

Masonic Beehive

Princess Anne 25 – Ever Industrious




May 2021

Princess Anne Masonic Lodge No.25 AF&AM

2849 Princess Anne Road, VB, VA, 23456

Brethren:

 Pursuant to the most recent Grand Lodge COVID-19 guidelines, we may have up to **50 members in our Lodge at the May stated**, provided we practice proper social distancing protocols; seats must be separated by at least six feet and face masks are mandatory. As a result, the Lodge is now back open to all brethren who wish to attend.

Dinner will be provided at 6:30 p.m. Stated starts at 7:30 p.m.

I look forward to seeing everyone at your Lodge soon.

Despite our limitations this year, the business of the Lodge continues therefore please make a note of the following activities of your Lodge:

Unfortunately, the Lodge building has been the victim of recent vandalism on multiple occasions, during the month of March, resulting in extensive damage to the building and its doors. *See the full story on page 3.* In an effort to prevent this continued destruction to our building, the Lodge officers and trustees have implemented security upgrades and have activated the building's alarm system. *All Lodge key holders have been issued a key fob to enter the building and disarm the system. If you need access to your Lodge building please contact one of the lodge officers.*

Princess Anne Lodge is a proud supporter of the Courthouse Community United Methodist Church (UMC) Food Bank. I want to thank you again for all your donations you have made to the food pantry this past couple of months as we have made deliveries of several truckloads. However, in light of current economic difficulties, more in our region are currently struggling and we can always step up our efforts. This year we have been asked to concentrate our efforts by providing canned fruit for the food pantry. Our food and egg carton donations are appreciated and are still welcome but our efforts can be better utilized if we concentrate on donating canned fruit. For those members who do not have a key to the Lodge building, the *Lodge will be open on May 5th from 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.* for members to stop by with

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Calendar:

- 1 - VD - Stated 8:00am
- 4 - WV - Stated 6:30pm
- 5 - PA - Stated 6:30pm
- 6 - BS - Stated 6:30pm
- 8 - BS - Breakfast 8:00am
- 11 - KV - Stated 6:00pm
- 11 - PA - Tall Cedars 7:00pm
- 13 - LH - Stated 6:00pm
- 15 - LH - Breakfast 8:00am
- 27 - KV - DeMolay 7:00pm
- 29 - KV - Breakfast 8:00am

Be sure to keep a close check on updates, changes, restrictions, or cancellations on the electronic Lodge Calendar and emails from your Lodge

Secretary's Desk

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
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An Updated 2020 Lodge Directory is available! - [Printed and PDF versions](#)

Contact the Secretary to see how you may acquire one: secretary@princessanne25.org

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their food pantry donations. Note that cash donations are always welcome. Simply drop off your cash or check made payable to Courthouse Community UMC in one of the provided envelopes in the drop box located in the dining room of the lodge. Please write "Food Pantry" on the bottom of the check and also note "Food Pantry" on the drop box envelope. *The Courthouse Community UMC Food Bank is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.*

With the new COVID-19 restrictions and guidelines, the Lodge is once again able to perform degree work for the many patient brethren who have been "waiting a time with patience" for far too long. Please note that Princess Anne Lodge has a significant backlog of candidates, and we need members of this Lodge to step forward to volunteer for degree parts to enable us to schedule and confer degrees in the near future. Therefore, please respond to *Nick Lester's* call for assistance and take a part in the degrees we are scheduling. It will help us provide these future brothers with a memorable experience.

Finally, and most importantly, one of the obligations we all take is to promise to help a worthy Brother Mason. Especially during these difficult times, I encourage each and every one of us to be diligent in fulfilling this obligation. Please do not hesitate to notify the lodge officers of a Mason in need, enabling the Lodge to organize a suitable response. Therefore, please let me, any officer of the Lodge, or *PM John Kellam* know of any Mason who may need Brotherly Love.

I thank you so much for your support this year!

Fraternally, ~ *Jonathan Stone, WM 2021*

Easter Lilies for Our Special Ladies

The week of Easter, Craig Lowell, the Widow Committee Chairman, organized the purchase of 65 Easter Lilies, and had the Lodge brothers personal deliver them.



If you are not currently sponsoring a Lodge Widow please contact me.

Craig Lowell
cclowell01@gmail.com



Masonic May Birthdays

Name	Years a Mason
John Elliott Barnes Jr. Bro.	65
William Kenneth Wilson Jr. Bro.	51
Floyd Edwin Waterfield Jr. Bro.	48
Floyd H. Carroll. Bro.	46
Ernest Lee Hargrove Jr. Bro.	45
Kenneth Wilson Holmes. Wor.	37
Stanley Scott Leonard Bro.	35
Glenn David Latham Bro.	34
Travis Wingfield Halstead Jr. Bro.	33
Jon David Martin Bro.	31
Joseph Milton Voss Wor.	28
Shannon Lane Polk Bro.	27
Robert Wallace White Jr. Bro.	24
John Christopher Ludford Bro.	21
John Andrew Hampton Bro.	15
Ernest Larry Minnick Jr. Bro.	13
Clarence Percival Hathaway III ... Bro.	8
Dennis William McEwen Bro.	6
Richard Ernest Irving Bro.	6
Tyler Nichalos Condon Bro.	4
Noah Tommy Harrison Bro.	3

May Birthdays:

Name	Age
Bruce Laroy McHenry. Bro.	81
Earl Edward Wise Jr. Bro.	80
Edward Swindell Martin Jr. Bro.	67
Stanley William Vane Bro.	62
Dale Henry Oran Bro.	62
Joseph Paul Long Bro.	60
Michael Todd Robinson Bro.	50
Herbert Ashburn Culpepper Jr. Bro.	50
Jason Wilder Hoggard Bro.	49
James Lee Zahn Wor.	44
Keith Richard Stolte Jr. Wor.	31
William Christopher Sexauer Bro.	23
Calculated as of May, 2021	

Masonic Trivia

U.S. President in 1828, at the height of the anti-Masonic period.

1. Andrew Jackson
2. John Quincy Adams
3. William Henry Harrison

The first to drop me an email with the correct answer will be honored at the next Stated with a surprise gift.
scribe@princessanne25.org

April Winner: Ken Holmes
Answer was 1. Clark Gable

Bad Lodge News and Some Good Lodge News

The bad news first. Many of you may have heard that our Lodge was vandalized and one week later was broken into. In both events, the damage was minor. The first vandalism was all outside. They stole the Masonic emblems from both sides of our entry sign, kicked and broke the light and mounts at the sign, kick and dented all of the gutter downspouts, turned off the natural gas, and hit the side door glass hard enough to break the outer windowpane.

The next week was much worse. They broke out the side door and entered the building. The theft and damage was still minor. The damage was contained to the dining area. They used a sharp tool to stab one wall, and the TV. They pulled the thermostat from wall. Lastly, they stole the Tiler's decorative sword. The police are investigating.

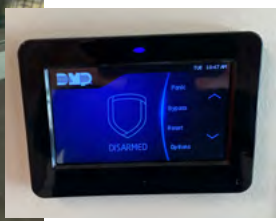
Now the good news. The break-in and vandalism has motivated the Lodge to improve and upgrade the security system. We have installed security cameras inside and outside that monitor and record 24/7. The alarm system was not activated during the time of the last break-in. The system has been modified to automatically activate from dusk to dawn. We have moved away from the key and code system to a fob system to enter the lodge. We have taken other measures to make sure you are safe while in and outside the building. *The new entry system is provided for general information.* If you have any questions contact MW Wayne Flora.



System Operation - One - Two - Three Easy!

This is for the officers and previous key holders. After presenting the fob, the door automatically unlocks, disarms the alarm, and records the members ID. When leaving - one finger touch and 60 seconds to leave. The doors lock automatically behind you.

For everyone else using the Lodge the system is almost invisible! A zero chance of accidental alarm mishap.



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History Making Challenge Coin

The year 2021 is Princess Anne Masonic Lodge's *150 year anniversary*. In honor of this momentous occasion, and as my fundraising effort for 2021, the Lodge officers have designed and produced a Masonic challenge coin honoring this occasion. *The Lodge is selling the coins for \$30 per coin.* This will enable the Lodge to cover the cost of production and design and the extra "profits" will be donated to the Virginia Masonic Home and Shriner's Hospitals for their charitable needs. If you *wish to purchase* a coin please stop by the Lodge on *May 5th from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.* We can accept payment via cash or checks. If the interest is there I will announce other future dates where officers of the Lodge will make the challenge coins available.

