

Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22

March 2004

Master's Message

Brethren,

It's hard to believe that we are almost near the end of the first quarter of 2004. Time flies when you're having fun.

I would like to thank all of those who participated at the George Washington Birthday Celebration on February 14. Although it was a well-attended event and everyone seemed to have enjoyed the planned activities. We didn't sell enough tickets to cover the expenses of the event.

A special thanks goes to those who helped me with decorations, introductions of guests, last minute errands, serving of meals, ticket collections and clean-up. Although the list is too big to name everyone, I would like to acknowledge the contributions of Jerry Owen, Mona Killian and Margaret Little, who went out of their way to assist me.

On February 12, the Lodge nominated Wor. Frank Rosser Dunaway, Jr. PM, to be recommended for the office of District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic District 1A in 2005. Wor. Dunaway has honorably served our Lodge as well as other appending bodies and I'm sure he'll make our Lodge and District proud, if appointed DDGM for 2005.

On a more solemn note, we received notice that the following brethren have passed away to the celestial Lodge. Brother David Canfield Hastings, Brother Harry Sylvan Blivess and Wor. Oliver Lloyd Onion. Please keep their families in your prayers.

At our first Stated Communication on March 11, we will receive the District Child ID Coordinator, Wor. Robert Rohrback. On March 18 our sister Lodge, Andrew Jackson will be celebrating their 150th anniversary and we will help them celebrate this special occasion with a joint Communication. **This means that our second Stated Communication in March will be held on Thursday, March 18 with dinner served at 6:30pm.** Please make an effort to attend this special occasion.

In addition to our Stated Communications, the following activities are also scheduled for March. Fraternal Visit to Springfield Lodge No 127 on March 2, Trustees and Scholarship Committee meetings on March 3 and 4, Entered Apprentice and Master Mason degrees on March 8 and 25.

Wor. John Shroeder will be the speaker for our educational EA Lodge on March 15. He will speak on the influence of Freemasonry in US history. I have also re-scheduled Rt. Wor. Riddell's program on Alexandria-Washington Lodge and some of its eminent members for March 29.

We will conclude our March activities by participating in the District Ritual School on March 30. Where we will refine our proficiency on the first section of the Master Mason degree. We are responsible for the part of Junior Warden and Senior Steward.

We have a full month ahead of us, please come out and support your Lodge.

Sincerely and fraternally,



Frank S. Skwirut
Worshipful Master

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March 2004 - Trestleboard

Day	Time	Activity
Tue 03/02/2004	7:30 pm	FRATERNAL VISIT TO: Springfield Lodge No. 217 7100 Backlick Road - Springfield, VA
Wed 03/03/2004	7:00 pm	TRUSTEES MEETING: Lodge Anteroom, GWMNM
Thu 03/04/2004	7:00 pm	SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING: Lodge Anteroom, GWMNM
Sun 03/07/2004	7:00 pm	LODGE RITUAL SCHOOL: Practice for Master Mason Degree
Mon 03/08/2004	7:00 pm	CALLED COMMUNICATION: Master Mason Degree
Thu 03/11/2004	7:30 pm	STATED COMMUNICATION: District Child ID Coordinator Wor. Robert Rohrback will speak on the Child Id program sponsored by the Grand Lodge of Virginia, in preparation for the AW22 Child ID programs scheduled later in the year.
Mon 03/15/2004	7:00 pm	CALLED COMMUNICATION: Entered Apprentice Lodge Wor. John Shroeder will speak on the influence of Masonry in US history.
Thu 03/18/2004	6:30 pm	JOINT STATED COMMUNICATION WITH ANDREW JACKSON LODGE NO. 120: Past Masters of both Lodges will occupy the officers' chair to Celebrate the 150th Anniversary of Andrew Jackson Lodge.
Sun 03/21/2004	7:00 pm	LODGE RITUAL SCHOOL: Practice for Entered Apprentice Degree
Thu 03/25/2004	7:00 pm	CALLED COMMUNICATION: Entered Apprentice Degree
Mon 03/29/2004	7:00 pm	CALLED COMMUNICATION: Entered Apprentice Lodge RW Jack Riddell will speak on the history of Alexandria-Washington Lodge and some of its eminent members.
Tue 03/30/2004	7:00 pm	DISTRICT RITUAL SCHOOL: Master Mason Degree Andrew Jackson Lodge No. 120

STATED COMMUNICATIONS - The Stated Communications of this Lodge shall be held at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial (GWMNM), Alexandria, Virginia on the second and fourth Thursday of each month except the fourth Thursdays of November and December and for the additional Stated Communications for the observance of George Washington's birthday and December 27th for the installation of officers on Saint John the Evangelist Day.

CALLED COMMUNICATIONS - Usually on Mondays as announced herein.

LODGE RITUAL SCHOOL - Will always occur the Sunday before a Monday Called Communication Degree at 7:00 PM, unless otherwise stated. Additional ritual schools will be announced herein when necessary.

YOUTH MEETINGS AT GWMNM - Alexandria-Washington Chapter, International Order of DeMolay, meets the first and

third Sundays at 2 pm in the North Lodge Room. Bethel No. 22, International Order Jobs Daughters, meets the first and third Sundays at 6 pm in the North Lodge Room.