



# HENRY KNOX FIELD JOHN BLAIR LODGE

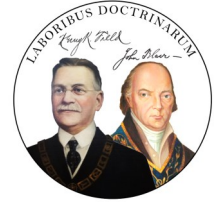
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SEPTEMBER 2019 TRESTLEBOARD



1st Annual Joint August Stated Communication of Henry Knox Field-John Blair Lodge #349 and Kemper Macon Ware Lodge #64. Brethren from virtually every lodge in District 1A were in attendance, along with two Grand Line Officers!

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

I don't know about you, but after this summer's relentless heat, I'm looking forward to a great fall, my favorite time of year—leaves changing color, color temperatures, football, baseball, and hockey all playing at the same time. Welcome to September!

Last month's Joint Stated Communication with our brothers from Kemper Macon Ware #64 was a huge hit! Brethren from virtually every lodge in district 1A were in attendance and registered fraternal visits. We also were very honored to host two Grand Line Officers—Grand Senior Warden, Right Worshipful James W. Golladay, Jr., and Grand Junior Warden, Right Worshipful Donald E. Strehle. We had about 35 brethren in all that night! Wor. John Hubbell, Worshipful Master of Concord #307, presented a very poignant program on Masonic teaching in which he specifically extolled the benefits of in-person catechism instruction and mentorship. Thank you to all the brethren, especially Wor. Eric McElwain and our KMW brothers for joining us for such an enjoyable evening of fellowship.

We also balloted on Mr. Bradley Watts, electing him to be initiated into the Mysteries of Freemasonry. We will hold a Called Communication on Tuesday, September 17th for that purpose, beginning at 7 pm. Bros. Samuel and Matthew Summers will also return their EA catechism proficiency that night.

September's Stated Communication is Warden's Night. Come out and support our Senior and Junior Wardens, Bro. TJ Fisher and Bro. Clayton Mitchell who continue to refine their ritual proficiency in the next chairs in the progressive line. Looking to October, we will hold presentations on Masonic Appendant Bodies during our Stated Communication, and tentatively fulfill our annual tradition of a fraternal visit to Centennial Lodge #174 holden under the Grand Lodge of Maryland.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,



*Erik N. Schultz*

## Upcoming Events

*"Learning and Labor"*

1st & 3rd Tuesdays: Lodge Ritual & Catechism School

### September

**Tue, Sep 10**

**Stated Communication  
Warden's Night**

**Sat, Sep 14**

**Lodge Breakfast, Nats Game w/AJ120**

**Tue, Sep 17**

**Called Communication: Work in the Degrees  
Entered Apprentice for Bradley Watts**

### October

**Tue, Oct 1**

Lodge Catechism/Ritual School

**Tue, Oct 8**

**Stated Communication  
Appendant Bodies Night**

**Sat, Oct 12**

Lodge Breakfast

**Tue, Oct 15**

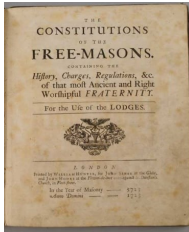
Lodge Catechism/Ritual School

## September Masonic Birthdays

Mark A. Boughner	September 15, 2016
John W. Bradley	September 10, 1966
Matthew J. Cavey	September 15, 2016
Ralph L. Devers	September 30, 1975
Arthur C. Ferreira	September 25, 1974
William C. Hecht	September 13, 1999
Arthur M. Kelly	September 26, 1950
Brian M. King	September 7, 2010
Bryan N. Morris	September 23, 2010
James P. Raines	September 20, 1977
Gregory E. Safsten	September 15, 2016
Herbert Sprung	September 25, 1963
Richard L. Stickles, Jr.	September 26, 1987
Robert W. Wagner	September 10, 1970
Stephen L. Weigert	September 25, 1996



Masonic Leaders! (L to R): Wor. Nikola Nikolov, Wor. Jason Himsey, Wor. Erik Schultz, GSW RW James Golladay, GJW RW Don Strehle, Wor. John Dahik, RW Mike Bible, and Wor. Eric McElwain.



## THE BOOK OF CONSTITUTIONS:

*“...you are to search at all times, cause it to be read in your Lodge, that none may pretend ignorance of the excellent precepts it enjoins.”*

*- Instructions to the WM during his installation*

Every month in 2019, we will feature discussions on excerpts from the Constitutions of Freemasonry, both in the Trestleboard and during tiled lodge.

### Ch 2, Sec VI: Of the Wardens of a Lodge

“The Senior Warden succeeds to all the duties of the Master, and fills the chair when he is absent. Or if the Master goes abroad on business, resigns, demits, or is deposed, the Senior Warden shall forthwith full his place till the next stated time of election. And although it was formerly held, that in such cases the Master’s authority ought to revert to the last Past Master who is present, yet it is now the settled rule that the authority devolves upon the Senior Warden, and in his absence upon the Junior Warden.

The business of the Wardens in the Lodge, is generally, to assist the Master in conducting the business thereof, and managing the Craft, in due order and form. Particular Lodges do likewise by their by-laws assign particular duties to their Wardens for their own better government; which such Lodges have a right to do—provided they transgress not the old landmarks, nor in any degree violate the true genius and spirit of Masonry.”

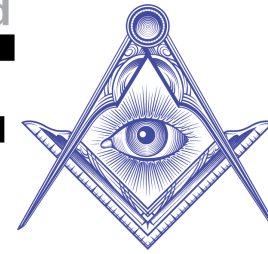
### To contemplate:

Since it’s Warden’s Night this month, I figured this was a perfect passage to include. In fact, I am “abroad on business” this month, so the timing of Warden’s Night worked out rather well.

The role of the Wardens is to support the Master and the Craft—to be 2 of the 3 pillars of the lodge. The Master traditionally represents the pillar of Wisdom; the Senior Warden, Strength; and the Junior Warden, Beauty. What insights do we see from those associations? Thinking about how the Wardens help the Master “rule and govern” the Lodge, and even thinking about the ritual words spoken by each Warden when opening and closing the lodge, what do the notions of Strength and Beauty have to do with the roles of the Senior and Junior Wardens?

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NO. 349  
john blair lodge

### 2019 OFFICERS

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| Erik N. Schultz, Worshipful Master     | F. Paul Norris, Musician                                   |
| Timothy J. Fisher, Senior Warden       | Wor. Daniel E. Froggett, Tiler<br>Lodge Instructor of Work |
| Clayton J. Mitchell, Junior Warden     | Wor. Jaime H. Flores, Webmaster                            |
| Wor. Kenneth R. Reynolds, Treasurer    | Lodge Education Officer                                    |
| Wor. Patrick A. Wood, Secretary        |  |
| Mark A. Boughner, Senior Deacon        |  |
| Russell A. Summers, Jr., Junior Deacon |  |
| Ronald E. Markiewicz, Chaplain         |  |
| Jonathan D. Summers, Senior Steward    |  |
| A Xavier Mariscal, Junior Steward      |  |
| Korosh Yazdanpanah, Marshal            |  |



### **LODGE HISTORY**

Henry Knox Field Lodge, No. 349, A.F. & A. M., was chartered in the Town of Potomac, Virginia, on February 12, 1925. It was named in honor of Henry Knox Field, a local businessman and community leader from Alexandria, Virginia, who served as Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, in 1917. Most Worshipful Field was raised to the degree of Master Mason on February 20, 1890, at Andrew Jackson Lodge, No. 120, A.F. & A.M. On June 24, 1893, he was installed Worshipful Master of that Lodge. Most Worshipful Field was born on April 20, 1860 and passed away on August 1, 1917, while serving as Grand Master.

John Blair Lodge No. 187, A.F. & A.M., was instituted on July 31, 1970, and chartered at Henry Knox Field Lodge No. 349 on February 10, 1971. The lodge was named in honor of Virginia's first Grand Master and inaugural United States Supreme Court Justice John Blair, Jr. Jewels, aprons, the bible, and tiler's sword were given by Worshipful Raymond L. Colins. The speakers podium for the Lodge was constructed and donated by Right Worshipful Clarence A. Dains. The brazen pillars were constructed and donated by the Charter Treasurer, John Newton Crawford, and the altar cover was later donated by Most Worshipful Werner Herman Morlock, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia in 1993, who died in office on Saturday, March 5, 1994.

The lodges initiated the consolidation process in February 2017, with the Resolution on Consolidation being adopted in June of the same year. Henry Knox Field—John Blair Lodge, No. 349, A.F. & A.M., officially began work January 1, 2018.

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*Stated Communication:*

*Second Tuesday 7:30 p.m., Fellowship Dinner 6:30 p.m.*