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JUNE BIRTHDAYS

James Farlow	6/1	Daniel Goldston	6/14
Terence Ward	6/2	Mark Perez	6/17
Gary Copeland	6/3	Ronald Wicks	6/18
John Kuehl	6/4	Gary Crossfield	6/20
Samuel Crespo	6/6	Michael Cartwright	6/22
Jason Allen	6/8	Karl Hees	6/24
John Caldwell	6/10	Michael Schafer	6/24
Daniel Hodges	6/12	Brian Seeger	6/25
Daniel Heston	6/12	Alexander Dunmire	6/27
Drew Baldwin	6/12	Richard Leger	6/28
Mark Vargo	6/12	Jeffrey Connell	6/28
Brandon Kellner	6/13		



FROM THE EAST



June has arrived. No more waiting behind school buses, enough heat to cook an egg on your car hood, and Grand Communication has come and gone for another year. Typically, June signals the start of summer, and we often have a less hectic schedule. Not this year. For the last 6 weeks, we've focused on getting organized for Grand Communication and Lodge renovation. Now we need to focus on the business of the Lodge, and need to grow on the pride of being Brand Lodge #114.

Let me review some exciting events that confirm we are one of the premier Lodges in the state. Brandon Lodge once had a reputation of being somewhat isolated. That changed in 2005 when R.:W.: Piatt was appointed DDGM. Since that time, Brandon Lodge has had 7 brothers serve as DDGM and 4 brothers serve as DI. We have a Brother who is a plural member serve as DDGM and an Honorary Brother serve as Grand Master. Additionally, many brothers have and continue to serve as District Committeemen. But 2021 is especially important for the Lodge and for acknowledging the contributions and capabilities of the Lodge.

First, those brothers holding Grand Lodge Offices:

RW Don Cowart – Junior Grand Warden
 RW Dave Wenzel – District Deputy Grand Master
 RW Jack Hampton – Junior Grand Deacon

Next, the Lodge is blessed to have brothers who can deliver the various lectures the degrees. To have someone to deliver a lecture for all the degrees is special, as some Lodges do not have anyone to deliver any of the lectures. For Brandon Lodge, this is a source of pride, which was acknowledged at Grand Communication. Members of Brandon Lodge placed FIRST in each of the lecture competitions.

RW Jack Hampton – EA lecture
 Brother Gerard Solis – FC lecture
 W Roscoe Love – MM lecture

And to reinforce the Lodge pride in our ritual work, and to answer the question "are we good?", our degree team placed First in the district ritual competition and were SECOND in the start, missing first place by 10 points.

Brothers, these members have put in a lot of hard work to represent the Lodge so well. Now, it is your turn to continue the pride of Brandon Lodge. We need you to participate on the Degree Team. Not sure of the ritual, we'll teach you. Practice is Wednesday evenings at 7:00. Continued on next page.

Learn on (or all) of the lectures. Okay, learn them one at a time, but don't be afraid of them. We have several brothers who are willing and able to help you learn them. Don't put all the weight of delivering the lectures on a few people.

Brothers, take pride in your Lodge and be an active participant in the various activities of the Lodge.

Fraternally,

Ed Kellner, WM

Trivia for June: (D-Day, June 6)

Which of the following WWII general officers were Masons:

- 1) Henry "Hap" Arnold
- 2) Douglas MacArthur
- 3) Omar Bradley
- 4) Dwight Eisenhower
- 5) George C. Marshall
- 6) Alfred Von Tirpitz
- 7) Johnathan Wainwright
- 8) Claire Chenault
- 9) Chester Nimitz

Which modern day general officers were Masons:

- 1) Daniel "Chappie" James
- 2) Normal Schwartzkoff
- 3) Curtis E. LaMay

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FROM THE WEST



During the past two months my trestle board articles have focused on the topics of accountability and unity. Those topics are central to Most Worshipful Grand Master (MW) Thomas Turlington, Jr.'s, Grand Master's message. This month's emphasis will be on communication, another of his topics, and how important it is to the vigor of a lodge.

MW Turlington challenged us to reach out and communicate with the members of our Lodge to increase awareness of meetings, degrees, programs, and dinners. He also challenged us to determine if a brother is in need and communicate that need to the members of our lodge. He went on to say that through formal and informal communication we need to make sure the brothers of the lodge feel welcome and wanted. MW Turlington also challenged us to communicate with the various service organizations within our communities, determine their needs and see if we have the resources to help. MW Turlington stated that through these efforts we can show our communities what Masonry is about and stimulate interest in our fraternity.

So, how do we measure up here at Brandon Lodge? First let us look at what communication is, it is simply a form of information exchange. Traditionally lodges communicate through our trestle board where the craft are informed of activities and issues through the articles published by the Worshipful Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden and Secretary. The trestle board is printed, and copies are available and electronic copies are sent out via email. Our website has a "rolling" calendar that informs regarding meetings, degrees, practices, dinners, and activities of appendant bodies. We have established a "Facebook Page" to inform the public of who we are and what we do. Our goal is to create interest among men who want to make themselves better by joining our fraternity. The members of our degree team have created a "text group" as an informal way of communicating. This works well and informs the group of activities, "sickness and distress" and "good news."

Being an effective communicator is an important aspect of modern-day life. To be successful in your profession you must be an effective communicator. Brandon lodge gives men the opportunity to hone and polish their communication skills through their participation in ritual, officer meetings, and business meetings.

"The constant free flow of communication amount us-enabling the free interchange of ideas-forms the very bloodstream of our nation. It keeps the mind and body of our democracy eternally vital, eternally young." Franklin D. Roosevelt, 32nd President of the United States and Brother Mason

Fraternally,

Steve Davenport
Junior Warden



2021 Brandon Lodge

June

View the virtual calendar at www.BrandonLodge.org

SUN	MON	TUE	WED
CALENDAR  SCAN ME!		1 Grand Lodge	2 Grand Lodge
6 Rainbow Girls 7:00pm	7	8	9 Officers Meeting Degree Practice
13	14	15 Brandon Shrine Club  11am	16 Degree Practice
20 Rainbow Girls 3pm	21 20th District School at Tampa 240, 7pm	22	23 Degree Practice
27 DeSoto Lodge Pancake Breakfast 8:30am	28 Masonic Discussion Group 7pm	29	30 Degree Practice



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 AND OUR WEBSITE FOR THE
 UP TO DATE EVENT INFORMATION

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WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	3 Snacks 6:30pm Townhall - Phase 3 Re-model (Lodge Room)	4	5
Meeting 6pm Practice 7pm	10  Dinner 6:30pm Stated Communication 7:30pm	11	12
Practice 7pm	17  Dinner 6:30pm MM Degree or Masoniv Ed 7:30pm	18	19
Practice 7pm	24  Dinner 6:30pm Stated Communication 7:30pm	25	26
Practice 7pm			

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FROM THE SOUTH



Brothers,

We have much to do in the month of June. We are beginning the planning process for phase three of the beautification project. We are looking for Brothers who have expertise that can be useful in this project i.e. tradesmen, project management, procurement or finance. We are in the process of gathering in-

formation to create an itemized scope of work. From this scope of work we will create a comity to explore our options, gather quotes and bring back recommendations to the craft. Brothers, this is a great opportunity for us to come together and improve our lodge for the generations to come. I look forward to all of the hard work that is going to come from this because I know it will strengthen our bond as Brothers and strengthen our lodge.

Please block off July 3rd on your calendar for a picnic at the beach with your Brothers. It will be at E.G. Simmons park in Ruskin at pavilion #12 from 10am-4pm. Hot dogs, chips, macaroni salad and soda will be provided. The pavilion is waterfront and next to the bathrooms, beach and playground. We will have games and activities for adults and children alike. Please feel free to invite friends and family. This is a great opportunity to introduce someone to the fraternity in a casual family friendly event.

It has been a great year so far. I can't thank the Brothers of the lodge enough for all of their support. We have accomplished much this year due to our combined efforts. That being said, I would like to recognize Brother Steve Davenport for all of his tireless efforts in executing the duties of the Junior Warden station. Without his efforts we could not have where we are. Thank you Steve.

Fraternally,

Tony Hill
Junior Warden

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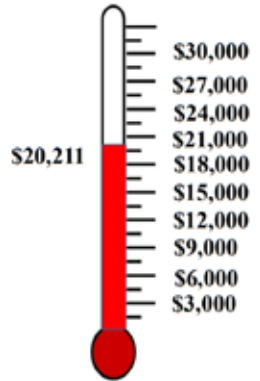
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FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK



Brothers,

I am sorry to report that Brother Kenneth Harold England has been called to the Celestial Lodge above. Brother England was Initiated an Entered Apprentice on September 6, 1983, Passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft on October 18, 1983 and passed to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on November 22, 1983. He affiliated with Brandon Lodge on July 23, 2009. He entered into rest on April 28, 2021 at the age of 87 years, 3 months and 16 days.

Special thanks to Brother David Jones for contributing to our Perpetual +100 program. We have 36 Perpetual Members who have each donated at least an addition \$100 so far this year. Also, thanks to RW Shawn Molina and Brother Dave Forrest for each adding a leaf to our Donation Tree. If you care to donate to any of these programs, please contact me at Secretary@brandonlodge.org.

I would also like to congratulate our newest Entered Apprentice, Brother Christian Perry. He was Initiated on May 20, 2021.

A special congratulations to RH Dave Wenzel who was selected to be our new District Deputy Grand Master for this year.

Brothers, I am required by the Digest of Masonic Law to send late notices in June to all those who have not paid their 2021 Dues. Please, if you are having difficulties, contact me so that we can work something out. We don't want to suspend any one.

Anyone wishing to be a Trestleboard Booster (\$20 per year) or have your business card placed in the Trestleboard (\$120 per year) please contact me.

Finally, Happy Birthday to all of our June birthday Brothers! May you enjoy many more in good health and happiness.

Fraternally,

Jack Hampton, PDDGM
Secretary

Brandon Lodge No. 114 Past Masters

1889-1890 W.C. Moore
 1891 J.M. Duffie
 1892 W.C. Moore
 1893 C.H. Spencer
 1894 J.P. Hill
 1895 C.H. Spencer
 1896-1900 R.G. Brooker
 1901-1902 J.H. Wendell
 1903 D.E. Hazen
 1904 R.G. Brooker
 1905 J.A. Johnson
 1906-1907 T.F. Parramore
 1908-1909 J.H. Wedell
 1910-1911 D.E. Hazen
 1912 J.A. Johnson
 1913-1914 C.W. Haas
 1915-1916 J.R. Brooker
 1917-1918 C.W. Haas
 1919 W.P. Pemberton
 1920 W.E. Touchstone
 1921 L. Wetherington
 1922-1923 L.A. Hogan
 1924-1925 J.M. Morgan
 1926-1927 R.A. McIntoch
 1928 A. Rothwell
 1929 J. Morgan
 1930 D.M. Robison
 1931 E.L. Robison
 1932 G.O. Dunlap
 1933 R.S. Sumerall
 1934 L.B. Selden
 1935 F.B. Akard
 1936 W.K. Lewis
 1937 W.A. Ledford
 1938 M.B. Whitfield
 1939 L.W. Blaisdell
 1940 L.E. Tourtellotte
 1941 B.L. Lanford
 1942 P.O. Marcum

1943 J.H. Stevenson
 1944 T.M. Blackshear
 1945 C.A. Garner
 1946 P.N. Chancey
 1947 J.O. Tottle
 1948 H.H. King
 1949 R.E. Hiller
 1950 C.R. Hampton
 1951 W.A. Brodie
 1952 J.O. Crozier
 1953 W. leitner
 1954 J.R. Edwards
 1955 H.H. Rushing
 1956 W.B. Westbrook
 1957 L.W. Roberts
 1958 C. White
 1959 E.R. Lastinger
 1960 H.T. Barron
 1961 W.S. Richards
 1962 T.C. Casey
 1963 H.R. Moody
 1964 A.O. Miller
 1965 C.B. Reynolds
 1966 D.C. Moses
 1967 W. Seber
 1968 L. Stanberry
 1969 H. F. Turner
 1970 T.C. Casey
 1971 L.R. Chambliss
 1972 S.W. Rich
 1973 A.M. Schrader
 1974 C.B. Hamlin
 1975 W. Seber
 1976 C.E. Wysong
 1977 LL. Griffin
 1978 R.L. Dykes
 1979 E.R. Poling
 1980 E.B. McAuley
 1981 R.L. Prekop

1982 J. Leitner
 1983 R.H. Riveiro
 1984 T.R. Shaffer
 1985 L. Carnley
 1986 C. Chancey
 1987 D.H. Bridge
 1988 G. Alfonso
 1989 K.A. Thornton
 1990 W.J. Kalbas
 1991 H. Allen
 1992 D.W. Morgan, Sr
 1993 G.W. Reese, III
 1994 R.K. Murrhee
 1995 H.H. Whisenant
 1996 R.E. Age
 1997 M.R. Cary
 1998 W.C. Mitchell
 1999 D.R. Hutchinson
 2000 H.A. Kuczvara
 2001 Daniel Heston
 2002 Ronald Brimmer
 2003 Benjamin P. Piatt
 2004 Ron Green
 2005 Ed Kellner
 2006 Gene Hagan
 2007 Peter Williams
 2008 Chas Reichert, Sr.
 2009 Richard Boettger
 2010 Merritt Drouilliard
 2011 Justin Aldrich
 2012 Jeffrey Shreaves
 2013 Donald Cowart
 2014 Barry B. Butler
 2015 David Wenzel
 2016 Jack Hampton
 2017 Wade Patterson
 2018 Clarence Wade
 2019 Travis Brumbaugh
 2020 Roscoe Love

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 Harb Whisenant, PM
 Dave Forrest
 Mark Anderson

William 'Doc' Martin
 Jim Knight
 Chuck Gurey
 Jack Hampton

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