

Happy New Year Brethren!

Before moving on to matters of the New Year, I'd like to pause for a moment to reflect on the events of December 2008 and offer my appreciation for the efforts of so many in our Masonic family who made it a very special month.

As usual, Concord's Installation of officers was a wonderful event with many brethren, family and friends in attendance. I'd like to offer a personal thank you to our first-rate installing team – R.W. Chuck Rowell, Wor. Steve Brundage, R.W. Harold Jennings, Wor. Bunk McCarthy, and Wor. Lauris Eek, III. There's no finer team in the Commonwealth – great job guys!

I'd also like to offer special thanks to the lovely and talented Ms. Fran Tomkins for once again gracing us with her musical talents. We are lucky to have such fine accompaniment at our installations. Thanks also to my good friend Alan Bushnell for capturing the whole event on digital film – we'll have his work up on the Concord Lodge website soon for all to enjoy.

It wouldn't have been a Masonic event without fine food! A heartfelt thanks to Sister Priscilla Hildebrand and her team from Harmony Chapter #60, Order of the Eastern Star for providing a tasty spread and the most awesome Installation cake I've ever seen!

Before taking a break for the holidays, the newly installed officer team and several brethren tended to the preparation and delivery of our annual Widows gifts. The gift program was once again flawlessly coordinated by Sister Ada Jennings to whom we owe a hearty helping of gratitude for her tireless efforts on this program over the years.

Ada has decided to hand the reins to a new coordinator in 2009 so that she can take a well-deserved break. On behalf of the officers and members of Concord Lodge... Thank you Ada for your dedication to our Lodge widows program – you've left us with some VERY big shoes to fill.

Moving into 2009 – “Coach” Brundage has had our officers and degree team members pulling twice-per-week practices to get those with new roles up to speed for the Jan. stated and an upcoming MM degree. He's also been busy working with Wor. Donald Phillips to install our two new kitchen ranges – check 'em out next time you're in Lodge – they look (and smell) great! Well done Steve.

 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Thus far, there are two new Committees this year:
 - **Hillman Award Committee** – I hope this one catches on as a Concord tradition. This Committee is chaired by our Senior Warden, who is paired with a Hillman-winning Past Master. Together, they ensure that we are progressing throughout the year in a manner that will satisfy the requirements to continue winning the James Noah Hillman Award. If we interpret the Hillman requirements as the GL's way of signaling to us which activities they feel are most beneficial to subordinate Lodges, this Committee is well-suited to the SW as it will help him prepare for his year in the East.

Credit for this approach goes to Wor. Dave Smith, Jr. who pioneered the idea in 2008, with 'yours truly' as the “Hillman guy” – I found it to be very helpful and hope Bro. Keith will too.

- **Grand Master's Visit Committee** – Concord Lodge is honored to host a visit from the Grand Master of Masons in Virginia – M.W. Jeffrey E. Hodges – on May 19th. This is in addition to his visit to the 54th District and is thus a really special event. To ensure that it is one to remember, we've got a truly qualified Chairman in the person of R.W. Norm Mayo. ‘Noooooorm’ has seen his share of GM receptions and will help us pull off a truly first-rate evening. Norm will need help, so please let him know that you want to volunteer for his team.

- Per tradition in the 54th District, it is Concord's turn to nominate a 2010 DDGM-Alternate, who is also the presumptive 2011 DDGM. The brethren will vote to determine Concord's nomination at the February stated communication. As such, all brethren desiring to have their name placed into nomination for these roles should notify the Worshipful Master no later than Feb. 16th.

 SICK AND DISTRESSED

We are always mindful of our sick and shut-in members & widows. This is an area in which we can all help with our prayers, visits, and messages of good cheer. When you know of a sick or distressed member, please notify the Lodge promptly through our Worshipful Master, Secretary, or Chairman of the Sick and Shut-in Committee.

 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Note: Lodge Instruction is held at CON307 Every Thurs. at 7:30 p.m.

Date	Day	Time	Location	Event
20-Jan	Tue	7:30 p.m.	CON307	Stated Meeting - Open Lodge of Sorrow
27-Jan	Tue	6:30 p.m.	SHA327	Masters & Wardens Assoc.
28-Jan	Wed	7:30 p.m.	SHA327	DIW Session
10-Feb	Tue	7:30 p.m.	KMW64	DDGM Official Visit to Kemper-Macon Ware
17-Feb	Tue	7:30 p.m.	CON307	Stated Meeting - DDGM Official Visit to Concord
23-Feb	Mon	7:30 p.m.	ACG81	DDGM Official Visit to ACG81
25-Feb	Wed	7:30 p.m.	SHA327	DIW Session

 MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

Marshall Orr	Potter Jr	1/26/1950
Horace Childs	Buxton Jr	2/3/1954
James Burton	Lemons	2/7/1958
Robert Eugene	Decker	2/25/1958
Henry	Hendrix Jr	2/19/1980
Louis Mason	Blackwell II	2/25/1986
James Dwight	Baker	2/24/1993
James Lee	Gruenebaum	1/30/1996
Patrick Dale	Marsden	1/30/1996
Nicholas Joseph	Mangus III	2/11/1997
Patrick Charles	Ruff	2/27/1999
Timothy Earl	Miller	1/11/2000
Robert Alvin	Kirsch II	2/15/2001
Ronnie Pasatiempo	Banagan	1/10/2002
William T Hillman	Terzian	1/11/2007

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 DARK JULY AND AUGUST

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1990	Wilson "Bunk" C. McCarthy	2008	David H. Smith, Jr.
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