

Triangle Lodge #293

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MWGM “The Honorable “Donald S. Wilson Visits

By WPM Steven E. Goodson #293

On Tuesday, May 24, 2022, our MWGM The Honorable Donald S. Wilson #67 visited WM Allen L. Jones Jr and Brothers of Triangle Lodge #293, with many Brothers visiting from all corners of the 31st Masonic District. A great night of instruction, fellowship, and laughter were enjoyed by all. MWGM Wilson was accompanied by RWDGM Beverly W. Morgan, Jr. #298, RWGL-East Jose R. Ortiz #34, and RWPGL-E Curtis B. James, Sr. #67. Also, in attendance was our very own DDGM Charles James #11 and ADDGM A. Marques Pitre #298. MWGM Wilson discussed several topics; from the upcoming St. John the Baptist Day Celebrations, the Annual Communication Session, and what is expected from the craft when visiting A.F. & A.M Lodges. After the meeting, the Brothers gathered around for the traditional photo opportunity. The Brothers assembled downstairs for repast that consisted of crawfish, ribs, chicken, and sides. This was indeed and great night of Brotherly Love.



MWGM Donald S. Wilson #67, RWSGW Beverly W. Morgan, Jr. #298, and WM Allen L. Jones #293 with the Brothers of the Craft

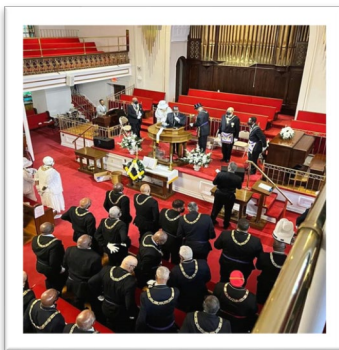
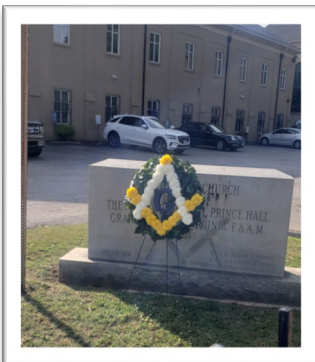
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The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Virginia Founder's Day 2022

On May 15, 2022, the Brothers of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Virginia Free and Accepted Masons, Inc. gathered at 236 Harrison Street in Petersburg, Virginia at the First Baptist Church to celebrate our 147th Annual Founders Day. As RW Grand Lecturer (West) Larry T. Johnson, #298 held down the duties of Master of Ceremony (MC) with support from WADDGM James Parham, #290, RWSGD Antonio R. Pride, #43, and WADDGM Hozsa Bagley #17 who all involved in presenting the scripture, prayer, and welcome for the program. The City of Petersburg was well represented by the Honorable Sam Parham, Mayor of Petersburg, Va., who gave the official greetings.

Our very own Grand Secretary Stevie Gray #314 performed masterfully as he introduced and recognized the Grand Lodge Officers, Dignitaries and the Appointed and Elected Officers of the MWP HGL of VA. The history of the MWP HGL of Virginia was detailed by the RW Grand Lecturer (East) Jose R. Ortiz Lebanon Lodge #34. Finding its roots from African Lodge #459 in Boston Massachusetts which the lodge was chartered in 1787, but it was not until 1875 that the two Grand Lodges in Virginia made arrangements to unify to form the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Virginia. In the late 1950's, the name was changed to the Most

Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Virginia Free & Accepted Masons, Incorporated. Rev. Brother George Lyons #43 and Pastor of Gillfield Baptist Church then gave a sermon from John 2:1-4 and preached to "Invite God In". After the Word, the ceremony of the wreath dedication was made at the church altar by Most Worshipful Grand Master Donald S. Wilson, #67 and RW Deputy Grand Master Beverly W. Morgan, #298 and the Brother proceeded outside to present the wreath at the headstone.



145th MWP HGLVA Annual Communications

By SW Sean Hill

Brothers! On September 16-September 18, 2021 The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Virginia, held the 145th Annual Communications in Richmond, Va. at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel – Richmond, 1021 Koger Center Blvd. Richmond, VA 23235. This year's event was a celebration of our MWGM Richard Townes administration, as well as the anticipation of our newly elected MWGM Donald Wilson and his elected and appointed administration.

WM Allen L Jones, Jr., SW Sean Hill, and JW Shelly D. Bothwell, Jr. joined by a host of Brothers from Triangle Lodge #293 were in attendance from "Gavel to Gavel" to support our Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Virginia.

Some this year's highlights included the election of our Brother WPM Earnest L. Prather to the position of Right Worshipful Grand Director. Also, the great work performed by the Committee on Work members WPM Phillip L. Brannon and WPM Lawrence Harper Jr. And finally, the appointment of WPM Steven E. Goodson to the Publication Committee.



Town of 47th Annual Dumfries Christmas Parade

By JW Shelly D. Bothwell, Jr.

On Saturday, December 11, 2021, the Brothers of Triangle Lodge #293 participated in the Town of Dumfries 47th Annual Christmas Parade as part of the Worshipful Master outreach program. The Christmas Parade gave the Brothers an opportunity to increase our engagement with community. Starting at the Triangle Plaza, a bevy of local organizations, businesses, and schools joined in on the festivities. The day was surprisingly warm for a December day and the parade route was crowded with children, parents, and spectators as they saw a cascade of dancers, musicians and even a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus.



WM Jones and the Brothers of the Craft participating and passing out candy to the kids

Wreaths Across America

By WPM Allen L. Jones, Jr.

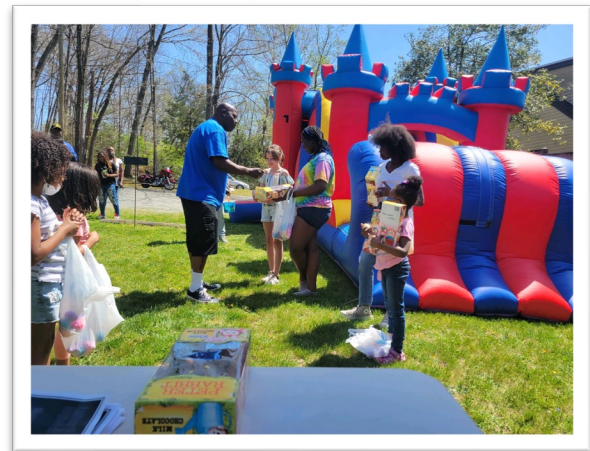
On a brisk December morning in Arlington, VA., The Brothers of Triangle Lodge #293 rose up early before dawn to participate in what has become a traditional event for the lodge, The Wreath Across America at Arlington National Cemetery. On December 18, 2021 at 09:00 am, the Brothers joined in with many organizations and families to remember and honor our Veterans by laying remembrance wreaths on the graves of our country's fallen heroes. This event is near to our hearts because many of our Brothers are Veterans of the Military.



1st Annual Easter Egg Hunt

By WPM Allen L. Jones, Jr.

One of my fondest memories this year has been seeing the smiling faces of the kids. With that said, it was a pleasure to see the support from the Brothers, as we held our 1st Annual Triangle Lodge Easter Egg Hunt. On April 16th, with the help of the Brothers, Families and Friends, we were able to create some lasting memories for the kids and see some smiling face on all in attendance. The event was a "Potluck" styled event with deserts and drinks. The highlights of the day included the Easter Egg Hunt, Easter Egg Roll, and the famous Moon Bounce, which the young and old enjoyed.



Triangle Lodge #293 Visits Arlington Lodge #58th

By WM Allen L. Jones Jr.

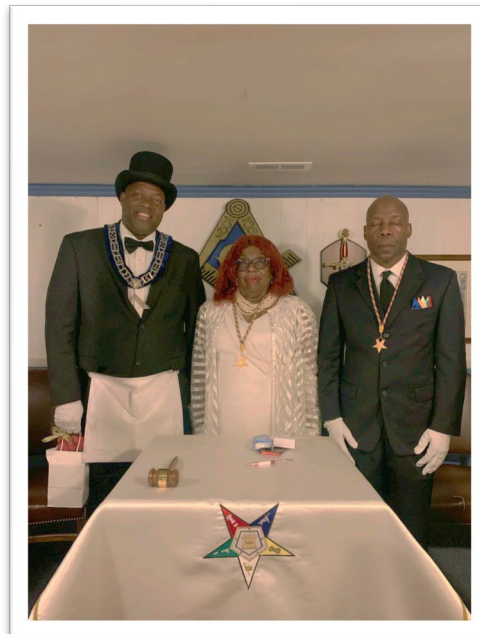
There are not many more things that truly please for a sitting Worshipful Master than traveling to visit a Brother Lodge and having the support of the Craft as they travel with you. On April 21, 2022, the brothers of Triangle Lodge #293 were able to pack up and travel North to visit and fellowship with our Brothers of Arlington Lodge #58. Worshipful Master Ronnie A. Hall and the Brothers of the Craft greeted us, and we were honored to be in the midst of true Brotherhood. It was a great meeting with plenty of fun and laughter thanks the Triangle Men showing up and showing out.



Triangle Lodge #293 Visits Grace Chapter #239

By WM Allen L. Jones Jr.

It is always a great time when the Brothers and Sisters of the Masonic Order are able to visit and break bread together. On May 9th, Worthy Matron Sheila Bryant, Worthy Patron St. Francis Peters, and the Sisters of Grace Chapter #239 opened their doors to except the Brothers of Triangle Lodge #293 to fellowship and show support for each other. This is a time-honored tradition, as we are proud to call our SiSTARS...Family!



WM Allen L. Jones celebrates the Special Women of the Men of Triangle Lodge #293

By WPM Steven E. Goodson

On April 30, 2022, WM Allen L. Jones Jr. invited the Brothers of Triangle Lodge #293, their Wife's and Special Significant Others out for a night of dinner, music, and relaxation at the New Orleans Bistro in Fredericksburg, VA. This was a opportunity to show the special women of the Men of Triangle how much they are appreciated. This has been a great Masonic year and none of it could have been accomplished without the support of our families. Thank You!



WM Jones, the Brothers and their Ladies enjoying some down time and breaking bread together.

WM Allen L. Jones Jr. End of Administration Celebration

By WPM Steven E. Goodson

On May 21, 2022, WM Allen L. Jones Jr. invited the Brothers of Triangle Lodge #293, their families out to the lodge to celebrate the end of the 2021-2022 Masonic Administration. After more than two years of dealing with Covid-19 restriction, this Masonic year allowed the Brothers to hit the ground running for the 2022 Masonic year. WM Jones' theme of Embracing the Community was accomplished this year through the support and hard work of the Craft. WM Jones End of the Year Administration Cookout was a way to thank the Brothers and their families for a great year of support. A visit from WM Rufus "Birdlegs" Jackson, one of our "pillars" of our lodge completed the day.



Adopt-A-Highway Spring Clean-Up

By JW Shelly D. Bothwell Jr.

Each year nearly 18,000 Adopt-a-Highway volunteers are collect more than 25,600 bags of trash along Virginia's highways. It is estimated that the Commonwealth of Virginia would have to spend over \$1.35 million to cover this clean-up had it not been for these volunteers. To do our part, the Brothers of Triangle Lodge #293, assist with keeping our the highways clean. Triangle Lodge #293 has committed to picking up litter a minimum of two times a year for the next 3 year's "minimum of 6 collections" over a two-mile stretch of Route 234.

WM Allen Jones and the continue to honor this pledge by showing up early on April 23, 2022 and putting in the work to keep our community clean. It's a continuation of the Worshipful Master's plan to continue sowing the seeds of Brotherly Love and continuing to Embrace the Community.



2021-2022 End of Year Awards

Master Mason of the Year- SD Cedric Martin

Meritorious Mason of the Year- JS Mike Paige

Outstanding Mason of the Year- Bro Fred Mitchell

Co-WPM of the Year- WPM Ronnie R. Williams

Co-WPM of the Year- WPM Steven E. Goodson



GOOD TIMES!



The Motivational Minute

LEAVE IT WHERE YOU HEARD IT!

Not everything heard through the ears should be distributed to the lips. The tilters of integrity and discipline who guard between the ears and mouth should be employed at every opportunity In order to safeguard our character, brothers, and lodge.

Leave it where you heard it.

When the tilters of integrity and discipline abandon their post, we lose total control over what was once guarded safety within our breast.

Leave it where you heard it.

Once released from the ear to the mouth, words, messages, stories and interpretations wander into the ears and minds of others, and trigger emotions and actions beyond our control.

Unless it adds value, uplifts, builds, and protects, **leave it where you heard it.**

By
Brother Luke Wright #293

The Motivator



FROM LABOR TO REWARD

WPM WILTON BROOKS BEST

TRIANGLE LODGE #293

JULY 19, 1953 - MARCH 9, 2022



“GOOD, BETTER, BEST! NEVER Let it rest, until your Best is Better, Your Better should always be your “BEST”

