



## **SAN JUAN LODGE No. 175 TRESTLEBOARD: May, 2023**

**Please be aware of the following events:**

May 3 Stated Meeting, preceded by dinner and then the Temple Board Meeting
May 20: Outdoor Fellowcraft Degree and Salmon BBQ
June 7 Stated Meeting, Table Lodge
June 9-11 Annual Communication in Wenatchee (Principal Officers and Past Masters who choose to attend)

### **Preliminary Report on the April 27 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for Grad Night:**

Many thanks to the primary kitchen crew, Rachel Otis, Brother Wesley Hickox and Brother Kevin Holmes, as well as supporting characters WB Jim Cox, Santana (Hickox) Templer, Patti Wickham, John Wickham (and all others I have forgotten), 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 his boisterous and effective auctioneering at the desert auction. Tip of the hat to all the brothers and family who attended in support of the Grad Night clean and sober graduation celebration for our island graduating Seniors.

Kudos to Stephanie Buffum and her Friday Harbor PTA committee and the Seniors who organized the support and did the work for the event, which included the desert auction.

The total net proceeds were about \$4,800, and I have heard, informally, that sum was sufficient to complete the necessary amount of funds for the planned events of Grad Night, so the committee can focus on implementing the event rather than continuing to work on additional fundraising.

Freemasonry birthday of note in May: Brother Sir Arthur Conan Doyle born May 22, 1859.

Reminders of our local resource: our website is now [www.sanjuanmasons.org](http://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:**

"Virtue is but heroic bravery, to do the thing thought to be true, in spite of all enemies of flesh or spirit, in despite of all temptations or menaces." -Albert Pike

Sincerely & Fraternally, John Wickham, WM. San Juan Lodge No. 175, F & AM of Washington