

SAN JUAN LODGE No. 175 TRESTLEBOARD: April, 2023

Please be aware of the following events:

April 5: April Stated Meeting, preceded by the Temple Board Meeting

April 22: Annual Visitation to Goldstream Lodge No. 161 in Langford (outside Victoria).

April 27: Grad Night Fundraiser Dinner

May 3: Stated Meeting, preceded by the Temple Board Meeting

May 20: Outdoor Fellowcraft Degree and Salmon BBQ

Preliminary Report on the March 23 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for Boy Scouts Camp Bogardus:

Many thanks to the primary kitchen crew, Brother Wesley Hickox and his Lady Santana, as well as Brother Lenny Mason, for set up, cooking, and clean up. Thanks also to WB Mike Otis and WB Brad Smith for their efforts in organizing the Masons' support for the event, and to WB Ray Jackson for ensuring the sound system was working properly. Tip of the hat to all the brothers and family who attended in support of the Scouts. Kudos to Scoutmaster Eric Stone who organized the Scouts' support for the event, which included a silent auction. We do not yet have a report on the total funds raised, but we will hope to be able to report that at the April Stated Meeting. Interesting side note, WB John Bradley, in 2000 when he was Senior Warden, was one of the 3 original Trustees of the Boy Scouts Trust that owns Camp Bogardus.

Freemasonry birthday of note in April: International Order of the Rainbow for Girls will be 101 years old on April 6.

Reminders of our local resource: our website is now www.sanjuanmasons.org which is in full operation thanks to VWB Lance Otis, and the photos have been updated with Installation photos of December 2019 and December 2022 by Brother Kevin Holmes.

My thought for the month, from Morals and Dogma, as curated daily by MWB Cameron Bailey:

"To know the formulas of Masonry, is as of little value... To know even the meaning of the symbols, is but little, unless that adds to our wisdom, and also to our charity, which is to justice like one hemisphere of the brain to the other." -Albert Pike

Sincerely & Fraternally,

John Wickham, WM