

St. Alban's Lodge No. 6, F.&A.M.
Trestleboard for December, 2018

Location: 363 Hope Street, Bristol, RI 02809

Stated Communications at 7:00 PM

Correspondence: c/o W. D. Stephens, PM, Sec.
One Leyland Ct., Bristol, RI 02809

Second Wednesday of each month except July & August
Annual Communication: Third Wednesday in January

See www.stalbans6.org for current information

Contact the Secretary to receive your pass code to the Members-Only page on the website.

Contact the W. : Master to participate in the Members-Only Facebook account.

Dinner Prior to Meeting – 5:30 pm

We will gather for dinner at Leo's Ristorante before the lodge meeting. In order to plan appropriately, please advise the Secretary of your intent to come for dinner. Ordering is off of the menu with separate checks. As before, family and friends are welcome and encouraged.

Notice of Regular Communication – Wednesday, December 12th – 7:00 PM

The Lodge will open at 7:00 PM for the transaction of such business as shall regularly come before it. After the short business meeting, the lodge will begin the evening's program which is intended to introduce the manner in which a Festive Board is often a common part of meetings of our brethren in the U.K

The Program for the Evening – Festive Board

The program for the evening will be participation in a "Festive Board" in the tradition of English lodges. A series of small servings similar to a table lodge will replace the usual collation. W. : Bro. Steve Mould will explain the ceremony and lead us in this example of what is often a final part of a scheduled communication of lodges meeting under the United Grand Lodge of England.

In the spirit of the season, we will end with a few rousing songs.

Fellow Craft Degree & Rehearsals

Members of both **St. Albans's Lodge No. 6** and **St. Paul's Lodge No. 14** are working together to perform the FC degree at the December 4th communication of St. Paul's Lodge. The final rehearsal of the combined participants will be on **Sunday, 12/2 at 6:00 pm** at St. Paul's Lodge. Conferral of the degree is scheduled for Tuesday, **12/4 at 7:00 pm**. Dinner is at 6:00 pm.

Candidates in Waiting

Bro. E.A. Benjamin W. Swierk

Instructor: Bro. Bob Hopkins.

Mentor: Bro. Bob Hopkins.

Anniversaries

Congratulations to these Brethren who celebrate their Anniversaries in Masonry and in life this month:

Years of LIGHT

As another year passes since you were raised to the degree of Master Mason, we thank you for your service to the cause of good, and wish you well as you continue your quest for light.

12 yrs on the 2nd W. : Bro. R. Andrew Benn

28 yrs on the 12th W. : Bro. Raymond R. Sartini

18 yrs on the 9th Bro. David A. Sartrys

29 yrs on the 13th W. : Bro. Edwin A. McClure

Years of LIFE

As you celebrate another birthday, we wish you many more, with fraternal love and happiness.

on Dec. 7th Bro. David A. Sartrys

on Dec. 30th Bro. Benjamin J. Murray

on Dec. 24th Bro. Raymond B. Murray II

on Dec. 31st W. : Bro. Jason M. Nystrom

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From the East

Brethren:

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all and your families! It's a wonderful time of year and a wonderful time for St. Albans. Unfortunately, last month the Wine and Paint Night did not have enough participants so that was postponed and hopefully will be rescheduled with the help of our brothers from the East Bay. But fret not! We have some fun events planned for December.

Our December meeting will be hosting a Festive Board with the help of W.:Bro. Stephens and W.:Bro. Mould. I'm excited for this event and I encourage all to attend! Details of the program are above.

Some more exciting news is that the Brethren of St. Albans have been working diligently on a few things. First, we have been working with St. Paul's on a Fellow Craft degree that is coming along well! We hope to have our candidate ready for the degree and show him how well brothers of the craft work together for something so important. Likewise, there are talks of a Master Mason Degree being worked on by the entire East Bay district. So, all who are interested in being a part of that Degree team please reach out to one of the officers and I will have more information after this weekend.

Secondly, the 3rd floor is coming along well but help is still needed for painting! Keep your eyes and ears open for the work parties! After the walls are painted, we are looking to get the carpeting done followed by putting the lodge room back together! There are little bits and pieces that can be done around the lodge to help but our goal is to be back upstairs in OUR lodge room by end of the year. Again, all brothers are encouraged to help restore what we take pride in and call our Masonic home.

Any and all interested in the Heraldry Committee and working on our new and updated Arms please reach out to R.:W.:Bro. Lavery or W.:Bro. Stephens.

Lastly, I look forward to seeing all the Brethren and their families at our annual Christmas Dinner at Leo's Restaurant next Sunday December 9th! This year for those who are interested in a yankee swap please bring 1 gift per person participating. Item is to be no more than \$20 and is to be wrapped! The gift can be funny or meaningful! I hope this event will be a fun one!

Thank you all so much for a great year thus far and I hope we finish out Our Masonic year stronger than ever! Again Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

Fraternally,
M. J. Benevides
W.: Manuel J. Benevides
Master

Attest,
William D. Stephens
W.: William D. Stephens
Secretary

Announcements

St. Alban's Annual Holiday Dinner

On Sunday afternoon, **December 9th**, the members and family of St. Alban's Lodge will hold our Annual, Family Holiday Dinner to honor our Special Ladies, and share the joys of the season with our Masonic and temporal families. We will gather at 1:00 pm to minimize night time driving. Anyone needing transportation is requested to let either the Master or the Secretary know. We will be dining in the south dining room of Leo's Ristorante. There will be salad, desert and a choice of four entrees. RESERVATIONS are needed.

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Ongoing Events

Confirm individual events on calendar at www.stalbans6.org

Rehearsal & Social Hour (everyone welcome)	5:00 pm, each Sunday (unless otherwise discussed)
Craft Club / Doric Club	8:00 pm, 1 st Friday, Each Month
St. Alban's Assoc., Inc. - Board of Directors	4:00 pm, 1 st Sunday, Each Month (except February)

Upcoming Events

See www.rimasons.org for listing and confirmation of events within the jurisdiction.

If St. Alban's events are cancelled, email notice will be sent to members, and posted on Facebook!

- Nov.30th – St. Andrews No. 39: Annual Communication
Dec. 1st – 9:00 am E.B. District organizational meeting with DDGM at St. Paul's No. 14
– 12:00 N St. Alban's Association, Inc., Board of Directors meeting
– **1:00 pm St. Alban's Lodge: work party on third floor**
Dec. 2nd – 6:00 pm St. Paul's No. 14: final rehearsal of Fellow Craft Degree (both lodges)
Dec. 3rd – First Day of Hanukkah
– St. John's No. 1: Annual Communication & elections (members only)
Dec. 4th – **7:00 pm St. Paul's No. 14: Fellow Craft Degree – degree team of both lodges**
Dec. 7th – 8:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Craft Club / Doric Club
Dec. 9th – **1:00 pm St. Alban's Annual Family Holiday Dinner – Leo's Ristorante – RESERVATIONS**
– **7:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Officer's rehearsal**
Dec. 10th – Last Day of Hanukkah
Dec. 11th – 7:00 pm Washington No. 3: Official visitation of Bro. Douglas J. Grant, R.: W.: D.D.G.M
Dec. 12th – **7:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Regular Communication & Festive Board**
Dec. 16th – **5:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Rehearsal & Social Hour (everyone welcome)**
Dec. 17th – St. John's No. 1: Installation of Officers
Dec. 23rd – **5:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Rehearsal & Social Hour (everyone welcome)**
Dec. 25th – Christmas Day
Dec. 30th – **5:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Rehearsal & Social Hour (everyone welcome)**
Jan. 1st – New Year's Day
Jan. 4th – 8:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Craft Club / Doric Club
Jan. 6th – 4:00 pm St. Albans Association, Inc.: Board of Directors meeting
– **5:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Rehearsal & Social Hour (everyone welcome)**
Jan. 8th – Adelphoi No. 33: Annual Communication
Jan. 9th – **7:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Regular Communication**
Jan. 13th – **5:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Rehearsal & Social Hour (everyone welcome)**
Jan. 16th – **7:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Annual Communication**
Jan. 25th – St. Paul's No. 14: Annual Communication

From the Secretary's Desk

A CURRENT MEMBERSHIP CARD may be required at any time to attend a lodge meeting. Be sure to carry yours when visiting another lodge. Notices of dues were mailed out in November. Many thanks to those who have already made payment. Those membership cards will be distributed by mid December.S

If you or someone you know needs a ride to lodge, please let the Master or Secretary know. We are very happy to arrange transportation, as we all want to see you in lodge.

Sickness and Distress

Please advise the Secretary if you know of any Brother or their relative who is ill or in need of assistance. Too often we find out after the fact.

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Grand Lodge of Masons in the State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations

M.: W.: Grand Master	Glenn S. Carlson
R.: W.: District Deputy Grand Master for the East Bay District	Douglas J. Grant
W.: Grand Master of Ceremonies for the East Bay District	Michael R. Barbera
W.: Assistant Grand Lecturer for St. Alban's No. 6	Andrew M. Giovannini

St. Alban's Lodge – Officers for 2018

Elected

Worshipful Master – Manuel J. Benevides mj.benevides69@gmail.com	27 Vernon Ave., Bristol, R.I. 02809-4049	(401) 573-6056
Senior Warden – W.: Timothy A. Pray tapprint@tapprint.com	724 Hope St., Bristol, RI 02809-1931	(401) 253-3004
Junior Warden – W.: Rory A. Hanmer rhanmer@fullchannel.net	130 Sunrise Drive, Bristol, RI 02809-5021	(401) 447-6047
Treasurer – W.: Edward M. Wiacek edwiacek@verizon.net	88 Mulberry Road, Bristol, RI 02809-1347	(401) 253-3068
Secretary – W.: William D. Stephens bllstphns@gmail.com	One Leyland Ct., Bristol, RI 02809-5185	(401) 524-2111

Appointed Officers for 2018

Senior Deacon – W.: José J. DaSilva	Chaplain – R.: W.: Alfred M. Cameron
Junior Deacon – Bro. Robert N. Hopkins, Jr.	Marshall – W.: Jason M. Nystrom
Senior Steward – Brother Danny S. Cordeiro	Tyler – W.: Andrew C. Daigle
Junior Steward – Bro. Roger P. Adolphe	Musical Director – W.: Scott P. Jamieson
Sentinel – W.: Steven M. Mould	Ritual Advisor – W.: Andrew M. Giovannini
Co-Historians – Bro. Albert A. Ferri & – R.: W.: David C. Lavery	

Living Past Masters

Leonard P. Sanford III	1971–1972	Edward C. Boyd Jr.	2005–2007	Andrew M. Giovannini	2014–2015
Edward M Wiacek	1981–1983	Jeffrey R. Howlett	2007–2009	José J. DaSilva	2015–2016
William W. Jaycox	1994–1995	William D. Stephens	2009–2011	R. Andrew Benn	2016–2017
Edwin A. McClure	1996–1997	Scott S. Crawford	2011–2012	Jason M. Nystrom	2017–2018
Raymond C. Sartini	1998–1999	Timothy A. Pray	2012–2013	Manuel J. Benevides	2018-
Leonard P. Sanford III	2002-2005	Rory A. Hanmer	2013–2014		

Committees of St. Alban's Lodge

Special Charities Committee: W.: William W. Jaycox, W.: William D. Stephens, W.: José J. DaSilva
Lodges Named for St. Alban Committee: Master, Wardens, and Past Masters
Visitation Committee: Master and Wardens
Web Master: Danny S. Cordeiro (401) 699-8134; dcordeiro83@gmail.com

St. Alban's Association, Inc. – Directors

Manuel J. Benevides, Pres.	Timothy A. Pray, 1 st VP
Rory A. Hanmer, 2 nd VP	Edward M. Wiacek, Treas.
William D. Stephens, Sec.	José J. DaSilva
Robert N. Hopkins, Jr.	Benjamin J. Murray
Jason M. Nystrom	Leonard P. Sanford III