September 2023 Trestleboard

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Lodge #32

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FROM THE EAST

any people, particularly Masons, ask me what Freemasonry does? Are we a charity? If so, to whom do we donate or contribute?

The working tools lecture in the Third Degree instructs us that the trowel is a tool used by Masons for spreading the cement which unites our society.

What does this mean? What is this cement?

I believe it is the principles to which we obligate ourselves and to which we adhere to in our daily lives.

By living our lives in accordance with our obligations we set a standard

of behavior, a benchmark of expectations upon which all can rely the world over.

These standards hold true in both our personal relationships as well as our business dealings.

It is our ethics—defined by our obligations—that truly cement our society together.

God bless,

Peter

Master

FROM THE WEST

ord has spread that our Lodge is moving steadily forward. Attendance continues to rise at meetings, dinners, and breakfasts. In June, the members were finally able to freely elect their own leadership. Lodge business is being conducted in a transparent manner. Morale is up. For the first time in years, it is fun and stress-free to walk into the Lodge building. Please take a moment to appreciate all of this. We have accomplished many of our goals quicker than expected!

We need your help. There is still much more to do. It is more critical than ever for us to be active in Nevada Masonry. There are two very important dates upcoming. Please attend if your cable-tow permits.

The Grand Master's Official Visitation (GMOV) is September 1st at Vegas 32. Most Worshipful Kevin McCans will bring an important message of fellowship to our Lodge. His visit will also bring distinguished visitors from all over Nevada. They are all coming to see how Vegas 32 is functioning. Please be present and let everyone know how much everything has improved! Make or resume friendships with visiting brothers

and plan a trip to their Lodge. Spread the cement of brotherly love between Vegas 32 and the rest of Nevada. Unite us all into a stronger bond!

The annual Grand Lodge session is scheduled for November 12-14, 2023. This annual event is where decisions are made that impact all Nevada Masons. We need a strong turnout to show the entire state that Vegas 32 is active, involved, and thriving. It is also our best opportunity to support Most Worshipful Kevin McCans. He has stood by us throughout this year and done much to correct last year's injustices.

In 2022, the Ancient Landmarks of Freemasonry were unjustly violated. Members of Vegas Lodge 32 were denied the right to instruct their representatives to the Grand Lodge. Our Charter was restored on November 1, 2022, prior to the annual communication. Vegas 32 should have been opened per its Bylaws, to choose representatives and instruct them how to vote. As we all know, this was not allowed to happen. (Furthermore, as every Nevada Freemason is a member of Grand Lodge, since our Charter restored, we all should have all been allowed to register and attend the 2022 sessions. This was also not allowed to happen.)

These injustices should not be forgotten. Some wish we would forgive and move on. It will happen, but please remember it hasn't even been a year yet. Healing takes time and effort. If you really want to put the events of 2022 behind us, please assist in supporting our efforts. I would like to see 50 members of Vegas 32 in attendance at this year's Grand Lodge. Prove how fervent and devoted we are to spreading and growing Freemasonry. Show our friends and brothers that Vegas 32 is strong, united, and determined. Voice our support for our allies. And if there are any individuals who aren't our allies, let them reflect on the words of Admiral Yamamoto following the attack on Pearl Harbor: "I fear all we have done is to awaken a sleeping giant and fill him with a terrible resolve."

Fraternally,

Dan Senior Warden

FROM THE SOUTH

Summer is coming to a close, which is just another reminder of how quickly time passes us by and that we all have a limited supply.

I know during this summer some Brothers have had to endure hardships. Please keep them all in your prayers.

I have made some changes to the breakfast club, and so far, a majority of Brothers have told me they like it. I try to improve with every Wednesday, but I am also aware we all hope Chef Pall comes back to us soon. (I miss that omelet, too.)

Knowing I have promised to keep everything under the plumb, I came up with the idea of creating an e-mail where everyone can help me if they feel anything has gone off the plumb, especially if it is hidden from my view. I have always believed that if any group of three or more work as ONE, the chances of improvement increase greatly. Therefore, if you have any ideas, wisdom, information, concerns or whatever it might be that you believe has enough value to be brought to the officers' attention, please send your e-mail to:

improvements.vegas32@gmail.com

I will sort everything out and present your concerns to the Worshipful Master and the Senior Warden for further action.

I hope our next Junior Warden will choose to maintain this e-mail during his year, and with any luck it will become a Lodge tradition.

Our September meeting is in front of us and we have lots of work to do. I hope everyone had time to recharge and is ready to return to labor!

Fraternally,

Iunior Warden

FROM THE SECRETARY

The Summer is nearly through and we're approaching the last leg of this term. I'm sure I'm not the only one who feels as if this year has been a rough journey, but it also feels as if we've made our way through the worst of the storm and we're navigating into calmer waters with the sun cutting through the clouds on the horizon.

Our Official Visit with Most Worshipful Kevin McCans will be during our Stated Meeting in September. I'm looking forward to showing our Grand Master all that we've accomplished for Vegas 32 this year. The building is being tended to, the finances have been checked and verified, and most importantly, the brethren have been coming back to the Lodge to rekindle the warm, fraternal fellowship that everyone has been working to cultivate. I would like to remind everyone that the Grand Lodge Communication is coming up in November, with all the usual business that surrounds this event. I will, of course, alert the brothers to all the relevant details at our Stated Meetings in the months to come.

I hope all of you have had a pleasant Summer. I look forward to hearing some of your stories as we all get back to business as usual.

Fraternally, Bill Secretary

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

The youth groups attached to Vegas 32 are always grateful to receive help and assistance from the Lodge. However, there are far better and nobler ways of supporting the youth than simply giving them money. Please consider giving of yourself and offering some of your time to help these fine organizations which are working to make better citizens of our youth, as well as sowing the seeds of our own future membership.

Job's DAUGHTERS – Bethel #5 Meets on 1st and 3rd Saturdays at 1:00рм

RAINBOW FOR GIRLS – Assembly #9 Meets on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6:30pm

DeMolay – Oasis Chapter Meets on 1st Sunday at 4:00рм at MMT

Contact Bill Cary with any questions. 702-465-0226 – vegas32@carydesigns.com



TRESTLEBOARD FOR SEPTEMBER 2023

LODGE EVENTS

Unless otherwise specified, Dinner will be held before all Lodge meetings at 6:30PM.

September

- 1st Friday Stated Meeting Grand Master's Official Visit Meeting – 7:30рм
- 8th Friday Ritual Practice Meeting – 7:30рм
- 15th Friday Degree Meeting – 7:30рм
- 22nd Friday Dark
- **29th Friday Family Dinner** Dinner – 6:30рм

OCTOBER

- 6th Friday Stated Meeting Meeting – 7:30рм
- 13th Friday Ritual Practice Meeting – 7:30рм
- 20th Friday Degree Meeting – 7:30_{PM}
- **27th Friday Family Dinner** Trunk-n-Treat Dinner – 6:30рм

Brothers, our non-Stated meetings have yet to settle into a regular rhythm. For an up to date listing of Vegas 32's meetings, please go to: vegas32.org/calendar



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

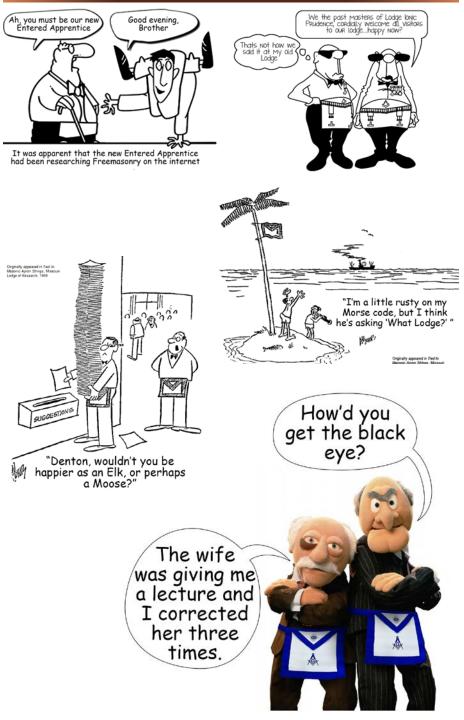
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- 1st Malcolm Chapman, Milton Keith, Zachary Dial
- 2nd Gary Duane Johnson, Jack Lee Harrah
- 4th Michael Kobrin
- 5th Richard A. Farkas
- 6th Ronald E. Pulse, PM
- 8th John S. Solensky
- 11th Ronald J. Albrecht
- 14th Chase A. Ralston, Robert Walter Taylor

- 15th Albert John Bowley, III, Merlin Leroy West
- 18th Adrian D. Shahbazian
- 20th Phillip Garcia, Richard M. Paredes
- 23rd Andrew J. Holland, Charles Cortez, Randy D. Ford
- 25th Erik W. Gilstrap
- 27th Philip G. Pinkney, Roberto Cortes
- 28th Alvin W. Wattenbarger, Eugene C. Walworth



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