



# Hamilton Thompson No. 37

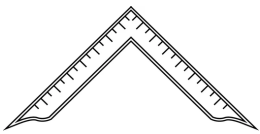
## Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Virginia

Stated Communication - Third Thursday

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

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August 2024



### From the East

Greetings, Brothers,

I hope this message finds you well and that you can find some shade and stay cool on these sweltering summer days.

I would like to start by thanking all the brothers who helped confer the EA degrees this past Thursday, August 1st. We initiated two new members. I appreciate all your time and hard work. I would also like to personally thank RW Christopher Thompson for preparing the brothers for this degree.

On July 31st, we made a fraternal visit to the brothers of Freedom Lodge No. 118 for a Master Mason's degree. We had seven brothers in attendance and were able to pass along the traveling gavel. Our brother, Greg Marut, delivered the Master Mason's lecture and he absolutely knocked it out of the park.

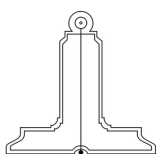
The **Grand Master** will be making his **official visit** to District 2 on **August 17th** at Franklin Park, starting at **12:00 PM**. We will have pulled chicken and pulled pork on the menu. I look forward to seeing you and your families at the picnic.

On **Saturday, September 14th**, we have the Ken Shelton School at Ashburn-Sterling Lodge No. 288. There will be a light breakfast, and school will start at **8:00 AM**.

Our **September 19th** stated meeting will be a **Lodge of Low Vale and Past Master's Night**. The address for the meeting will be 16339 Woodgrove Rd, Round Hill, VA 20141. Dinner will start at **6:00 PM**, with the meeting starting at 7:30 PM. The menu includes steak, baked potato, Caesar salad, and corn on the cob. The cost for the meal will be \$20. **Please RSVP by September 16th**.

Summer holds special significance for Freemasonry, as the season often brings a renewed sense of camaraderie and activity within the fraternity. With longer days and warmer weather, many Lodges take advantage of this time to hold outdoor events, social gatherings, and community service projects, fostering a spirit of brotherhood and engagement. The relaxed atmosphere of summer allows for more informal interactions among members, strengthening the bonds of friendship and mutual support that are central to Masonic principles. Additionally, the season's emphasis on growth and vitality resonates with the Masonic pursuit of personal development and enlightenment, making summer a symbolic period for both individual and collective enrichment within the fraternity.

Sincerely & fraternally,  
Joshua Goff  
Worshipful Master

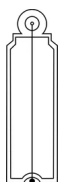


## **From the West**

Brethren,

[Nothing in the West.]

Larry Brissing  
Senior Warden



## **From the South**

From labor to refreshment,

Another notable communication resulted in the initiation of two worthy Brothers. Richard Cody Winters and William Frances Fallace were initiated into the mysteries of Freemasonry on the night of August 1st. We had visitors from other Lodges who assisted with the degree, along with Brothers who performed parts they had been practicing. It was a fantastic experience, and we are fortunate to welcome both Bill and Cody to our fraternity.

Thank you to WM Bill Craig for the meal at our July stated meeting. By all accounts, it was delicious. Thank you also to the Brothers Chris Barnes and Greg Marut for arranging the sandwiches before the degree. This month, the meal at the stated meeting will be provided by the Stewards. We expect it to be either baked or fried chicken with sides.

As always, I want to extend the invitation to our Lodge of Refreshment after our stated communication at the American Legion Post 293 in Purcellville.

Jon Herman  
Junior Warden



## Masonic Birthdays

Please congratulate the following brothers on their Masonic birthdays for this month:

Carlin Battle

Paul Biggers

C. D. Blanks

Cary Crane

Johnston Cromer

Max Dalton

Jamie George

Ben Leigh

Aaron Movius

Mike Orsinger

Oren Reed

Nick Robinson

Richard Sabo

Michael Schueler

Chuck Shotton

Steve Simpson

Chris Thompson Jr.

Brad Vaughn

Gary Williams

Richard Wilson

## Announcements & Upcoming Events

13	AUG, TUE	● 7:30 – 9:30pm	<b>Fraternal Visit to Ashburn-Sterling Lodge No. 288</b> 43881 Waxpool RoadAshburn VA 20147-6917L
		● 7:30 – 9:30pm	<b>Fraternal Visit to Metropolitan Lodge 161</b> 14 Liberty St SW, Leesburg, Virginia 20175
15	AUG, THU	● 6:30 – 9:30pm	<b>Hamilton Thompson Stated</b> 320 W Main St, Purcellville, VA 20132
19	AUG, MON	● 7:30 – 9:30pm	<b>Fraternal Visit to Herndon Lodge 264</b> 820 Elden Street in Herndon, Virginia
2	SEP, MON	● 7 – 10pm	<b>Fraternal Visit to Olive Branch 114</b> 108 Cornwall St NE, Leesburg, VA 20176, USA
5	SEP, THU	● 7 – 9pm	<b>Lodge Practice</b> Hamilton-Thompson Lodge No. 37 320 W Main Street, Purcellville, VA 20132, Unit
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## 2024 Officers and Living Past Masters

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<b>Junior Deacon</b>	Michael Heufelder	
<b>Senior Steward</b>	Chris Barnes	
<b>Junior Steward</b>	Greg Marut	
<b>Chaplain</b>	Kirk Balthazar	
<b>Marshal</b>	Richard Wilson	
<b>Tiler</b>	George Haas	
<b>LIW</b>	Chris Thompson	
<b>LEO</b>	Jeff Gould	

### Living Past Masters

William Rodgers (81)	Joe Ray (12)
Fred Meyer (84, 85)	Don Young (15)
Herb Goodfellow (01, 02)	David Marsh (16)
Paul Bock (05)	Mike Cox (17)
Bob Gardner (06)	Jason Wolfe (18)
Jim Cromer (07)	Ed Ziemba (19,20)
Greg Jay (08)	Larry Brissing (21)
Jamie George (10)	Joshua Goff (22)
Jeff Gould (11,09)	Bill Craig (23)
Chris Thompson (03,04)(13,14)	