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ANDREW JACKSON LODGE NO.120 A.F. & A.M.

December 2017

Recent Success

Installation of officer for the 2018 Masonic Year with the support of the MW Garry Wallace Taylor!



Brethren,

Happy New Year! I hope that you are as excited for the possibilities of the New Masonic Year as our recently elected and appointed officers are. As you may know, the Grand Master of Masons in The Commonwealth of Virginia, Most Worshipful Gary Wallace Taylor was in attendance at our Installation. He led an installation team composed of RW Bernard Richard Laaken, RW Sheldon Barnett Richman, and Worshipful Dennis Ronald Dunston; a great excellent installation team. To these brethren I am forever grateful, particularly to RW Richman, who was instrumental in bringing the Grand Master to Andrew Jackson Lodge for this occasion. As the New Year provides us the opportunity for a new start, I would like to invite you to our stated meeting in January. You are always welcome



George Washington National Masonic Memorial (North Room)
101 Callahan Drive
Alexandria, Va. 22314



From Left to Right: SD - Rick Allen Cady, Marshall - Fernando Cortes, SS - Sidney Joseph Gerson, SW - Mark Raymond Franklin, JS - Craig Austin Reynolds, WM - Antoine Kerving Charles, Tiler - Pablo Alejandro Rocha (PM), Chaplain - Kelly Trevor Cochran, Grand Master - Garry Wallace Taylor, Treasurer - David Winston Williams (PM), JW - Glenn Joseph Amodeo, JD - Jason Bane Pettengill, Secretary - Adam Christopher Duncan (RW), District Deputy Grand Master - Bernard Richard Laaken



Brother. It's as simple as that. We miss your friendship, wisdom and your contribution. We say "How good it is for brethren to dwell together," therefore, let us make the words manifest. Join us and break bread with us on Thursday January 18th, 2018.

The Worshipful Master's theme this year is '**Knowledge is Power**'. Knowledge has always been a valued tenant of our fraternity. From the earliest days of Masonry, knowledge has served as a cohesive force allowing us to identify one another, permitting us access to places walled off to the uninitiated, providing us comfort and relief in our most trying times. As you know, the knowledge gained as an Entered Apprentice differs from the knowledge gained as a Fellowcraft, which in turn differs from the knowledge acquired as a Master Mason. With each degree came additional information which gave you access to a greater level of enlightenment. From the earliest Masons, King Solomon, Pythagoras, Voltaire, to our founding fathers, George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, to more contemporary Masons, Albert Einstein, Thurgood Marshall, Buzz Aldrin; the search for and acquisition of knowledge has been paramount. It forces light to shine in places where fear and ignorance exists and renders it indispensable as a tool to a free Mason. It is axiomatic within our fraternity that we 'Make Good Men Better'. This improvement is made tangible only with the acquisition of knowledge, about oneself and about the world. As you can see Brother, the search for knowledge is part of Freemasonry; it is part of us. With our combined knowledge, we are a powerful Masonic body, forming a Tower of Strength capable of bringing good to the world. As the individual fingers of the hand are weak by themselves, but strong when they come together in unity forming a fist, so are we as a Fraternity. However, when we come together and share our knowledge with one another, contributing to the collective pool of information, wisdom, and insight, we become the powerful fist. The synergy created by the togetherness allows us to conquer hardships previously insurmountable. As you can see brother, your presence is not only required; it is needed. We are stronger and much more capable when we are together than when



we are by ourselves. Thus, my plea for your presence amongst us during this New year, and years beyond. Come brother, we are waiting to welcome you with open arms and a sincere smile.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

Antoine Charles, Master

NEWS & EVENTS CALENDAR

OFFICERS MEETING

Date: January 8th 2018
Time: 6:30pm
Location: AJ 120

Lodge at 7:45

Location: TBD

District Instructor of Works (DIW) is Brian King
Contact: Brian King, PM
 DIW, Masonic District 1A
brianmitchellking@gmail.com
 (703) 509-2218

STATED COMMUNICATIONS

All members and visiting guest are invited to join us for our monthly stated communication.

LODGE RITUAL SCHOOL

Date: TBD
Time: TBD

SPECIAL EVENTS

TBD

January Stated Communication

Date: January 18, 2017
 Dinner at 6:30 PM
 Open Program – Freemasonry and the Knights Templar

DISTRICT 1-A RITUAL SCHOOL

TBD
Date: TBD
Time: TBD

OFFICERS

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TRUSTEES

-) B. Richard Laaken, PM, 2022
-) Mike Silverman, PM, 2018
-) David Benjamin Browning, PDDGM, 2019
-) Edmund Cohen, PGM, 2020
-) Sheldon B. Richman, PDDGM, 2021

Secretary, Adam C. Duncan
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Senior Deacon, Rick Cady
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COMMITTEE CHAIRS

-) Lodge Instructor of Work – Dave Williams, PM
-) Lodge Education Officer – Robert Tallent, PM
-) Degree Coordinator – Glenn Amodeo
-) Archivists – Wor. Pablo Rocha, Kelly Cochran
-) Photographers – TBD
-) Investigation Committee – Mark Franklin
-) Widows & Orphans – Ben Browning, PDDGM
-) Events and Activities – JaceMcFerran, PM, Sheldon Richman, PDDGM

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Junior Steward, Craig Reynolds



FROM THE SECRETARIES DESK:

Holiday Greetings Brethren,

For those Brethren who are not Life Members, Honorary members or Masonic Veterans (50+ years in good standing). This is a reminder to pay dues.

I want to wish you and your families a wonderful holiday season and best wishes for 2018.

The dues for Andrew Jackson Lodge # 120 are \$125 and are due by January 1, 2018. (\$80 for AJ 120 and \$45 for Grand Lodge Assessments). If you are receiving this billing mailing in error please notify the Secretary at adamcduncan@yahoo.com to make sure the records are properly updated.

The amount due for 2018 is \$125.00

The Lodge has currently have 2 ways to pay dues. Membership cards will be mailed shortly after receipt of payment. Note that the website is currently being refreshed for the paypal transaction.

1) Using Paypal on our website. The Lodge receives a receipt of this transaction.
<http://www.andrewjackson120.org/#DONATIONS>

2) Make a check payable to "Andrew Jackson Lodge # 120" for \$125.00

Mail it to:

Attn: Secretary of Andrew Jackson Lodge 120
3110 Hunt Road
Oakton, VA, 22124

Have a Blessed Day!

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Adam. C. Duncan
Secretary - Andrew Jackson Lodge # 120

P.S. As we are all Brothers, if you are having financial difficulties meeting your financial obligation to the Lodge, please let me know and we will come to appropriate terms to aid and assist you so that you are not delinquent in your dues.



Pictures From December 9th, 2017 Installation of Andrew Jackson # 120 Officers:



