Manichaeism and Freemasonry" and a presentation from Brother James Simonetti titled, "Interpretations of the Blazing Star Symbol in Masonry". It should be noted that Brother Brian recorded the presentation of his paper more than a month ahead of time for us, as he knew that he would be on work related travel. A HUGE THANK YOU to these Brothers for their time and effort!!

On 1 December 2020 we launched our newly revamped website. It is redesigned to meet both our current and future needs and provides an updated public face for our Lodge. It also provides several resources to aid in your research, as well as pay your dues. Check it out at www.adslor.org.

Regarding membership and dues, I remind you to please do your part to sustain our Lodge's primary lifelines. First, extend invitations to Brothers whom you recognize are looking to enhance their Masonic journey. Second, remember to pay your dues. At a cost of fifteen dollars (\$15), it is arguably the best return on investment in Masonry. Our Lodge is now receiving payments via PayPal (see page 1). Otherwise, payments should be mailed to our Secretary at 4123 Galesbury Lane, Chantilly, VA 20151.

Throughout the year, your Trestleboard will be the source of information for upcoming events and activities. It will be published by the 1st of the month in the months which we meet, via email, on our webpage and Facebook page. Please do take the time to review it so you can participate. Your team is excited to serve you and we look forward to all of us working together to make A. Douglas Smith Jr. Lodge of Research No. 1949 a beacon of light in the Research Lodge community that good men may find us curious and then worthy of the investment of their time and commitment. Please reach me at any time at adslor.wm@gmail.com or on my direct line at 703-899-8590.

Sincerely and fraternally yours in friendship and service,

Ray

Raymon W. Bacchus, PM



2020 Lodge Leadership Team

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2020 District Deputy Grand Master

Title	Name	Email
District Deputy Grand Master, Virginia Research District	Right Worshipful Marc Allen Hone	varesearchddgm@gmail.com

2020 Committees

Committee	Chair Persons
Audit - Standing Committee	Senior Warden - Chairman, Junior Warden, Senior Deacon Treasurer and Secretary
Awards	Bill Miller, PM - Chairman, Bro. Joe Cook, Rhey Solomon, PDDGM and Carl Weaver, PDDGM
Membership - Standing Committee	Senior Warden - Chairman, Junior Warden, Senior Deacon and Junior Deacon
Publications	Bill Miller, PM - Chairman, Bro. Joe Cook, Rhey Solomon, PDDGM and Carl Weaver, PDDGM
Research Project - Commander Herndon	Bro. Fred Baerenz - Chairman, Bro. Joe Cook and Rhey Solomon, PDDGM

Trustees

Lloyd U. Jefferson, PGM
Stewart W. Miner, PGM
Donald M. Robey, PGM



The 175th
Grand Master
of Masons in
Virginia
(2019-2021)

Most Worshipful
Douglas Vernon Jones



*“Loyalty & Kindness –
A Lasting Impression”*

Our Masonic Youth

DeMolay International
www.demolay.org

Job's Daughters International
www.jobsdaughtersinternational.org

The International Order of
Rainbow for Girls
www.gorainbow.org

Resources

Quatuor Coronati Lodge
No. 2076
www.quatuorcoronati.com
Scottish Rite
www.scottishrite.org
Southern California
Research Lodge
www.theresearchlodge.com
United Grand Lodge
of England (UGLE)
www.ugle.org.uk
York Rite
www.yorkrite.org

Your
2020 & 2021
Leadership
Team



Past Masters

Year	Master	Year	Master
1983	William A. Myers	2002	John Shroeder, PDDGM
1984	Warner H. Morlock, PGM	2003	Kwame Acquaaah
1985	Harry G. Lutz	2004	Richard K. Thompson, PDDGM
1986	William H. Consia, PDDGM	2005	Roger M. Firestone
1987	Loyd U. Jefferson, PGM	2006	James D. Hawkins
1988	Richard B. Baldwin, PDDGM	2007	Douglas L. Jordan, PDDGM
1989	G. William Miller	2008	Donald L. McAndrews, PDDGM
1990	Peter Hwoschinsky, PDDGM	2009	Franklin J. Pepper, PDDGM
1991	Glen P. Friel, PDDGM	2010	O. McNeil "Neil" Marple
1992	H.M. Koehne, Jr., PDDGM	2011	Rhey M. Solomon, PDDGM
1993	Edwin R. Carpenter	2012	Lauris M. Ekk, III, PDDGM
1994	M. Mickey Ander, PDDGM	2013	Philip B. Brooks, PDDGM
1995	J. "Pete" Melvin, PDDGM	2014	Carl Weaver, PDDGM
1996	Thomas E. Weir	2015	Adi Karisik
1997	John E. Wallace	2016	Mauricio Carrasco
1998	David. L. Cotton	2017	Marc Hone, PDDGM
1999	C. Richard Walk	2018	Marc Hone, PDDGM
2000	Samual T. Atkinson, PDDGM	2019	David King, PDDGM
2001	Roger W. Peak, PDDGM	2020	Raymon W. Bacchus

Virginia's Research Lodges

A. Douglas Smith Jr. Lodge of Research No. 1949 www.adslor.org
 Civil War Lodge of Research No. 1865 www.cwlr.org
 George Washington Lodge of Research No. 1732 <https://sites.google.com/view/gwldodge>
 Peyton Randolph Lodge of Research No. 1774 <https://peytonrandolph1774.wordpress.com>
 Virginia Research Lodge No. 1777 www.researchlodge.org

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Ancient and Honorable Order of the Turtles
 Contact Wor. Raymon W. Bacchus and visit often!!
<http://www.phoenixmasonry.org/masonicismuseum/fraternalism/turtles.htm>