

August 2000

Master's Message

My Brethren:

In January of this year, I stood before you and tried to explain a theme, which I dubbed Masonic Unity. I thought it was unity between different Appendant bodies, but I was wrong. I now realize that Masonic Unity is the unity of the brethren within a Lodge. It is with deep regret that I must inform you that we will be holding a **SPECIAL ELECTION** at the first Stated Communication this month. Last month I accepted the resignation of Brothers Jim Stevenson and Robert Harrison, the Junior Warden and Senior Deacon respectively. **ALL MEMBERS** of Alexandria-Washington Lodge are requested to appear at this meeting to cast your vote in this special election. Nominations will be heard, votes taken, and officers installed as appropriate.

The topic of our second Stated Communication will be the Royal Arch of the York Rite, the guest speaker will be Brother Douglas Jordan. Virginia Masonry's ritual is based on the Ancient York Rite ritual. This will give everyone a chance to find out about the Royal Arch Capitular and Cryptic Degrees.

Next month officers will be switching back to our "Winter uniform" tuxedo black coat and trousers. Stationed officers will be in tails. All officers should be in black coat at the Second Stated Communication in September.

October 26 is Past Masters night and October 28 is Alexandria-Washington Lodge's Ladies night. Stay tuned for further details in the September Trestleboard.

Brethren, Worshipful Brother John Nicholson has told me that he plans to retire from Federal Government services next year, and his future plans are to move to West Virginia in 2002. He suggested that we start looking for someone who could "understudy" with him for the position of Lodge Treasurer. If anyone has any accounting experience or would like to take on a challenging job, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Terry L. Gigure
Worshipful Master

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- October 26 : Past Masters Night
- October 28 : Alexandria-Washington's Ladies Night

TRANSPORTATION: Contact our Chairman, Worshipful Brother Terry L. Gigure (703) 360-6177 whenever you need a ride to Lodge events. Brother Gigure will be happy to try to assist you in your transportation needs.

BLOOD: Contact our Chairman, Brother Robert C. Tidwell (703) 250-3216 whenever you or someone you encourage gives blood or platelets. What better charity than to give the gift that can save lives.

SICK: Contact our Chairman, Wor. Bro. Frank R. Dunaway (703) 548-0318 regarding any sick and distressed brethren.

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August 2000 - TRESTLEBOARD

Day	Time	Activity
Sun-Wed - 8/6/00-8/9/00		REID SIMMONS GRAND LODGE SCHOOL: Fork Union Military Academy
Thu - 8/10/00	7:30 pm	STATED COMMUNICATION: Nominations and Election for the Junior Warden and Senior Deacon seats
Sat - 8/12/00	7:00 pm	BLUE LODGE VISITATION: Alexandria Scottish Rite
Sat-Sun - 8/19/00-8/20/00		FRATERNAL VISIT BY LIBERTY LODGE BEVERLY, MA
Sun - 8/20/00	7:00 pm	Lodge Ritual School: Entered Apprentice Degree Practice
Mon - 8/21/00	7:00 pm	CALLED COMMUNICATION: Entered Apprentice Degree
Thu - 8/24/00	7:30 pm	STATED COMMUNICATION: Royal Arch Brother Douglas Jordan (Masonic Birthdays)
Sun - 8/27/00	7:00 pm	Lodge Ritual School: Fellowcraft Degree Practice
Mon - 8/28/00	7:00 pm	CALLED COMMUNICATION: Fellowcraft Degree

STATED COMMUNICATIONS - held on the second and fourth Thursday of each month, except Thanksgiving; the observance of George Washington's birthday, and the Installation of Officers on Saint John's Day, December 27.

CALLED COMMUNICATIONS - first Monday of each month will be an EA Called Communication; third Monday of each month will be a FC Called Communication, *unless otherwise noted in the trestleboard.*

LODGE RITUAL SCHOOL - Conducted each Sunday evening at 7:00 pm *Unless otherwise noted in the Trestleboard.*

YOUTH MEETINGS AT GWMNM - Alexandria-Washington Chapter, Order of DeMolay meets the first and third Sunday at 2:00 p.m. in the North Lodge Room; Bethel No. 22, I.O.J.D. meets the first and third Sundays at 6:00 p.m in the North Lodge Room.

