



Princess Anne Masonic Lodge No. 25 A7&AM

2849 Princess Anne Road, VB, VA, 23456

September, 2019



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Calendar:

- 2 – **Labor Day!!!**
- 2 – **Lodge Ritual Coaching Session**
- 4 – **Princess Anne No. 25 Stated Communication- Shrine Night!**
Dress: Lodge/Shrine Shirts
6:30pm-Dinner, 7:30pm-Open
- 9 – **Lodge Ritual Coaching Session**
- 11 – **Lodge Ritual School**
- 11 – **September 11th -18th Anniversary**
- 16 – **Lodge Ritual Coaching Session**
- 18 – **Lodge Ritual School**
- 23 – **Lodge Ritual Coaching Session**
- 25 – **Lodge Ritual School**
- 25 – **MWD Meeting, PA 25**
- 30 – **Lodge Ritual Coaching Session**

Sickness and Distress:

W.: John Kellam
(757) 376-0715
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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 Mailing Address:

Princess Anne No. 25
2849 Princess Anne Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23456

Community Service:

Box Tops for Education /
Labels for Education / PA
Middle Breakfast
Donations –



Drop box Downstairs!!!

CCUMC Food Pantry: The requested focus is **Canned Fruits**. **Support our local schools and food bank!**

Courthouse Area Charity – Tax Deductible Donations can be made via mail at: 2849 Princess Anne Road, VB, VA 23456. Make checks out to: “Courthouse Area Charity”.

Currently updating the Roster for a January 2020 Lodge Directory! Make sure your info is correct!

Personal Information updates should be sent to the Secretary via:
secretary@princessanne25.org



“Responsibility for Lodge Attendance is one which should merit the earnest consideration of every brother. Attendance was the subject on one of the charges of the Medieval Craft in which it was stated that “no Master or Fellow could be absent from the Lodge, especially when warned to appear, without incurring severe censure, unless it appeared to the Master and Wardens that pure necessity hindered him.” Our present day system of Freemasonry does not have minimum attendance requirements, nor is there a penalty prescribed for absence. However, every Master Mason has a moral obligation to be loyal to the Lodge which gave him Masonic light and all the benefits which come with it. This moral obligation should induce each brother to attend as regularly as possible and partake of the fellowship which is part and parcel of Freemasonry.” – **Grand Lodge of Virginia's Mentors Manual**



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From the East:

Why I am a Mason

Men become Masons for reasons that are as varied as the individuals that comprise our Order. For some, they follow in the footsteps of their father, their grandfather, their uncle, etc. because it's a family tradition. For others, they want to improve the community in which they live by helping those in need.

I Searched All Of My Life
C. Guffin - Freemason

I became a Mason because of the want and need I had to be a part of something bigger than myself. I searched all of my life for a place to fit in. I tried motorcycle clubs, churches, even the drink. Nothing filled the gap I had in my life until I met Mike. There was something about him I admired, and we became good friends, afterwards Brothers. Being a Mason filled the lonely hole in my life with true friendship and brotherly love. It was a place I felt safe from the worldly vices, not judging or reprimanding, but ever having a watchful eye. My Brothers aided in correcting my errors and in making me a better person and man, influencing me to be a better husband and father, and helping the community. When I moved from Maine to Virginia, I called the local Lodge and was greeted with the same friendship and brotherly love. Truly one could not have a higher honor than being a true Mason.

A Special Bond Among
Walter W. Young, PDDGM
(Grand Provost)

After joining the Fraternity, I found that there is a special bond among us that transcends religion, financial status, titles, or stature in the community. We can disagree in Lodge, sometimes heatedly, but at the end of the evening as we leave the sanctity of the temple, we are still friends and Brothers. This is what the Fraternity teaches. This is how we are supposed to live our lives, looking after each other, sharing in a Brother's joy, and standing beside him to comfort him in his sorrow. If you have ever been to a Masonic funeral then you have witnessed this Brotherly love and affection as we pay our last tribute of respect to our departing Brother. You saw first hand the care and comfort we extend to the widow in her hour of grief.

Brethren, I share these testimonies with you in hopes it will cause you to think about what we are doing at PA #25. I am very discouraged at the lack of community support and charity. We have a nice beautiful building and No one in the community knows anything about it. I tried to host an Open house and a dinner for 1st responders, I received 3 responses out of 300 members. If we do not start raising money to support the CAC the Lodge will go broke in 6 months. We keep putting out and nothing coming in. I encourage each of you to come to the stated with ideas to help in correcting



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this problem. The six or seven Brethren that do most everything can not keep it up.

So bring your ideas, your time and your efforts!

FAITH, HOPE, and CHARITY!!!

**Sincerely and Fraternaly,
W.: Terry Cogdill
Worshipful Master – 2019**



From the West:

Brethren,

I hope this message finds you well. Summer has ended, at least according to the calendar, and fall is right around the corner. It won't be long now and it will be Hunting season!! My favorite time of year! This year has sure gone by and as I am starting to turn more of my focus to finalize my planning for next year I am still dedicated to finishing my labors this year. I expect the next two months to be really busy for your degree teams as we close out this year's school season. I ask that if you can help fill a position please do so. **Many hands make light work!** The degree teams have been amazing this year and have consisted of many new brethren taking a part and for that I am truly thankful.

Please remember, as I mentioned at the last Stated, this year's Degree conferrals will end on November 6th to allow your Officers time to close out the final business of the Lodge and make preparations for next year. If you want your candidate to advance this

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year you will need to have them ready and scheduled prior to November 6th. Anything after that date will be scheduled for January 2020. Please do not schedule a date for your candidate if they are not ready to advance. A lot of time and effort goes into filling the team positions and the volunteers make the time to be at these events so please do not schedule a date and cancel it last minute.

Remember, these experiences are for your candidates and we all want to make every effort to ensure they get the proper Moral and Masonic meanings as they advance on their journey.

Thank you Brethren for all of your time and effort you have given this year in helping with all of the degree work so far. Without you we could not have accomplished anything.

**Sincerely & Fraternaly,
Craig Lowell
Senior Warden**



From the South:

Brethren,

This year the Lodge will continue to support the food pantry. I encourage you to donate egg cartoons and canned fruit to this worthy cause. The Lodge has also agreed to support the Princess Anne Middle School pantry which feeds at risk children who would otherwise not get breakfast. Try to donate breakfast bars, mini boxes of cereals, and/or shelf stable milk. Please place all donations in the foyer of the Lodge building and I will ensure its delivery.



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One of the obligations we all take is to promise to help a worthy Brother Mason. The first step to meeting this important obligation is to ensure the Lodge officers know which Mason's may be in need, enabling the Lodge to organize a suitable response. Therefore, please let me, any officer of Princess Anne Lodge, or W.: John Kellam know of any Mason who may need brotherly love.

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Once the Lodge's kitchen is up and running we intend to schedule a family dinner. Please be on the look-out for this event and please plan on breaking bread with your Brethren and their families.

I hope to see you at your Lodge.

Fraternally,
Jonathan Stone
Junior Warden

SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2001



18TH ANNIVERSARY ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2019



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SEPTEMBER 2019* MASONIC BIRTHDAYS FOR PRINCESS ANNE NO. 25

- van Nostrand, Horace Edward Brother - September 10, 1969 - 50 years
- Lee, William Myrle Brother - September 16, 1970 - 49 years
- Kennedy, Jack Morl Brother - September 12, 1984 - 35 years
- Thompson, Isaac Rowland Brother - September 23, 1987 - 32 years
- Nixon, Thomas Edward Sr. Worshipful - September 18, 1991 - 28 years
- Bortz, Timothy Eugene Brother - September 2, 1992 - 27 years
- Brewer, William Ray Brother - September 20, 1995 - 24 years
- Woolard, Jeffrey O'Neal Worshipful - September 11, 1996 - 23 years
- Turner, Kenneth Ivey Brother - September 20, 2000 - 19 years
- Hatfield, Reo Bentley III Brother - September 18, 2002 - 17 years
- Zahn, James Lee Worshipful - September 21, 2005 - 14 years
- Johnson, Joey Lance Brother - September 20, 2006 - 13 years
- Swoope, David Anthony Jr. Brother - September 30, 2009 - 10 years
- Hughes, William Franklin Jr. Brother - September 17, 2011 - 8 years
- Soderberg, Kyle Gary Brother - September 28, 2011 - 8 years

** Masonic years calculated as of December 31, 2019*

SEPTEMBER 2019* NATURAL BIRTHDAYS FOR PRINCESS ANNE NO. 25

- Willis, Walter George Brother - September 12, 1929 - 90 years
- Culverhouse, Edgar Allen Brother - September 6, 1934 - 85 years
- Dines, David Jordeson Brother - September 22, 1934 - 85 years
- Atkinson, Clifford Nelson Worshipful - September 1, 1938 - 81 years
- Cake, John William III Brother - September 21, 1941 - 78 years
- Eaton, Page Linwood Worshipful - September 27, 1941 - 78 years
- Griffith, Thomas Lee Brother - September 28, 1941 - 78 years
- McDine, Thomas Francis Brother - September 1, 1942 - 77 years
- Crandell, John Hudson Brother - September 16, 1942 - 77 years
- Taylor, John Mirl Brother - September 14, 1947 - 72 years
- Swan, Ronald Lee Jr. Brother - September 25, 1953 - 66 years
- Blanton, Thomas James Brother - September 11, 1954 - 65 years
- Gatbonton, Manuel Gulapa Right Worshipful - September 20, 1954 - 65 years
- Swoope, David Anthony Jr. Brother - September 10, 1960 - 59 years
- Gilbert, Billy Eugene Brother - September 25, 1960 - 59 years
- McFarlane, Brian Matthew Brother - September 12, 1963 - 56 years
- Russell, Millard James Brother - September 22, 1963 - 56 years
- Thomas, John Michael Brother - September 8, 1964 - 55 years
- Draper, Howard Lee Brother - September 2, 1968 - 51 years
- Rew, William Taylor Brother - September 23, 1968 - 51 years
- Densley, Aaron Wilford Worshipful - September 4, 1970 - 49 years
- Boatright, William Leo Brother - September 15, 1970 - 49 years
- Swanson, Tory James Brother - September 8, 1971 - 48 years
- Irving, Richard Ernest Brother - September 23, 1973 - 46 years
- Spain, Stephen Ray Brother - September 19, 1975 - 44 years
- Aviles, Elson Luis Brother - September 14, 1978 - 41 years
- Meachum, William Chester Brother - September 7, 1980 - 39 years
- Reese, Justin Neil Brother - September 14, 1980 - 39 years

** Age calculated as of December 31, 2019*