



FriendshipMasonicLodge¹⁶⁰

Trestleboard

Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Oregon

from
the **East**

Greetings Friends and Brethren!

Last month I was not able to be present for the Stated Meeting. Our own Senior Warden, Br Miller-Conley, sat in to fill in for me and facilitate the meeting. From what I heard, it was a great meeting and the most important aspect of accepting the lease agreement for both use of the Kenton Masonic building and one of the business spaces on the street level of the building passed. I plan on meeting with the head of the Building Committee at Kenton 145 sometime before the first of May to sign the lease agreement. The Lease Review Committee over it with a fine tooth comb and found everything to be acceptable and standard practice with lease agreements having to do with commercial spaces. I have asked that this committee transition to the Move In Committee in order to prepare for moving into the space starting May 1st.

For April, we had a pretty quiet month. A few of the brethren did gather at the Kenton Building to practice reading for the upcoming Master Mason degree for a ready Fellow Craft. Initially, this was planned for May. As of now, it has been postponed to the end of June. Please feel free to reach out to one of the officers if you would like to turn out and assist with work for the degree!

The second thing of interest occurring in April was the Officers Meeting. We went over the process for formally receiving the District Deputy. Since April was a fairly light month, there was light discussion on what to bring up for the upcoming Stated Meeting. I will focus on some points of interest for this meeting next.

For the May Stated meeting, we will be convening the meeting at the usual spot at the Kenton Masonic building on May 4th. Dinner will be served at 6:30 pm and the meeting will follow with the gavel falling at 7:30 pm. Please reach out to our Junior Warden, Br Reilly, if you plan to attend and how many guests you will be bringing. It should be a great feast as always. As for the meeting, we plan to formally receive and welcome our District Deputy, Right Worshipful Adam Bayer, for his official visit. This should be a nice ceremony to view. Also, we will be opening on the Master Mason degree, so please, Master Masons only for the May Stated Meeting. All other candidates are welcome to our dinner and the fellowship afterwards. We have at least one item to discuss: going dark in July and August. Other than this, everything should be the standard reports and discussions.

Looking to the future, we have Grand Lodge coming up the first week of June. Br Reilly and myself plan to attend. We do need a proxy for Br Miller-Conley, as he cannot attend this year. We have an extra bed reserved at the Grand Hotel in Salem, and we plan to carpool. Please let me know if you would like to join us and fill this proxy spot for our Br Senior Warden. You do have to be a Master Mason. Other than this, we are looking to a quiet May, working to plan some great events for June, before going dark for the summer.

Thank you brethren! And again, if you need assistance with transportation to the lodge, please reach out to one of us officers.

By the square!
Jimmie Jaimes, Master



May Masonic Birthdays

Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason

- 15 Brian Shannon (09)
- 20 Aubrey Carroll (52)
- 22 James Lasher (59)
- 25 Bruce Copper (39)
- 27 Stephen Dyrnes (41)
- 28 Brian Gardes (08)
- 30 Charles DeFir (43)

May Natural Birthdays

- 02 Douglas McCarty
- 03 Philip Draper
- 04 Fredric Krueger
- 07 Robert Holloway
- 07 Leo Schuman
- 16 Kent Smith
- 24 Bryant Bishop

Fraternal Greetings from the West,

I hope everyone had a wonderful April. I also want to thank everyone for giving me the opportunity to sit in the East for the first time. It was a very humbling experience. I have been told that one never really feels ready to sit in the Master's Chair, and I can certainly empathize with that feeling now.

Last month we took an important vote for our lodge, to sign a lease for a first floor commercial space in the Kenton Temple Building. Hopefully we should have a lease negotiated soon and will be able to start utilizing the space for spending more quality time amongst our brethren. I appreciate that some brothers had some hesitation with this move on our part, but I was also very humbled and proud by our lodge's ability to come to group consensus and work together.

My lodge here in Omaha has been cleaning out our basement in an effort to create a new hangout space for all of us. It has really given me both a sense of brotherhood, and a deep sense of missing for all of your at home. I cannot wait to enjoy our new Clubhouse with you all.

Stay safe, and on the level Brethren,

Brother Kevin Miller-Conley, Senior Warden

Greetings from the South!

I hope this communication finds you well and finds you looking forward to a wide-open Summer. The past few months have been punctuated by loss, and by distress over illness in our extended Masonic family - we continue to keep these Brothers, partners, and friends in our hearts and hope that they will let us know if and how we can offer support. Last week, I was reminded that we should also still be keeping our own health in mind, when a prospective mason interested in Friendship had to cancel our plans for coffee after he caught Covid at work. I've personally seen more friends, co-workers, family members, and even Friendship brothers' contract Covid in the past couple of months than I had in the previous two years of the pandemic, and would encourage all of you to remain safe even as legal restrictions are removed. Recent CDC data showed that 40% of US Covid deaths in Jan and Feb were 'breakthrough' cases in individuals who had already been vaccinated, and the long-term impacts of infection are just now beginning to be understood (let's just say that your brain, your heart, and your... reproductive health will all thank you for your vigilance in the long-term). On a brighter note, it's reassuring to know that we have a healthy queue of Masonic prospects who are interested in exploring Masonry with us, and I'm hoping both you and they will all be healthy enough to join us for another excellent dinner prepared by Chef/Brother Pease at May's stated meeting.

Patrick Reilly, Junior Warden

From the Pocketbook,

As of the April 2022 Stated Communication, the Lodge has \$2,102,330.72 invested with Edward Jones, and as of this writing, a week before the May Stated Communication, has expended 19.95% of the 2022 budget. The mortgage of the Kenton Masonic Temple is currently valued at \$201,303.17. Of note this month is the fact that we have exceeded our anticipated Printing and Postage budget line item. \$1,200 was budgeted for this year, but the Lodge has so far expended almost \$1,400 on these expenses. This budget line is for the Secretary's duties in printing and mailing all of the trestleboards each month. As always, if you have any questions, or would like to see the Lodge's financial statements, please reach out to me at friendship160.finance@gmail.com.

Fraternally,
Chris Chase
Treasurer

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Friendship 160 Stated Meeting Dinner 6:30 pm Meeting 7:30 pm	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Friendship 160 MM Degree Rehearsal 7:00 pm Kenton Temple	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Friendship 160 Officer's Meeting Kenton Temple 6:00 pm	26	27	28
29	30	31				

To the Brother who stands plumb to his principles, yet is level to his Brethren.

FriendshipMasonicLodge¹⁶⁰

Ancient Free and Accepted Masons Of Oregon
2334 NE 131st Ave
Portland, OR 97230

Address Correction Requested