

SANDOVAL LODGE No. 76 AF & AM

**FEBRUARY
6024 A.L.**

TRESTLEBOARD



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MEETS IN REGULAR
COMMUNICATION

ON THE 2ND & 4TH MONDAY OF
EACH MONTH

FESTIVEBOARD AT 6:00 PM

LODGE OPENS AT 7:00 PM

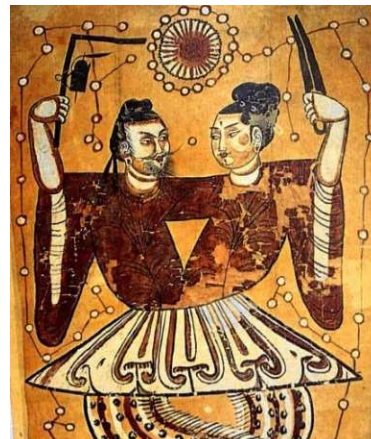
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HAPPY YEAR OF THE DRAGON!

THE LUNAR NEW YEAR IS NOT ONLY CELEBRATED IN CHINA BUT ALSO ACROSS NUMEROUS ASIAN COUNTRIES. ITS SIGNIFICANCE LIES IN COMMENCING ON THE NEW MOON CLOSEST TO THE MIDPOINT BETWEEN THE WINTER SOLSTICE AND THE SPRING EQUINOX, WHICH, THIS YEAR, FALLS ON FEBRUARY 10TH, HOLDING MASONIC SIGNIFICANCE.

DELVING FURTHER INTO CHINESE HISTORY, ONE ENCOUNTERS A PAINTING DEPICTING THE MYTHICAL WORLD CREATORS FUXI AND NUWA FROM THOUSANDS OF YEARS B.C. WHAT STANDS OUT? THE SQUARE & COMPASSES IN THEIR HANDS, REFLECTING THE DUALITY OF MANKIND AND LINKING TO MASONIC SYMBOLISM.



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FROM THE EAST

“CHARACTER, IN THE LONG RUN, IS THE DECISIVE FACTOR IN THE LIFE OF AN INDIVIDUAL AND OF NATIONS ALIKE.”

- BRO. THEODORE ROOSEVELT

GREETINGS BRETHREN,

HOW GOOD AND HOW PLEASANT IT IS TO DWELL TOGETHER IN UNITY. WE ARE OFF AND RUNNING IN 2024 AND HAVE STARTED THE YEAR WITH SOME GOOD, PRODUCTIVE MEETINGS AND HAD A GREAT DEGREE WHERE WE PASSED OUR BROTHER CESARIO ALVILLAR TO THE DEGREE OF FELLOWCRAFT.

YOUR OFFICERS ARE WORKING HARD TO MAKE SURE THE LODGE MEETINGS ARE RUNNING SMOOTHLY, AND WORKING HARD TO KEEP UP THE REPUTATION THAT SANDOVAL HAS FOR GOOD RITUAL WORK. WE ALSO ARE CHALLENGING ALL OF OUR EA'S AND FC'S TO GET THOSE PROFICIENCIES DONE SO THEY CAN REACH THAT SUBLIME DEGREE.

WITH THAT BEING SAID WE ALREADY HAVE A FELLOW CRAFT DEGREE SCHEDULED FOR OUR 2ND STATED MEETING ON THE 26TH OF FEBRUARY. BUT PRIOR TO THAT ON OUR 1ST STATED OF THE MONTH ON THE 12TH WE WILL BE HAVING A MASON'S LADY NIGHT. WE WILL HAVE A VERY NICE CATERED DINNER, AND PRESENTATIONS THAT WILL BE OPEN FOR OUR MASON'S AND THEIR LADIES. IT WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED BY A PRESENTATION CALLED "WAFFLES AND SPAGHETTI" BY RW BROTHER HARRY JENKINS, WHICH GIVES AN ENLIGHTENING AND FUNNY APPROACH TO MALE AND FEMALE RELATIONSHIPS AND THE DIFFERENT WAYS WE PROCESS INFORMATION. IT WILL BE A FUN VALENTINE THEMED NIGHT SO PLEASE RSVP VIA EMAIL SO WE HAVE AN ACCURATE HEADCOUNT FOR THE DINNER.

A HUGE THANKS TO OUR COMMITTEES WHICH ARE ACTIVELY WORKING TO PLAN EVENTS, AND ARE MAKING POSITIVE CHANGES IN THE LODGE. BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR SOME EXCITING NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE FUTURE, AND BE ON THE LOOK OUT FOR NEWS REGARDING OUR 50TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY PARTY AND DINNER COMING IN APRIL. AND REMEMBER BRETHREN THAT THE "LODGE" IS NOT THE BUILDING WE MEET IN, BUT IT'S THE BROTHERS WHO MEET IN THE BUILDING. WE ENCOURAGE ALL OF OUR MEMBERS TO COME OUT AND SUPPORT AND BE ACTIVE. THAT'S THE STRENGTH OF SANDOVAL LODGE No. 76, ALL OF THE DEDICATED BRETHREN WHO MAKE UP OUR WONDERFUL FRATERNITY. IF ANY BROTHER NEEDS RIDES, OR ACCOMMODATIONS TO MAKE THE MEETINGS PLEASE REACH OUT TO US.

THANK YOU,

WM DAVIN B. TEAGUE



**DAVIN B. TEAGUE
WORSHIPFUL MASTER**

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FROM THE WEST



***BURX NORROD
SENIOR WARDEN***

GREETINGS BRETHREN!

UNDOUBTEDLY, SANDOVAL MASONIC LODGE No. 76 IS AN EXCEPTIONALLY DYNAMIC INSTITUTION WITHIN FREEMASONRY. BEYOND THE TWICE-MONTHLY STATED COMMUNICATIONS, OUR CALENDAR IS FILLED WITH RITUAL PRACTICES ON NON-STATED NIGHTS. THIS DELIBERATE EFFORT NOT ONLY SHARPENS OUR OWN UNDERSTANDING BUT ALSO ENSURES THAT CANDIDATES EXPERIENCE THE MOST PROFOUND DEGREE(S) POSSIBLE.

ANTICIPATING SEVERAL MASTER MASON DEGREES THIS YEAR, ALONG WITH INCREASED INTEREST IN FREEMASONRY IN THE LAND OF ENCHANTMENT, WE ARE LIKELY TO CONFER MORE EA AND FC DEGREES. FOLLOWING THE COMPLETION OF A DEGREE, THE NEXT STEP IS PROFICIENCY.

HOWEVER, PROFICIENCY IS NOT A MERE RECITATION OF WORDS TO PROGRESS TO THE NEXT DEGREE. IT IS A THOUGHTFUL PROCESS MEANT FOR CONTEMPLATION AND TRUE COMPREHENSION. ONE EXAMPLE IS UNDERSTANDING THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN A BROTHER AND A FELLOW—A CONCEPT OFTEN REPEATED BUT NOT ALWAYS FULLY GRASPED. A FELLOW, IN ESSENCE, HOLDS ALL THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES WITHIN THEIR AFFILIATED ORGANIZATION. IN THE EARLY DAYS OF THE PREMIER GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND IN 1717, THE FELLOWCRAFT WAS THE HIGHEST DEGREE, AND THE FELLOW WAS AKIN TO THE FELLOWCRAFT MASON, WHILE THE BROTHER WAS AN EA.

THE EVOLUTION TO THE RECOGNITION OF THE MASTER MASON DEGREE AS THE FIRST 'HIGH DEGREE' OCCURRED IN 1725. I URGE EACH OF YOU TO DELVE INTO THE CATECHISM, EMPHASIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF MASTERING THE PROFICIENCY OF THE MASTER MASON DEGREE POST-RAISING. TOO FREQUENTLY, TASKS NOT EXPLICITLY REQUIRED TEND TO BE NEGLECTED. IF THE INITIAL GOAL IS SELF-IMPROVEMENT IN MASONRY, LET US ACTIVELY PURSUE THAT OBJECTIVE TOGETHER.

*"WE'RE A GROUP OF MEN WHO MEET ON THE LEVEL,
ACT UPON THE SQUARE, AND WALK UPRIGHTLY IN
LIFE. WE TAKE GOOD MEN AND MAKE THEM BETTER
BY THE TEACHINGS OF MASONRY, AND WORK
TOWARDS BROTHERLY LOVE, RELIEF, AND TRUTH." -
DICK WALK, PM*

SINCERELY & FRATERNALLY - *BURX*

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FROM THE SOUTH

BRETHREN,

I HOPE THIS FINDS YOU WELL AND IN GOOD SPIRITS. WE'RE OFF TO A GREAT START THIS YEAR WITH OUR FIRST DEGREE CONFERRED AND LOTS OF GREAT FELLOWSHIP AT THE LODGE. ITS GREAT SEEING ALL OF OUR BROTHERS AND THOSE VISITING US FROM OTHER LODGES RECENTLY.

I LOOK FORWARD TO ALL OF THE FUN AND EXCITING EVENTS WE HAVE GOING ON THIS YEAR. THIS SUNDAY, WE WILL BE HOSTING A SUPER BOWL PARTY AT THE LODGE, AND LATER THIS YEAR, OUR 250TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER AS WELL AS OUR FAMOUS SCOTCH AND CIGAR NIGHT.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL AT THESE EVENTS AND IN LODGE!



***BRO. JOHN P. KEEL
JUNIOR WARDEN***

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**THANK YOU PEGGY FERRIS FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION
TO SANDOVAL LODGE No. 76!**

By Bro. Burx Norrod

I HAD THE HONOR OF MEETING MRS. PEGGY FERRIS, THE WIDOW OF WB CARL FERRIS, A MEMBER OF SANDIA No. 72, DURING A RECENT GATHERING AT THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS (VFW) NEAR SANDOVAL LODGE. BOTH WB CARL AND I ARE MARINE CORPS VETERANS, AND HE WAS ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THE BALLUT ABYAD SHRINE AND THE SANTA FE VALLEY OF THE SCOTTISH RITE.

MRS. FERRIS GRACIOUSLY CONTRIBUTED WB CARL'S SCOTTISH RITE CAP AND 14TH DEGREE RING, ALONG WITH HIS FEZZES AND A COLLECTION OF FREEMASONRY BOOKS. THE SCOTTISH RITE AND SHRINE REGALIA HAS ALREADY BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THEIR RESPECTIVE LOCATIONS, WHILE THE BOOKS NOW ADORN THE SHELVES OF THE LODGE LIBRARY IN THE SOCIAL HALL

THANK YOU PEGGY!



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MESSAGE FROM JOBS DAUGHTERS BETHEL # 4

HI EVERYONE!

MY NAME IS PEACE MCKENZIE, I AM HONORED QUEEN OF BETHEL # 4 AT SANDOVAL LODGE IN RIO RANCHO, NEW MEXICO.

I'D LIKE TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS TO MY OFFICERS FOR THEIR INCOMING TERM AND CONGRATS TO SANDOVAL LODGE FOR THEIR INCOMING OFFICERS AS WELL. I'D LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO OUR MEETINGS.

WE MEET ON THE 1ST, 3RD, AND WHEN THERE'S A 5TH FRIDAY OF THE MONTH AT 6:30PM. THERE'S LOTS OF FOOD AND LOTS OF FUN!

WE ALSO HAVE THE CIRCUS COMING UP, HOSTED BY BALLUT ABYAD SHRINERS AT TINGLEY ON THE FAIR GROUNDS COMING UP AND WE'D LOVE TO SEE Y'ALL THERE!

IF THERE'S ANYTHING THE LODGE NEEDS, LET US KNOW, WE'RE HERE TO HELP AND WOULD LOVE TO COLLABORATE.



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FREE CPR & AED TRAINING!

**SUNDAY, MARCH 3RD
TIME: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
LOCATION: SANDOVAL LODGE**

**JOIN US FOR A CPR AND AED TRAINING SESSION WITH INSTRUCTOR
BRO. CESARIO ALVILLAR.**

**THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO MEMBERS, THEIR FAMILIES, AND PROSPECTIVE
MEMBERS. IT'S A FREE EVENT, BUT IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING
A CPR CERTIFICATION CARD, THERE IS AN ADMINISTRATIVE COST OF
\$14.**

**TO RSVP, EMAIL SOCIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
BRO. JONATHAN MUNIZ AT NMSWTEAM@GMAIL.COM**



**BRO. CESARIO ALVILLAR
JUNIOR STEWARD**



**BRO. JONATHAN MUNIZ
JUNIOR DEACON**

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SUPERBOWL PARTY AT THE LODGE!!

DEAR ESTEEMED MASONIC COMMUNITY,

WARM GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES TO ALL OF YOU. I HOPE THIS MESSAGE FINDS YOU IN HIGH SPIRITS, BOTH PROFESSIONALLY AND PERSONALLY. MY NAME IS BRO. JONATHAN MUÑIZ, AND I AM HONORED TO REPRESENT SANDOVAL LODGE #76 IN EXTENDING A HEARTFELT INVITATION TO YOU AND YOUR ESTEEMED FAMILIES TO AN EXTRAORDINARY EVENT THAT EMBODIES THE TRUE ESSENCE OF BROTHERHOOD.

WE ARE DELIGHTED TO ANNOUNCE OUR UPCOMING SUPER BOWL PARTY/ TAILGATE, SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 11TH, STARTING AT 4PM. THIS EXTRAORDINARY GATHERING PROMISES AN EXHILARATING BLEND OF CAMARADERIE, SPORTSMANSHIP, AND MOUTHWATERING CULINARY DELIGHTS. IT WILL BE AN EXCEPTIONAL OCCASION TO CELEBRATE UNITY, FRIENDSHIP, AND THE LOVE OF THE GAME.

AT THIS SPECIAL EVENT, WE ENCOURAGE EACH GUEST, INCLUDING OUR CHERISHED MASONIC BRETHREN, THEIR FAMILIES, AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS, TO SHOWCASE THEIR CULINARY PROWESS BY PREPARING THEIR VERY BEST SUPER BOWL DISHES. TO FACILITATE THE PLANNING PROCESS AND ENSURE A DIVERSE AND UNFORGETTABLE FEAST, WE HAVE ATTACHED A SIGN-UP SHEET FOR THE POTLUCK. PLEASE LET US KNOW THE CULINARY MASTERPIECE WITH WHICH YOU WISH TO GRACE OUR TABLE.

OUR GOAL IS TWO-FOLD: TO UNITE MASONIC BROTHERS AND ENTHUSIASTS IN A JUBILANT ATMOSPHERE OF FANDOM, AND TO SHARE MOMENTS OF FELLOWSHIP THAT WILL FOSTER LIFELONG CONNECTIONS. BY EMBRACING THE SPIRIT OF TOGETHERNESS, WE HOPE TO STRENGTHEN THE BONDS THAT MAKE OUR MASONIC COMMUNITY TRULY EXCEPTIONAL.

IF YOU HAVE ANY INQUIRIES, SUGGESTIONS, OR SPECIAL REQUESTS, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO REACH OUT TO US. WE EAGERLY ANTICIPATE YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS REMARKABLE EVENT AND ANTICIPATE A JOYOUS, MEMORABLE OCCASION.

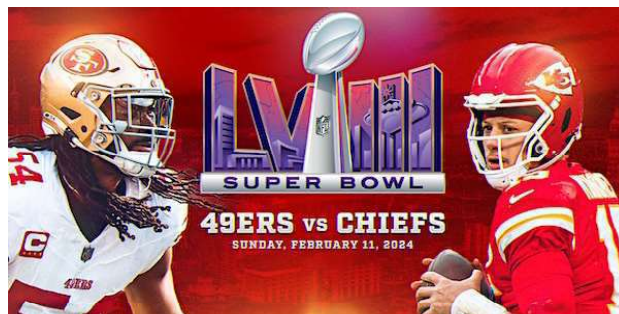
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CELEBRATING THE SUPER BOWL IN GRAND STYLE WITH EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU.

WITH UTMOST FRATERNAL REGARDS,

BRO. JONATHAN MUNIZ
TO RSVP AND TO OBTAIN THE POTLUCK SIGNUP LINK -
EMAIL NMSWTEAM@GMAIL.COM



*BRO. JONATHAN MUNIZ
SOCIAL COMMITTEE
CHAIRMAN*



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A TRAVELING MAN'S REPORT

BY BRO. JOHN P. KEEL

FRATERNAL GREETINGS! THIS LATEST VOLUME IS MORE ABOUT A NEWLY MADE BROTHER THAN THE TRIP I MADE TO GO SEE HIM INITIATED INTO FREEMASONRY. I HAVE KNOWN RAMIRO "RAY" RENDON FOR MANY YEARS AND HE HAS BEEN A GOOD FRIEND, COLLEAGUE AND BROTHER VETERAN OF MINE LONG BEFORE KNOCKING AT THE DOOR OF OUR FRATERNITY. HIS JOURNEY AS A MASON BEGAN FORMALLY ON JANUARY 23RD AT LEBANON LODGE 837 IN FRISCO, TX WITH HIS INITIATION BUT, AS WE ALL KNOW, IT BEGAN MUCH FURTHER BACK, IN HIS HEART, AND WHEN HE ASKED ME AT BREAKFAST IN APRIL LAST YEAR WHILE I WAS VISITING DALLAS. I WAS OUT THERE FOR A CONCERT AND, AS IS OUR TRADITION, WE WILL OFTEN GRAB BREAKFAST OR DINNER WHILE I'M THERE. ON THIS PARTICULAR OCCASION HOWEVER HE ASKED ABOUT FREEMASONRY AND SPARKED A GREAT CONVERSATION THAT LED TO HIM ASKING HOW HE COULD JOIN.



*BRO. JOHN P. KEEL
JUNIOR WARDEN*

HE HAD SOME DOUBTS ABOUT HOW LOCAL LODGES MIGHT WORK SO I LET HIM KNOW THAT I WOULD BE HAPPY TO INTRODUCE HIM TO A LODGE ON MY NEXT TRIP OR WHEN HE WAS READY. UNFORTUNATELY, WE HAVE HEARD TOO OFTEN ABOUT RUMORS OF RACISM OR ACTUAL INSTANCES OF IT IN OUR FRATERNITY. BEING A HISPANIC MAN, ITS UNDERSTANDABLE THAT HE WOULD HAVE THESE CONCERNS EVEN TODAY. I REASSURED HIM THAT RACISM IS CONTRARY TO THE PRINCIPLES OF OUR ORDER AND THOUGH THE FRATERNITY HAS HAD THOSE ISSUES IN THE PAST, I WOULD HOPE TO NEVER COME ACROSS A LODGE LIKE THAT IN MY LIFETIME THOUGH I'M SURE THEY STILL EXIST SOMEWHERE IN SOME PARTS OF OUR COUNTRY AND IN THE WORLD. NOT TO BE PREACHY BUT, THE FACT THAT WE STILL HEAR THIS SHOULD REINVIGORATE OUR PASSION TO BUILD OURSELVES ORGANIZATIONALLY INTO THAT PERFECT ASHLAR BY ELIMINATING DISCRIMINATION WHEN WE SEE IT.

THE OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE RAY TO A LODGE DIDN'T COME TO PASS UNTIL OCTOBER, WHEN I WAS AT A CONFERENCE IN DALLAS. AS I USUALLY DO, I REACHED OUT TO LOCAL BROTHERS, IN THIS CASE THROUGH THE TEXAS FREEMASON'S FACEBOOK GROUP, TO SEE WHO WAS MEETING. AS IT TURNED OUT, LEBANON LODGE WAS CONDUCTING AN EA DEGREE ONE OF THE NIGHTS I WAS THERE. I WAS SOLD INSTANTLY SINCE I HAD NOT BEEN ABLE TO SEE A DEGREE IN TEXAS YET. I LET THEM KNOW THAT I WOULD BE ATTENDING AND THAT I WOULD BE BRINGING A FRIEND WITH ME. THEY WERE VERY WELCOMING TO MY VISIT AND I MADE PLANS TO SKIP THE SOCIAL EVENTS OF THE CONFERENCE THAT NIGHT SO WE COULD ATTEND.

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RAY AND I WENT FROM THE CONFERENCE TO THE LODGE AND BOTH OF US ALMOST IMMEDIATELY FELT AT HOME. THE BROTHERS OF LEBANON LODGE WERE SO WELCOMING AND FRIENDLY THAT I FELT LIKE I HAD BEEN THERE MANY TIMES BEFORE. WE HAD A WONDERFUL DINNER AND RAY WAS ABLE TO CHAT WITH ONE OF THE PAST MASTERS WHILE WE WERE INSIDE FOR THE DEGREE. AFTER THE CEREMONY, WE ALL WENT ACROSS THE STREET TO AN OLD HOMESTYLE RESTAURANT WHICH HAS A VERY WELL STOCKED BAR TO ENJOY SOME FELLOWSHIP. ON THE WAY HOME, RAY AND I CHATTED ABOUT HOW AMAZING THE LODGE WAS AS WELL AS HOW THE PROCESS WORKS. AS WE TALKED, HE WAS ALREADY MAKING PLANS TO VISIT OTHER LODGES LOCALLY.

AFTER A COUPLE OF MONTHS GETTING TO KNOW THE BROTHERS, RAY PETITIONED THE LODGE AND THE BRETHREN VOTED HIM IN AT THE BEGINNING OF JANUARY. AS I PROMISED HIM, I FLEW OUT TO DALLAS ON THE 23RD OF JANUARY TO BE THERE AS HE WAS BROUGHT TO LIGHT IN MASONRY. WE HAD A GREAT DINNER AGAIN AND ENJOYED THE PRE-CEREMONY FELLOWSHIP. SEVERAL OTHER LOCAL LODGES ALSO HAD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE. THE CEREMONY WAS FANTASTIC AND THE DEGREE TEAM DID A PHENOMENAL JOB OF PERFORMING THE RITUAL. RAY EVEN SURPRISED ALL OF US AT THE SECRETARY'S DESK. FOR THOSE OF YOU THAT KNOW TEXAS RITUAL, YOU'LL KNOW WHAT I'M REFERRING TO. FOR THE REST OF YOU, I HIGHLY RECOMMEND GOING TO TEXAS AND CHECKING IT OUT YOURSELF!

AFTER THE MEETING WE ALL WENT TO THE RESTAURANT ACROSS THE STREET AND HAD A GREAT TIME THERE. WE EVEN HELD AN IMPROMPTU TURTLE DEGREE!

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THIS TRIP WAS AN AMAZING ONE AND ONE OF MY FAVORITES SO FAR. I CAN'T WAIT TO BE THERE FOR RAY'S FELLOWCRAFT AND THE LODGE HAS ALREADY CONFIRMED I WILL BE THE ONE TO RAISE HIM. I LOOK FORWARD TO IT!

BRO. JOHN P. KEEL



WITH BRO. RAMIRO RENDON



**BROTHERS (& TURTLES) FROM 4 DIFFERENT
LODGES ENJOYING FELLOWSHIP**



BRO. RAMIRO RENDON AND HIS DEGREE TEAM

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CONGRATULATIONS TO BRO. CESARIO FOR HAVING BEEN PASSED TO THE DEGREE OF FELLOWCRAFT LAST MONTH! HIS ENTHUSIASM FOR OUR CRAFT AND IT'S RITUAL WORK HAS HIM ON TRACK FOR BEING RAISED TO THE SUBLIME DEGREE OF MASTER MASON NEXT MONTH!

MANY THANKS TO BRETHREN OF TEMPLE 6 FOR COMING OUT TO WITNESS THIS DEGREE AND SHARING IN THE FELLOWSHIP AFTERWARDS.

COULD NOT HAVE BEEN MADE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE AIDE & ASSISTANCE OF WB BERT DALTON WITH HIS STAIRCASE LECTURE DELIVERY. HIS MAKING OUR PIANO COME TO LIFE WAS THE ICING ON THE CAKE!

"A GROUP OF MEN WHO MEET ON THE LEVEL, ACT UPON THE SQUARE AND WALK UPRIGHTLY IN LIFE. - DICK WALK, PM

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Mesa De Molay

PANCAKE BREAKFAST



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MARCH 9, 2024 8AM-1030AM

**PANCAKES-EGGS-SAUSAGE-BACON-
DRINKS**

529 Chama St NE, Albuquerque, NM 87108

\$8 ADULTS

**\$6 MASONIC YOUTH AND
UNDER 12**

Sandoval Lodge No. 76

Presents

*Mason's
Lady*



Night

February 12th

Dinner starts @6PM

**LODGE WILL OPEN @7PM THEN GO TO
REFRESHMENT FOR PUBLIC PRESENTATION BY
RW BROTHER HARRY JENKINS "WAFFLES AND
SPAGETTI". ALL MASONS, THEIR SIGNIFICANT
OTHER, AND FAMILY ARE WELCOME. \$10
SUGGESTED DONATION**

**DINNER
PROVIDED
BY JOE'S
PASTA
HOUSE**

**PLEASE RSVP
FOR DINNER
WITH OUR SW
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A REDESIGN OF TABLES IN THE SOCIAL HALL

IF YOU'VE NOTICED, OUR JW BRO. JOHN KEEL HAS SHIFTED THE TABLES AROUND TO MAKE IT MORE 'USER FRIENDLY', WHERE WHEN WE CONGREGATE, WE ACTUALLY FACE EACH OTHER AND HAVE CONVERSATIONS ACCORDINGLY.

IT WORKED - THERE'S NO QUESTION BEEN MORE ENGAGEMENT DURING THE FESTIVEBOARD, OR OTHERWISE GETTING TOGETHER FOR CHATS WITHOUT ANYONE FEELING LIKE THEY'RE ON THEIR OWN ISLAND.

KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK BRO. JOHN IN MAKING OUR GATHERINGS AS EFFICIENT AS THEY CAN BE!

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THANKS VERY MUCH TO BUILDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS WB LARRY MIKKELSEN & BRO. BILL WHELCHER FOR COMPLETING THE TEDIOUS TASK OF INSTALLING THE FAIRLY HEAVY TV ON THE SOCIAL HALL WALL, IT'S DULY & TRULY APPRECIATED!



THESE BUILDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS ALSO INSTALLED THE NEWLY PURCHASED AED SYSTEM, READY FOR USE FOR THE TRAINING COMING UP BY BRO. CESARIO ALVILLAR, AND FOR THE OCCASIONAL USE WE HOPE WE NEVER NEED TO UTILIZE.

THE PLAQUE TO RECOGNIZE THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTED TO OUR MOSAIC PAVEMENT HAS NOW BEEN INSTALLED IN THE LODGE ROOM. THERE'S A 2ND ONE TO BE DONE IN DUE TIME - THANK YOU WB LARRY FOR THE INSTALLATION!



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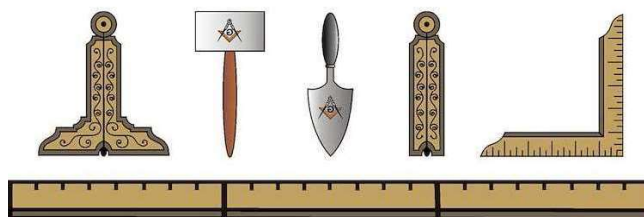
SANDOVAL LODGE BUILDING COMMITTEE (& WHAT DO THEY DO?)

SANDOVAL LODGE OPERATES EFFICIENTLY THROUGH ITS ORGANIZED COMMITTEE STRUCTURE, WHERE ENTHUSIASTIC MEMBERS ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE BASED ON THEIR INTERESTS. AMONG THESE COMMITTEES, THE BUILDING COMMITTEE PLAYS A CRUCIAL ROLE, CURRENTLY COMPRISING FOUR DEDICATED MEMBERS. THEIR PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY IS TO MAINTAIN THE LODGE BUILDING AT ITS PEAK PERFORMANCE.

WHETHER IT INVOLVES INSTALLATIONS, REPAIRS TO ADDRESS MALFUNCTIONS, OR A COMPLETE KITCHEN RENOVATION, THE BUILDING COMMITTEE IS COMMITTED TO HANDLING THESE TASKS. IN THE UPCOMING MONTHS, SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS, INCLUDING A KITCHEN OVERHAUL AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PARKING LOT'S SAFETY, ARE ON THE AGENDA TO ENSURE THE LODGE'S SUSTAINED FUNCTIONALITY FOR YEARS TO COME.

WHILE AUTOMATICALLY CHAIRED BY BRO. BURX NORROD, HOLDING THE POSITION OF SENIOR WARDEN, THE SUCCESSFUL EXECUTION OF TASKS HEAVILY RELIES ON THE COLLABORATION AND SUPPORT OF BUILDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS WB LARRY MIKKELSEN, BRO. BILL WHELCHER, AND BRO. ROGER McDONALD. THEIR COLLECTIVE EFFORTS CONTRIBUTE SIGNIFICANTLY TO THE LODGE'S SUCCESS AND FUNCTIONALITY.

SHOULD YOU SEE SOMETHING THAT NEEDS A FIX, OR HAVE AN IDEA FOR AN IMPROVEMENT OF SOME KIND - REACH OUT TO ANY BUILDING COMMITTEE MEMBER, OR EMAIL BURXNORROD@GMAIL.COM



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BIRTHDAYS FOR FEBRUARY

**CONGRATULATIONS ON YET ANOTHER LAP AROUND THE
HELIOS & BEST WISHES FOR A
PROSPEROUS YEAR AHEAD!**

**BRO. HENRY DOONAN (2/2)
BRO. DONALD PAXTON (2/28)**



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A FANTASTIC FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION TOOK PLACE AT TEMPLE 6 LAST MONTH, ALL THANKS TO RW STEVE BALKE. THE RITUAL PARTICIPANTS DELIVERED AN OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE, NOT ONLY SHOWCASING THE DEGREE BUT ALSO CONFERRING IT UPON A CANDIDATE!

THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE EVENT WAS THE PRESENCE OF WB BRIAN RAGAIN (GL OF OKLAHOMA), WHO DELIVERED A SPEECH ON HIS EFFECTIVE USE OF VARIOUS TECHNIQUES FOR MEMORIZING RITUAL WORK. HE ALSO INTRODUCED HIS BOOK, "KEYS TO MASONIC MEMORIZATION," AVAILABLE ON AMAZON FOR LESS THAN \$10. THIS BOOK IS A VALUABLE INVESTMENT FOR THOSE SEEKING INSIGHTS INTO MEMORIZATION OR STRUGGLING WITH COMMITTING RITUALS TO MEMORY. ADDITIONALLY, THERE'S A DYSLEXIA EDITION FOR THOSE WHO MAY FIND IT PARTICULARLY HELPFUL.



THE EVENT WAS WELL ATTENDED BY SEVERAL BRETHREN FROM SANDOVAL LODGE. A FEW ARE PICTURED - WB BRIAN RAGAIN (AUTHOR OF KEYS TO MASONIC MEMORIZATION) IS IN THE MIDDLE WEARING A BLUE TIE.

WB BRIAN RAGAIN GIVING HIS KEYNOTE SPEECH TO A PACKED SOCIAL HALL. BRETHREN FROM ALL OVER THE STATE SHOWED UP FOR THIS.



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MICHIGAN MASONIC TRAVELS BY BRO. BURX NORROD

I ENGAGE IN SOME TRAVEL, WHETHER FOR WORK OR LEISURE, AND DURING MY JOURNEYS, I ALWAYS MAKE IT A POINT TO EXPLORE MASONIC LODGES AND/OR MASONIC CEMETERIES. UNFORTUNATELY, THE TIMING OF LODGES' STATED COMMUNICATIONS HAS BEEN HIT OR MISS DURING MY VISITS. HOWEVER, DURING A RECENT WORK TRIP TO MICHIGAN, I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND PONTIAC LODGE No. 21, F&AM, WHICH TURNED OUT TO BE AN EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCE. EACH VISIT TO A LODGE IN A DIFFERENT



WITH WM MATTHEW SHELTON

JURISDICTION OFFERS INSIGHTS INTO BOTH THE DIFFERENCES AND SIMILARITIES WITHIN THE FRATERNITY.

THE EVENING WAS EVENTFUL, FEATURING THE MASTER OF THE LODGE, WM MATTHEW SHELTON, DELIVERING A MASTER MASON PROFICIENCY. THIS EXPERIENCE IS ONE OF THE MANY PRIVILEGES THAT COME WITH BEING A MASTER MASON, ALLOWING FRATERNAL VISITS ANYWHERE RECOGNIZED BY THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW MEXICO AND VICE VERSA.

UPON REACHING OUT TO THEIR LODGE ONLINE, I RECEIVED AN IMMEDIATE RESPONSE FROM SECRETARY WB STAN BLOECKER AND JW WB TAB WOOD. IT WAS AN INCREDIBLE ENCOUNTER WITH A GROUP OF BRETHREN STEEPED IN HISTORY, AS THE LODGE WAS CHARTERED IN 1848. ALTHOUGH I HAVEN'T WITNESSED MANY F&AM RITUALS, I FOUND THEM TO BE QUITE SIMILAR TO THOSE OF AF&AM, WITH SOME SUBTLE DIFFERENCES, OF COURSE.

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WHILE IN DETROIT, I FELT COMPELLED TO VISIT BRO. HENRY FORD'S GRAVE AND FAMILY PLOT. BROTHER HENRY, THE FOUNDER OF THE FORD MOTOR COMPANY, KNOWN FOR CREATING AN AFFORDABLE AUTOMOBILE FOR THE MIDDLE CLASS, LIVED FROM 1863 TO 1947. RAISED TO THE SUBLIME DEGREE OF MASTER MASON IN DETROIT'S PALESTINE LODGE No. 357 IN 1894 AT THE AGE OF 31, BRO. HENRY ATTAINED THE 33RD DEGREE IN 1940. HIS FUNERAL PROCESSION, ATTENDED BY THOUSANDS, REMAINS THE LARGEST IN DETROIT'S HISTORY.

NOT FAR AWAY, I ALSO PAID A VISIT TO THE FINAL RESTING PLACE OF ROSA PARKS (1913-2005), THE RENOWNED AMERICAN ACTIVIST IN THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT. KNOWN FOR HER REFUSAL TO GIVE UP HER BUS SEAT TO A WHITE MAN IN MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, IN 1955, PARKS SHOWCASED REMARKABLE COURAGE. IT'S AWE-INSPIRING HOW ONE INDIVIDUAL CAN HAVE A LASTING IMPACT, RESHAPING THE COURSE OF THE ENTIRE COUNTRY /G\



**AT THE FORD FAMILY CEMETERY IN
DETROIT, MICHIGAN.
IN THE BACKGROUND IS BROTHER
HENRY FORD AND HIS WIFE
CLARA. BOTH BURIED IN 1947,
BROTHER HENRY WAS A
FREEMASON FOR OVER 50 YEARS.**



**ACTIVIST ROSA PARKS INTERRED
WITH HER HUSBAND RAYMOND
PARKS IN DETROIT AT THE ROSA
PARKS FREEDOM CHAPEL IN
WOODLAWN CEMETERY.**

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CONTRIBUTING TO THE TRESTLEBOARD FROM AFAR

BY BURX NORROD



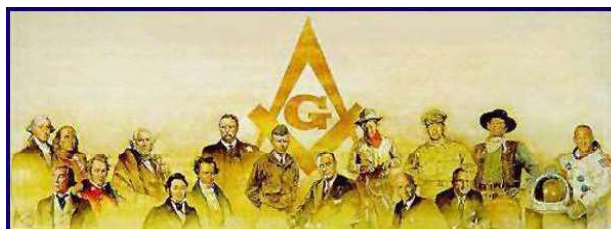
WB BEN FRATACCIA

DESPITE THE FACT THAT MANY OF US, MYSELF INCLUDED, HAVE NOT HAD THE CHANCE TO MEET WB BEN FRATACCIA IN PERSON SINCE HIS RELOCATION TO NORTH CAROLINA A FEW YEARS AGO, HE REMAINS AN INTEGRAL PART OF SANDOVAL LODGE. WB BEN ACTIVELY ENGAGES WITH THE LODGE, SHARING HIS WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE AS A PAST MASTER AND A MASON WITH 40 YEARS OF HISTORY.

SURPRISINGLY, I RECENTLY DISCOVERED THAT WB BEN USED TO MANAGE THE TRESTLEBOARD DURING HIS TIME AT SANDOVAL LODGE. FOLLOWING HIS SUGGESTIONS, I HAVE REACHED OUT TO THE AFFILIATED GROUPS MEETING AT SANDOVAL LODGE, ENCOURAGING THEM TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE TRESTLEBOARD, ENHANCING VISIBILITY AND FOSTERING UNITY WITHIN OUR MASONIC FAMILY.

WB BEN HAS ALSO GRACIOUSLY FORWARDED SEVERAL WRITE-UPS HIGHLIGHTING NOTABLE FIGURES IN MASONIC HISTORY. AMONG THE SELECTIONS, I HAVE OPTED TO INCLUDE THE ONE HE SHARED ABOUT BROTHER SAMUEL HOUSTON, THE NAMESAKE OF THE CITY IN TEXAS. MY DECISION TO FEATURE BROTHER SAM STEMS FROM MY PERSONAL CONNECTION WITH HIM DURING MY VISIT TO TEXAS LAST YEAR, WHERE I EXPLORED THE CAPITOL IN AUSTIN AND WALKED THE GROUNDS OF THE ALAMO.

THE FOLLOWING TWO PAGES SHOWCASE THE ARTICLE ON BRO. SAM HOUSTON. I EXTEND MY SINCERE GRATITUDE TO WB BEN FOR HIS CONTINUED CONTRIBUTIONS, WHICH ARE ALWAYS VALUED AND TRULY APPRECIATED, EVEN AS THEY REACH US FROM THE TAR HEEL STATE!



Samuel "Sam" Houston is Born



Today in Masonic History Samuel "Sam" Houston is born in 1793.

Samuel "Sam" Houston is an American politician and soldier.

Houston was born on March 2nd, 1793 around Lexington, Virginia. Houston moved with his family to Tennessee at the age of 14 shortly after the passing of his father. At the age of 16, he would run away from home and begin living with a Cherokee tribe. The

chief of the tribe would take him in and treat him as a son. Houston would periodically go home to visit his family, although most of his time was spent with the tribe.

In 1813, Houston would become part of the Tennessee militia and begin training at Fort Blount. He would serve with the 39th Infantry Regiment going from a private to third lieutenant. At the Battle of Horseshoe Bend he would be wounded by a Creek arrow in the groin. He would be bandaged up and returned to the battle. Andrew Jackson called for volunteers to dislodge a group of Red Sticks from their fortification, Houston volunteered. He would be shot twice in the attack and would eventually seek treatment at an Army hospital.

During Houston's time with Jackson, the two would become close and Jackson would consider Houston to be his protégé as did many others. Although the two men would strongly disagree about the treatment of Native Americans.

After the war, Houston would study law for 6 months with a local judge in Tennessee. He would pass the bar and would begin practicing law. In 1818 he would be named the local prosecutor in Nashville and was given command of the militia.

In 1822, Houston would win the United States House of Representatives seat for Tennessee. He would serve until 1827 when he decided not to run for re-election.

In 1827, Houston would be elected as Governor of Tennessee. He planned to run again in 1829 until rumors of alcoholism and infidelity began to circulate. This was mostly caused by Houston's first wife, Eliza, leaving him shortly after being married. Eliza public ally made the claim that his injury from the Creek arrow had left him impotent. Other claims were that Eliza was actually in love with another man. Regardless of the reason the public scandal caused Houston to resign his position as Governor.

In 1830 and 1833, Houston visited Washington D.C. There an anti-Jackson congressman made harsh claims about Houston. It was believed that the congressman made the claims because Jackson himself was unreachable and going after his protégé was the better approach. This led to a confrontation between Houston and the congressman. When the congressman refused to retract his statements, Houston beat him with a hickory cane. Houston was put on trial and it was decided that a physical attack such as that could not be tolerated since similar attacks to get a congressman to change his stance would circumvent the democratic system. Houston was also sued by the Congressman. Houston left town though before the judgment of \$500 could be extracted from him.

Houston headed for Texas and immediately got involved in the politics of Texas independence. On his 43rd birthday, Houston signed the Texas Declaration of Independence. He was then made the commander-in-chief of the Texas forces, limited as they were. Shortly after taking command news came that Santa Anna had attacked

the Alamo and that the Texans inside had been defeated. Shortly after about 400 men under the command of James Fannin had been captured and killed by Santa Anna. The few men that Houston had left he had retreat across Texas heading for the Gulf of Mexico. Houston was criticized for not attacking Santa Anna. His concern for his under equipped and under trained men were a great concern for him. Eventually he would turn and fight, by then Santa Anna had split his army into three units hoping to crush the Texas Army by trapping them. Santa Anna did not expect Houston's attack and Santa Anna's army fell. This would lead to the Treaty of Velasco which granted Texas their independence.

Texas would initially form a republic, the second future State to form as a republic. In the 1836 election, Houston would be elected as President of the Republic. He would be elected again in 1841. Houston was in favor of annexation by the United States. annexation had little political backing, so he would wait until his second term to try to push for it. Texas would be annexed in 1845.

Also in 1845, Houston would be elected to United States Senate from Texas. He would serve until 1859. He would also be the last foreign head of state to serve in the United States Congress, having been President of the Republic of Texas. While in Congress, Houston would oppose secession. He would also express great concern about any possible split between the North and the South, almost prophetically he would state " ... what fields of blood, what scenes of horror, what mighty cities in smoke and ruins—it is brother murdering brother ... I see my beloved South go down in the unequal contest, in a sea of blood and smoking ruin."

Houston would be elected Governor of Texas in 1859. He would be the only person elected Governor in two states by popular vote. In 1861, Texas was asked to join the confederate states, Houston refused and was overridden by the Texas Legislature. He would later be removed from office for refusing to take the oath to the confederacy. On his return home he would be asked why he refused to take the oath. He would eventually respond:

Fellow-Citizens, in the name of your rights and liberties, which I believe have been trampled upon, I refuse to take this oath. In the name of the nationality of Texas, which has been betrayed by the Convention, I refuse to take this oath. In the name of the Constitution of Texas, I refuse to take this oath. In the name of my own conscience and manhood, which this Convention would degrade by dragging me before it, to pander to the malice of my enemies, I refuse to take this oath. I deny the power of this Convention to speak for Texas....I protest....against all the acts and doings of this convention and I declare them null and void.

Houston would also later state in regard to his refusal to support the confederacy as a whole:

Let me tell you what is coming. After the sacrifice of countless millions of treasure and hundreds of thousands of lives, you may win Southern independence if God be not against you, but I doubt it. I tell you that, while I believe with you in the doctrine of states rights, the North is determined to preserve this Union. They are not a fiery, impulsive people as you are, for they live in colder climates. But when they begin to move in a given direction, they move with the steady momentum and perseverance of a mighty avalanche; and what I fear is, they will overwhelm the South.

Houston would pass away in Huntsville, Texas from Pneumonia.

Houston was a member of two lodges in Texas. First he was a member of Holland Lodge No. 36 in Brazoria, Texas. Later in life he would transfer his membership and affiliate with Forrest Lodge No. 19 in Huntsville, Texas.

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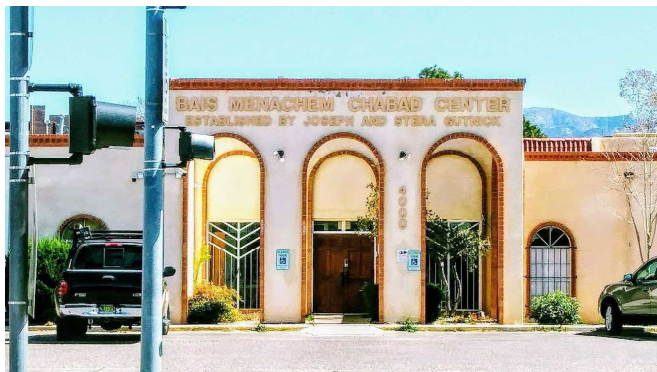
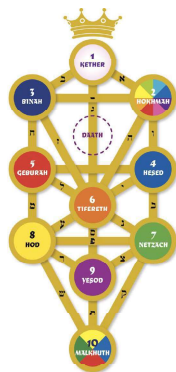
LEARNING ESOTERIC SCHOOLS OF THOUGHT BY BRO. BURX NORROD

PARTICIPATING IN THE MASTER CRAFTSMAN COURSE IN 2013 WAS A TRANSFORMATIVE EXPERIENCE THAT EXPOSED ME TO THE MORE ESOTERIC ASPECTS OF FREEMASONRY. DELVING INTO THE SCOTTISH RITE DURING THE COURSE, I DISCOVERED THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE KABBALAH IN GAINING A PROFOUND UNDERSTANDING OF FREEMASONRY.

PRIOR TO THIS, I WAS UNFAMILIAR WITH THE KABBALAH, AND ITS MYSTERIES HAVE CAPTIVATED ME EVER SINCE I STARTED EXPLORING ITS VARIOUS FORMS. AMONG THESE, THE KABBALISTIC TREE OF LIFE STANDS OUT AS A POWERFUL VISUAL REPRESENTATION. CONSEQUENTLY, I HAVE DELIVERED PRESENTATIONS ON THE KABBALAH AND ITS CONNECTION TO FREEMASONRY, DRAWING PARALLELS BETWEEN THE 11 SEFIROT AND 22 EMANATIONS WITH THE 33 DEGREES OF FREEMASONRY.

MY PERSPECTIVES ON THE SUBJECT ARE DYNAMIC, EVOLVING AS I CONTINUOUSLY ACQUIRE NEW INFORMATION FROM DIVERSE SOURCES. CURRENTLY, I ENGAGE IN A KABBALAH CLASS EVERY THURSDAY EVENING AT THE CHABAD HOUSE OF NEW MEXICO, LOCATED AT 4000 PEDRO DRIVE NE, ALBUQUERQUE. BEING A JEWISH SYNAGOGUE, I BELIEVE LEARNING ABOUT JEWISH MYSTICISM DIRECTLY FROM A RABBI PROVIDES A UNIQUE INSIGHT.

THESE THURSDAY EVENING KABBALAH CLASSES ARE OPEN TO EVERYONE, IRRESPECTIVE OF RELIGIOUS BACKGROUND. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN DELVING INTO THE MYSTERIES OF THE KABBALAH AND GAINING A KABBALISTIC PERSPECTIVE ON THE FIRST FIVE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE, FEEL FREE TO EMAIL ME AT BURXNORROD@GMAIL.COM. THIS WAY, I CAN INFORM THE RABBI OF YOUR ATTENDANCE.



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FEBRUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS



FEBRUARY 2

**JOBS DAUGHTERS BETHEL 4 COMMUNICATIONS
6:30PM**

FEBRUARY 5

**FC DEGREE RITUAL PRACTICE
6PM - 7:30PM**

FEBRUARY 10

**SUPERBOWL PARTY
4PM (RSVP TO BRO. JONATHAN MUNIZ)**

FEBRUARY 12

**7PM: 1ST STATED COMMUNICATIONS - SPECIAL VALENTINE EVENT, NON-MASONS
INVITED TO SPECIAL IN-LODGE PRESENTATION.
6PM: FESTIVEBOARD - SPECIAL EVENT!**

FEBRUARY 16

**JOBS DAUGHTERS BETHEL 4 COMMUNICATIONS
6:30PM**

FEBRUARY 19

**FC DEGREE RITUAL PRACTICE
6PM - 7:30PM**

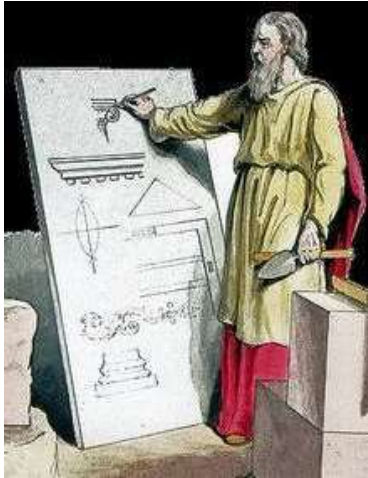
FEBRUARY 26

**7PM - 2ND STATED COMMUNICATIONS
FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE & FC PROFICIENCY RETURN**

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FROM THE EDITOR

WITH AN AVERAGE OF MORE THAN 20 PAGES PER TRESTLEBOARD, IT'S EVIDENT THAT SANDOVAL LODGE No. 76 IS A HIGHLY ACTIVE AND CONTENT-RICH COMMUNITY. WHILE I ENCOURAGE BROTHERS TO CONTRIBUTE THROUGH ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS, RECOGNIZING THAT NOT EVERYONE MAY FIND IT THEIR STRENGTH, I TAKE THE INITIATIVE TO INCLUDE INFORMATION ABOUT THE LODGE'S HAPPENINGS THROUGHOUT THE MONTH.

I WAS PLEASED TO RECEIVE AN ARTICLE FROM PEACE MCKENZIE, THE NEW HONORED QUEEN OF JOBS DAUGHTERS BETHEL No. 4 AND DAUGHTER OF WB TYLER MCKENZIE. SHE IS UNDOUBTEDLY ONE OF THE BRIGHT LEADERS AMONG OUR MASONIC YOUTH, AND I EAGERLY ANTICIPATE GREAT THINGS FROM OUR YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS AND APPENDENT BODIES THAT GATHER AT THE LODGE.

CHANGES ... BROTHER BENJAMIN COTE HAS RECENTLY JOINED THE TRESTLEBOARD COMMITTEE, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO HIS CONTRIBUTIONS IN ASSEMBLING THIS PUBLICATION IN DUE TIME.

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTE TO THE TRESTLEBOARD, WHETHER THROUGH SUBMISSIONS OR ENGAGING IN ACTIVITIES THAT MAKE IT NEWSWORTHY. WE ARE A GROUP OF MEN WHO MEET ON THE LEVEL, ACT UPON THE SQUARE, AND WALK UPRIGHTLY IN LIFE, STRIVING TO IMPROVE GOOD MEN THROUGH THE TEACHINGS OF MASONRY.

HAVE A THOUGHT, IDEA, EXPERIENCE, OR SOME OTHER REVELATION THAT YOU'D LIKE TO SEE INCLUDED IN MARCH'S TRESTLEBOARD? EMAIL BURXNORROD@GMAIL.COM



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