

THE OCCASIONAL BULLETIN

Texas Lodge of Research February 2024 Number 4



From the Master's Desk

As we approach the end of the TLR year, I remain grateful for being allowed to serve as the custodian of such an august body of men and Masons. I want to thank the lodge officers for their hard work and dedication, the Past Masters for their advice and support, and our members for their attendance and enthusiasm. I would also like to thank the spouses who travel with us and permit us to travel around our great state in the name of Masonic research and education. Without their approval, our cable tows would be very short indeed.

March Meeting Saturday, March 30 Meeting 10am Lunch will be provided Suggested donation \$15

Hosted By Lufkin Lodge No. 669 508 N. John Redditt Drive Lufkin, TX 75904

Host Hotel TBD (please check website)

No-host Dinner Friday Night, 6pm Ralph & Kacoo's 3107 S. 1st Street Lufkin, TX 75901 This year has been a good one for our lodge, mainly due to the efforts of our members and officers. The following is a short review of the year, and you can read a full account as part of the Education Committee's report in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Texas for this year.

We began the year with our elections and installation of officers on 18 March at St. Alban's Lodge No. 1455 in College Station. At this meeting, Brother Pierre G. "Pete" Normand, Jr., PM, FMR, presented a paper entitled "The Texas A. & M. Masonic Club: 1920 to 1942." This paper will be printed in the Transactions for PM Richard Schlaudroff's year.

Our 17 June meeting and subsequent Anson Jones Lecture were hosted by Fort Worth Lodge No. 148 in Fort Worth. At the evening banquet, the Lecture was delivered by Worshipful Brother Dr. Richard Berman, Ph.D., FRHistS, Past Master of Quatuor Coronati Lodge No. 2076, and the Prestonian Lecturer for 2016 and 2023. Worshipful Brother Berman's lecture was entitled "The 1723 Constitutions: Inventing the Future," celebrating the "Anderson's tercentenary of Constitutions" and documenting the impact it had in bringing Freemasonry from its medieval past to an Enlightenment present and future. His presentation and any following will be printed in the Transactions for this year.

The 16 September meeting was held at Fredericksburg Lodge No. 794 in Fredericksburg. We had a wonderful private tour and tasting at Becker Vineyards on the Friday night before the meeting, and a private tour of the Museum of the Pacific War on Saturday morning. At that meeting, I presented a paper entitled "The Texans Named as Masonic Conservators."

Our 16 December meeting was hosted by Harmony Lodge No. 6 in Galveston. Brother Tony Day was elected a Full Member of Texas Lodge of Research after successfully his entitled presenting paper "Founding Members of St. John's Lodge No. 51." Brother Christian D. Moore, PM, presented a paper on "History of Masons in Columbus, Texas, Part 1," and RW Brother Jim R. Rumsey, Grand Junior Warden, PM presented a paper on "Ritual of the Grand Lodge of Texas, Part II."

To complete our TLR year, I would like to invite all Masons and their spouses to join us on 30 March in Lufkin Lodge No. 669 at 10:00 am. The meeting will also be our annual election and installation of officers. We anticipate that two papers will be ready for presentation.

I want to take a moment to thank the Worshipful Masters of each of our host lodges and their officers for welcoming us. They have given us a bounty of good food and warm companionship throughout the year. As we are a traveling lodge, our hosts are an essential component and critical to successful meetings. They have exceeded all expectations, and it is through their efforts that we continue to be a draw for Brothers looking for a quality Masonic experience.

In closing, while it has been a distinct honor and privilege to serve as Master of Texas Lodge of Research, I look forward to passing the gavel to my successor so that he can continue to move our lodge forward into the future. With our officer lineup, I have no doubt that the coming years will be very bright indeed.

With humble thanks, Billy Hamilton, WM

What's on Your Trestle Board?

(By Bro. Christopher Galloway, Master of Ceremonies, TLR 2023-2024)

September 15, 2023, started like a typical day. On the way to work, the Waze App indicated that my usual route was still the best option. There was nothing unusual about the drive. My focus was on the road and the podcast playing in the background. Two miles from work, a slight tingle shot through my right arm, and suddenly, a bright flash coupled with a blow to the back of my head took my breath away. Within a second, I could see in my mind's eye Aubrielle (1.5 years old), Gabriella (21 years old), Thomas (18 years old), and my wife Kim. My life was undoubtedly ending at 45 years old on San Antonio's Interstate Highway - 35.

After a few seconds, the episode passed. I realized my truck was coasting on the highway at around 20 mph, my right arm was completely numb, and my vision was greyed out in my right visual field. Somehow, I pulled over safely. Grabbed my phone and called my wife. I had no idea where I was or what was happening. Using the Life 360 App, Kim told me where I was located. She helped me remember my coworker's name (Jack, Jim, John,...Jeff) and told me to call him. I called Jeff and told him I needed help. Realizing I was on a small shoulder on the highway, I drove two exits to a gas station so Jeff could find me easily. Jeff picked me up and drove me to a hospital. I was treated in less than 20 minutes, and in less than an hour, I had a diagnosis. "Mr. Galloway, you had a stroke," the ER Neurologist shared empathetically.

By this point, the feeling returned to my right arm, but the vision in my right peripheral field was still gone. The Neurologist explained that the stroke occurred in the area of my brain linked to vision, and the overall cause was Prephrial Vascular Disease. "My mom died of PVD two years ago," I responded. The Neurologist shared that the PVD is genetic, and to treat me, he prescribed aspirin and blood thinners for the rest of my life. "Hopefully, it won't happen again anytime soon," he concluded.

I contemplated my life for the next couple of weeks following the stroke. I recently started my dream job, and I'm fully engaged in my work with the Grand Lodge of Texas Committee on Education. I have a Masonic book publishing company, and I have two kids in college with a new baby at home.

What is God's plan for me?

Surely, my work in the quarry of life is not complete?

Trying to answer the reflective questions mentioned above had me wondering about my life plan.

My benchmark for my life goals has been my vision board. In my mind, my vision board is a life trestle board inspired by the subtle nudges of our Great Architect. I have updated it several times because many things have come to pass on my trestle board. What stood out during my reflection is that my trestle board is full of measurable finite items. These trestle board items have limits, such as getting a particular job, vehicle, vacation destination, or income goal. In other words, the work is done once a goal is reached unless a new item is placed on my board.

In my usual vocation as an executive coach. I coach school leaders on strategic planning, visioning, and goal setting. We tie in much of Simon Sinek's work from his books Start With Why and The Infinite Game. Sinek shares in his books that leaders should have a purpose greater than themselves and lead with an infinite mindset. A purpose that puts others first and a mindset driven without ego leads to success without a finish line. This vision continues long after we are gone from this world. If this is what I coach transformational leaders on. why would I not apply this to my own life?

Since my brush with death, my trestle board is now full of goals to empower others. Instead of reaching a particular position, my trestle board focuses on transforming as many lives as possible teaching coaching. through and Instead of checking off another exotic destination on my bucket list, my trestle board inspires me to provide my family with memorable travel experiences. Instead of having a particular revenue goal in my Masonic publishing business, my trestle board reminds me to focus on helping as many brothers as possible achieve their dream of publishing a book. As long as I have a purpose, the sands of time will continue to flow through life's hourglass.

As we start the new year, consider revisiting your trestle board; if you don't have one, create one. It does not have to be an elaborate collage of pictures. Take a piece of paper and write down how you want to be remembered after you have laid down your working tools. You will not be remembered for the number of things, money, or social media posts you collect. It will be the impact and experiences that you created for others that will cement your legacy. Time is limited, so we must make the best of it while we are here. So I ask you again:

What is on your trestle board?

Cloaked in Symbolism: The Three Pillars of Freemasonry

(By Bro. Chuck Springer, Marshal, TLR 2023-2024)

I would like to invite you to embark on a journey of introspection, delving into the heart of Freemasonry through the symbolism of the three pillars: Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty. These are not mere decorations, but the very cornerstones upon which the fraternity rests, guiding our moral compass, intellectual journey, and fraternal bonds. It's easy to overlook the fundamental cornerstones upon which our noble fraternity rests.

These pillars, deeply embedded in the degree, transcend first mere decoration. They are the compasses of our morals, the guiding stars of our intellect, and the bedrock of our fraternal bonds. Each pillar, intertwined with the others, forms an inseparable trinity, resonating with the Freemasonry. essence of Their symbolic roots stretch far beyond the lodge walls. Ancient temples echoed with their presence, interwoven with myths and spiritual narratives. Joseph Fort Newton reminds us that these pillars, like obelisks, marked sacred spaces vision and divine of pronouncements.

Within the lodge, these pillars also represent the three principal officers the Worshipful Master, Senior Warden, and Junior Warden, whose combined efforts ensure the lodge's harmony. These pillars were typically associated with the following edifices:

- The Ionic order was generally seen and most frequently employed in houses of learning, such as academies and libraries. (*Vitruvius, De Architectura*, Penguin, 2009, Book III, Chapter 5.)
- The Doric order was used in the construction of structures that served a martial purpose, such

as those devoted to warfare or defense. (*Vitruvius, De Architectura*, Penguin, 2009, Book IV, Chapter 3)

• The Corinthian order was employed when a structure was to be designated for an artistic, aesthetic, or religious purpose, such as a museum or temples. (*Vitruvius, De Architectura*, Penguin, 2009, Book IV, Chapter 1)

Now let us seek to unveil the layers, to move beyond the physical manifestations, and to understand the spirit of the pillars.

- Ionic Pillar (Wisdom): Graceful and refined, reflecting the Master's role as a guide in acquiring and applying knowledge with discernment.
- Doric Pillar (Strength): Robust and imposing, symbolizing the Senior Warden's unwavering adherence to principles and upholding the lodge's structure.
- Corinthian Pillar (Beauty): Ornate and radiant, signifying the Junior Warden's dedication to cultivating inner grace and radiating character.

The true essence of these pillars lies not in their outward form, but in their deeper meaning.

- Wisdom: Not just accumulation of knowledge, but the ability to use it wisely and discerningly.
- Strength: Not just physical prowess, but unwavering resolve and moral fortitude.
- Beauty: Not just aesthetics, but the radiant glow of a virtuous character.

Intertwined with Wisdom's light, Strength's resolve, and Beauty's radiant bloom, we ascend the staircase of the Craft, each step echoing the harmony of the three grand columns.

- Wisdom: The Master reminds us to seek knowledge beyond mere acquisition, using wisdom to guide our daily lives.
- Strength: The Senior Warden teaches us to be grounded in unwavering principles, demonstrating both action and nobility.
- Beauty: The Junior Warden inspires us to cultivate inner beauty through kindness, sophistication, and constant refinement.

By embodying these qualities, we become living expressions of the three pillars, contributing not only to the lodge but also to a better world. These symbols transcend the specifics of Freemasonry. It's a universal call to cultivate wisdom, strength, and beauty within ourselves, using them to build a better world, both within and outside the lodge.

If you have a hard time remembering which pillar is represented by which office, remember the following:

- Ionic: The Worshipful Master sits in the East, where the rising sun brings wisdom and knowledge (light).
- Doric: The Senior Warden stands at the West gate (door), guarding the lodge and upholding its principles.
- Corinthian: The Junior Warden sits in the South, symbolizing the warmth (sun) and beauty that nurture the lodge.

Editor's Notes Station of the Widow (by Bro. Cody Cockroft)



A station is much more profound than a title. A station is a social standing of society. One could say it is a ranking. Our station, as Masons, is in part an obligation that each one of us have made before God and the brotherhood of man to tender our minds, hearts and hands for the Station of a Widow.

The Bible expresses the word WIDOW approximately 81 times (55 times in the Old Testament and 26 times in the New Testament). These references can be read in the works of Moses, the Prophets, the Psalms and the Proverbs of Solomon, the Gospels, the Book of Acts, and the letters to the churches of the New Testament. One may ask, why is this? Because it is important.

In the Old Testament, the Hebrew word for Widow is "almanah". It often does not simply denote a woman whose husband is dead, but rather a once-married woman who has no means of financial support and is therefore in need of special legal protection. Levirate marriage is the obligation of a surviving brother to marry the widow of his brother if he died without having sired children. The corollary is that the widow must marry a brother-in-law rather than anyone outside the family. The oldest of the surviving brothers had the first to obligation perform this commandment. The explicit purpose of this commandment was to have the surviving brother produce an heir to perpetuate the name of his dead

brother, so that it would not "be blotted out of Israel."

The literal meaning of the biblical text implies that the firstborn child of a levirate marriage would be named after the dead brother, to carry on his memory. However, this is true only in the spiritual sense, for there was no requirement to name the newborn son after the dead brother.

The duty of levirate marriage was obligatory only on one who was alive at the time of the death of his childless brother; it did not apply to one born after his brother's death. Furthermore, both brothers must have the same father. If either of these conditions was not fulfilled, the childless widow was immediately free to marry anyone she chose.

The Supreme Architect of the Universe commissioned the nation of Israel to be a defender of the Widow and for the Church to imitate HIM. GOD is the Deity who keeps a careful eye on the Widow and is profoundly concerned for her and her wellbeing. Throughout the scriptures, GOD instructs us to not exclude our Special Ladies and not to take advantage of their vulnerabilities. In Acts, Chapter 6, the importance of taking care of the widow was so important that the twelve disciples hand selected seven men of good reputation, full of wisdom and the Holy Spirit to be responsible for the widow. In James 1:27, there is no mincing of words, "Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained from the world".

The setting for The Book of Ruth is the disorganized era of the Judges and all the tribes were going their own ways. The book tells readers of a family in Bethlehem whose only resort when their crops failed was to migrate southeast (opposite the Dead Sea) to the country of Moab, so they could find food and work.

While living in Moab the family's two sons each marry Moabite women. But after only a decade there the father and both sons die, making the mother, Naomi, and both her daughters-in-law, Ruth and Orpah, widows.

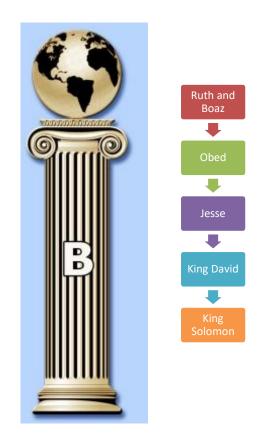
Marooned in Moab, the older woman Naomi decided to return to her home in Bethlehem. Ruth, though a Moabite herself, was insistent to not abandon Naomi. She pledged her loyalty to Naomi, and they set out on the long journey, arriving in time for the barley harvest. Ruth was poor and a foreigner, but she listened to the advice of an older, wiser woman. In turn, Naomi was rewarded by Ruth's unfaltering loyalty.

Before long, and with Naomi's help, Ruth meets Boaz, a wealthy landowner from the tribe of Judah. Being a relative of the deceased Elimelech, Boaz is eligible to fulfill for Ruth the Levirite marriage role of the kinsman and redeemer, and even though Ruth is a foreigner (a Gentile), Boaz marries her.

From Ruth Chapter 4 verses 1 - 3: So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When he made love to her, the Lord enabled her to conceive, and she gave birth to a son. The women said to Naomi: "Praise be to the Lord, who this day has not left you without a guardian-redeemer. May he become famous throughout Israel! He will renew your life and sustain you in your old age. For your daughter-inlaw, who loves you and who is better to you than seven sons, has given him birth."

The Masonic slipper pin is a small lapel pin in the shape of a blue slipper. Many wives, daughters and widows wear one of these slippers on a coat or dress when traveling alone. For many years this pin has served to identify loved ones of Masons to other members of the craft. The origin of this symbol comes from the book of Ruth and is as follows:

"Now this was the manner in former time in Israel concerning redeeming and changing, for to confirm all things; a man plucked off his shoe, and gave it to his neighbor: and this was a testimony in Israel. So, the kinsman drew off his shoe and gave it to Boaz. Boaz held it up for all in the gate to see. He asked them to be witnesses that he became Naomi's protector, Ruth's husband, and a redeemer of Elimelech's property."



Texas Lodge of Research at Masonic Week

(By Bro. Billy Hamilton, Worshipful Master, TLR 2023-2024)

Each February, Masons from around the world converge in Washington, D.C., for Masonic Week. This event is hosted by the Grand Council Allied Masonic Degrees, USA, at the Crystal City Hyatt Regency, mere blocks from the Pentagon. This event is the annual meeting for multiple Masonic invitational bodies, and several notable research bodies also meet there. The Philalethes Society, Masonic Society, Grand College of Rites, and Society of Blue Friars are represented, and the presence of Texas Lodge of Research can also be seen.

The Philalethes Society has two TLR Anson Jones Lecturers as officers: Dr. Oscar Alleyne is the first vice president, and R. Stephen Doan is the treasurer.

The Masonic Society has Dr. Oscar Alleyne as President, and I was honored to be the speaker for this year's dinner.

The Grand College of Rites has Anson Jones Lecturer Arturo de Hoyos as Grand Archivist. We also have two Past Masters of TLR as Past Chancellors, PM Reese Harrison, PGM and PM Pierre "Pete" Normand.

The list of active friars in the Society of Blue Friars contains many past Anson Jones lecturers, including Joe Wages, Robert Cooper, Michael Poll, Michael Halleran, Robert Davis, Gary Leazer, Mark Tabbert, Thomas Jackson, Rex Hutchins, and Arturo de Hoyos. PM Pierre "Pete" Normand is also a Blue Friar.

We have a presence in the invitational bodies, as well. PMs Jack Harper and Charles Maddox are both in the officer line for the Grand Council of Knight Masons, USA. PM Michael Wiggins, PGM, is the Grand Tyler for Grand Council Allied Masonic Degrees, USA. Of course, PM Reese Harrison, PGM, has been the head of almost all the bodies currently meeting at Masonic Week.

The event is a whole week of Masonry and education. If you have the opportunity and would like to meet a fair number of our Anson Jones Lecturers and Past Masters, you may want to add next February to your calendar and make plans to attend.

Information can be found online at https://amdusa.org/wp/masonic-week-preliminary-2025/.



Photo below: Left to right in the photo are RW Brad Billings, PM (2015); Arturo de Hoyos, AJ lecturer (2015); MW Robert Davis, AJ lecturer (1996); Dr. Oscar Alleyne, AJ lecturer (2020); Billy Hamilton, WM (2023); Dr. S Brent Morris, AJ lecturer (1988); RW Dr. Michael Wiggins, PM (1995).

Photo below: Left to right in the photo are Billy Hamilton, WM (2023); Dr. Oscar Alleyne, AJ lecturer (2020); Jack Harper, PM (2009).



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TRESTLE BOARD

March 30, 2024 at 10:00 am Election and Installation of Officers Hosted by Lufkin Lodge No. 669 508 N John Redditt Dr., Lufkin, Texas 75904

June, 2024 Details TBA



From the Secretary's Desk

Texas Lodge of Research members can now order directly from Eternity Creations at sales@eternitycreations.com. The cost for a name badge is \$23.50. If you have had a change of address and have not let me know, please email me or send me a note to the Lodge mailing address: P.O. Box 686, Hereford, Texas 79045-0686.

Writing a Research Paper

(From the TLR website)

A fortune cookie slip once said "The longest journey begins with a single step." That's what every author knows who has traveled the winding road in the process to earn the distinctive apron signifying Full Membership in Texas Lodge of Research.

VERY IMPORTANT – The first step for a prospect author to take is the filing of a Texas Lodge of Research Notice of Intention to Submit Research Paper, which is a mandatory requirement for all first time Texas Lodge of Research authors.

Next, it is imperative that authors thoroughly read and follow the directions in the Form and Style Manual. It is also strongly recommended that the author read one or two published papers on subjects similar to the writer's topic that can be found in Texas Lodge of Research Transactions. For anyone who has prepared a research paper in his lifetime, you can be assured that the guidelines used in school are probably not exactly as will be encountered in the TLR "Form and Style Manual". But, rules are rules and every paper should be written to a uniform standard.

Papers must be closely proofread before submission, spell checked and perhaps, read by a spouse or someone dispassionate on the topic of the paper before being submitted. Papers submitted to the Senior Warden should be considered as the author's "finished" product. A single copy of the paper is circulated among members of the

Editorial Committee. Committee Members make notations on the manuscript, pointing out inconsistencies in TLR style, spelling, punctuation, structure, grammar sentence and reference noting, but they WILL NOT rewrite, or conduct research, for an author.

Members of the committee strive to make constructive criticisms of the content and structure of papers. In addition, the Senior Warden will usually return the paper to the author with a cover letter containing his suggestions. A research paper being accepted, "as-written" is unheard of. Please know that all comments are meant to make papers more polished.

One of the most asked questions is: "How long should my paper be?" When papers are composed to double space, single sided pages in 12 point type, 12 to 14 pages will normally deliver in 20 to 25 minutes. Longer papers, while always welcome, should be condensed for presentation before the Lodge

After a paper is accepted and presented before the lodge, it is forwarded to the Transactions Editor for a final edit before being sent to the printer. The Transactions of Texas Lodge of Research is distributed worldwide to our membership, as well as individuals, libraries and Masonic centers which subscribe to our lodge. Therefore, papers we publish as a research lodge must be of superior quality in content, readability and scholarship

At present, there are less than 100 living Full Members, worldwide. First-time authors: Get to work by taking that first step!

2024 ANNUAL COMMUNICATIONS RESULTS

<u>Resolution No. 1</u> – Not Adopted A resolution relating to a program to initiate, pass, and raise a Mason in one day.

<u>Resolution No. 2</u> – Not Adopted A resolution relating to reconfiguring the number of blackballs required to reject a petition for the degrees.

<u>Resolution No. 3</u> – Adopted as Amended A resolution relating to the prohibition of Masonic charges after dismissal or acquittal.

Resolution No. 4 - Adopted A resolution relating to the call of Special Communication of the Grand Lodge upon petition of Lodges.

<u>Resolution No. 5</u> - Adopted A resolution relating to the responsibilities of management of the Memorial Masonic Grand Lodge Temple.

<u>Resolution No. 6</u> - Adopted A resolution relating to the distribution and approval of minutes of the Lodge.

<u>Resolution No. 7</u> – Withdrawn A resolution relating to the production of a summary of the proposed resolutions and their effects.

<u>Resolution No. 8</u> - Adopted A resolution relating to a vote for reinstatement after definite time suspension for Masonic offenses.

<u>Resolution No. 9</u> – Adopted as Amended A resolution relating to the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages on Lodge premises.

<u>Resolution No. 10</u> - Adopted A resolution relating to the Grand Lodge's jurisdiction over certain individuals accused of un-Masonic conduct.

<u>Resolution No. 11</u> - Adopted A resolution relating to the paraphernalia used in the subordinate Lodges.

<u>Resolution No. 12</u> – Adopted as Amended (twice) A resolution relating to subordinate Lodge sponsorship of other organizations.

<u>Resolution No. 13</u> – Not Adopted A resolution relating to requirements for Lodge instructors for the L.I.F.E. Program.

<u>Resolution No. 14</u> – Not Adopted A resolution relating to an apron for Golden Trowel recipients.

<u>Resolution No. 15</u> – Not Adopted A resolution relating to disposition of funds of certain Endowed Memberships in demised Lodges.

<u>Resolution No. 16</u> – Not Adopted A resolution relating to the disqualification of felons to receive the degrees.

Results above taken from the February 2024 GS Newsletter



Petition for Membership Texas Lodge of Research

Any Master Mason who is a member in good standing of a regular Texas lodge, or of a jurisdiction in fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Texas, shall be eligible to become a member of Texas Lodge of Research upon being proposed by a Full Member of Texas Lodge of Research and elected by a majority vote of the members present at a meeting of the lodge.

The proposed member shall furnish the lodge Secretary with a copy of his current dues card, or a Certificate of Good Standing, and a photo identification (a photocopy is acceptable) with the petition. Membership will continue so long as the member is in good standing in a regular Texas lodge, or of a lodge in a jurisdiction in fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Texas, and the annual dues are current.

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