

Herndon Lodge No. 264

The Lodge of DOERS

Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Virginia

<http://HerndonLodge264.org>

Stated Communication – December 3, 2018

Dinner at 6:30p, Lodge at 7:30p



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From the East

Brethren -

Grand Lodge has concluded and the Brothers elected William Edward Hershey, Jr (HayMaket Lodge No. 313) as our Grand Master. Gregory Martin Valker was appointed as one of Bill's personal representatives and will serve District 2 this year as District Deputy Grand Master. Congratulations to both for their preferment. At the conclusion of Grand Lodge, Herndon No. 264 officially became a member Lodge of District 2. (<http://vamasonicdistrict2.org/>)

At our Stated, ugly sweaters were out in full force for Wardens Night. Visits were made by the Sr. Wardens from each of the other District 2 Lodges. They each provided a short narrative regarding the history and character of their Lodge. Bro. Fred Baerenz walked off with the prize for wearing the ugliest of the ugly. There were several strong contenders for the prize.

As we wrap up another year at Herndon Lodge, it is appropriate to reflect upon what has been accomplished in the past year while plans are being laid for what will come in the upcoming year. Many improvements were made to our Temple with an eye to keeping it a place for continued fellowship for many years to come. Several Brothers departed the Lodge – some moved away, others passed to the Lodge above - but just as many new Brothers came to join us from distant Lodges or were raised by the members of our Lodge. For the year, membership pluses and minuses balanced out. Many degrees were conferred with new Brothers stepping up to take active roles by learning and performing the ritual. Members and visitors alike offered wonderful educational programs. DOER pins were presented to recognize those contributing to the Lodge. JoJo was out spreading the fellowship of Masonry near and far. We had benefit of terrific meals made by the OES and several socials where we could gather and enjoy fellowship outside the Temple. We were acknowledged at Grand Lodge as being a Hillman Award recipient. Overall, it was a pretty good year.

The Schwans fundraiser is active to benefit our Lodge Building Fund. Anyone that eats is eligible to help. Visit the [Herndon page](#) on the Schwans webpage to place your order.

At our December 3rd Stated, a new cadre of officers will be elected and installed to lead our Lodge for the next year. I hope that you will support these men in their endeavors on our behalf. The Lodge is not the building, the officers, or any single man; but rather, the collective membership is what comprises the body of the Lodge. It is incumbent upon each and every member to do their part to ensure the Lodge remains healthy, vibrant, and meaningful. Include the phrase "Let me help" as part of your daily Masonic vocabulary. You would be amazed at what can be accomplished when we all work together. Can you be counted on to do your part?

I sincerely thank all of you for the privilege of serving as Master of Herndon Lodge this past year. I hope you feel it has been a productive term and that you will be there to help others in the future. Looking forward to seeing you at Lodge.

Sincerely and Fraternaly

Philip Brooks

Worshipful Master
Herndon No. 264



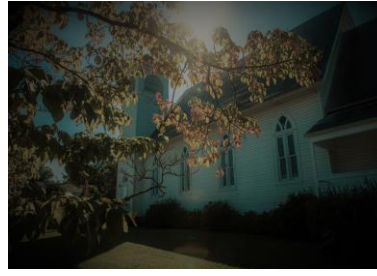
December Masonic Birthdays

Edmund Cohen, 1976
 George Huddleston, 1982
 A.J. Hughes, 1991
 Dale Tarter, 1993
 Weldon Goree, 2015
 Axel Alanis, 2017

"The only thing that you can give and still keep is your word."

Mark Your Calendar

Jan 21 – Herndon Stated, DDGM visit



Most Worshipful

William Edward Hershey
 Grand Master
 Grand Lodge
 of Virginia, A.F. & A.M.
<https://grandlodgeofvirginia.org>



"The only man who never makes a mistake is the man who never does anything."

Bro. Theodore Roosevelt

December 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3 Herndon Stated Dinner 6:30p Lodge 7:30p Olive Branch	4	5	6 Acacia CDR WL Herndon DeMolay Hamilton- Thompson	7 Freedom Manasseh	8
9	10 Hay Market Loudoun RAC	11 Ashburn-Sterling Henry Bethel 52	12	13	14	15
16	17 Perfect Ashlar AMD	18 Mt Carmel	19	20 CDR WL Herndon DeMolay	21 Winter Solstice	22
23	24	25 Merry Christmas	26	27	28	29
30	31	Happy New Year!				1 Game Night @ Herndon Lodge

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