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| DAVID S. SHAVER, CHAIRMAN..... | 2017 |
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**ALEXANDRIA-WASHINGTON LODGE No. 22
 LIVING PAST MASTERS**

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| DONALD M. ROBEY, PGM..... | 1975 | JAMES M. STEVENSON..... | 2003 |
| JAMES B. STONE..... | 1976 | FRANK S. SKWIRUT..... | 2004 |
| JAMES R. FREEMAN..... | 1980 | JESSE T. MCMAHAN..... | 2005 |
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| GEORGE D. SEGHERS, PDDGM..... | 1995 | HEBER C. WILLIS, III..... | 2009 |
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| TERRY L. GIGURE..... | 2000 | ROBERT T. WESTON..... | 2014 |
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| DANIEL M. CLARK..... | 2002 | STEPHEN J. PEZZETTI..... | 2016 |

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December 2017

The Master's Message

ALEXANDRIA-WASHINGTON LODGE No. 22

Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

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Brethren,

Having the opportunity to serve a Masonic Lodge as Worshipful Master is the highest honor attainable in Masonry. Having the privilege to serve twice as Worshipful Master is something very special. Having the honor of serving Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, as Worshipful Master twice is something words can't describe. Thank you for supporting me during this challenging but rewarding time.

One of the most fulfilling aspects of Masonry is the friendships that we make, many lasting a lifetime. One of the things I'm most pleased with is the Fraternal Visits that we made this year. During our travels around the District, our officers had the opportunity to meet new brothers, form relationships and represent Alexandria-Washington Lodge well where we weren't well represented before.

Your officers have worked extremely hard this year conducting the day-to-day business of the Lodge, meeting most every week to work on ritual, teaching catechism to our candidates and conducting degree work. They have invested much and we are a stronger Lodge because of their dedication and commitment.

There has been an increase interest in our Lodge recently as we have seen a significant increase in Affiliation Applications, Petitions, and non-masons, requesting information about our Lodge. Next year is shaping up to be a very busy year. I ask that you consider how you can help. You will be blessed by your participation, and so will we.

On Thursday December 14th at 8:00am we will lay a wreath at George Washington's tomb marking the 218th anniversary of his death. Shuttle Bus leaves circle at **7:45am** sharp! If you haven't attended this special event in the past, I encourage you to attend. There will be a reception following the wreath laying.

As we approach Christmas and the Holy observations of December, I pray the Lord will bless you and your family, that He fill your life with joy and happiness and that the New Year will bring moments to cherish.

Mike

Michael P. Bible
Worshipful Master
Alexandria-Washington Lodge No.22

MASTER'S TRESTLEBOARD

DECEMBER 2017

- 09 SAT 6:00 PM ANDREW JACKSON OFFICER INSTALLATION:**
OPEN INSTALLATION. RESERVATIONS REQUIRED
- 12 TUE 7:30 PM JOHN BLAIR OFFICER INSTALLATION:**
CLOSED INSTALLATION
- 14 THU 7:45 AM WREATH LAYING: MOUNT VERNON**
- 14 THU 7:30 PM STATED COMMUNICATION:**
MASTER'S ADDRESS
ELECTION OF OFFICERS
CLOSE THE LODGE OF SORROW
- 25 MON CHRISTMAS: HAPPY HOLIDAY**
- 27 WED 7:30 PM OPEN INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**
ALEXANDRIA-WASHINGTON LODGE ROOM

There will be no Sunday Ritual Schools in December

STATED COMMUNICATIONS: The Stated Communications of this Lodge shall be held at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial (GWMNM), Alexandria, Virginia on the second Thursday of each month except for the additional Stated Communications for the observance of George Washington's birthday, June 24th for Saint John the Baptist Day, and December 27th for the Installation of Officers.

CALLED COMMUNICATIONS: Usually on the fourth Thursday, or as announced herein.

LODGE RITUAL SCHOOL: Conducted every Sunday at 5pm unless otherwise noted in the trestleboard. This school will cover work in all degrees. The school is for all members of the Masonic Community and ALL are invited and encouraged to attend.

For Dinner Reservations, Email the Senior Steward at:
reservations@aw22.org

“Jacks Vignette’s”
"The Campaign of 1789"

Having just survived that bizarre and carnival like Presidential Campaign, I thought it timely to close this series of Vignettes with a humorous, but hopefully not too irreverent, peek into the "Campaign of 1789." Oh yes, there must have been a Campaign, but the people who wrote all of those making of the President books explaining the strategy of the candidates never got around to analyzing the election of 1789. Maybe those writers felt that Washington's election was ordained by providence. Surely, Washington's supporters must have done something to get him elected; there had to have been a Campaign, probably conducted by the Mount Vernon Machine. This machine was working diligently even though the General had consistently declared himself a non- candidate. Of course, being a non-candidate was part of his campaign strategy; "avoid being the front runner." Can you imagine, the man with the longest lead in history in the polls (one hundred percent points) playing it safe. He knew that everybody gangs up on the front-runner. Just imagine, Jefferson, Monroe, Adams and Madison ganging up on you as a front-runner! It's awesome.

The Mount Vernon Machine were brilliant politicians; they even convinced the other candidates to drop out of the race. So, Washington ran unopposed, and was elected unanimously.

“Brownie’s Briefs”
225 YEARS AGO

December 19, 1792 - The President wrote to the Commissioners of the Federal City (D.C.); "I am very apprehensive, if your next campaign into the Federal City is not marked with vigor, ...I am convinced of the expedience of importing a number of workmen from Europe." (I wonder what Washington would say if he saw the City today?)

From our Secretary

Dear Brethren:

As you know, the Lodge for a number of years has not mailed out the Lodge Bulletin to its' members by mail and made it available to only those who attended meeting or who could view the lodge website and maybe see the bulletin information.

The Lodge leadership is now making a conscious effort to get the Lodge Bulletin in the hands of its members in a timely manner. For those who have and use Email, we send it to those members by that means. For those who do not have Email, we are mailing a copy by USPS mail.

The cost of mailing the Bulletin is very expensive. Considering the cost of printing the document, the cost of the mailing envelopes and labels, the cost of the postage, and the cost of preparing the bulletin for mailing which is done by the youth groups, the overall cost is approximately \$3.00 per copy.

We have 176 members who have Email addresses and receive the Bulletin via Email. We have 130 members who are receiving the Bulletin by USPS mail. If you are receiving the Bulletin by USPS mail and have an Email address where you can receive it by Email, please provide your Email address to the Secretary, at jackcanard@gmail.com so we can get you on the Lodge Email list.

An additional benefit of being on the Lodge Email List is that you will receive other information about Lodge activities in addition to the Lodge Bulletin.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
G. C. Canard, Jr.

Wreath Laying Washington’s Tomb
Mount Vernon

On **Thursday December 14th** we will lay a wreath at the tomb of our Illustrious Brother George Washington on the 218th anniversary of his death. We will meet at the traffic circle and board a shuttle to take us to the tomb. The shuttle leaves at **7:45am** sharp! A reception at Mount Vernon Inn immediately follows the wreath laying.

Alexandria-Washington Lodge Installations of Officers

An Open Installation Ceremony will be held in the Alexandria-Washington Lodge Room of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial on **Wednesday December 27th at 6:00pm**. All members of the Lodge, members of other Lodges, and friends of the Masonic Family are invited to attend. A reception will be held in the dinning room following the ceremony.