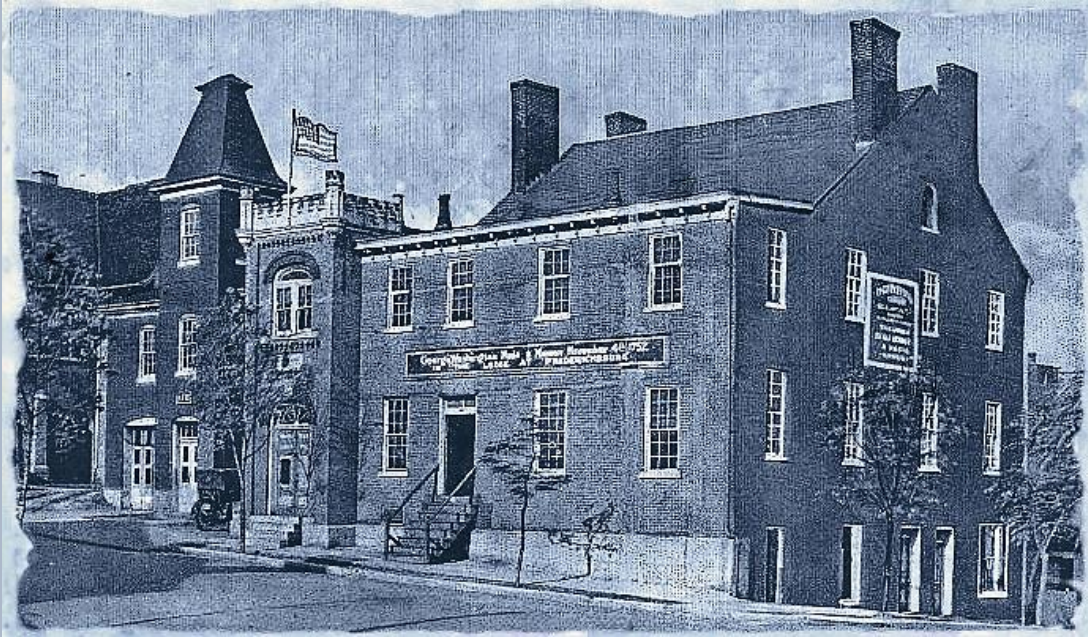


FREDERICKSBURG LODGE NO. 4, A.F. & A.M.



TRESTLE BOARD

FIRST RECORDED MEETING - SEPTEMBER 1, 1752

SCOTTISH CHARTER - JULY 21, 1758

VIRGINIA CHARTER - JANUARY 30, 1787

MOTHER LODGE OF ILL. : BRO : GEORGE WASHINGTON

803 Princess Anne St.
Fredericksburg,
VA 22401

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INITIATED NOVEMBER 4, 1752

PASSED MARCH 3, 1753

RAISED AUGUST 4, 1753

'A TEMPLE OF LIVING STONES'

AUGUST 2021

Stated Meeting
Second Fridays
(except Nov. 4)

Dinner 6:00 pm
Meeting 7:30 pm

Degree Work
Wednesdays 7pm
(check calendar)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4 EA Degree (Lodge #1752) 7pm	5	6	7 Pancake Breakfast 8-10am GWRL #1732 11am
8	9	10 Community Meal 4:30 – 6pm	11 MM Degree 7 pm	12	13 Dinner 6pm Stated Meeting 7:30 pm	14
15	16	17	18 Ritual Practice 7pm	19 Visit to Ashland Lodge #268	20	21 Lodge Education 8am Lodge Picnic 3-7pm
22	23	24 District School 7pm	25 EA Degree & Return 7pm	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Consult calendar on website for details and updates.

ANNIVERSARIES & MILESTONES

Carlos Manuel Melendez	46 years	James Lamur Ragsdale	36 years
Jeffery Eugene Hodges	36 years	Kenneth Mckeller Elliott III	30 years
Jeremy Brandon Utt	21 years	Christopher Kent Aleo	21 years
Kenneth Aaron Crampton	18 years	Dennis Edward Lindsay	16 years
Peter Duane Klei	16 years	Frederick Lawrence Lentz	15 years
David James Pompilio	15 years	Bob Raymond Melvin Jr	13 years
William Woodrow II	13 years	John Home Corderman	13 years
George Heyer Knauf	13 years	George Edward Nowacek	13 years
Timothy Andrew Bettendorf	13 years	Richard Lee Blumling	13 years
Richard Allen Klehm	13 years	Timothy Allen Gilbert	13 years
George Willis Langford	13 years	Alexander Ryan Vancuren	10 years
Brendan Douglas Klei	10 years	Larry Douglas Wheeler	10 years
Luis Florentino Hernandez	10 years	Paul Rutherford Dooley	6 years
Kevin Holyfield	6 years	James Robert Dubois	6 years
Christopher George Zimmerman	6 years	Thomas F. Callahan	6 years
Alexander Vincent Genovese	6 years	Daniel Lee Linnabary	5 years
Darren Keith Smith	3 years	Ian Anotony Nunya-Smith	3 years
William Mattew Stevenson	3 years	Jeffery Alan Harvey	3 years
Michael John Almassy	3 years	Donald Lee Powell Jr	3 years
Paul Douglas Chewing	3 years	Karl Anders Erikson Jr.	3 years

Michael Joseph Spellman II	2 years		
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MASTER'S CORNER

Summer is traditionally the time of year when things slow down at Lodge, but this year has proven, once again, to be an exception. Instead, we're finding ourselves just gearing up for a busy fall. This month, I wanted to look ahead and apprise you of the various events that are being planned, in hope you'll choose to join us after the long dry spell we've been through. While there seems to be growing uncertainty and unease due to the rising specter of the delta variant, all we can do is push forward and have faith that the Great Architect will see us through. It's a common saying that to fail to plan is to plan to fail. So while we don't know what the future will bring, we'll continue to move forward with Faith, Hope, and Charity. The Great Architect willing, here's what we have planned over the next few months.

First, the Lodge picnic (which we are combining with Daylight Lodge No. 1752) will be from 3-7pm on Saturday, August 21st, at the Fredericksburg-Rappahannock Chapter of the Izaak Walton League, 12400 Herndon Road, Spotsylvania, VA 22553. Many of you will remember when we used to have it there, and they've done a lot of work and have a new building we can use. Bring your fishing pole—while you have to be a member to shoot, fishing in the stocked trout pond is allowed. There may be a prize for best catch of the day!

Next up, please join us at our August stated on lucky Friday the 13th. August has traditionally been our Hawaiian shirt night—the once time a year we get to relax our normally very formal dress after sweating in dinner jackets all summer. This year, we're going *whole hog* with our first luau/pig-roast, complete with all the trimmings and upside-down pineapple cake for dessert. And we're also honored to host a special program on Bro. John Paul Jones by R.W. Paul Lockhart, DEO of District 4.

In September, we have several events planned—our stated, on September 10th will be Past Masters' night and we'll be doing our annual chili cookoff. Then on September 18th we will have our annual Table Lodge featuring a prime rib dinner and lots of good fellowship. Unlike in the past, this will be a separate, called communication rather than our stated meeting.

We'd talked about setting up a family outing to take in a Fred Nats ballgame, but the Rainbow Assembly No. 12 took things by the horns and ran with it. By the time you read this, ticket sales will be closed, but hopefully everyone who wanted to has had the chance to sign up. That will be the last game on the season on Sunday, September 21st. Thanks to the Rainbow for setting this up! Finally in September, the annual FMMA Golf Tournament will be on Friday, September 24th, at Meadow Farms (please see flyer at the end of this Trestle Board).

Masonic Family Day at MAHOVA is on October 9th. We're also tentatively planning an outing for our Masonic widows on Saturday, October 16th, so please save the date...details to follow shortly.

Lastly, on November 1st, the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Douglas Vernon Jones, will make his official visit to Fredericksburg in honor of the 269th anniversary of the initiation of Ill. Bro. George Washington into the Mysteries of Freemasonry. This will be a great honor for our Lodge, and it appears we may have more than one Grand Master...and visitors from out west...in attendance.

As you can see, this is going to be a busy fall. This is the time to get re-energized about Masonry, and we will—God willing—plan other events going into December. Thanks also to all the Brethren who came out for our fraternal visit to the new Spotsylvania Lodge No. 26 this past week—we had 13 in attendance. We wish them all the best and encourage the Brethren to support them. We also welcome any suggestions on other Lodges—in or out of our District—to visit over the coming months.

SECRETARY'S CORNER

WOW! It's already August. This year has been flying right along. What would a Secretaries section be without a monthly plea that if you are behind in your dues reach out to us and let's make an arrangement, it is confidential and we would hate to see you fall behind. We are here for you in whatever you may need.

Now for a bit of fun! Did you know Colonel Sanders was a Brother?

Colonel Harland Davis Sanders September 9, 1890 – December 16, 1980

American businessman, and founder of the Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant franchise, Harland David Sanders started the business in 1952 and sold it in 1964, although he remained their corporate spokesman until his death. Governor Ruby Laffoon made him a Kentucky Colonel in 1935 in recognition of his contributions to the state's cuisine. And in 1939, his establishment was first listed in Duncan Hines' "Adventures in Good Eating."

Initiated: April 6, 1917

Demitted: February 27, 1920

Lodge No. 651 (Indiana), Henryville, Indiana

Passed: 1919

Raised: 1919

Courtesy to 651 (Indiana) by Clark 40 (Indiana)

Affiliated: October 27, 1953

Demitted: April 13, 1976

Hugh Harris Lodge No. 938, Corbin, Whitley County, Kentucky

FROM THE ARCHIVES



This Wednesday, August 4, 2021, we commemorate the 268th Anniversary of the raising of our Ill. Brother George Washington to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. One wonders what influence that had on the course of his life.

(Picture of Bro. Washington kneeling at Mt. Vernon.)

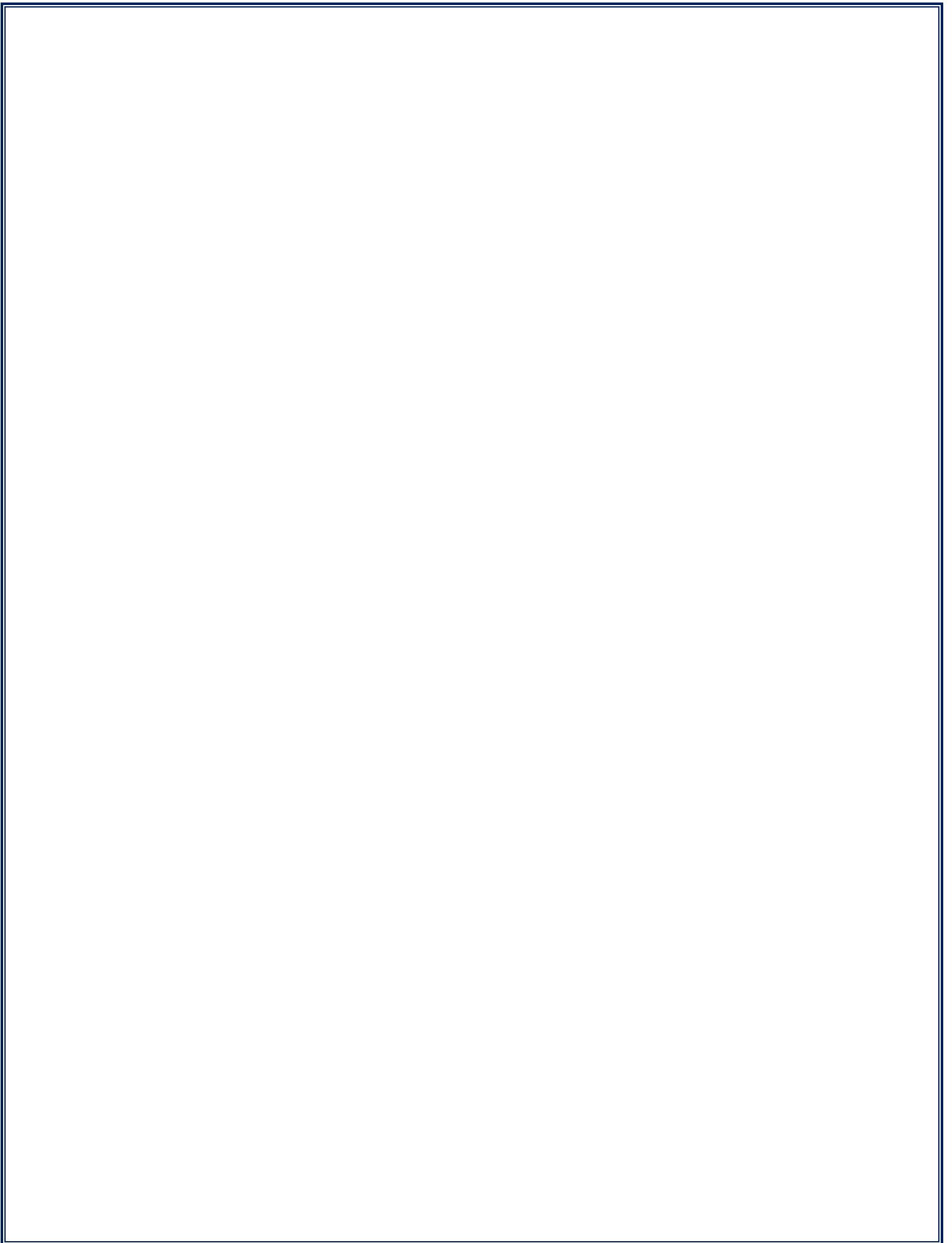
He remained a member of Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4 for the remainder of his life, as evidenced by the Grand Lodge returns from 1799.

This year, we will have an EA Degree on August 4th to welcome a new Brother (on behalf of Edward H. Cann Daylight Lodge No. 1752) into the Mysteries of Freemasonry.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Micah Ministries is transitioning back into serving community meals for the homeless and others in need in and around Fredericksburg. The Lodge will be hosting the meals once again starting the 2nd Tuesday in August (and may take on additional dates as more churches become involved.) We will be doing this in lieu of delivering meals to local hotels.

We are also still looking for volunteers to take on a Habitat for Humanity Project...please reach out if you are interested.





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GOLF TOURNAMENT

September 24, 2021



Meadows Farms
**HOME OF THE
LONGEST
HOLE IN THE
USA**
Captain's Choice

Reminder about the FMMA Golf Tournament for 2021, to be held on Friday, September 24, 2021, at Meadows Farms. Registration is now open at the website below.

Website: [FMMA Annual Golf Tournament \(perfectgolfevent.com\)](http://perfectgolfevent.com)

Please consider sponsoring a hole, donating prizes, or registering a foursome. The Lodge Building and Cemetery are both in need of repair, so please consider helping out as well as enjoying a great day of fun and fellowship.

Lodge #4 STATED DINNER



August 13, 2021

Fellowship Dinner is open to all and begins at **6:00 pm**

Whole Pig Roast

With Mac & Cheese, Coleslaw, Collard Greens, Potato Salad, Rolls, assorted Drinks, and Dessert

Cost is \$15.00

It's Hawaiian Shirt Night—Wear you wildest Hawaiian Shirt and **Bring a Friend**



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Chris Decker, PM – 2022

Dan Goodwin, PM – 2023
Dennis David - 2025

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Ross Upchurch

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Huey Allen

Lodge Almoner
Richard Klehm, PM

LIVING PAST MASTERS

Wor.: Carter. G. Wells.....	1963	Wor.: Jene G. Parrotte.....	2004
Wor.: Rudolph E. Griffith.....	1974	R.:W.: Steven W. Sanford.....	2005
Wor.: Henry W. Baker.....	1975	Wor.: Richard D. Dey.....	2006
Wor.: Edward L. Donalson.....	1983	Wor.: Anthony L Rudder.....	2007
Wor.: Dennis W. Berry.....	1986	R.:W.: Jeffrey D. St. Onge.....	2009
Wor.: Thomas C Shelton.....	1988	Wor.: Shelton S. Mackey.....	2010
Wor.: William J. White.....	1989	Wor.: Shelby L. Chandler.....	2011
Wor.: James R. Adams.....	1992	Wor.: Christopher J. Decker.....	2012
Wor.: Robert W. Benish.....	1993	Wor.: Christopher R. Wilson.....	2013
Wor.: Michael J. McCray.....	1995	Wor.: Jeffrey L. Mitchell.....	2014
Wor.: Steven M. Gallahan.....	1996	M.: W.: Jeffrey P. VanCuren.....	2015
Wor.: Charles B. Pasto.....	1998	Wor.: James L. Ragsdale.....	2016
Wor.: J. Travis Walker.....	2000	Wor.: Michael T. Moses.....	2017
Wor.: Daniel W. Thompson.....	2001	Wor.: Daniel T. Goodwin.....	2018
R.:W.: W. Robert Brammer.....	2002	Wor.: James M. Snyder.....	2019
Wor.: Sheridan G. Harrod.....	2003	Wor.: Stanley R. Kennedy.....	2020