



Princess Anne Masonic Lodge No. 25 A.F.&A.M.

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

February, 2018



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Calendar:

- 3 – Grand Master’s Official Visit
Khedive Shrine Center, 6pm
- 5 – Lodge Ritual School
- 7 – **Princess Anne No. 25
Stated Communication
DDGM Official Visit!**
Officers: Tuxedo
Members: Coat and Tie
6:30pm-Dinner, 7:30pm-Open
- 12 – Lodge Ritual School
- 14 – PA – MM Conferral (x2), 6pm
- 17 – **Khedive Shriners Screening Clinic**
See WB Cliff Atkinson for Info
- 19 – **Masonic Blood Drive**
Lynnhaven Lodge, 2-7pm
- 19 – Lodge Ritual School
- 21 – Lodge Ritual School
- 23 – **All Division Leadership
Conference, Granby Masonic
Temple, 6pm**
- 24 – MWD meeting, KV, 9-10am.
- 26 – Lodge Ritual School
- 28 – Lodge Ritual School

Sickness and Distress:

W.: John Kellam
(757) 376-0715
sick-distress@princessanne25.org

January Cards Sent:

Mrs. Cliff Atkinson
Brother Steve Palette
Margie Shirley
Cathy Garrett
WB Page Eaton
Mary Clements (MAHOVA Adoptee)

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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



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!**



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From the East:

Greetings Brethren –

I hope you are doing well and thawing out from the cold January weather.

Our February 7th Stated Communication will be the Official Visit of the District Deputy Grand Master for the 56th Masonic District, R.∴W.∴ Michael Dennis Scott. Come out and show our support for him as he shares his message from M.∴W.∴ Gary Wallace Taylor. The evening meal will be Bro. Thomas Blanton's delicious beef brisket.

Despite the bad weather, we were able to claim the District Travelling from Bayside #218 at their rescheduled Stated on January 18th. I'm sure Lodges will be out in force to claim it while supporting the DDGM's visit.

We initiated our newest EA on the January 24th. Thank you to the Degree Team and Bro. Craig Lowell for the lecture. A particular thank you to all of the Brethren that came out as sideliners.

The next Blood Drive is at Lynnhaven Lodge on February 19th from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Princess Anne Lodge is the host Lodge and will provide food for the donors.

I look forward to seeing each of you at your Lodge on February 7th. Again, the 6:30 meal will be prepared by Bro. Thomas Blanton. Because the DDGM is visiting this month, we'll do dessert with the meal, but we'll try to cover some of the committee reports during the last half of the dinner hour in an effort to get folks home at a decent time.

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 Fraternally,

Mark Gioielli
Master 2018



From the West:

Brethren,

We are starting out at a sprint this year and need all the help we can get! Your degree team has initiated a new member, conducted two Fellowcraft Catechism examinations and has two Master Mason's to raise this month. We are getting slim with a number of our regular team members out with health issues and schedule conflicts and could use some of the Lodge to come out of retirement and get involved with your Lodge's growth and its new member's Masonic Journeys. We would love our newest members to jump in as well.

Come out to our Lodge Ritual Schools Monday's and Wednesdays from 7 to 8:30. It is always fun, productive and a great social time with the brethren. Come out and support your lodge.

Due to health concerns as well, we are running short on coaches for our newest members. If you have the talent, please dust off the catechisms and take on our new members. It is a great way to "Be what is going on in your Lodge!"

Fraternally,

Terry Cogdill
Senior Warden

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From the South:

Brethren,

Well, we are now one month into the New Year and boy has it been a busy month! I hope everyone made it through the blizzard safely and stayed warm.

I am happy to report that my junior warden committee has been established per Worshipful Brother Mark's orders and the committee has already been tasked with various items to assist our lodge with things such as helping the stewards at our stated communications, helping raise food donations for the food pantry and also volunteering for various parts on the degree team. My committee consists of our newer masons, Entered apprentices, Fellowcrafts, and Master Masons, who have recently joined our lodge within the last two years. The committee members will continue to change as these members grow and new members join the Lodge and are added to my list.

I am very excited to see the younger masons stepping up, volunteering, and are eager to gain more light in masonry. I am hoping as the weather comes around and starts to get a little more comfortable our seasoned brethren will

follow their lead and begin to again volunteer their time to help our lodge achieve our goals and also get back on that path of improving themselves in Masonry. I firmly believe, where there is a student willing to learn there is a teacher willing to teach and you're never too old to learn something new. I have always been taught to apply myself in whatever I decide to do and the only person holding me back from my dreams is me. That being said, I encourage you to take the time and learn something new in your lodge this year. Whether it be a new part on the degree team, or just studying the meaning of a Masonic phrase or symbol that has always intrigued you. I guarantee if you do this you will learn just as much about yourself as you will about the mysteries of Masonry and if you're like me, it will encourage you to seek more light in Masonry to continue your journey to being a better man.

Finally brethren, don't forget about Valentine's Day this month. After all, behind every great man there is a really great woman. Don't forget our widows and make sure to let them know you are thinking about them.

Fraternally,

Craig Lowell
 Junior Warden

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February Masonic Birthdays:

James E. Colby	46
Nathan J. Gray, II	31
Perry E. Harris, Jr.	44
Harry D. Honaker, Sr.	8
Russell H. Malbone	9
Burton D. Melchor IV	28
Howard L. Sawyer	21
Herman C. Schojan	6
Nicholas J. Senti	3
Charles F. Skinner	28
James W. Woodall	46

Happy Birthday Brethren!!!



Traveling Gavel!!!

W.: Mark and the Brethren below successfully captured the 56th District Traveling Gavel at Bayside Lodge's Stated Communication on January 18th, 2018!

WB Mark Gioielli, RW Tom McGowan, RW Lank Malbone, WB Ken Holmes, B Terry Cogdill, B Craig Lowell, B Nate Gray, B Steve Palette

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