

ELMER TIMBERMAN LODGE NO. 54

A.F. & A.M.

Chartered on the 11th of February, A.L. 5953. A.D. 1953
Holden Under the Grand Lodge of the Commonwealth of Virginia



2020 Master's Theme: Getting Back to the "Work" of Masonry

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Stated Communication:

3rd Mondays at 7:30 PM
Except December, 1st
Monday, Dinner at 6:30 PM

Called Communications:

When called, at 7:00 PM

FEBRUARY 2020 TRESTLEBOARD

IMPORTANT NEWS: All officers and the LEO are expected to attend one of the District Leadership Conferences offered this year. See below.

FROM THE EAST

We had a fantastic January Stated. We were honored to have our District Instructor of Work, Worshipful Troy Van Winkle in attendance. I also discussed our 2019 accomplishments and outlined our goals for 2020. I am excited for the year ahead on all fronts – charity, community service, ritual, and the work of our Craft. I encourage our members to attend often and visitors are always welcome!!!

As a reminder, I ask that all officers, and members if able, to attend the DIW ritual school on the 1st Tuesday of each month (7:00 PM) at Kemper Macon Ware Lodge. Additionally, the DIW wardens certificate workshop will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (7:00 PM) at Elmer Timberman Lodge. And, we will maintain our lodge ritual school, the Simmons-DeRossi Ritual School, at Elmer Timberman on the 4th Monday of each month (7:00 PM).

Your Senior Warden and I attended the District 1A Masters and Wardens Association Meeting in January. As always, it was a great, relaxed evening. If you have never attended one, please consider doing so. It is a fantastic opportunity to meet with your Brethren from other lodges in the District. The following officers were elected to serve the District in association leadership roles: Jace McFerran - President, John Smith - Vice President, Mike Huff - Secretary, and Vincent Lopez - Treasurer. Also, I have been appointed the District Picnic Coordinator. The District Picnic will take place on August 29th and will be hosted at Elmer Timberman Lodge. Please plan to attend!

Our program for the February Stated will be our District Deputy Grand Master's Official Visit. It would be great to have maximum attendance by as many Elmer Timberman brothers as possible. All officers should wear a tux. If you do not have one, a dark suit is acceptable.

Elmer Timberman will begin the process to make our nomination for the 2022 DDGM for District 1A. Please be thinking of a worthy Worshipful Brother you would like to nominate as a Primary and one as an Alternate for this very important leadership position.

Our Community Builder Award presentations have solidified and are coming to fruition!! On January 28th, I was accompanied by our Senior Deacon, Rob Pacific, and our Chaplain, David Tweedale, for a Community Builder Award presentation at the Annandale Volunteer Fire Department (AVFD). The recipient was Amy Karam, who volunteered over 1250 hours as a fire fighter/EMT in 2019. That's over 24 hours a week!! We also made a \$150.00 charitable contribution in her name to the charity of

her choice. Without skipping a beat and on the spot said she wanted the donation to go to the AVFD. There were over 60 of Amy's colleagues in the audience to share in her moment. The night was extra special for us since we discovered the Auditorium at the AVFD is named after one of our Past Masters, WB John Fox! He was a Chief for many years at AVFD. I intend to revive a symbiotic relationship with them over the coming year.



We will make our second Community Builder Award presentation at the Mason District Station of the Fairfax County Police Department (FCPD) on February 4th at 7:00 PM. Please join me if within the length of your cabletow.

We also had the opportunity to practice the tenets of our order in the form of charity this past month. One of the daughters of a long passed Brother, and Jobie of the Bethel that used to meet at Elmer Timberman many years ago, called on the lodge for help. Your lodge answered the call and provided for two life changing needs in her life.

VERY IMPORTANT. The Division Leadership Conference (DLC) schedule is out. The locations are Alexandria (Saturday, March 21st), Warrenton (Friday, March 20th), and Richmond (Saturday, January 25, 2020). See the Lodge calendar below for more information on each date. Officers and the LEO must attend one of the DLCs. If you cannot make the Alexandria offering, please plan to attend an alternate site. Attendance by the LEO is a requirement for the Hillman Award. I also encourage any Brother who would like to attend to do so. This is another great opportunity for officers to meet their Grand Line counterparts and to fellowship with Lodge Counterparts from around the Commonwealth.

On the Horizon. We will celebrate our Masonic youth in April. Be on the lookout for those events. Also, we will have a Table Lodge in honor of Right Worshipful and Doctor John Elmer Winfield Timberman and Founders Day in October. More information to follow.

Finally, brethren, dinner preceding our Stated Communications starts at 6:30PM and Lodge opens at 7:30PM. Please join us and bring some friends and potential petitioners!

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Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Jason M. Himsey

SECRETARY'S CORNER

(Current Membership 149 Brothers)

Dues. If you have not paid your 2020 dues, they are now payable. Dues (including Grand Lodge Assessments) are \$117.00. You can stop by the lodge and pay your dues, pay by PayPal (<https://www.etl54.org/dues-and->

[fees.html](#)), or send it in the mail. The address to the lodge is: Elmer Timberman Lodge No. 54, 6911 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA 22003

Email Addresses. Please make a proactive action to inform us of your email address. We send relevant information via email frequently throughout the year. We would also like to save some money on postage by emailing the Trestleboard to as many Brothers as we can.

Lodge Name Badges. We would like to place an order. If you would like a name badge, please tell me the name you would like on it (exactly as you would like it to appear) and any Blue Lodge honors you want on it.

25 Year Veterans. If you have not received your 25 year veteran certificate, please let us know ASAP. We made great strides to catch up on 50 and 60 year veteran recognition. Now we want to recognize all of our 25 year veterans!

MASONIC EDUCATION

A LODGE AT WORK. Following is an excerpt from the larger work by the same name authored by MW Walter M. Macdougall, PGM of ME.

“A Lodge is a certain number of Masons duly assembled, with the Holy Bible, Square, and Compasses, with a charter or warrant empowering them to work.

Ask a brother how his lodge is doing, and his answer is very apt to be either that things are going well because there has been a lot of work to do or that the life of the lodge is at a low ebb because there hasn't been much work lately. Ten to one, he is talking about degree work. There is no doubt that performing degrees is a vital part of the work of a lodge, but it is a common short circuit in our Masonic thinking to conclude that exemplifying our degrees constitutes the work of our lodge. Degree work is a means not an end.

As in the case of the Masonic terms work and jurisdiction, the word "lodge" with its varied meanings may cause confusion. Your wife asks you if you will be at home this evening. "No" you answer, "I am going to lodge." In this response "lodge" means a place and an event. You are signifying a communication of the officers and brethren at the lodge hall. Such usage indicates a partial manifestation of the lodge, but, in this last instance, "lodge" identifies an entity neither limited to a particular place or to a special event. Put simply, lodge meetings represent a vital and special function of the larger lodge which is the local community of Masons. The lodge hall houses the operating and training center for this larger lodge. It houses the nerve center, if you will. From this place of focus, the leadership of the Master, assisted by his officers and his committees, radiates outward and assumes the responsibility for "putting the Craft to labor" within the lodge's jurisdiction of compassion and caring. [These officers are the future masters in training. It is in leadership training, instruction on how to build an administrative team, and in schooling Masonic educators that our Grand Lodges play their most essential role.]

Consider the extensive dimensions of the lodge's mission! This labor falls into three categories all of which are interrelated and partake of the vision of the Craft.

- (a) Care for the Masonic family
- (b) Serving the needy and building a better community

(c) Training the builders

"Take care of the widows and the orphans' " this is the great charitable charge we have received from our operative predecessors. This noble charge still stands, but it has been expanded to the entire Masonic family. Our obligations have enlarged with our growing conception of what we as Freemasons came here to do and as new needs have demanded. We feel it our wider calling to support the aging members, the young Masons laboring to bring up their family amidst an enlarging circle of dangers, and our youth who may find their first introduction to the great beliefs of humanity within our youth organizations.

We all like to see a large number of brothers out to our meetings, for, after all, fraternal companionship is one of the great joys of Freemasonry. However, it is not the primary business, or even the business at all, of the master or his officers to entertain the brethren in an attempt to populate the "sidelines. " Lodges at one time may have served as places of entertainment, they may properly do so now, from time to time, for happiness is part of our business, but lodges are not primarily about "sidelines." They are about mainlines of action and vision. Masons, even those who seldom attend lodge meetings, are duty bound to practice and to live Masonry within their own Needsville...”

CELESTIAL LODGE

Nothing to report.

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS – FEBRUARY

- Gumenuk, Daniel Brother - February 26, 1973 - 47 years
 - Augustad, Robert Lyle Brother - February 26, 1973 - 47 years
 - Chavez, Christopher James Brother - February 9, 1998 - 22 years
 - Hartsoe, Joseph Robert Brother - February 22, 1999 - 21 years
 - Lotz, Jason Weber Worshipful - February 1, 2000 - 20 years
 - Holmes, Stephen Baird Brother - February 10, 2003 - 17 years
 - Warner, Farley Witherspoon Worshipful - February 23, 2009 - 11 years
- * Masonic years calculated as of December 31, 2020 (List does not account for “Lost Time”)

NATURAL BIRTHDAYS – FEBRUARY

- Shroeder, John Right Worshipful - February 21, 1934 - 86 years
 - Kuhn, Harold Franklin Brother - February 7, 1942 - 78 years
 - Turner, Thomas Dwayne Brother - February 3, 1958 - 62 years
 - Rocha, Pablo Alejandro Worshipful - February 12, 1964 - 56 years
- * Age calculated as of December 31, 2019

CALENDAR

February 2020

- 02: Visit Bethel #1, ACG, 2:00 PM
- 04: District 1A Ritual School, Kemper Macon Ware Lodge,
7:00PM (Catechism 6:00PM)
- 11: DDGM Visit - Kemper Macon Ware Lodge

- 12: Temple Corporation Meeting, ETL54, 7:00PM
- 13: DDGM Visit - Alexandria Washington Lodge
- 17: Stated Communication - DDGM of 1A Official Visit (RW David Easton Potts)
- 19: DIW Wardens Certificate Workshop, ETL54, 7:00PM
(Catechism 6:00PM)
- 20: DDGM Visit - Andrew Jackson Lodge
- 24: Simmons-DeRossi Ritual School, ETL54, 7:00PM (Catechism 6:00PM)

March 2020

- 03: District 1A Ritual School, Kemper Macon Ware Lodge,
7:00PM (Catechism 6:00PM)
- 10: DDGM Visit - Henry Knox-Field John Blair Lodge
- 11: Temple Corporation Meeting, ETL54, 7:00PM
- 16: Stated Communication - Commandery Night
- 17: DDGM Visit - Concord Lodge
- 18: DIW Wardens Certificate Workshop, ETL54, 7:00PM
(Catechism 6:00PM)
- 19: DDGM Visit - Cherrydale-Columbia Lodge
- 20: DLC, Warrenton
Our Saviour Lutheran Church
6194 Dumfries Rd, Warrenton, Virginia 20187
6:30 P.M. - Registration and Fellowship
7:00 P.M. - Conference begins
9:15 P.M. - Counterpart Sessions end
Site Coordinator: RW Jim Kraut – (703) 743-1602
- 21: DLC, Alexandria
Alexandria Scottish Rite Temple
1430 W Braddock Road, Alexandria, Virginia 22302
9:00 A.M. - Registration and Fellowship
9:30 A.M. - Conference begins
11:45 A.M. - Counterpart Sessions end
Site Coordinator: Wor. Peter Terrill – (703) 426-0126
- 23: DDGM Visit - Arlington Centennial Glebe Lodge
- 23: Simmons-DeRossi Ritual School, ETL54, 7:00PM (Catechism 6:00PM)
- 28: William Hiram Wood School (Session 1), Mount Vernon Lodge, Donuts and coffee at 7:00AM,
School starts at 8:30AM

DISTRICT RITUAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

DIW Ritual School – 1st Tuesday each month (7:00 PM) at Kemper Macon Ware Lodge
 DIW Wardens Certificate Workshop – 3rd Wednesday each month (7:00 PM) at ETL54
 ETL54 Simmons-DeRossi Ritual School, ETL54, 7:00PM (Catechism 6:00PM)

MASONIC DISTRICT 1A LODGES

Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22 Stated (2nd Thursday, 7:30PM)
 Cherrydale-Columbia Lodge No. 42 Stated (1st & 3rd Thursday, 7:30PM)
 Kemper Macon Ware Lodge No. 64 Stated (2nd Tuesday, 7:30PM)
 Arlington Centennial Glebe Lodge No. 81 Stated (4th Monday)
 Andrew Jackson Lodge No. 120 Stated (3rd Thursday, 7:30PM)
 Concord Lodge No. 307 Stated (3rd Tuesday, 7:30PM)

Sharon Lodge No. 327 Stated (2nd Thursday, 7:30PM)
Henry Knox Field-John Blair No. 349 Stated (2nd Tuesday, 7:30PM)

SISTER LODGE - Springfield Lodge No. 217 Stated (1st Tuesday, 7:30PM)
FRATERNAL LODGE - Rossville Lodge No. 397 Stated (2nd Tuesday, 7:30PM)

HONORARY MEMBERS

William E. Hargraves, PGM (GA 1980-1981) Dallas "Bo" Lunceford, PM
Donald M. Robey PGM, (VA 1987)

60 YEAR VETERANS

James R. Cowden	Theodore B. Holm, PM	Claremont L. Pederson
Ridgley E. Davis	Charles E. Hunnicutt	Paul S. Walker
Paul E. Emerson	Robert R. Jones	George T. Ward, Sr.
William E. Hargraves, PGM (GA)	Richard B. McCord	

50 YEAR VETERANS

Kenneth M. Adams	James W. Henry	Dennis K. Richmond
Larry A. Biddle, Sr.	Edwin E. Kibler	Donald Robey, PGM (VA)
George R. Bierman, PM	Steven L. Kohls	Fred W. Saah, Sr.
John Checkovich	Lee C. Lamoreux	John E. Shepherd, Jr.
Raymond R. Cook	Mitchell P. Lawrence, Jr.	Frederic A. Siddons
Dennis J. Elliott	James L. Lawson	Edgar R. Skelton
Tankard G. Evans	Albert R. Lee, Jr.	Ray E. Thorkildsen
Guilford W. Griffin	Richard D. McAllister	Francis K. Trigger
Robert L. Hayman	Harold G. Mercer	Roscoe C. Waltemyer
	Gary Lee Ralson	

LIVING LIFE MEMBERS IN PERPETUITY

William H. Atkinson, PDDGM	Joseph R. Hartsoe, PM	Oral M. Marple, PM
Robert L. Augustad	William J. Heinz	Gary L. Misch, PM
Allen D. Beckner	Woodrow R. Helenburg	Dieter H. Muenich
George R. Bierman, PM	Charles E. Hinson, PDDGM	Michael A. Riley, PDDGM
Gregory L. Boggs	Richard E. Hodge, PM	Edward A. Roland
Stephen L. Brundage, PM	Theodore B. Holm, PM	Lewis W. Roland, PM
John C. Bush	Kelso W. Horst, PM	John Shroeder Jr., PDDGM
Theodore Campbell, Jr., PDDGM	Robert R. Jones	Howard K. Smith, Jr.
Christopher J. Chavez	James C. Jones, PM	William A. Tetrault
Dennis J. Doyle	Paul A. King	Lonnie E. Tuthill, PDDGM
Marvin E. Feldman	Thomas H. King	Gary W. Whitmore, Sr.
William E. Flaherty, IV	Stephen W. Law, PM	
	Jason W. Lotz, PM	

STANDING COMMITTEES

Timberman Temple Corporation Directors

President, Robert Pacific (Term 2021)
Secretary, Bob Rainey (Term 2021)
Treasurer, Mike Elkins (Term 2020)
Jason W. Lotz, PM (Term 2022)
Jason M. Himsey (WM, 2020)
Nelson Figueroa-Velez (SW, 2020)
Ray Kasey (JW, 2020)

Trustees:

John Shroeder, Jr. PDDGM
Michael Riley, PDDGM
Mark E. Coldren, PM

Lodge Education Officer (LEO)

Jason W. Lotz, PM

Lodge Instructor of Work (LIW)

Joseph E. Millirons, PM

Investigating Committee Chair

As Directed

Funeral Coordinator

Jason M. Himsey

Masonic Home Ambassador

Michael Riley, PDDGM

Blood Coordinator

Nelson Figueroa-Velez

Community Liaison

Nelson Figueroa-Velez

Stewards' Committee Chair

Ray V. Kasey

Scholarship Corporation President

Nelson Figueroa-Velez

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Past Masters Committee

John Shroeder, Jr. PDDGM

OES Ambassador

Jason M. Himsey

Royal Arch Ambassador

Ray V. Kasey

Scottish Rite Ambassador

Mark E. Coldren, PM

Grotto Ambassador

Jason M. Himsey

Shriners Ambassador

Jason W. Lotz, PM

Community Builder Award Chair

Jason M. Himsey

Widows Committee Chair

Jason M. Himsey

Rossville Visit Coordinator

Jason M. Himsey

LIVING PAST MASTERS

1979 Theodore Campbell, Jr, PDDGM**
1983 James C. Jones
1984 Dallas L. Lunceford
1986 Lewis W. Roland
1989 Frederick P. Hink
1991 Richard E. Hodge
1992 Stephen W. Law
1994 Kelso W. Horst
1995 John Shroeder, Jr, PDDGM
1996 Lonnie E. Tuthill, PDDGM**
1998 Theodore B. Holm
2001 Michael A. Riley
2002 Gary L. Misch
2003 O. McNeil Marple

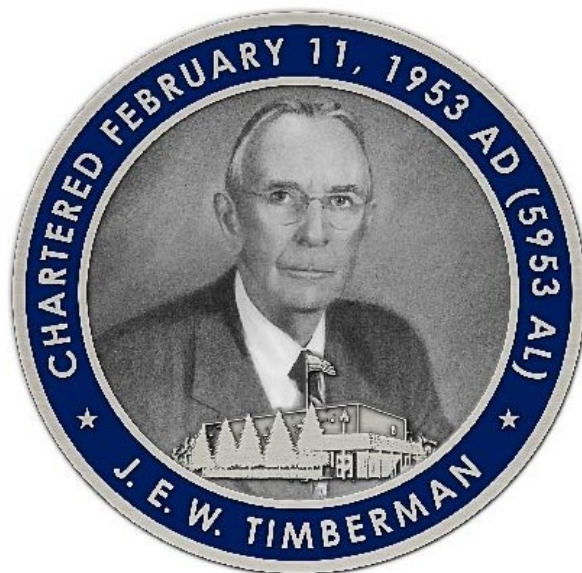
2004 Joseph R. Hartsoe
2005, 2010, 2011 Terence H. DuVall
2006 Steven F. Campbell
2007 Jason W. Lotz
2008 David H. Andelman
2009 Charles E. Hinson, PDDGM
2012, 2014 Charles E. Wilkinson, III
2013 Pablo A. Rocha
2015, 2016 Farley Warner
2017 Joseph E. Millirons
2018 Mark E. Coldren
2019 Jason M. Himsey
** PDDGM in District other than ETL's District



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