### ST. ALBAN LODGE Nº 529

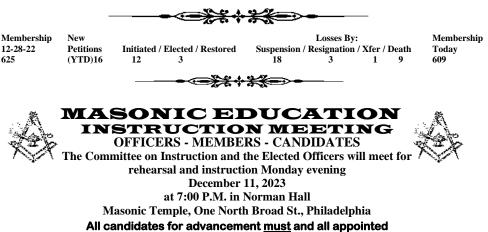
FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF PENNSYLVANIA Philadelphia, PA, December 1, 2023 149 YEARS OF SERVICE

#### STATED MEETING

A Stated Meeting of St. Alban Lodge No. 529, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held in ORIENTAL HALL, Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107-2598 Wednesday evening, December 13, 2023, at 7:30 P.M.

Dinner will be served in the Masonic Temple Lower Banquet Room at 6:00 PM - \$15 copay.

PROGRAM: Election and Open Installation of 2024 Lodge Officers



Officers are <u>expected</u> to attend these meetings. No candidate may be advanced until he has demonstrated satisfactory proficiency in the preceding degree. Recommenders are expected to remind their candidates of their responsibility to attend <u>and to accompany them</u>.

All interested members of the Lodge are also invited to attend.

### SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION MASONIC DISTRICT "C"

Meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm. Jenkintown Masonic Temple, 443 York Rd, Jenkintown, PA 19046-2736

Meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:30PM Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107-2598

# A Few Words from the East



Fraternal Greetings, Brethren-

As we start this holiday season, I wish each of you and your families a safe and enjoyable end of the year. This year, so many Members of St. Alban Lodge No. 529 gave their time, focus, and selves to this Great Fraternity, and I thank you all for your much-appreciated efforts! You went above and beyond in our record number of degree conferrals, and I appreciate the tireless dedication you have to the Craft.

"There are those who give with joy, and joy is their reward" - Kahlil Gibran.

What does it mean to give to others in Freemasonry? I believe the meaning is broad and circumscribed by: exemplifying the virtues and lessons we learn and teach through our rituals and degrees. Some examples of giving from our great Members include learning/performing ritual, serving on committees, supporting Brethren with a listening ear and friendly word, attending fellowship events/meetings/dinners to build relationship amongst the Brethren, donating to worthy causes, etc.

I understand it may be difficult to attend meetings, especially considering the varied and interesting lives our Members lead. Regardless, I encourage you to carry the light of Freemasonry with you in your daily lives. We lead lives of example and are tasked with the glorious responsibility of sharing positivity and love with those around us. Our meetings serve as a reminder – a refresher of sorts – to recharge our light by honing the steel of our minds with likeminded fellows. If you can attend 1 more meeting next year than you did this year, I promise that you will gain more than you realize and will be the better from it.

Thank you for the trust and support you placed in me to serve as Worshipful Master this year. I have learned and grown more than I ever thought possible this year from the guidance and support so many of you offered. Our Lodge is strong in membership, and I look forward to our continued upward trajectory led by the evercapable and compassionate presumptive incoming Worshipful Master, Herman C. Wilson, Jr.

Cheers to a successful year and celebrating 150 wonderful years of your premiere lodge: St. Alban Lodge No. 529!

Fraternally Yours,

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Kyle A. Schwirian Worshipful Master

### MASONIC BIRTHDAYS – December 2023



If this month is the anniversary of your being brought from darkness to "True Masonic Light", make an effort to attend. The Master and Brethren want to greet you.



Years

NAME Samuel S. Feinstein Martin A. Bree Max Spector Raymond D. Kreger Harry M. Pinsky Samuel Myers Stanley D. Kahn Sidney A. Neiburg Michael M. Solow Henry J. Ramplin Kenneth G. von Berg Joseph B. Friedman	Years 78 77 75 72 67 63 61 61 61 61 56 56 56	NAME Glenn A. Prince Thomas W. Mills, Sr. Darrin E. Cressman Jonathan S. Bolder Brian M. Devine Vincent A. Crescenzo Rui F. Lemos Gregory D. Tripple Scott J. Strum Alan M. Mersack Alfred W. Zaher David Mamikonyan
Stanley D. Kahn	61	Rui F. Lemos
	61	Gregory D. Tripple
Michael M. Solow	61	Scott J. Strum
Henry J. Ramplin	56	Alan M. Mersack
Kenneth G. von Berg	56	Alfred W. Zaher
Joseph B. Friedman	56	David Mamikonyan
Stephen H. Powell	56	Jesse L. Hunting
Albert M. Gordon	53	Marlon A. Francis
Barton J. Ecksel	53	Barry F. Siburkis
Edward C. Geverd, Jr.	52	Mark D. Lichter
Dennis Coren	47	Zain Chaudhry
Thomas J. Day, Jr.	40	Samir A. Khan
Morris Potnick	38	Kenneth J. Jones
Elmer Mills	36	Brian E. Gorton
Barton D. Smookler	36	



# December Dinner Reservations



You must inform Brother James T. Clancy, PM., Secretary by sending an email at <u>secty529jtc@gmail.com</u> or call him at (856) 693-4284.

<u>Only Brethren and guests who are LISTED will be served</u> at the stated prices which reflect our cost as billed by the caterer.

#### MASONIC BUFFET DINNER

House Salad Vegetable Medley Roasted Chicken Chicken Marsala Penne Alfredo Roast Beef in Savory Gravy \$15.00

## Please respond so we have an accurate count for the caterer and be sure to include any guests you intend to bring to dinner.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation and assistance in helping the Lodge to control expenditures.

#### Worshipful Master's Guidelines for Dinner Reservations

Brethren, we contract with the caterer to provide for a certain number of dinners based on the figure provided by our Stewards. This figure comes from the number of members who sign up by phone or E-mail each month. We <u>owe</u> and <u>must pay</u> the caterer for the contracted figure regardless of whether you show up to eat or not. Please support our Lodge effort to control costs by understanding rules concerning dinner reservations.

- Reservations must be made no later than ten days before the Stated Meeting date. No exceptions.
- If you reserve and do not show up without cancelling in advance, you are liable for the cost of the meal, and will be billed accordingly.

Call Brother Clancy to make or cancel reservations. If you are a no-show and do not pay, then we will not accept your reservations for future months until the cost is recovered. Remember, when you reserve, we will be charged whether you attend or not.