

ARLINGTON CENTENNIAL-GLEBE NO. 81

From the East

Notes from Your Lodge Secretary

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS FOR MARCH

Robert K. Appleton	1952	Charles H. Rowell	1954
Demetrios Armenakis	1959	Terrance M. Seely	1967
Hoover S. Bowling	1971	Jon D. Sell	1975
John S. Darlington	1966	Donald L. Sellman	1965
Jerry Johnson	1985	James R. Thompson	1956
Wayland F. Jones	1966	Kingsley P. Thompson	1987
Robert F. Polk	1958	Nickey D. Turner	1975
Everett W. Quintrell	1950		

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MARCH 2007

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Mon, Mar 5	7:00 PM	Master Masons Degree, ACGL
Tue, Mar 6	7:30 PM	Bethel #1 Meeting
Sat Mar 10	6:00 PM	Official Visit of Grand Master Scottish Rite Temple, Alexandria
Wed, Mar 14	7:00 PM	EA Degree, ACGL
Tue, Mar 20	7:30 PM	Bethel #1 Meeting
Sat, Mar 24	9:30 AM	Area Leadership Conference Warrington, VA
Wed, Mar 21	7:00 PM	Rusty Nail Class
Mon, Mar 26	7:30 PM	ACGL # 81 Stated Communication Dinner at 6:30 PM Nomination for 2008 DDGM
Tue, Mar 27	7:00 PM	FC Degree, ACGL
Wed, Mar 28	7:30 PM	District Instructor of Work Class at Sharon Lodge

Brethren:

February was a great month for Arlington Centennial – Glebe. Our lodge welcomed the District Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Jay Alexander Brannam for his official visit, honored Worshipful Orval James Smith on the occasion of his 70th year as an active participant in the Blue Lodge and many other Appendant Bodies, initiated, passed and raised a number of new brethren, and voted on three more fine individuals to receive the degrees in Freemasonry. The month of March promises to be just as busy, and we hope you will join us for our upcoming degree work and stated communication.

Our theme this month at the stated communication will be “Overcoming Adversity”. Brother James Wright, a member of Cherrydale Lodge #42, has graciously offered to help us plan our program by inviting an accomplished member of his Multiple Sclerosis support group and good friend Laura Siegel to address our lodge on her experiences with MS. Ms. Siegel, like many who suffer from MS, is a true fighter and has not let the disease interfere with her true passion as a singer/songwriter. She will speak with us and perform several selections from her recent album, which will be available for purchase following the program. I strongly encourage all of our brethren to attend and to bring their families and friends as well.

Finally, I would like to recognize Brothers Israel Romero and Daniel Tuma who will be leaving us soon. Brother Israel will be leaving Virginia for his native Puerto Rico to command a unit there, but will be returning in a few years. Brother Dan will be moving to sunny San Diego to rejoin his loved ones and make a new life for himself. Please join me in wishing them both the best and we hope to see both of them back here soon!



Sincerely and Fraternally,
Jason H. Gerbsman, Master

Your Lodge is off and running for the new year. We Raised two new Brothers in February and plan to raise two more in March. We have at least another 4 candidates waiting their turn. All this Masonic work requires the efforts of many people. If you would like to learn a small or large part and participate in the ritual, please give me a call and we'll find a role for you. If you would rather not learn a part, there is still a place for you on the sidelines in every degree.

This Month I'd like to honor Wor. Samuel C. Anaya. Not only is Wor. Brother Anaya a 50-year member of our Lodge but this year he took on the role as Worshipful Master of Black Heath Daylight Lodge # 1982 at 80 years of age. Who says you can't teach an old Mason a new trick?

Your Lodge Secretary is still collecting donations to the Lodge Scholarship fund. While it continues to grow, it is doing so very slowly. Now is a great time to send in that donation you had put off earlier. Donations of \$100 or more are recognize on a perpetual plaque.

The payments for the annual dues have been coming in slowly over the last month or so. There are still over 50 members who have not yet paid. Please check you current dues card and if it does not say 2007, please send in your payment as soon as possible. The dues this year are \$55.00. If you owe for more than one year, I have sent you a letter to advise you of the amount and will send out a reminder in March.

There are a number of our Brothers who have or are experiencing illnesses at this time. I would ask that everyone take a moment in their devotions to the Deity to remember members of our Fraternity who are infirm or in need of an additional share of God's love.

I have just received word that Brother Victor H. Losch passed on Feb 23rd. A Masonic Service is in planning at Arlington Cemetery in the coming weeks.

STATED COMMUNICATION AT 7:30 PM ON 4th Monday (except 2nd Monday in December). Preceded by dinner and social hour beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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I Am Freemasonry

I was born in antiquity, in the ancient days when man first dreamed of God. I have been tried through the ages, and found true. The crossroads of the world bear the imprint of my feet, and the cathedrals of all nations mark the skill of my hands. I strive for beauty and for symmetry. In my heart is wisdom and strength and courage for those who ask. Upon my altar is the Book of Holy Writ and my prayers are to the One Omnipotent God. My sons work and pray together, without rank or discord, in the public mart and in the inner chamber. By signs and symbols I teach the lessons of life and of death and the relationship of man with God and of man with man. My arms are widespread to receive those of lawful age and good report who seek me of their own free will. I will accept them and teach them to use my tools in the building of men, and thereafter, find direction in their own quest for perfection so much desired and so difficult to attain. I lift up the fallen and shelter the sick. I hark to the orphan's cry, the widow's tears, the pain of the old and destitute. I am not church, nor party, nor school, yet my sons bear a full share of responsibility to God, to country, to neighbor and themselves. They are freemen, tenacious of their liberties, and alert to lurking danger. At the end I commit them as each one undertakes the journey beyond the vale into the glory of everlasting life. I ponder the sand within the glass and think how small is a single life in the eternal universe. Always have I taught immortality, and even as I raise men from darkness into light, I am a way of life.

--Anonymous

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