

Companions:

We will have Most Excellent Doug Jordan, PGHP as our Guest Speaker for the January 11th convocation. He will be discussing the upcoming Masonic Week in the District of Columbia, and the various opportunities for the Companions to avail themselves of other organizations in the York Rite. In addition our Grand High Priest, Most Excellent Wayne Flora will have his official visit to District # 1 on Friday 27 January beginning with a supper at around 6PM at the George Washington Memorial in Alexandria. I still would like to get some suggestions on one major project we want to accomplish as a Chapter in the New Year. Please let me know your wishes.

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

"PASS IT ON"

Trestle board

January 11 Stated 7:30

ME Jordan's talk

February 8 Stated 7:30

DID YOU KNOW? "So Mote It Be" are the final words in the Regius Poem. Mote is old English for "may". Masons have used the term since the beginning of the written history of the craft. (source: Masonic Information Center FOCUS May 2003)

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

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

JOKE OF THE MONTH: Attending a wedding for the first time, a little girl whispered to her mother, "Why is the bride dressed in white?"
"Because white is the color of happiness, and today is the happiest day of her life."
The child thought about this for a moment, then said, "So why is the groom wearing black?"

EDUCATION

The Royal Arch degree has long been one of great significance in Freemasonry. Historically it was reserved for only those who were Worshipful Masters, and was the fourth and final degree in the 1700's. The candidate undergoes an extensive journey designed to have him reflect upon the downward spiral of man left to his own devices. The ruins along the way are man's attempt to be his own moral force. But in the ruins lies the truth, which is God (Source: "The Significance of the Royal Arch Degree" By Rev. Jan L. Baderstadt, KYCH)

Capitular Birthdays

January

Walter W. Cosby Jr.	1955
Robert F. Brown	1958
Howard E. Pirkey	1961
George D. Gilbreath	1977
John D. DeMartini	1980
M. Mickey Ander	1986
Larry K. Bellos	1986
Peter W. Pedrotti	1993
Sheldon H. Avenius	2002