

# Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22

## April 2004

### Master's Message

*Brethren,*

Spring is upon us, and I hope the nicer weather will induce more of you to come out and enjoy the fellowship at our Communications.

Our Joint Communication with Andrew Jackson Lodge was very successful. We had a full lodge room that evening. Wor. John Everly, PM, did an excellent job as Worshipful Master and conducted a very enjoyable meeting. Our Speakers for the evening were Most Worshipful Donald M. Robey, PGM, and Most Worshipful Steward W. Miner, PGM. They both had outstanding presentations and brought back many good memories of some of our departed Brethren, who were very active in both Lodges. I would like to thank every one who attended this special occasion, especially those who occupied the officers' chair.

We had a disappointing turnout for our first educational EA Lodge. Wor. John Shroeder, PM, spoke about the several eminent masons who helped shape our country and gave us some insight on their challenges and doubts during their uncertain journey. It was a very informative program, and it's a shame that only a hand full of members made an effort to attend. Hopefully, the participation will increase throughout the year, especially from our Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts.

It is my sad duty to report that we have lost two of our members to the Celestial Lodge. Bother Glen C. Marshal passed away on March 16 and Bother Donald W. Sheehan passed away on March 23. Please keep their families in your prayers.

Although April is not usually a busy month for the Lodge, it is a special one. This is the month of our Charter, and the second Stated Communication in April is the only time of the year when we meet in the replica Lodge room. At our first stated Communication, we will hear from the Masonic Home Ambassador for Masonic District I-A.

Our next EA lodge will be held on April 12. Wor. S. Brent Morris, PM and Brother Arturo De Hoyos, will speak on Anti-Masonic issues and organizations as described in their new book, "Is it true what they say about Masonry?". The William Hiram Wood Ritual School will be held from April 27 - 29 in the North Lodge Room of the GWMNM. This is a great opportunity for anyone who wishes to learn the ritual. Your participation is highly encouraged.

Fourteen of us will be going to Egg Harbor, New Jersey, on April 24 to celebrate the 85th Ladies Night of William Elkins Lodge No. 271 at the Renault Winery. This event will include wine tasting and a tour of the winery.

We will conclude our activities for April by hosting the Masters and Wardens Association meeting on April 30.

Sincerely and fraternally,



**Frank S. Skwirut**  
Worshipful Master

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#### April 2004 - Trestleboard

Day	Time	Activity
Sun 04/04/2004	1:00 pm	<b>VISIT TO ALEXANDRIA-WASHINGTON CHAPTER ORDER OF DEMOLAY</b>
Thu 04/08/2004	7:30 pm	<b>STATED COMMUNICATION:</b> District Masonic Home Ambassador <i>Wor. Timothy Jay Butcher, PM, will update the brethren on the latest events at the Masonic Home. Our Lodge will also be recognized as the largest contributor to the Masonic Home in District I-A</i>
Sat 04/10/2004	10:00 am	<b>OFFICERS' MEETING:</b> <i>Officers' Meeting Room</i>
Mon 04/12/2004	7:00 pm	<b>CALLED COMMUNICATION:</b> Entered Apprentice Lodge <i>Wor. S. Brent Morris, PM and Bro. Arturo De Hoyos will speak on Anti-Masonic issues and organizations as presented in their new book, "Is it true what they say about Masonry?".</i>
Thu 04/22/2004	7:30 pm	<b>STATED COMMUNICATION:</b> Charter Night <i>Right Worshipful Jack P. Riddell will be our speaker for the evening</i>
Sat 04/24/2004	6:46 pm	<b>WILLIAM ELKINS LODGE NO 271 LADIES NIGHT</b> <i>Renault Winery, Egg Harbor - NJ</i>
Tue 04/27/2004 through Thu 4/29/2004	7:00 pm	<b>WILLIAM HIRAM WOOD RITUAL SCHOOL</b> <i>North Lodge Room of the GWMNM</i>
Fri 04/30/2004	7:00 pm	<b>MASTERS AND WARDENS ASSOCIATION MEETING</b> <i>Hosted by Alexandria-Washington Lodge No.22</i>

**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.