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### Masonic Birthdays for April

George L. Smith	1948
Robert L. Spindle, PM	1953
Darrel R. Fleming, PM	1957
Wendell D. Hansen	1963
Thomas D. Feely, PM	1976
John W. Wailes, PM	1981
Russell L. Baneck, PM	1982
Paul L. Baker, PM	1982
Scott M. Baker	2001
Terrence R. Cogdill	2002
David T. Lang	2003
William B. Bennet	2007
Phillip M. Harris	2007
Jefferey J. Schwarz	2007
John G. McWilliams	2008

### Happy Masonic Birthday!!!



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## Improving Ourselves In Masonry

Brethren,

Take a deep breath, and relax. Spring has arrived.

April is "Masonic Education Month" here at Ashburn. This month, our District Education Officer is making his official visit. And will be providing our educational program, "Refocusing on Education", this month as well.

There is a Lodge Officer's Meeting on Wednesday April 7<sup>th</sup>, followed by a Fellowcraft degree.

Our first steps towards hosting a DeMolay chapter begin on Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, when the DeMolay's Regional Instructor will be teaching the DAD course. If you are interested in being a DeMolay advisor, you must attend.

On April 19<sup>th</sup>, there is a fraternal visit planned for Herndon 264. I encourage you all to come, to see what this lodge can aspire to be.

And, you are an officer, or would like to become one, Tuesday to 20<sup>th</sup> the DEO will be conducting the Subordinate Lodge Officer Training, where we'll discuss the duties and qualities of an officer.

We also continue to have the philosophy meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, so if you're interested in exploring Masonic Philosophy, come join us.

Weather permitting, April 24<sup>th</sup> is Lodge Spring Cleaning. This year, we tackle the basement, siding, and lighting. There's a lot to do, so no-one has to stay idle.

Fraternally,

*John F. Meehan*

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Masonic District Team

**District Deputy Grand Master:** Rt. Wor. James Cromer

**District Instructor of Work:** Chris C. Thompson, PM, PDDGM

**District Education Officer:** Charles Maranto, PM

**District Masonic Home Ambassador:** John G. McWilliams

**District Blood Coordinator:** Richard Earl Belles, PDDGM

**District Membership Coordinator:** Russ Baneck, PM

**District Services Coordinator:** Chris C. Thompson, PM, PDDGM

**District Lodge Services Representative:** Luis Pages, PM, PDDGM



Washington Memorial amid Cherry Blossoms

*"A man only learns in two ways, one by reading, and the other by association with smarter people."  
(Will Rogers)*

### Calendar of Events

#### APRIL

First Wed. – 4/7

Lodge Officer's Meeting 6:30 pm  
Fellowcraft Degree 7:30 pm.

Second Saturday – 4/10

DeMolay DAD Training 10:00 am

Second Tues - 4/13

Dinner – 6:45 pm  
Stated – 7:30 pm DEO Visit "Refocusing on Education"

Third Monday – 4/19

Fraternal Visit to Herndon #264 7:30 pm.

Third Tuesday – 4/20

S.L.O.T 7:30 pm.

Fourth Saturday – 4/24

Lodge Spring Cleaning 10:00 am.

Fourth Tuesday - 4/27

Philosophy Session 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

Fourth Wednesday – 4/28

District School 7:30 pm.



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