

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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January 2024



From the East

Dear Brothers,

It is an honor and privilege to assume the role of Worshipful Master for the 2024 Masonic year. I am looking forward to the opportunities that lie ahead.

I extend my deepest gratitude to Right Worshipful Christopher Thompson for the meticulous installation of our officers for the upcoming year. Additionally, a sincere thank you to Worshipful Brother William Craig for his dedicated service in the East during the past year; your contributions to our lodge are truly appreciated.

Now, let's get into January's agenda:

January 3, 7 PM: Masters and Wardens Meeting/Ritual School

Join us at Olive Branch 114 for a potluck dinner as we prepare to receive the DDGM.

January 4, 7 PM: Lodge of Instruction

HT 37 brothers will gather to practice receiving the DDGM for our January 18 meeting.

January 15, 7 AM: MLK Parade

The brothers of Metropolitan Lodge No. 161 will march in the MLK parade in Leesburg VA, with an open invitation to District 2 brothers from WB Davenport. We'll meet at 7 AM for breakfast; the parade starts at 9 AM. Additional details will follow.

January 18, 7:30 PM: Hamilton-Thompson Stated Communication.

Join us for a special evening as we welcome our District Deputy Grandmaster, RW Jason Todd Wolf, to his home lodge. Your presence is earnestly requested.

Here are additional dates for you to add to your calendars. Additional information will be forthcoming.

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February 9th, 6:30-8:30 - Kena Shriners February 10th, 9:30-11:30 - Alexandria Scottish Rite Temple

Friends and family gathering

February 17, 1 PM Harvest Gap Brewing Company

I hope to see all of you at some point over the next year.

Fraternally,

Joshua Goff Worshipful Master, Hamilton-Thompson Lodge No.37

From the West

As we usher in the Masonic New Year, let joy and camaraderie illuminate our path. May the symbolic pillars of wisdom, strength, and beauty guide us through another year of fellowship and growth. Let the principles of Freemasonry continue to inspire unity and goodwill among brethren, creating a tapestry of shared purpose and understanding. Wishing all members of the Masonic family a year filled with prosperity, enlightenment, and the fulfillment of noble endeavors. Happy Masonic New Year!



From the South

From labor to refreshment

There are a few announcements from the South. We are continuing the practice of waiving a donation if you provide a meal for the Lodge on a stated communication. This is in lieu of being reimbursed for the cost of preparing the meal. This reduces the accounting for the Stewards fund and helps incentivize providing a meal. To that end, please help the Stewards and Lodge out by signing up for a meal. The sign up sheet's location will move. It will be next to the sign in roster in the front vestibule.

We are planning to share the menu within each trestle board. At the January stated communication we will have a meal provided by the Stewards of BBQ pulled pork and chicken with assorted sides. Additionally, the cost for meals going forward is \$10. If you wish to contribute more, you may. This will help ensure the solvency of the Stewards fund.

Lastly, we will continue the tradition of a 'Lodge of Refreshment' after communications both stated and called at the American Legion in Purcellville, VA. This tradition often extends to our Lodge of Instruction on the first Thursday of the month. Almost the entire line is prior service or an auxiliary member at the Legion. They can sign you in if you wish to attend, so there is no need to be concerned about your military/veteran status. Join us for additional fellowship and camaraderie in a less formal setting.

I look forward to seeing you all in January! Jon Herman Junior Warden

Announcements & Upcoming Events

3	JAN, WED	•	7 – 9:15pm	Master and Wardens Meeting Olive Branch Lodge No. 114 A.F. & A.M.
4	JAN, THU	•	7 – 9pm	Lodge Practice Hamilton-Thompson Lodge No. 37 320 W Main Street, Purcellville, VA 20132, United States
5	JAN, FRI	•	7 – 9pm	Fraternal Visit to Freedom Lodge 118 Freedom Lodge 118, Lovettsville, VA
6	JAN, SAT	•	9am – 12pm	H-T 37 Lodge Kitchen Work Day
9	JAN, TUE	•	7:30 – 9:30pm 7:30 – 9:30pm	Fraternal Visit to Ashburn-Sterling Lodge No. 288 43881 Waxpool RoadAshburn VA 20147-6917United Sta Fraternal Visit to Metropolitan Lodge 161 14 Liberty St SW, Leesburg, Virginia 20175
15	JAN, MON	•	7 – 9:30am 7:30 – 9:30pm	MLK Parade Metropolitan Lodge, No. 161, Free & Accepted Masons, Prince Hall Affiliated Fraternal Visit to Herndon Lodge 264 820 Elden Street in Herndon, Virginia
18	JAN, THU	•	6:30 – 9:30pm	Hamilton Thompson Stated 320 W Main St, Purcellville, VA 20132
1	FEB, THU	•	7 – 9pm	Lodge Practice Hamilton-Thompson Lodge No. 37 320 W Main Street, Purcellville, VA 20132, United States
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5	FEB, MON	•	7 – 10pm	Fraternal Visit to Olive Branch 114 108 Cornwall St NE, Leesburg, VA 20176, USA
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15	FEB, THU	•	6:30 - 9:30pm	Hamilton Thompson Stated 320 W Main St, Purcellville, VA 20132
17	FEB, SAT	•	1 – 4pm	H-T 37 Friends and Family Gathering Harvest Gap Brewery
19	FEB, MON	•	7:30 – 9:30pm	Fraternal Visit to Herndon Lodge 264 820 Elden Street in Herndon, Virginia

2024 Officers and Living Past Masters

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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)