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Lodge No. 45 F.A.A.M

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Meets Second Tuesday of each month except July and August (no meeting),
and December, (second Sunday)



Virtual PIANO PARTY with DAN BINSTOCK

THURSDAY MAY 11, 2021 @ 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Dance, Sing, Laugh – It's a Virtual Piano Party!

Forget about coronavirus for a night, and join us for a high-energy Zoom piano party where you'll laugh, sing, clap, tap your toes, and even dance (yes, dance!). The brother of our own Jonathan Binstock, PM, Dan Binstock is a piano player gifted with the ability to play by ear and a fun personality to get everyone involved.

Our next Stated Communication is May 11th, 7:30 pm.

Once again, we will hold a short virtual meeting, opening on the EA Degree, take care of some important business, and then close. The meeting will be followed by what promises to be our largest and most engaging social activity of the year!

This month, we will hold two separate Zoom sessions, one for our short Stated Communication, for Mason's only. When we close, Dan Binstock will be ready to go on a second Zoom that should be shared with family, friends, and prospective members. This fun event will be a great way to extend an invitation for someone to meet our Lodge.

This is not going to be your typical Zoom!

Expect an interactive game of "name that tune," song requests – pretty much guaranteed Dan will know your favorites — and a piano bar-style sing-along.

Virtual Piano Party (virtualpianoparty.com) is an interactive, engaging, lighthearted/comical, and unique musical and bonding experience. It includes an interactive name that tune, real-time requests (any song you want), and singing/dancing. It's guaranteed to be like nothing you've experienced on Zoom.

Every Mason who RSVP's will directly receive both links, one for our Stated Communication and a second for the Piano Party. We will not be registering ahead of time as we did last month.

Please RSVP to the Secretary, secretary@sgbf45.org.

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Light From the East

Burt Levy, W.M. 2021



Gornisht Helfin* – a phrase often spoken with great frustration by my parents (of loving memory) when I did not succumb to their advice. Now, I find myself repeating those same sad Yiddish words to myself and the other officers of our cherished Lodge. I say it with deep exasperation over the fact that so many of our members are missing out on a golden opportunity to be active and to participate in the heart-warming and interesting programs of the institution to which they pay their dues. Our April “virtual” meeting marked the completion of one-third of my year in the “Oriental East.” Each of those four months has featured a very brief “stated communication” followed by what all attendees described as exceptional events in the proud history of the Lodge. As a reminder:

January: Masonic Antiques and Collectables allowed members and their families to show off their proudest possessions and we were treated to a most interesting presentation about the Dudley Masonic Watch by our R.W. Brother Michael Greenwald who is probably the world’s most erudite expert on that very unusual and remarkable timepiece.

February: Valentine’s Event had many of our Brothers and their families sharing wedding photos and other mementos of their “significant others.” What a great way this was to improve the bonds of Brotherly Love and the feeling that we are all part of a greater Masonic Family!

March: The Legend of Freemasonry which I researched and presented, revealed that modern Freemasonry does indeed stem from a long history of Societies made up of builders and scientists who (according to the Bible) were called upon to construct King Solomon’s Temple and whose ancestors were probably the builders of the Pyramids in Egypt!

April: Sports Night was a **real** treat. We were

graced with an appearance by Alex Flum, a local TV sportscaster who honored his grandfather’s memory and long-time member of our Lodge (Irving Torchinsky) by leaving us all in awe of his winning personality and boundless knowledge of every aspect of sports. I am still hearing positive and warm comments from members who were lucky enough to catch this meeting.

Our May Stated Communication will again be very brief so that we can close it by 8 pm and then welcome another “son of our Lodge.” Dan Binstock is the son of Shelton Binstock, (olev ha-sholom)* whom we all knew and loved, and – of course- the brother of our member, Jonathan. Dan is FAMOUS for his unusual talent of being able to play music “by-ear.” Therefore, his repertoire is endless. He has been featured on Fox 5 TV for his very popular “Virtual Piano Parties” and his musical genius has been enjoyed by many. When I talked with Dan to invite him to perform for us, I hung up the phone feeling that I had spoken with one of the nicest and kindest persons in all of my 80 years! You will see this when you attend his performance on Tuesday, May 11.

Be aware that there will be two Zoom links for this meeting, one for the “Stated” and one from Dan, himself for the Virtual Piano Party. DON’T MISS IT! But if you do miss it – I will just be saying “Gornisht Helfin” about YOU!

Yiddish Words:

* Gornisht Helfin: Literally “Nothing Helps” – but, often taken as “he can’t be helped” or “you can lead a horse to water, but Gornisht Helfin to get him to drink.”

*olev ha-sholam: May he rest in peace

Burt



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Citation to Accompany the Award

of

"The Samuel Gompers-Benjamin Franklin Lodge No 45 Fidelity Medal"

To

Jerome M. Bauman

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Whereas Worshipful Brother Jerome M. Bauman served as Worshipful Master of Benjamin Franklin Lodge No. 50, now Samuel Gompers-Benjamin Franklin Lodge No. 45 of Free and Accepted Masons of the District of Columbia in the year 1979; and

Whereas his leadership within the Lodge has dutifully persisted for 70 years since his raising as a Master Mason on June 11, 1951; and

Whereas his attendance at Samuel Gompers-Benjamin Franklin Lodge meetings during this entire period of time has been highly regular; and

Whereas his service as a Trustee of Samuel Gompers-Benjamin Franklin Lodge since 2009, and Chairman of the Investment Committee since 2004, during multiple economically challenging periods has resulted in the incredible financial stability of Samuel Gompers-Benjamin Franklin Lodge; and

Whereas his commitment to the Masonic core principal of Relief as the Samuel Gompers-Benjamin Franklin Lodge representative to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home (MESH) Charities of the District of Columbia is unsurpassed; and

Whereas over the past 70 years these and other devoted services to Samuel Gompers-Benjamin Franklin Lodge performed by Worshipful Brother Jerome M. Bauman have been both manifold and extensive; and

Whereas in compliance with the regulations of The Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of the District of Columbia a committee of Samuel Gompers-Benjamin Franklin Lodge, appointed by Worshipful Master Burton S. Levy after careful consideration, duly and unanimously selected the one member of the Lodge most deserving of this award and that the Lodge voted to affirm the selection made by the aforementioned committee; and

Therefore be it resolved that on April 13th, 2021, under the direction of its Worshipful Master the Brethren of Samuel Gompers-Benjamin Franklin Lodge do hereby confer upon its Past Master Jerome M. Bauman the Fidelity Medal, to have, hold and cherish and proudly display so long as he shall live and they do so with immense gratitude for his 70 years of impeccable service and leadership of Samuel Gompers-Benjamin Franklin Lodge.

Burton S. Levy
Worshipful Master

Raymond E. Horn
Secretary



Jerome Bauman, PM

Report of the Fidelity Medal Committee



The Committee Chairman, Jerry Keilsohn, PM presented the recommendation of the committee to select our Lodges' next Fidelity Medal Holder at our April Stated Communication. He presented the recommendation and resolution to honor Jerome Bauman, PM. An election was held in accordance with the Grand Master Decision 2021-4, using Grand View and three fourths of the members present voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Committee.

Samuel Gompers-Benjamin Franklin Lodge #45

Your Lodge needs your current email address. If you are not already receiving an electronic copy of the Bulletin every month, or our regular notices of our monthly Lodge Meetings, Meet-Ups, Dues Notices and Community Service Events, then we do NOT have your correct email address.

The Grand Secretary's Office has worked with our Lodge Membership Software Provider, Grand View, to create and host an online membership system so you can update and maintain your own membership information.

For those who haven't registered or have never heard of Grand View, it's a tool which allows you to update your membership info, upload pictures, and add your other masonic history and appendant bodies. If you want to receive bulletins, dues cards, and lodge events, we need your current info.

If you already registered and logged into Grand View, thank you. It is important to update your email, phone and address so we can be sure to keep you informed and you are able to stay in touch with your Lodge.

Do you know that there is a GrandView Smart-Phone App from the Grand Lodge? Go to:
<https://dc.gvsoftware.com/APP>

iOS device using Safari Browser

From this page, click on the share icon at the bottom of the browser (Note: you may need to hide stored logins and keyboards to display this option). From there you choose the "Add to Home Screen" option. Then choose "add".

Android using Chrome Browser

From this page, look for a pop-up at the bottom of your screen that allows you to "Add GL of DC to Home Screen."

Just WALK...WALK...WALK

By Jeff Greenwald

Sung to the tune of Can't Stop the Feeling, by the
Biebs)

For those of you who truly know me, you know I can't
sing and I definitely can't dance. But one thing I can do
is WALK. I bet many of you have the same character
traits. Turns out that if you can WALK, you can be a
vital cog in the chain of charitable donations. Now that
the warmer weather has shown up, there are literally
hundreds of events that simply include walking.

For some of you who are more athletically inclined,
you can even jog, run, or bike at most of these events.
I'll bet some of you are saying...it is not safe yet to get
together and join into a group of walkers.

The pandemic has actually made it easier...you simply
log into a website, register for the event, and walk
at your own pace and at your own time and on your
own designated walking trail. Yes, there is typically a
registration fee that doubles as your donation for the
particular charity (or you can donate more, or you can
solicit donations from other people). The bottom line
is that it is easy to do and it may improve your health!
I have listed below some of the charitable events
that I typically participate in. Before the pandemic,
they were group events at a walking trail specified
by the event sponsor. Today, the dates are simply a
suggestion. Most of the walks are 5K walks, but no
one ever checks.

The sign up information for the first two of several
deserving events are listed below. Please let me
know if you will be joining me and other members of
our Lodge in walking and contributing to these worthy
causes!

- May 01 – Race to end Poverty, a 1 mile or 5k fun
run or walk.

For the second year in a row, A Wider Circle's Race
to End Poverty will look a little different, but is still
a great way to support the work of A Wider Circle!
From April 3rd until May 1st, you can run, walk, work

out, and engage as a community as part of our 2021
Virtual Race to End Poverty.

<http://awidercircle.org/race>

- May 23 – Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation,
a simple 5K walk.

The JDRF One Walk is your chance to show the world
that together, we can conquer type 1 diabetes (T1D). If
you're living with T1D or you love someone living with
T1D, you'll likely do just about anything to make life
easier. Now you can be a part of the largest T1D event
in the world, no matter where you are. [https://www2.jdrf.org/site/SPageServer?pagename=walk_ homepage](https://www2.jdrf.org/site/SPageServer?pagename=walk_homepage)

- June 4-6 – Tom's Run Relay; this is a 200-mile relay
along the C&O canal towpath. It is a combination of
bikers and runners starting up in Pennsylvania and
ending in Georgetown. Definitely, 200-miles is not
for the faint of heart, but it is a great team-builder.
For those interested, Tom was a Coast Guardsman
who passed away of Lou Gehrig's disease. Prior to
succumbing to the disease, he was an avid runner
and biker, so his friends established the event in his
honor. I usually do the biking alongside a runner. The
actual point of the relay is for each team to end up
around the same time at the end of the canal path in
Georgetown. There are usually 30 to 40 teams that
participate.

- September 19 – Annapolis Pancreatic Center
Research Walk, a simple 5K walk.

- October 23 – Light the Night, Leukemia and
Lymphoma Society, simple 5K walk.

- December 04 – Jingle Bell Walk to Cure Arthritis;
dress up in your winter holiday costume and do a
simple 5K walk.

It is possible, that the group in-person events will
come back in the future, but for the time being, just
go out and WALK...WALK...WALK. You can't stop the
feeling!

Happy Birthday

*The following Brethren observe their birthdays
on the **May** dates shown. Be sure to wish them
well on that day.*

Joel Shulman 2	Randall A. Schoch 9	Zivan Cohen 17	Lee B. Barton 23
Charles G. Meyers 5	Raymond E. Horn 12	Samuel Bauman 19	
Craig D. Oppenheim 8	Richard J. Sincoff 12	Gerald Herson 21	

The Gossip Column

By Allen Levy

Congratulations to **RWB Michael Greenwald, PM** for his amazing cover story in **The Voice of Freemasonry**, Number 1, 2021. For those who attended the January Stated Communication, you will remember Michael's presentation of the **Dudley Emblem Masonic watch**. He showed off many watches in his collection and explained their origin and details. His cover story in The Voice of Freemasonry titled "**The Dudley Masonic Watch: A Craftsman's Ode to the Craft**" was his presentation come to life in eight full-color pages with close-up photographs of at least 15 different Dudley watch models by my count, along with other illustrative figures. The article is very interesting, and the photos are amazing.

Make sure to check it out.

Also, apparently publishing this extensive article took a lot out of Michael because it was disclosed at our April officers' meeting that he was vacationing somewhere in the Caribbean spending his time scuba diving. Turks and Caicos Islands I think, but I forget.



Some of you may be aware of **WM Burt Levy's** struggle to get more members of our lodge to participate in our virtual online Stated Communications. If not, I'm sure his "Light from the East" will illuminate you. The Worshipful Master relayed a funny anecdote he experienced during his campaign to this reporter. I'll just let him tell you in his own words:

*"Last month, I sent an email to all members reminding them that no matter where they lived, they could now attend and participate in all of our Stated Communications online and from the comfort of their own homes by simply 'clicking' a link to the Zoom software. I begged all members to please reply to the message and let me know why they were not taking advantage of this opportunity. I received only two replies, one of which was from **Brother Maurice Berger** who reported that he could not attend since he had moved to Florida. I wrote the email specifically to welcome all members to our Zoom meetings no matter where they*

*lived, so – upon reading **Bro. Berger's** reply, I picked up my phone and called him. The call was answered by **Mrs. Berger** who inquired who was calling:*

*"Tell him it's **Burt Levy**, the Worshipful Master of his Masonic Lodge."*

*"Just a minute," she said, and **Maurice** got on the phone.*

*While we were sharing a very warm conversation, **Mrs. Berger** was heard exclaiming:*

*"Wait a minute – is that **Burton Levy**!?"*

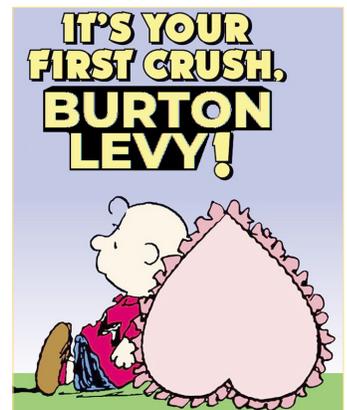
*Whereupon she got on the phone and apologized for only knowing me as **Burton** and not **Burt** and went on to remind me that they had attended **Rudolph Elementary School** and **Paul Jr. High School** in Washington, D.C. together. I asked what her maiden name had been and was completely astounded to hear that it was **Joan Ellis** – now 70 years later, I could tell her that she was my very first school 'crush.' What a pleasant surprise. **Brother Berger** then got back on the phone and promised to attend the Sports Night Stated Communication."*

The Worshipful Master's story is an exact example of the old idiom "(it's a) small world"! Epilogue: **Bro. Berger** did attend the Sports Night Stated Communication.

Keeping with the theme of participation, I need stuff. If you like the resurrection of this gossip column, to keep it going, I need items.

I need something to write in this space.

Please email anything you'd like your brothers to know, and I'll publish it. It doesn't matter what it is. It could be a birthday or anniversary. Or an amusing story. Otherwise, I'll just have to write about the same brothers over and over again. Send your gossip to my email: Allen Levy at jw@sgbf45.org

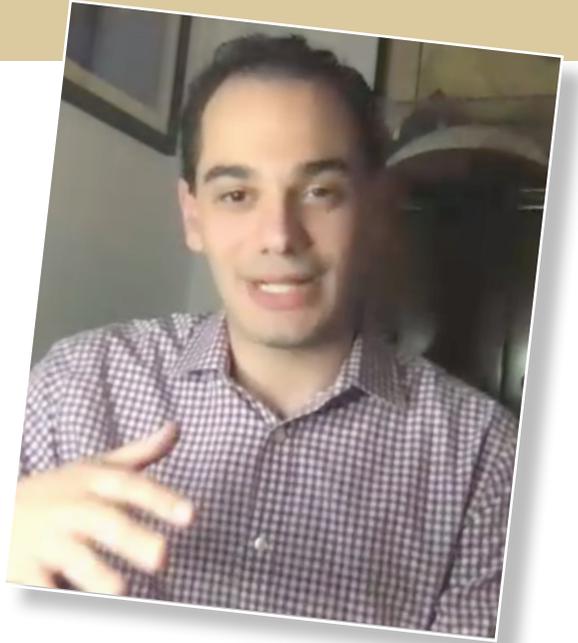


Great Local Sports Discussion

Local Sportscaster, Alex Flum was our excellent April Speaker! Immediately following our April Stated Communication, we opened our Zoom to guests and our featured speaker. Alex is currently a sports anchor and reporter for WDVM-TV, focusing on local sports coverage, everything from the pro teams, to college and youth sports in the Washington DC area. He previously spent two years as a Sports Anchor and reporting in Harrisonburg, VA, and is a graduate of the University of Maryland. Alex let a fantastic discussion about local Sports with a focus on the Terps as many of our members and guests as well as Alex are graduates of the University of Maryland.

Alex answered a series of questions and commented on many topics including the Washington Football team, the Capitals, the Nationals, Terps basketball, and the impact of the Covid shutdown on aspiring High School and College athletes.

In addition to our Brethren and several visitors during our meeting, several guests joined us for the talk including Shira, Annette, and Laura Torchinsky, and Adam Forman, PM.



Alex Flum, guest speaker



The Virtual Chocolate Seder

Hal Henig



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On Monday evening, March 22, Samuel Gompers held a first of its kind Virtual Chocolate Seder, five nights before the actual Passover Jewish Holiday. Our Secretary Raymond Horn, PM organized this event, along with Jill Sandler, the Business Owner of Chocolate Pallet.

This was the first time a non-member was one of the hosts of our Virtual Meet-Up. Seventeen Brethren and guests, including WB Ray and Jill, participated in this successful event. Other Brethren attending included our Tyler and Meet-Up Chairman Hal Henig, WM Burt Levy, PM, SW Jeff Greenwald, Master of Ceremonies Jerry Keilsohn, PM, Chaplain Walter Simon, PM, David Torchinsky, PM, Julien Hofberg, PM, and Brother Alan Karpas. Other Guests were Lisa Henig, Aileen Horn, Leah Keilsohn, Laura Torchinsky, Arlene Karpas, and Walter Simon's friend Bonnie.

Jill described the types of chocolates that were included in her inspired Seder Plate selection and her interest in starting her company. Jill founded Chocolate Pallet was because of her enthusiasm for making chocolate and encouragement from her friends who thought her creations were much better than available chocolates.

She has had her chocolate business for many years. She has organized many chocolate parties for many causes including both Jewish and other organizations. She often partners with a local Brewery for tastings of Beer with Chocolates. Also, she explained that chocolate comes from tree pods and how it is processed. Her chocolate products are vegan, and most are Gluten Free and have no dairy.

During our chocolate seder, Jill asked every participant to taste each chocolate product on the seder plate. One was flavored with peppermint for the Karpas, one was a wasabi flavored chocolate for the Maror, an Apple-Walnut flavor for Charoset, Gluten-Free Matzah chocolate, and a coconut Macaroon flavor to round out the selection. The wasabi chocolate was not as spicy and burning as regular wasabi. All the participants enjoyed Jills chocolate products.

If the lodge or any individual Brethren wants to organize any future chocolate party, I would recommend using Jill Sandler's services. Attached is a photo of the seder plate, which my wife Lisa created for our tasting. Soon, we may once again have our Monday Evening restaurant Meet-Ups.



2021 Grand Visitation Schedule

The Grand Lodge, F. A. A. M. of the District of Columbia
Samuel Gompers – Benjamin Franklin Lodge #45
September 14, 2021 (Tuesday) Takoma Center

(If COVID-19 restrictions are still in effect, the Grand Visitations will held virtually)

The color of music

with Dan Binstock

Published March 10, 2021 in The Washington Jewish Week

Name a tune and Dan Binstock can probably play it on his piano from memory. Binstock estimates he knows the melodies of maybe 10,000 songs by heart. What's more, if you hum a bit of a melody that he doesn't know, he'll pick it up with ease.

It's a rare ability that he's always had.

"I was born with perfect pitch," says the 47-year-old Potomac resident, a member of **Washington Hebrew Congregation**.

He was also born with the neurological condition Chromesthesia, or sound-to-color synesthesia. When he listens to music, he sees colors.

"My brain converts musical sounds into colors," he says. "And so when I hear a song, I see colors and a visual pattern."

To play a song, he converts his visual memory back into notes on the piano.

Last April, with the pandemic taking hold and many people in quarantine, Binstock, a legal recruiter by profession, took to Facebook Live to entertain his friends and family. He asked for requests, then played song after song from memory.

After that, he began receiving invitations to perform virtually at private events. That was the beginning of **Dan Binstock's Virtual Piano Party**. Invite him to perform and over Zoom, he'll lead you and your guests in "name that tune" and play songs on request. Binstock likens it to a piano or karaoke bar in your own home.

"People seem to really enjoy requesting songs and seeing it played in real time," Binstock says. "I love doing it. It allows me to be a part of the celebration and bring a lot of energy and excitement to people at a time where they're not having as much interaction. Music is a way for people to bond with each other."

Binstock started playing piano when he was 4, after seeing the musical "Oklahoma." On the family piano he picked out the songs by ear.

"It was just like oxygen to me. I gravitated toward it from my earliest memories," Binstock says. "It really puts me into a different space, a different mindset that really takes me out of my analytical brain and puts me into my feeling brain. And I also love the effect and the impact it has on other people."



He studied classical music at the University of Maryland in College Park. During this time he played piano for The Capitol Steps political satire troupe.

But while Binstock had no problem playing by ear, he struggled learning to read music. He also didn't like practicing alone for hours on end, which made him feel isolated. So he switched majors to psychology and graduated in 1995. Five years later, he completed his juris doctor degree and practiced Intellectual Property law until becoming an attorney recruiter in 2004.

The Virtual Piano Party is more for the fun of it. And he's been having a lot of fun. Since December, he's performed at more than 50 events, or about four to five a week. He's played fundraisers to birthday parties, for people all across the country. And Binstock says he's seen people shed tears at his virtual shows.

"They'll go from dancing and jumping up and down to crying," he says. "Because if someone's had a tough year, to see all of their friends there together, it's sort of like the equivalent of a musical video hug."

Once in a while, a request will stump Binstock. When that happens, he quickly pulls up Spotify, gives the song a quick listen and is able to play it from memory. Most of requests he gets are hits from the last few decades, movie themes, Broadway numbers and Motown classics. But his favorite era is the 1980s.

"There's a lot of very catchy melodies that seem to put everybody in a good mood," he says. "The music from the '80s is very uplifting and very melody driven. And I love songs with great melody."

Binstock has performed for his synagogue and other Jewish organizations. He sees his music and his Judaism intertwined.

"When I'm playing piano and performing for people, I feel very close to God because my ability to do this, it's not something that I learned. It was something that was given to me. Something that I was born with. And when I'm playing and seeing people smiling and waving their arms and having such a good time, it truly feels like I'm having a spiritual experience. And I'm doing what God wanted me to do by gifting me with this unique ability."

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Date	Event	Open to
May 6	Degree Practice and Discussion Virtual Meeting, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm	Masons
11	Stated Communication Open on the EA Degree 7:30 pm Social – Piano Party, 8:00 pm Special Virtual Event,	Masons Everyone
13	Degree Practice and Discussion Virtual Meeting, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm	Masons
20	Degree Practice and Discussion Virtual Meeting, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm	Masons
24	Meet-Up, 7:00 pm	Masons
27	Degree Practice and Discussion Virtual Meeting, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm	Masons

Date	Event	Open to
June 3	Degree Practice and Discussion Virtual Meeting, 7:00 pm-7:30 pm	Masons
8	Stated Communication	Masons
10	Degree Practice and Discussion Virtual Meeting, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm	Masons
17	Degree Practice and Discussion Virtual Meeting, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm	Masons
21	Virtual Meet-Up, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm	Masons
24	Degree Practice and Discussion Virtual Meeting, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm	Masons