

Companions:

It is my sad duty to report the passing of **Companions William A. Hambley, Edward L. Mason** and **Anthony DiStafano** who died in October and **Gerardo N. Dikranian** who died in November.

We will have the potluck before the December convocation. Let me know what you can bring (703) 505-7140 or jwpears@hotmail.com please. We need side dishes and desserts. I will bring a honey-baked ham. Some ideas to consider are salads, vegetables, chips and dip/salsa, cookies, pies or cakes. One of the bachelors (first come, first tasked) can bring the drinks. Our December stated will consist of a brief meeting to deal with business and a report back from Grand Chapter. My intention is to focus mainly on fellowship after the meeting. I would like to get some suggestions on one major project we want to accomplish as a Chapter in the New Year. Finally, Happy Holidays to everyone, stay safe, stay warm, take time to remember the SAOTU's blessing to us as individuals, our families, our country and this world.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

John Wesley Pearson
HP Arlington RAC #35

Other District 1 Chapters

Mount Vernon #14

First Tuesday
George Washington Masonic National
Memorial, Alexandria

Annandale #77

Third Wednesdays
Elmer Timberman Masonic Temple



Trestle board

December 14th Report on Grand Chapter.

DID YOU KNOW? In old taverns and pubs, people drank from pint and quart-sized containers. A bar maid's job was to keep an eye on the customers and keep the drinks coming. She had to pay close attention and remember who was drinking pints and who was drinking quarts. Thus the term "**mind your 'P's and Q's.**"

Fifty Year Members

<i>John P. Funkhouser</i>	1949
<i>David H. Graham</i>	1950
<i>Elgin B. Kirby</i>	1950
Henry J. Bausili	1952
Guy D. McCombs	1943
William M. Sisk	1944
Oscar L. Buchanan	1945
Edward E. Buckley	1947
Robert A. Kelly	1949
Elwood S. Nichols	1949
William T. Guise	1950
James W. Brown, Jr.	1951
Robert L. Connor	1951
John E. Wise	1952
John G. Dudley Jr.	1953
George D. Stevens	1953
Robert A. Dudley	1953
John F. Kelley	1954
Wilbert N. Kahoun	1954
Walter W. Cosby Jr.	1955
Cleveland F. Oliver	1955

DISTRICT 1 Officers for 2005

Mt. Ex. Wayne Sawyer Flora. GHP
Royal Arch Masons in Va.

Rt Ex. Mark Wayne Underwood, DDGHP

Rt. Ex. George R. Bierman
Lecturer District 1

DISTRICT 1 High Priests for 2005-6

Ex. James F. Hutson, HP
Mount Vernon # 14

Ex. Jason W. Lotz, HP
Annandale #77

JOKE OF THE MONTH: I'll bet you didn't know what kind of coffee was served on the Titanic. It was Sanka!

EDUCATION

As this is the season for giving, I thought I'd share this. While most people probably subscribe to the general theory that charity is good for the soul, many would be surprised to learn that philanthropic acts are also good for the mind and body. Research is beginning to confirm this. These emerging findings can transform the way people live and feel about themselves. Giving is measurably wholesome for mind, body and spirit.

(source: *Give To Live*, Douglas M. Lawson via Abington Press, Nashville)

Capitular Birthdays

DECEMBER

Guy D. McCombs Sr.	1943
John E. Wise Jr.	1952
Wallace D. Thompson	1956
Charles H. Rowell	1958
Ellyson G. Outten	1960
Blaine M. Williams	1960
John C. Werner	1967
Hugh W. Compton	1979
Robert L. Lafayette	1994
Jeffrey C. Trimble	1994