

Winchester Hiram Lodge No 21



Trestleboard January 2008

Dear Brethren,

The newly elected officers of Winchester Hiram Lodge #21 have been installed. I am both humbled and appreciative of the show of support that has been extended to me and the line of officers for 2008. Thank you and I pray we will live up to our obligation, and serve as admirably as our predecessors. We have had a great example in our immediate Past Master, RW Raymond Douglas Steele. He has made an indelible mark on our Lodge, and its members, as he has established a legacy of service that will be difficult to match. I am grateful for his, as well as all our Past Master's support and advice.

As you can see, by looking at the calendar, we are busy already! In January and February we will celebrate with our own RW James Winfield Golladay, Jr., DDGM for the 3rd Masonic District, as we travel with him for his Official Visits to each Lodge in the District. I ask that you join your line of officers in attending. Car pooling will be available. Watch your e-mail for further information.

We will meet and initiate two new Candidates into the Mysteries of Freemasonry with a meet the Candidate night and EA Ritual School on 1/15/08 and EA Degree on 1/22/08.

Please join us for food and fellowship as we attend Master's & Warden's Club on 1/29/08 and District School on 1/31/08. Both hosted by Washington Lodge No. 78.

Looking ahead to February, please plan to attend the Official Visit of Most Worshipful Edmund Cohen, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia. This will be a tiled meeting at Spurmont Lodge #98 in Strasburg, VA. The Grand Master would like to hear from you. He wishes to meet with every member and wants you to voice your opinion on the state of Masonry in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

With Candidates working and petitioners in waiting, it looks like our busy ritual schedule will continue in 2008. I look forward to working with each of you as we bring more good men into our beloved fraternity.

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Happy New Year and May the Great Architect of the Universe bless and keep you.

Fraternally,

Chip

Master of Winchester Hiram No. 21 Lodge

January 1, 2008 7:30PM Ritual School on receiving DDGM

January 3, 2008 Travel to Treadwell Lodge #213 for Fraternal Visit and Official Visit of DDGM

January 7, 2008 Travel to Spurmont Lodge #98 for Fraternal Visit and Official Visit of DDGM

January 8, 2008 7:30PM Stated Communication, official visit of DDGM

January 10, 2008 Travel to Cochran Lodge #271 for Fraternal Visit and Official Visit of DDGM

January 14, 2008 Travel to Washington Lodge #78 for Fraternal Visit and Official Visit of DDGM

January 15, 2008 7:00PM Meet the Candidate, 7:30PM Ritual School on EA Degree

January 22, 2008 7:30PM EA Degree on two candidates

January 29, 2008 Masters & Wardens Club hosted by Washington Lodge #78

January 31, 2008 District School at Washington #78

February 4, 2008 Travel to Spurmont Lodge #98 for Fraternal Visit and Official Visit of Most Worshipful Edmund Cohen, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, Tiled meeting

February 8, 2008 Travel to Unity Lodge #146 for Fraternal Visit and Official Visit of DDGM

Monday evenings 7:00PM- Lodge Education, Catechism Coaching, Correspondence Course Classes and Coaching on individual ritual parts.

Tuesday evenings (except Stated) 7:30PM- Lodge Ritual School or Degree Work

Fraternal Visits will be made to each Lodge in the 3rd Masonic District to coincide with the official visit of the DDGM and official visit of Grand Master. (Other fraternal visits when opportunities arise)