# June 2024 Trestle Board



### From the East

Matthew Mason - Worshipful Master



Washington 20 had another great month.

Our Dos de Mayo stated meeting dinner was catered by Brothers **Efrain** and **Art Vallejo**. The fajitas were very tasty and enjoyed by all in attendance.

Brother **Brandon Jenkins** gave another great Entered Apprentice class to help our EAs progress. Brandon is not only helping them with the cipher but also explaining the reasons why Masons do what we do to help them better understand the Gentle Craft. It is Masonic Education at its finest, and he is doing a great job.

We ended the month by conferring Brother **Jonathon Miller** the Second Degree of Masonry and passing him to Fellow Craft. Once again, the Officers gave a great degree ceremony worthy of our Brother as he moves along in this progressive science. We look forward to raising you soon, Brother!

As we head into the dark months of June and July, our line Officers are handling the next two Stated Meetings in Advanced Stations. Please come to support them on June 6 and July 11.

Please note that the July stated meeting will be on the SECOND Thursday of that month due to Independence Day falling on our normal Stated Meeting Night. We will start dinner at 6:00 PM and the meeting at 7:30 PM as normal.

Please start planning to attend our **Table Lodge** on August 15 at 6:00 PM in the Banquet Room of the Temple. It is a stag event and consists of food,

libations, toasts, and fun. Libations will be both wine and non-alcoholic drink charges. A game is played with the toasts and "fines" for violations.

Do not worry; the "fines" are voluntary and small, and ALL the money they raised will go to purchasing items needed at the Shriners Hospital school (yes, there is a school at the hospital that is paid for by donations).

If you haven't done a Table Lodge yet, it is not to be missed. If you have, I know you'll be there because you already know how much fun it is. Worshipful Dongo and Brother Wallach are joining forces to plan the event and the seven-course meal that goes with it.

The **Master's Ball** (previously Ladies Night) will be held on September 21 at 6:00 PM. Brother **Bill Workman** is planning a wonderful luau for us all to enjoy. It is a new take on our classic, including as many brothers as possible from our lodge.

Please plan to attend with your lady, partner, or just by yourself. Bill has been working on this since the beginning of the year, and I sure am excited about his plans!







Greetings, Brethren.

June is upon us. The days are getting longer, and the weather is fair. No matter the time of year, however, whether it be the longest or the shortest day, there are still only 24 hours in a day.

We all have three blocks of time dedicated to what we must do, want to do, and need to rest. It is easy to expand one of these blocks of time to encroach upon what should be dedicated to the other two.

The days are long and filled with light, and we feel obligated to accomplish as much as possible before the days become short and the light begins to wane. Do not neglect to take the time necessary to rest and recharge yourself so that you are ready for the next day and for what it brings.

When rested, you are at your best, and those around you benefit from what you share in the light of the day. May we all be bright-eyed and well-rested when we next meet at our Stated Meeting.







#### Fortitude: One of the four Cardinal Virtues

From the Latin: *fortitude*, meaning moral strength, courage, force, firmness, and manliness.

## "Courage is not simply one of the virtues but the form of every virtue at the testing point, which means at the point of highest reality. " — C.S. Lewis

Courage is like the cornerstone of a building on which we erect our Masonic edifice. Without it, temperance, prudence, and justice cannot fully flourish. Just as a temple needs a solid foundation to stand tall, these virtues rely on courage to guide our actions and decisions.

After the loss of a friend, courage is like stepping into the unknown, navigating the pain, and choosing to move forward despite the ache in one's heart.

When we experience something that causes fear, our hearts race, our palms sweat, and our knees shake, yet within that fear lies an opportunity for courage. We confront what scares us and discover the strength that we thought we didn't possess.

I hope that we all find the courage to navigate our work, relationships, and daily challenges.

May courage point us to the path of integrity, resilience, and brotherhood.

May we find the courage to innovate, take risks, and lead with conviction, as well as the courage to stand up for each other, bridge divides, and build the bonds of brotherhood to weather all of life's storms.

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

#### JUNE

- 04 Monthly Executive Committee Meeting (Zoom) Tuesday 06:30 PM
- 06 Monthly Stated Meeting Dinner (Banquet Room) Thursday 06:00 PM
- 06 Monthly Stated Meeting (Advanced Stations) (LR1) Thursday 07:30 PM
- 13 DARK or Degree Practice (LR1) Thursday 06:30 PM
- 20 DARK or Degree Practice (LR1) Thursday 06:30 PM
- 27 DARK or Degree Practice (LR1) Thursday 06:30 PM

#### JULY

- 04 DARK Thursday Happy Independence Day!
- 09 Monthly Executive Committee Meeting (Zoom) Wednesday 06:30 PM
- 11 Monthly Stated Meeting Dinner (Banquet Room) Thursday 06:00 PM
- 11 Monthly Stated Meeting (Advanced Stations) (LR1) Thursday 07:30 PM
- 18 **DARK** or **Degree Practice** (LR1) Thursday 06:30 PM
- 25 DARK or Degree Practice (LR1) Thursday 06:30 PM
- 30 Monthly Executive Committee Meeting (Zoom) Tuesday 06:30 PM

#### Washington Lodge No. 20

#### **Mission Statement**

To practice and promote a way of life that binds like-minded men in a worldwide brotherhood that transcends all religious, ethnic, cultural, social and educational differences.

Through Masonic principles and tradition, and by the outward expression of these through its fellowship and compassion, **Washington Lodge No.20 Free & Accepted Masons** provides ways in which to serve God, family, country, neighbors, and self in an environment that contributes to the enrichment and betterment of its members, mankind, and its communities.

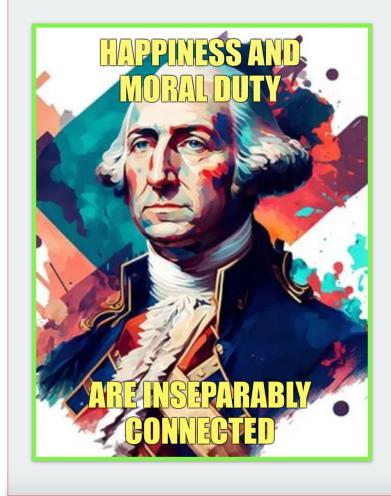
#### JUNE

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

- 01 Brian Schoenborn (Master Mason)
- 01 Joseph Mayo, IV (Master Mason)
- 04 James Lenau (Master Mason)
- 07 Richard Entrican (Master Mason)
- 10 Nico Montero (Master Mason)
- 20 David Thomas (Master Mason)
- 22 Ronald Speno (Master Mason)
- 24 Matthew Mason (Worshipful Master)
- 25 David Cameron (Past Master)
- 25 Larry Afzal (Master Mason)

#### **MASTER MASON ANNIVERSARIES**

- 06 Erick Leutholtz (16 Years)
- 11 Kamyl Assè (11 Years)
- 17 George Jamison, Jr. (Past Master) (42 Years)
- 18 Christian Wheeler (09 Years)
- 19 John Lowrey (34 Years)
- 20 William Workman (Junior Warden) (05 Years)
- 21 Jeffrey Hardiman (Past Master) (16 Years)
- 22 Frank Werner (24 Years)
- 23 Richard Hixson (Past Master) (19 Years)
- 24 Steven Anders (48 Years)
- 24 Brian Schoenborn (14 Years)
- 25 Devin Gray (09 Years)
- 26 Fred Bloom (32 Years)
- 27 Jared Dailey (11 Years)
- 28 Eric Hixson (Past Master) (Treasurer) (24 Years)



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