

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR JUNE AND JULY

Sat	June 26	8:00am	Blood Drive at ACGL - Free Fellowship Breakfast!
Mon	June 28	7:30 pm	June Stated Meeting at ACGL - Dinner at 6:30pm
Wed	June 30	7:00 pm	District Instructor of Work School at Sharon Lodge
Thur	July 1	7:30 pm	Master Mason Degree at ACGL
Sun	July 4		Happy Independence Day!
Mon	July 5	7:30 pm	Lodge Instruction School at ACGL
Mon	July 12	7:30 pm	Lodge Instruction School at ACGL
Mon	July 19	7:30 pm	Entered Apprentice Degree at ACGL
Mon	July 26	7:30 pm	July Stated Meeting at ACGL - Dinner at 6:30pm
Wed	July 28	7:00 pm	District Instructor of Work School at Sharon Lodge



Give The Gift of a Second Chance,
Please Donate Blood

54th Masonic District Blood Drive

**Saturday, June 26th
8:00am – 12:30pm**

Arlington Masonic Temple
One South George Mason Drive
Arlington, Virginia

Free Fellowship Breakfast!

FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

As we reach the summer months, we once more approach the hottest time of the year. As in years past, dress for the June, July and August stated meetings will be “Business Casual”. Appropriate dress for degrees will remain a coat and tie for members and tuxedos for officers.

At our May stated meeting we discussed the problem of poor turnout at our degree work. This is an issue that I feel very strongly about and an area where our lodge must improve. Over the past 4 years we have raised an average of 12 Master Masons per year. In 4 groups of 3, that works out to 1 degree per month. In an effort to increase degree work attendance, there will be a called communication scheduled regularly on the 3rd Monday of every month specifically to confer degrees. In July we will be raising two Master Masons on Thursday, July 1st and initiating two Entered Apprentices on Monday July 19th in this lodge. Please be there to support your brethren. We all took upon ourselves on oath to obey the rules of our order. One of those rules states that you attend meetings if within the length of your cable tow.

Here is the excerpt from the Constitution of Masonry on attendance at lodge:

“Every Brother ought to belong to some regular Lodge, and should always appear therein properly clothed, and in clean and decent apparel, truly subjecting himself to all its by-laws and general regulations. He must attend all meetings, whether stated or emergent, when duly summoned unless he can offer to the Master and Wardens such plea of necessity for his absence as the said laws and regulations admit.

By the ancient rules and usages of Masonry (which are generally adopted among the by-laws of every Lodge), no plea was judged sufficient to excuse any absentee, unless he could satisfy the Lodge that he was sick, lame, in confinement, upwards of three miles from the places of meeting, or detained by some extraordinary and unforeseen necessity.”

Here is a further excerpt from The Methodical Digest of the Grand Lodge of Virginia:

“Sec. 3.02. Must Attend all Meetings When Duly Summoned, etc. — He must attend all meetings, whether stated or emergent, when duly summoned, unless he can offer such plea of necessity for his absence as the by-laws and general regulations admit; and to all these laws and regulations he must render a willing and cheerful obedience.”

Please make an attempt to attend these degree nights to support these new Master Masons as they are raised on the Thursday, July 1st at 7:30pm and welcome these new Entered Apprentices as they are initiated on Monday, July 19th at 7:30pm

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BRETHERN WHO HAVE DEPARTED IN 2010

These brethren have laid down their working tools and have been called to receive their wages.

Please keep their memories and the welfare of their families in your thoughts and prayers.

Name	MM Date	Age	Name	MM Date	Age
James L. Yates, PM	8 / 15 / 1958	75	David H. Graham, PM	2 / 8 / 1950	91
William F. Wiseman	5 / 2 / 1951	94	Charles H. Carlin	9 / 17 / 1952	93
James F. Purdham, Sr.	8 / 17 / 1970	89	John G. Fox, Jr., PM	6 / 15 / 1950	90
Robert O. Harrison	12 / 4 / 1963	74	John E. Stewart	1 / 15 / 1964	87

JUNE MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

Orval J. Smith	1936	74 years	George W. Day	1949	61 years
Wilbert N. Kahoun	1953	57 years	John D. Brouger	1956	54 years
Raymond F. Fritter	1960	50 years	William E. Riggan	1962	48 years
Kenneth E. Fee	1965	45 years	Jack G. Klepfel	1967	43 years
Harold M. Taylor	1967	43 years	Melvin L. Crane	1972	38 years
DeLano Farmer	1973	37 years	Norberto J. Rossini	1973	37 years
Freeland E. Cook	1973	37 years	Clifton M. Gladney	1979	31 years
Eugene Junquera	1979	31 years	Marcelo C. Rodriguez	1983	27 years
Ronald L. Wright	1986	24 years	Ronald E. Willis	1991	18 years
William C. Harrison	1991	18 years	Norman E. Lopez	1992	17 years
Robert F. Uttenweiler	1994	16 years	William R. Davis	1998	12 years
Charles R. Jordan	2000	10 years	Robert S. Mitchell	2001	9 years
Jeffery E. Fowler	2003	7 years	Robert A. Prather	2003	7 years
John C. Brinegar	2003	7 years	Shane C. Wilkerson	2006	4 years
George A. Sozio	2007	3 years	Samuel Bendett	2009	1 year

JULY MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

Emerson F. Hunsberger	1938	72 years	Dewitt T. Hartwell	1953	57 years
James H. Crist	1954	56 years	Robert L. Rizzuti	1954	56 years
J. W. Patty	1962	48 years	Louis A. Mehok	1969	41 years
Jack E. Helmick	1970	40 years	Ellis B. Wisler	1971	39 years
Gary D. Gore	1972	38 years	David J. Herron	1972	38 years
C. Bruce Palmer	1972	38 years	George T. Copes	1972	38 years
John R. Furrow	1975	35 years	George D. Gilbreath	1976	34 years
Robert M. Gaudet	1979	31 years	Paul D. Metcalf	1980	30 years
John C. Rand	1991	19 years	Eric M. Stiller	1992	18 years
Larry L. Anderson	1996	14 years	William L. Wilson	1998	12 years
Edwin D. Morman	2002	8 years	Jack A. Armenakis	2004	6 years
Jason R. Knight	2005	5 years	Jason R. Murphy	2006	4 years
Daniel G. Tuma	2006	4 years	Troy V. Harrison	2006	4 years
Denny L. Winningham	2009	1 year			