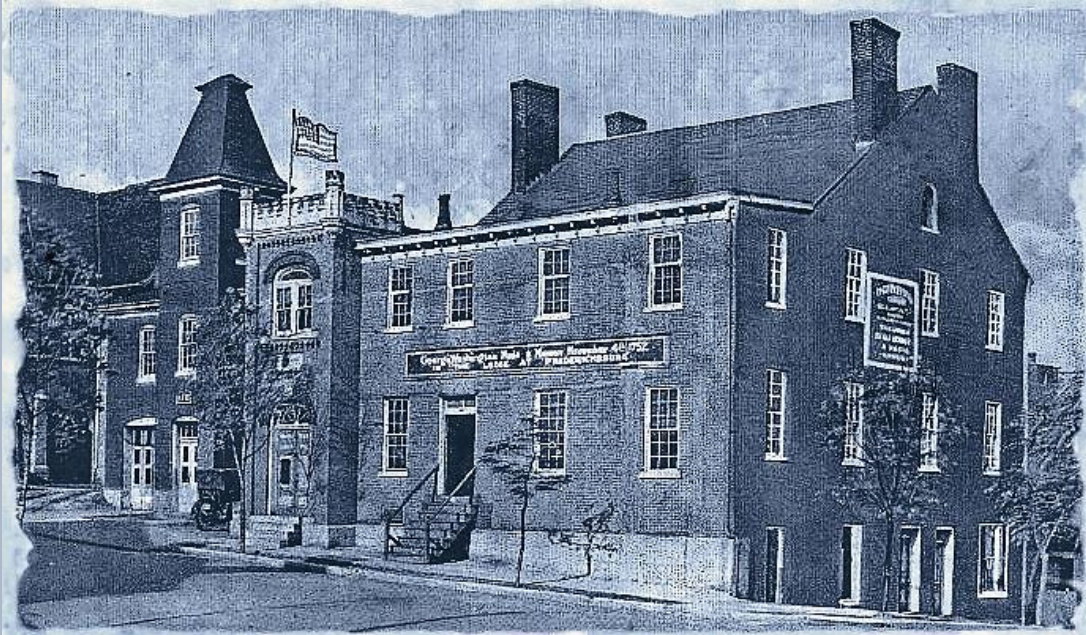


FREDERICKSBURG LODGE NO. 4, A.F. & A.M.



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

INITIATED NOVEMBER 4, 1752

PASSED MARCH 3, 1753

RAISED AUGUST 4, 1753

Stated Meeting
Second Fridays
(except Nov. 4)

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'A TEMPLE OF LIVING STONES'

Dinner 6:30 pm
Meeting 7:30 pm

Degree Work
Wednesdays 7pm
(check calendar)

MARCH 2022

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 7:00 – Fellowcraft Degree and Return	3	4	5 8:00 – Pancake Breakfast
6 1:00 - Rainbow Girls 7:30 - Grotto	7	8	9 No degree work. Prepare lodge for stated. Any practice as needed.	10	11 6:30 – Dinner 7:30 - Stated	12 6:00 - Grand Master's Official Visit to District 8
13 1:00 - Job's Daughters	14 7:30 - OES #29	15 7:30 – Royal Arch #23	16 7:00 – Master Mason Degree	17 6:30 – SOOB 7:30 – FXBG Commandery #1	18	19
20 1:00 - Rainbow Girls	21	22	23 11:00 – E.H Cann Daylight Lodge 7:00 – EA Degree	24	25	26
27 1:00 - Job's Daughters	28	29	30	31		

Consult calendar on website for details and updates.

<https://masoniclodge4.org/calendar-2/>

ANNIVERSARIES & MILESTONES

John Thurston Mullins	59 years		
Harvey Wayne Parrish	55 years	Leslie Albert Dickerson	53 years
Kenneth Earl Brown	50 years	James Gordon Brown	49 years
Roderick Lynn Cutright	47 years	David Alan Brooks	34 years
John Howard Sweton	32 years	George Douglas Seghers	32 years
Donald Homer Saucier Jr	30 years	Dwight Wayne Rose	26 years
Jene Gordon Parrotte	24 years	Broaddus Posey Sullivan III	23 years
Thomas Keith Staples Jr.	23 years	Shelby Lee Chandler II	17 years
Luis Jose Benitex	14 years	Daniel Thomas Goodwin	12 years
William Franklin Oliver	12 years	Michael Patrick Esler	11 years
Cornelius Jerome Coverson	11 years	Derek Alexander Mahin	10 years
Kenneth Irvine Davidson	10 years	Troy Lyman Carter	10 years
Michael Felix Scullin	9 years	Justin Christopher Garrett	8 years
Charles Louis Dirienzo Jr.	6 years	James Gerald Smith	5 years
John Clark Saunders Jr.	5 years	Vitali Maya	4 years
Brandon A. DAndrea	4 years		

MASTER'S CORNER

Brethren,

February has been a busy month. We have followed the DDGM in his official; visits. Only one more visit remains for March. The Grand Master will make his Official Visit to the District in March as well.

Please RSVP here: <http://evite.me/QmEGUumya4> This will help us get an accurate count to the caterer.

The meal for the stated will be:

Creamy Basil Chicken
Butter Parsley Potatoes
Roasted Seasonal Vegetables
Fresh Garden Salad
Parker House Rolls
Dessert - TBD

RW Dennis Berry will have one more visit this month:

3/14 - Kilwinning Crosse 2-237

Plan on attending and supporting the DDGM in his visit.

The Grand Master's Official Visit to the District will be on March 12th at 6:00 PM. The location will be the Bowling Green Town Hall (117 Butler Street, Bowling Green VA). Tickets are \$20 and will be available at the Stated Communication.

Pancake Breakfast on 3/5. Any First Responders on duty attending will eat free!

A few thoughts on symbolism:

Literally, a symbol is a comparison. The word symbol is derived from two Greek words meaning to throw together, to place side by side. Thus, a symbol is a visible representation of some object or thing, real or imagined, employed to convey a certain idea.

Extending this conception further, ceremonies and actions may also be symbolic. The military salute is a symbol of obedience and discipline. A hearty handclasp may symbolize several ideas, friendship, faith, sympathy. Kneeling for prayer is a symbol of humility, submission, obeisance, reverence. It may be fairly asked why Masonic ritual should be so largely of objective and ceremonial symbols; why it would not be simpler to give a series of lectures. The answer, of course, lies in the well-established fact that it is not enough to merely state ideas; they must be driven home with emphasis which will not only impress but will also be retained by the recipient's mind.

"Symbols are more vivid than words. They can express more than words can say. Who can explain a flower, or say what a melody means If in Masonry, we speak of a Temple, we do not mean one of stone and mortar. If we speak of a square, we do not mean one of steel or wood. If we speak of the Compass, we do not mean one of metal". (Oliver Day Street)

As we go through the month, remember your working tools.

Chuck Dirienzo

Worshipful Master

SECRETARY's CORNER

Thank you to all the Brothers who have paid their dues. Don't let yourself get behind, and if you are having troubles please let us know.

Did you know: Andrew McNair, a Philadelphia Mason, rang the Liberty bell in Independence Hall of July 8, 1776 to call the people together to hear the reading of the Declaration of Independence. The bell developed a crack when it was rung for the death of Chief Justice Marshall, the Past Grand Master of Virginia.

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Dennis David – 2025	Dennis Berry, PM – 2026	

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Masonic Home Ambassador Ross Upchurch	Lodge Catechism Chair 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
R.: W.: 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
		Wor.: Christopher S. Tripp.....	2021