



HENRY KNOX FIELD JOHN BLAIR LODGE

NO. 349 • A.F. & A.M. • VIRGINIA

TRESTLEBOARD

JUNE 2020

For our June "stated" we will again
have a joint Zoom meeting with
Kemper Macon Ware Lodge, No. 64.

June 9, 2020, 7:30 p.m.

The Zoom link will be emailed.

The evening's program will include a
presentation by Wor. Erik Schutz,
Philosophy & Masonry

Join us!

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Brethren,

I think nicer days are finally here. While going out and about we might still be limited with restrictions, but a little fun in the sun and Vitamin D does wonders for the body and mind; especially, for those of us that are working from home or not getting out as much as before.

The food distribution with ALIVE! was very successful. We had 9 Brothers who assisted. The Volunteers and staff were extremely grateful for the breakfast that HKF-JB provided. More importantly there were over 1100 family's that received fresh produce, eggs, and dry goods. It was great to get out and help the community in its severe time of need. I am hoping to help out and be involved with more events like this in the future! The numbers for the virtual fundraiser are still being totaled and I will e-mail the numbers to everyone. There were some technical difficulties, so go give now if you couldn't over the last weekend of May.

The Alexandria Scholarship Fund will not be hosting it's annual awards ceremony this year, unfortunately. However the recipients will be filming a short thank you video and composing a thank you letter. Miss Oliva Hammes was the recipient of the Henry Knox Field Lodge Scholarship and Miss Halle Evans received the Walter Downs Memorial Scholarship. I will follow up with each and Congratulate them!

Our fellowship Zoom "stated" will be on June 9th. We will be having another joint fellowship with KMW so we can share in the larger fellowship. Worshipful Erik Schultz will be sharing a presentation on "Philosophy and Masonry." I hope everyone can attend!

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

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Worshipful Master
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The Ashlars

Rough and perfect ashlar are stones that serve to symbolize a man's spiritual and moral life. It isn't easy to cut stones to perfect sizes and shapes. It requires a lot of experience that only true craftsmen have.

In history, only large buildings were made of ashlars. Other buildings were built with brick and wood. It was difficult to assemble skilled craftsmen that knew how to lay foundation stones, lay stones the right way on top of one another for tall buildings, and build stone archways. It was also difficult to find artisans that could sculpt the stones into nice ornamental shapes.

Rough ashlar were cut and raised by apprentice masons. They worked under the supervision of Fellowcrafts who were the more experienced craftsmen. The Master Masons were the general supervisors. The Master Masons had proved themselves as those that could make ashlar for the Master to the satisfaction of their superiors.

The rough ashlar represents an unprepared, undressed stone in Operative Freemasonry. In Speculative Freemasonry, a rough ashlar represents an uninitiated Freemason before he receives light.

The perfect ashlar is the dressed stone that has been shaped, smoothed and made uniform. A perfect ashlar is the perfect stone that has been dressed by experienced stonemasons and fitted into architectural buildings and structures.

The perfect ashlar is a symbol of a Freemason that works to achieve a purposeful, principled, righteous life and does all he can to be enlightened and reflect that light.

A Rough Ashlar begins as an imperfect stone. A man is also imperfect initially. But, the man can be shaped into a better being through brotherly love, cultivation and education. He becomes someone that has become shaped into a being that has been tried by the square of virtue, and he has become encircled by the compasses of his boundaries given to him by the Creator.

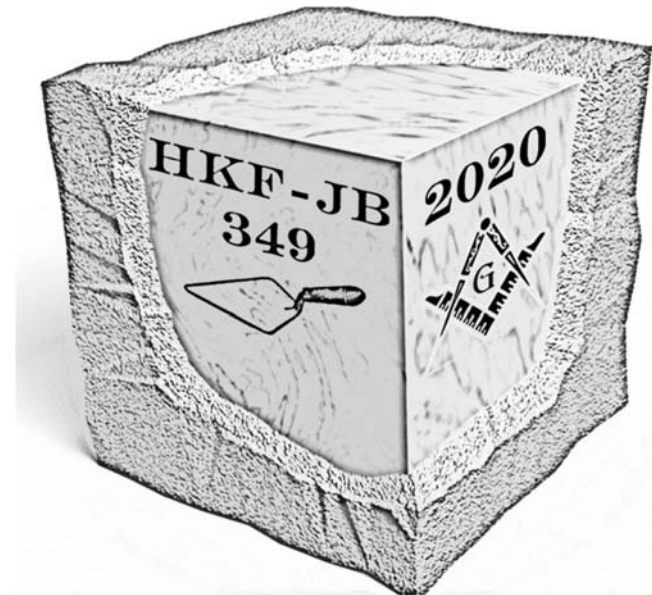
How we as Freemasons Can Contribute to the Making of Other Perfect Ashlars?

Freemasons must seriously consider their personal responsibility to educate other Brothers towards their improvement. We get enlightened when we assist others and donate to those in need. Master Masons uphold the tenets of the craft and teach other Brothers what they have learned.

All Lodges must take time in judging the potential of a candidate. They must weigh their characters and evaluate their potential for change.

All Freemasons must extend a friendly hand of affection and love, to help new Freemasons become better people. We must help them stand upright with the plumb, live on the square and become true Freemasons who will make the Creator proud of them.

All men who are worthy must take the lesson of the Rough and Perfect Ashlar seriously. We must take these lessons seriously so that we can become more knowledgeable and less ignorant, go from death to life and go **from darkness to light**.





Thanks to everyone who helped support our local food bank! We look forward to doing more work in the community.

Pictured, from top left, Wardens Clayton Mitchell and Mark Boughner, Marshal Nelson Sanchez and his wife Jillian, Wor. TJ Fisher and Senior Deacon Korosh Yazdanpanah, Bro. Steven Aguilar, and Bro. Clayton again.

Not pictured, Musician Arnold McNeal & Secretary Daniel Froggett.



- Brother Conwesley Ruffner Simmons, Jr. - June 14, 1955 - 65 years
- Brother Eugene Matson Morrison - June 12, 1956 - 64 years
- Brother Johnnie Carson Baker - June 18, 1957 - 63 years
- Brother William James Miller, Jr. - June 20, 1961 - 59 years
- Brother George Michael Dreitlein - June 19, 1962 - 58 years
- Brother Charles Edward Shultzaberger - June 16, 1964 - 56 years
- Brother Thomas Gerald Staples - June 21, 1966 - 54 years
- Brother Lawrence Irvine McGuire - June 28, 1966 - 54 years
- Worshipful Robert John Rohrback - June 14, 1967 - 53 years
- Brother William Samuel Kelly - June 21, 1968 - 52 years
- Brother Antonio Damiani - June 13, 1972 - 48 years
- Brother James Michael Helms, Sr. - June 17, 1975 - 45 years
- Brother Jack Mosker Lee - June 1, 1976 - 44 years
- Brother Jack Gaines McKay - June 1, 1976 - 44 years
- Brother Roger Linwood Smith, Sr. - June 7, 1977 - 43 years
- Brother Michael David Toobin - June 6, 1978 - 42 years
- Brother Max Samuel Abraham - June 2, 1981 - 39 years
- Brother Garrett Colon Sanborn - June 1, 1982 - 38 years
- Brother William James Solomon - June 30, 1982 - 38 years
- Worshipful Larry Edward Williams - June 7, 1983 - 37 years
- Brother Michael Allen Conner, Sr. - June 4, 1985 - 35 years
- Brother Russell Edward Peverell - June 18, 1985 - 35 years
- Brother John Lewis Griggs - June 14, 1988 - 32 years
- Worshipful James Wilson Gladden, IV - June 9, 1992 - 28 years
- Brother Michael Leon Parra, Jr. - June 15, 1996 - 24 years
- Worshipful Robert Earl Roush, Sr. - June 15, 1996 - 24 years
- Brother James Mitchell Armstrong - June 15, 1996 - 24 years
- Brother Michael Edward King - June 30, 1998 - 22 years
- Worshipful Robert Earl Roush, Jr. - June 9, 1999 - 21 years
- Worshipful Kenneth Rhames Reynolds - June 23, 1999 - 21 years
- Brother David Todd Armstrong - June 27, 2000 - 20 years
- Right Worshipful James William Schoonmaker, III - June 13, 2001 - 19 years
- Worshipful David Edwin Hartzell - June 26, 2001 - 19 years
- Brother Tyler Anderson - June 4, 2008 - 12 years

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2020 OFFICERS

Timothy J. Fisher, Worshipful Master	Ronald E. Markiewicz, Chaplain
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Korosh Yazdanpanah, Senior	Wor. Jaime H. Flores, Tiler
Deacon	Wor. Erik N. Schultz, Education
Jonathan Summers, Junior Deacon	Officer



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.