

Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22

April 2008

Master's Message

Brethren,

We have two wonderful speakers travelling to Alexandria to speak to us in April, and a number of degrees to confer on candidates.

At our first Stated Communication on April 10, Professor Emeritus David Stevenson of the University of St. Andrews in Scotland will discuss the topic "Freemasonry's Scottish Origins," based on his important book *The Origins of Freemasonry: Scotland's Century, 1590-1710*. At our second Stated Communication on April 24, we will celebrate the Lodge's traditional Charter Night by opening Lodge in the Replica Room. Professor Steven C. Bullock will discuss the topic "Freemasonry and the American Revolution," based on his famous work *Revolutionary Brotherhood*. Please join us for these two distinguished guests. There will be a Festive Board after both Stated Communications. Please reserve your space at the table by e-mailing the Senior Steward at dinner@aw22.com or by telephoning him at the number contained in this Trestleboard.

We will confer degrees on candidates at a Called Communication on Saturday, April 12. The plan is to begin at 10:00am, examine two candidates on their Entered Apprentice catechism, confer the Fellowcraft Degree on them, hear three other candidates return the Fellowcraft catechism, then break for lunch at noon. After lunch at 1:00pm, we plan to raise three candidates to the sublime degree of Master Mason. There will be a practice for these degrees at 6:00pm (note the earlier start time) on Friday, April 11.

On Tuesday, April 15, at 7:00pm we plan to raise a single candidate to the sublime degree of Master Mason with his father, who is also a Mason, in attendance from out of State. The line officers are performing ritual to a high degree of excellence this year and the catechism instructors and candidates are doing excellent work. I invite you to participate or assist as often and as much as you can.

Finally, remember that at 7:00pm on Friday, April 25, the Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, Most Worshipful Edmund Cohen, will make his official dinner visit to Masonic Districts 1A, 1B, and 54 in the Grand Masonic Hall of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. Please contact the Secretary if you are interested in reserving one of the limited number of tickets that are still available for this event.

Brethren, we are blessed to have work to do and enlightening speakers this month. I look forward to seeing you in April.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Douglas H. Wood
Worshipful Master

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April 2008 - Trestleboard

Day	Time	Activity
Sun 04/05/2008	6:00 pm	FRATERNAL VISIT TO: William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Thu 04/10/2008	7:30 pm	STATED COMMUNICATION: Prof. David Stevenson, University of St. Andrews, Scotland: "Freemasonry's Scottish Origins"
Fri 04/11/2008	6:00 pm	LODGE RITUAL SCHOOL: Practice for Fellowcraft Degree and Master Mason Degree
Sat 04/12/2008	10:00 am	CALLED COMMUNICATION: Work in the Degrees
Tue 04/15/2008	7:00 pm	CALLED COMMUNICATION: Work in the Degrees
Wed 04/16/2008	7:30 pm	FRATERNAL VISIT TO: John Blair Lodge No. 187
Thu 04/24/2008	7:30 pm	STATED COMMUNICATION: Charter Night, Lodge Replica Room Prof. Steven C. Bullock, "Freemasonry and the American Revolution" Masonic Birthdays
Fri 04/25/2008	7:00 pm	GRAND MASTER'S OFFICIAL DINNER VISIT TO: Districts 1A, 1B, and 54 Ticketed Dinner in Grand Masonic Hall at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial

STATED COMMUNICATIONS - The Stated Communications of this Lodge shall be held at the George Washington Masonic Memorial (GWMM), 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, June 24th for Saint John the Baptist Day and December 27th for the Installation of Officers.

CALLED COMMUNICATIONS - Usually on Mondays or Tuesdays as announced herein.

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

YOUTH MEETINGS AT GWMNM - Alexandria-Washington Chapter, International Order of DeMolay, meets the first and third Sundays at 2:00 pm in the North Lodge Room. Bethel

