



Princess Anne Masonic Lodge No. 25 A7&AM

P.O. Box 6208, Virginia Beach, VA 23456



January, 2018

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Calendar:

- 1 – **New Year's Day!!!**
- 2 – **WVF – Traveling Gavel Visit!!!**
6:30pm Dinner / 7:30pm Open
- 3 – **Princess Anne No. 25**
Stated Communication
Officers: Tuxedo
Members: Coat and Tie
6:30pm-Dinner, 7:30pm-Open
- 8 – **Lodge Ritual School**
- 10 – **Lodge Ritual School**
- 15 – **Lodge Ritual School**
- 17 – **Lodge Ritual School**
- 22 – **Lodge Ritual School**
- 24 – **Lodge Ritual School**
- 27 – **MWD meeting, KV, 9-10am.**
- 29 – **Lodge Ritual School**
- 31 – **Lodge Ritual School**

*** **Brethren: Check out the 56th District Calendar via our website for our Sister Lodge events including Degree Work, Breakfasts and other events!!!**



Community Service:

Box Tops for Education / Labels for Education – Drop box Downstairs!!!

CCUMC Food Pantry. The requested focus for this year is **Canned Fruits.** Cash/Check donations (made out to Courthouse Community UMC) are also accepted in the drop box downstairs at the Lodge. **Support our local schools and food bank!**

Sickness and Distress:

If you are aware of any Brethren or family or Lodge Widows who are hospitalized or in poor health, contact W. John Kellam at 376-0715, or via e-mail at: sick-distress@princessanne25.org W. John will send them a card on behalf of the Lodge.

Contact Us!

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Lodge E-mail Distribution:

We send out regular notifications and event updates via e-mail. If you are not receiving these notifications, we need an update for your current e-mail address.

Lodge Roster – 2018:

Please forward all updates (E-mail, Address, Phone Number) to the Secretary to ensure accurate information is available for the publication of a 2018 Lodge Roster!

The secretary can be reached at:

secretary@princessanne25.org



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From the East:

Greetings and Happy New Year, Brethren!

I hope you all had a safe, enjoyable and relaxing Christmas and Holiday Season and time well spent with your families. 2018 looks to be another busy year for Princess Anne Lodge.

As we begin the New Year I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the brethren for placing their trust in the current line. The support and encouragement offered by the past masters has been exceptional and I'm sure I speak for all the officers in expressing our gratitude for your advice and guidance.

I want to thank everyone who supported our first HoneyBaked Ham Fundraiser. On very short notice, we sold \$816.00 worth of products and raised \$163 for our Lodge. One of our brethren contributed a \$25 donation as well. After conferring with the Wardens, we've decided to earmark these funds for pews in the new building. A special thank you to Most Worshipful Wayne Flora and Ginger Robinson for spearheading this one and doing the work. I'll be assigning a committee to pick this up and take it into the future. Just a reminder that Easter is April 1st. ☺

On the subject of fundraising... In his travels, Most Worshipful Gary Wallace Taylor, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia 2018, is asking the members to take a quart Mason jar and drop their daily change in it. At the end of the year, give it to your Lodge in support of our Lodges. What a great idea!

M.: W.: Taylor will be making his Official Visit on Saturday, February 3rd, 2018 at Khedive Shrine Temple in Chesapeake at 6:00 p.m. If you haven't already told me, please let me know if you plan to attend before January 19th. Let's make a special effort to invite our widows. We need to report Brethren, ladies, and widows.

I look forward to seeing each of you at your Lodge on January 3rd. The 6:30 meal will be prepared by Bro. Frank Craft. We'll do our best to end the Stated Meeting in time for some dessert and fellowship after.

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Finally, to our sick and shut-in Brethren, our thoughts and prayers are with you. Please do not hesitate to contact myself or any officer of the Lodge if we can be of any assistance. If you require a ride to Lodge, please let us know and we will make arrangements.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Mark Gioielli
Worshipful Master, 2018



From the West:

Brethren,

It's time to start the new year and there are lots happening at Princess Anne #25 to improve ourselves in Masonry during January and throughout the new year. We have two to raise and two to pass, so the degree teams need your help. Volunteer to take a spot and let's build our degree teams to create some depth in each role. We have experienced some sickness and distress so it's making it hard on all participants to fill the roles, some participants have 2 or 3 roles to fill and it makes it hard to provide the candidates the great degree work we all strive for, so come out on Monday's and Wednesday 7 to 8:30 for school, it's always fun, productive and a great social time with the brethren. Come out and support your lodge.

Fraternaly,

Terry Cogdill
Senior Warden



From the South:

Greetings Brethren,

I hope this message finds you in good health. The flu season is in full bloom, it seems, as many of us have been under the weather lately on one form or another. I hope you all were able to enjoy time with family over the holidays and are well relaxed. We have a busy year ahead of us and I'm excited to be a part of it.

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I have been tasked with forming a committee for our newer masons this year in efforts to mentor and guide our younger brethren to give them some direction on ways they can help our Lodge. I have already reached out to them and I think you will start to see more of our younger members taking part in many of our planned functions. I hope this will encourage all of our members to jump in and get active.

Since I am also in charge of our Community service efforts I will be requesting some help with those efforts as well. Our Lodge has been asked to concentrate on providing canned fruit to the food pantry this year. *I have set a goal for 400 cans of fruit for January.* Every effort you can

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provide to help achieve this goal is greatly appreciated. We will still be collecting any donations you are able to provide as well including money. Please do not forget about our Box tops for education program. I would like to get this program growing too.

I look forward to a positive, busy year with you all and I hope to see more of you join us on our upcoming visitations and functions. This is going to be another great year for our Lodge and I'm happy to be a part of it with you all!

Fraternally,

Craig Lowell
Junior Warden

January Masonic Birthdays:

Robert S.	Clark	34
Scott S.	Collins	11
Larry C.	Dowdy	9
Johnnie B.	Foster	68
Kenneth R.	Harris	11
Norman D.	Holcomb, Jr.	48
Ronald N.	Huff	11
Wayne E.	Judy	15
Timothy G.	Lee	4
Joseph P.	Long	22
Millard J.	Russell	10
Wilson D.	Widgeon	45

Happy Birthday Brethren!!!

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