

St. Alban's Lodge No. 6, F.&A.M.
Trestleboard for January, 2020

Location: 363 Hope Street, Bristol, RI 02809
Correspondence: c/o W. D. Stephens, Sec.
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Notices are available on Facebook to members, contact the W. : Master to participate.

Stated Communications at 7:00 PM
2nd Wednesday of each month except July & August
Annual Communication: 3rd Wednesday in January

The New Year lies before you, like a spotless tract of snow,
Be careful how you tread on it, for every mark will show...

We begin the year with both our REGULAR and ANNUAL COMMUNICATIONS

If there is a parking ban in the town of Bristol, that meeting will be postponed or cancelled. If postponed, a dispensation will be requested from Grand Lodge.

Notice of REGULAR COMMUNICATION – Wednesday, January 8th – 7:00 PM

The Lodge will open at 7:00 PM for the transaction of such business as shall regularly come before it. This will be a “step up” night in preparation for our new Masonic year.

Family and friends are welcome and encouraged to join members at 5:30 PM at Leo's Ristorante for dinner prior to the meeting.

Notice of ANNUAL COMMUNICATION – Wednesday, January 15th – 6:00 PM

The Annual Communication will **open at 6:00 PM** for the reading of the annual reports, setting dues and salaries, election and installation of officers, and the conduct of such other business as is customary at this time.

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.

37 yrs. on the 12th W. : Bro. Edward C. Boyd
8 yrs. on the 14th W. : Bro. Scott P. Jamieson

11 yrs. on the 19th W. : Bro. José J. DaSilva
11 yrs. on the 19th W. : Bro. Andrew M. Giovannini
11 yrs. on the 19th W. : Bro. Rory A. Hanmer

Years of LIFE

We wish you many more birthdays with fraternal love and happiness as you celebrate another...
on Jan. 5th W. : Bro. Manuel (M.J.) Benevides on Jan. 20th W. : Bro. R. Andrew Benn

Candidates in Waiting

Bro. Fellow Craft Bacary Diata
Bro. Entered Apprentice Benjamin Swierk

Mentor: Bro. Bob Hamel
Mentor: Bro. Bob Hopkins

Instructor: W. : Bro. Bill Stephens
Instructor: Bro. Bob Hopkins

From the East

Brethren:

We have a lot for which to be thankful.

Our Annual Holiday party was a success again this year. I am sure that everyone enjoyed the dinner and a very relaxing and enjoyable afternoon. Thank you to Brother Bill Stephens for making the arrangements and thank you to Brother Danny Cordeiro for arranging the gift program. As the New Year arrives and 2019 comes to a close, I would like to thank everyone who has made this year a very

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enjoyable and successful year at St. Albans. I am thankful for the help in “crossing my “T’s” and dotting my “i’s” as sometimes the details are elusive.

This month we will be opening our January 8th meeting at the regular time of 7 p.m.. We will be stepping up to our new positions so everyone has the opportunity to try the new chair that they may be elected to sit in on January 15th. We will have a brief discussion of what has been accomplished in our building this year and what projects our membership continues to work on. Bring your ideas and suggestions for discussion, but I ask that you be realistic. I would like to thank everyone who has helped bring our lodge back to an orderly state and I appreciate all the enthusiasm in accomplishing the goals we have completed.

Our Annual meeting will be on January 15th opening at 6 p.m. for the election and installation of officers. Please plan on being at the lodge about 15 minutes before we open in case any special instructions may be necessary. If you have any questions or need any information please call me.

Please watch for details of a Scotch Tasting being planned for Friday, January 17th. It is taking a little longer than expected to arrange for a professional for this event because of the holidays.

Brethren let us not forget our obligated duty to ourselves in particular and the whole Craft in general as well as attendance and participation at regular meetings. It brings to mind the truth that the more you participate, the more you accomplish and learn in Freemasonry.

Thank you to Brother Ed Wiacek, Brother Tuffy Sanford, Brother Bill Stephens, and Brother Danny Cordeiro for helping with the arrangements and collation at our December meeting.

Our website is stalbans6.org. Check it out when you are online and have a few minutes. I am sure that you will enjoy a lot of the content. It also keeps us up to date on events at St. Albans. Thank you, Brother Danny, for keeping it up and current.

In general, thank you for all that you do for St. Albans. May the warmth and friendly spirit of Christmas continue with you and your family throughout the New Year. May the blessings of heaven rest upon us all.

Fraternally,
Timothy A. Pray
W.: Timothy A. Pray
Master – (401) 952-1403

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

Upcoming Fundraisers

Scotch Tasting

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Robbie Burns Dinner

An East Bay District fund raiser is being planned for Friday 2/21 or Saturday 2/22. The theme will be a celebration of the contributions of Brother Robert Burns, and will be held in memory of W.: Brother Robert Sinclair who was a member of Washington Lodge No.3 and a friend of all. Details coming soon.

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Report on the Holiday Dinner

On December 15th, members, their families, and friends gathered to celebrate the season and enjoy the fellowship at our 7th Annual Holiday Dinner. Those Special Ladies of the Lodge who were able to attend were our honored guests for the occasion. Our Special Ladies also received a poinsettia plant as a token of our esteem. Those who are local, but were not able to attend had plants delivered to them by members of the Lodge. As has been customary, a financial token of our esteem was sent to those Special Ladies who live some distance away. We were saddened to learn of the passing of our Special Lady, Marion Waitt, this year.

International Gathering of Masonic Lodges Named for St. Alban

At our November communication, the members voted to host the 69th annual Gathering of the lodges in the fall of 2022. We last hosted the gathering in 2017, and truly enjoyed it. Everyone with suggestions about entertainment and activities is encouraged to share them. A formal committee will be established soon. Everyone interested in direct involvement is asked to contact the Worshipful Master or the Secretary.

Ongoing Events

St. Alban's Assoc., Inc. - Board of Directors 6:00 pm, 1st Sunday, Each Month (except February)

Upcoming Events

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

For complete and up to date calendar of events for the Jurisdiction, go to: www.rimasons.org

Jan. 1st – New Year's Day
Jan. 5th – 6:00 pm St. Albans Association, Inc.: Board of Directors meeting
Jan. 7th – Adelphei No. 33: Annual Communication
Jan. 8^h – **7:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Regular Communication**
Jan. 15th – **6:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Annual Communication**
Jan 27th – St. Paul's No. 14: Annual Communication
Feb. 2nd – 6:00 pm St. Albans Association, Inc.: Board of Directors meeting
Feb. 12th – 6:30 pm Hope Chapter, RAM: Regular Convocation
 – **7:00 pm St. Alban's No. 6: Regular Communication**
Feb. 13th – **St. Andrews No. 39: Visitation of R.: W.: Andre H. Faria, Jr., DDGM**
Feb. 14th – Valentine's Day

From the Secretary's Desk

Notices of membership fees for 2020 were mailed in November. Payment is now due, and those who remitted their dues prior to 1 January have already had their membership cards forwarded to them. Your entire lodge is helped by this, and the Treasurer and Secretary are especially thankful. If you have not yet sent in your payment, please mail it to the Secretary soon. A current membership card may be required to attend a tiled function at any time.

Please continue to keep R.: W.: Bro. Al Cameron in your prayers, and be sure to let the Secretary or Worshipful Master know as soon as possible of anyone else who is ill or in need of assistance.

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.

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

M.: W.: Grand Master	Kenneth F. Poyton (9)
R.: W.: District Deputy Grand Master for the East Bay District	André Faria (1)
W.: Grand Master of Ceremonies for the East Bay District	Brandt Evans (3)
R.: W.: Assistant Grand Lecturer for St. Alban's No. 6	Andrew M. Giovannini (6)

St. Alban's Lodge – Officers for 2019

Elected

Worshipful Master – W.: Timothy A. Pray tapprint@tapprint.com	724 Hope St., Bristol, RI 02809-1931	(401) 253-3004
Senior Warden – W.: M.J. Benevides mj.benevides69@gmail.com	27 Vernon Ave., Bristol, R.I. 02809-4049	(401) 573-6056
Junior Warden – W.: José J. DaSilva dsumpman@yahoo.com	31 Brooks Farms Dr., Bristol, RI 02809-2716	(401) 480-7201
Treasurer – W.: Rory A. Hanmer rhanmer@fullchannel.net	125 Sunrise Drive, Bristol, RI 02809-5024	(401) 447-6047
Secretary – W.: William D. Stephens bllstphns@gmail.com	One Leyland Ct., Bristol, RI 02809-5185	(401) 524-2111

Appointed Officers

Senior Deacon – Bro. Danny S. Cordeiro	Chaplain – R.: W.: Alfred M. Cameron
Junior Deacon – Bro. Robert N. Hopkins, Jr.	Marshall – W.: Jason M. Nystrom
Senior Steward – Bro. Roger P. Adolphe	Tyler – W.: Andrew C. Daigle
Junior Steward –	Musical Director –
Sentinel – W.: Steven M. Mould	Ritual Advisor – R.: 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	2018-2019
Leonard P. Sanford III	2002-2005	Rory A. Hanmer	2013–2014	Timothy A. Pray	2019–

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

St. Alban's Association, Inc. – Directors

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