

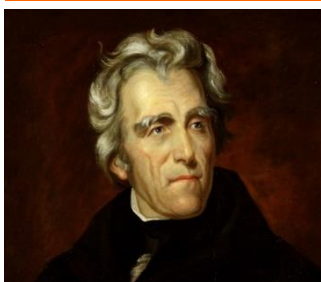


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ANDREW JACKSON LODGE NO.120 A.F. & A.M.

Recent Success

Joint Picnic District 1A & 54 and ZERO Prostate Cancer Run-Walk



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

Brethren,

As we've reach the midway point of our Masonic year it makes sense to look back and take stock of the things we've accomplished. Due to the fact that membership is the lifeblood of all lodges we will address this important topic first. So far this year we have increased our membership by electing worthy men to join our lodge; both as Entered Apprentices and as Master Masons. We have elected to confer the Degrees of Free Masonry on four worthy brothers and affiliated ourselves with two fantastic Master Masons. As you know, youth, zeal, intelligence, humor, honesty, and tenacity are necessary ingredients of our fraternity; bringing good men in our lodge who possess these traits is of the utmost importance. We've had seven fraternal visits to three different lodges, A. Douglas Smith, Jr. Lodge of Research No. 1949, Alexandria Washington Lodge No. 22, and Henry Knox Field-John Blair Lodge No. 349; presenting Masonic information about the Knights Templar at HKF-JB No. 349. We've arranged two tours of the George Washington Masonic Memorial, we've had all Line Officers present at the District Leadership Conference, and we've celebrated one of our own as he received his 50 year Masonic Pin; congratulation again RW Shelley. In addition, we are the only lodge to have had three or more members at every District Ritual School, we are also the only lodge in District 1A to have received the Grand Master of Masons in the Common Wealth of Virginia, Most Worshipful Gary Wallace Taylor, on more than one occasion. In addition, we award The Community Builders Award to United Community Ministries, an organization vital to the lives of many residents of Alexandria. Also, we've had wonderful social outings with loved ones. First, with the Scottish Rite Friends and Family Dinner & Auction which was fun and brought out the competitive edge in a lot of our brethren. Second, with our bi-annual Ladies' Night at La Perla restaurant. The brethren who attended can vouch for the fellowship and the amazing food. Finally, in the month of June we participated in four major events, the first one being The Grand Master's Official Visit to District 1A, 1B, & 54, with our own District Deputy Grand Master RW Richard Laaken presiding as Master of Ceremony. The second one was the ZERO Prostate Cancer Run, which is rapidly becoming one of our signature event. The William Hiram Wood School Part 2 was the third major event we participated in as a lodge. The fourth, and final event was the District 1A & 54 Joint Picnic.

All in all, it has been a busy first half of the year. With so many accomplishments the natural penchant would be to slow down or rest on our laurels, but we are not going to give into our lesser self. We have a more dynamic and rewarding second half plan for the year. Starting with District School in July, followed closely by the One Day Conferral in August. The One Day Conferral is a statewide event which requires a high level of coordination. We have seven of our brothers who will take part in this unique event. Our support will be required, and I hope your cable tow will be long enough when called up.

Finally brethren, as a reminder, we aim to make good men better; it is our calling card. We live by these words, for if we are not accomplishing this goal, we are not living up to the oath we took around that sacred alter. Good men come to us in all shapes and sizes, backgrounds and religions; our goal is not to judge or berate, classify or quarantine, but instead to elevate. Let us remember that, as it is stated in the Methodical Digest, that we vote on the man's moral character when selecting to bestow upon him this great and important privilege. We vote on the moral character and nothing else, nothing else.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,
Antoine Kerving Charles, Master



GALLERY



NEWS & EVENTS CALENDAR

OFFICERS MEETING

Date: July 9th 2018
Time: 6:30pm
Location: AJ 120

STATED COMMUNICATIONS

All members and visiting guest are invited to join us for our monthly stated communication. Being that it is the summer months jacket and ties are optional for all except officers
July Stated Communication
Date: July 19, 2018
Dinner at 6:30 PM
Open Program – Masonic Youth Organizations at 7:45

LODGE RITUAL SCHOOL

Date: July 12th, 16th, 19th, 23rd, 30th
Time: 6:30

DISTRICT 1-A RITUAL SCHOOL

TBD
Date: TBD
Time: 7:00 PM
Location: TBD
District Instructor of Works (DIW) is Brian King
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SPECIAL EVENTS

-One Day Conferral, August 4th



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