

CORNERSTONE MASONIC LODGE #157

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TRESTLEBOARD September 2020

From the East:

It has been a bit harder to observe the time this year, as many annual events have been reduced in size or canceled. This month will only be our fifth Stated Meeting this year, which is half the usual number, but marks the upcoming end of third quarter of the year. School is starting again (kind of), with classes being taught solely through "distance learning" for a majority of the schools.

It was my hope to award our annual scholarships at the September Stated Meeting, but we have not received applications. The postmark deadline was August 28th, with a received by deadline of August 30th. It will be the decision of the lodge to determine how those funds might be reallocated. We can extend the application deadline with a more aggressive campaign to provide scholarships as before. We can vote to add funds to the donation to the Transitional School. We could choose to hold these funds over, with the intent of an increase in next year's scholarships or find another way to support and promote public schools.

As was the case with the July Stated Meeting, I expect that business will be minimal in September. I thank those who were compelled to attend the short meeting so that we could make quorum and conduct necessary business. I also thank those who chose not to attend out of an abundance of caution, and concern for the health of your brothers. While our masonic work is important, it is not so necessary that we should risk the health of others. I remind the craft that this global pandemic is deadly, especially to certain demographics well represented in masonry. For this reason, it is the edict of the Grand Master that ALL degrees are on hold until further notice.

While our county is still in phase 1 re-opening, and we are limited in our numbers and activities, the Stated Meeting dinners will also be on hold. If you are planning on attending the Stated Meeting, please eat before arriving. We have bottled water but will not be providing other refreshments due to the obvious risks.

Continuing with the theme of safety first, our Officer's Meetings will also continue to be virtual. This is also the current practice for all the meetings of DeMolay, Job's Daughters and Amaranth. I will be pleased when I can announce that all meetings will resume in person.

Until that time, please stay safe and help keep others safe, remembering that working in harmony with brotherly love will be our strength.

Sincerely,

Scott Kennedy

Worshipful Master, Cornerstone Lodge #157 AF&AM



From the South:

Greetings from the South!

As the season is winding down and the days are getting shorter I am reminded that regeneration is right around the corner. For all the plans we have planted in early spring have hopefully come to expected fruition.

While the current events may have set some delays, the core of our institution has always shown perseverance through the toughest times, now is no exception.

By persevering, we're continuing to make the most of technology by having meetings through Zoom, which is always nice to see the faces of our brethren, not ideal, but still comforting none the less.

I do miss being in open Lodge and degree work. It feels like something has been missing in our lives for a lot longer than just a half year. Perhaps that elongated feeling seems more present as we are taking more time to reflect on what is most meaningful in our lives. For me, hammering away and continuing our great work for the community allows me to be a Mason without being in Lodge.

My personal highlights these days are caring for our new family member named Merley, a Basset Lab mix. I try to make her breed sound more eloquent by introducing her as a "Bassador" with a slight Spanish accent. My Mrs. isn't impressed, however.

Merley's personality mirrors mine as we both love to eat, sleep, and snore at any time of the day, which is a nice accommodation she came with. As with the sore hands from her sharp bites and red eyes from the sleepless nights, it is a small price to pay for something that provides an endless amount of joy.



Fraternally yours,

Joseph Aguirre Junior Warden



Job's Daughters Bethel #1

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From Job's Daughters:

Hello all,

I hope everyone was able to have an enjoyable summer given the circumstances. Our Bethel has elected to maintain our stations through this term. We are very excited to have face-to-face meetings when it is safe to do so. In the mean time we will be continuing to have Zoom meetings on our normal nights of the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month starting at 7pm. If you would like to join us, feel free to email our Guardian, Miss Chelsea and she will add you to the list when she sends the link out.

Bethel 1 is very excited because, Audrey was elected and installed as Grand Bethel Honor Queen! We all wish her the best and know she can do this.

We have several Jobie-to-bees and are hoping to have an initiation this term. We are also planning to have a Zoom sleepover/movie night for our daughters and Bees, if anyone has a niece, granddaughter, daughters, or any friends with daughters who are 10-19 years old, we would love to meet them and have them at this event. At this time we do not have a date, but should have that in time for the next mailing.

I hope to see or speak to everyone soon. Have a wonderful September and remember to wear your masks and be safe!!

Jobie love,

Jazmine (Nyx) Pickard

Honored Queen



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