

## Feb Calendar

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- **Feb 05:**  
Dinner and Stated Meeting
- **Feb 09:**  
Super Bowl Party
- **Feb 12:**  
Widows' Dinner
- **Feb 19:**  
Tentative First Degree
- **Feb 22:**  
Geoge Washington Oratorical Contest
- **Feb 26:**  
Officers and Trustees

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## From the East



Greetings from the East,

As the year unfolds, February offers Masons a moment to reflect on themes of love, unity, and perseverance. It is a time to honor our commitments, strengthen our bonds, and continue the labor of self-improvement that defines our Craft.

February is often associated with love and devotion—themes that resonate deeply within the Masonic fraternity. Brotherly love, one of our principal tenets, calls us to practice kindness and compassion not only within our Lodge but also in our daily lives. This is a time to reach out to a Brother in need, mend old disagreements, or simply express gratitude for the fellowship we share.

This month also reminds us of perseverance. February's often harsh winter weather serves as a metaphor for the challenges we face in life. Just as we endure the cold in anticipation of spring, so too must we persist in our Masonic journey, knowing that growth and enlighten-

ment await those who remain steadfast.

Valentine's Day, a celebration of love and unity, can inspire us to reflect on the bonds we share as Masons. The fraternal ties that connect us transcend differences in background, belief, or circumstance. This February, let us renew our dedication to building a harmonious and inclusive fraternity where all Brothers feel valued and supported.

Self-reflection is equally important. Take time to assess your personal progress as a Mason. Are you living up to the principles you hold dear? Are there areas where you can grow or contribute more fully? These moments of introspection are vital to our ongoing journey toward becoming better men.

As we move through February, let us carry forward the lessons of love, perseverance, and unity. By fostering brotherly love, engaging in charitable works, and dedicating ourselves to



self-improvement, we honor the values that make Freemasonry a beacon of light in the world.

May the Great Architect of the Universe guide us in our endeavors, and may the bonds of our fraternity grow ever stronger. Together, let us continue to build a legacy of kindness, integrity, and wisdom—one step at a time.

Fraternally,  
**Michael Kosatka, Worshipful Master**



## Stated Meeting Menu:

Join us for a delicious German-inspired feast featuring crispy pan-fried Schweinekoteletts (breaded pork chops), authentic Deutsche Spätzle, and sweet Apfelmus (apple sauce). Complementing the meal are savory Gewürzter Rotkohl (seasoned red cabbage), tender Grüne Bohnen (green beans), and a special dessert to complete the evening. Don't miss this flavorful celebration of tradition and fellowship!

## From the West



Greetings from the West,

Even though there is a chill in the air, the season of hearts approaches—a time to remind our loved ones of their deep significance in our lives.

It is also during this time of year that the Lodge will hold its Widows' Feast, ensuring that those who have lost their beloved are not forgotten. Come ye

then, for Auld Lang Syne, to share in camaraderie and fellowship. Troubles shared are lessened; happiness shared is multiplied!

Fraternally,  
**Mitchell Robinson, PM,**  
**Senior Warden**



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## From the South



Greetings from the South,

Here we are in February, a month known for Valentine's Day, cooler nights, and many outdoor activities. This month, I was drawn to reflect on one of our four Masonic cardinal virtues—Prudence.

In one famous painting depicting the Masonic symbol of Prudence, a woman dressed in ancient toga fashion gazes into a mirror, representing this virtue. At first, I wondered what a mirror had to do with making wise decisions. After some research, I found that it symbolizes the idea of "knowing thyself." To truly understand oneself is to better understand others.

As a keen observer of time and seasons, I find this month—situated halfway between the first day of winter and the first day of spring—a fitting moment to take stock and reflect on who we are. This is an opportunity to deeply examine our

motivations and ensure that our decisions are guided by reason rather than fleeting emotions. What drives us to do what we do? What compels us to be good Masons, particularly when it comes to reaching out in brotherhood to others? Prudence dictates... well, how would you complete this sentence as a Mason? How can we best help a fellow Brother while using prudence as our guide?

Worshipful Brother Albert G. Mackey, the renowned 19th-century Mason, medical doctor, and author of *Lexicon of Freemasonry*, spoke of the profound influence of prudence, stating:

**"Which, in all men, is a virtue highly to be commended, as to teaching them to live agreeably to the dictates of reason..."**

As we go about our activities this month, let us pause to reflect on the role of pru-



dence in our lives. May it continue to guide our decisions, ensuring that our actions align with wisdom, integrity, and reason.

Fraternally,  
**Darren Reale,**  
**Junior Warden**





# PRUDENCE



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# February Masonic Birthdays



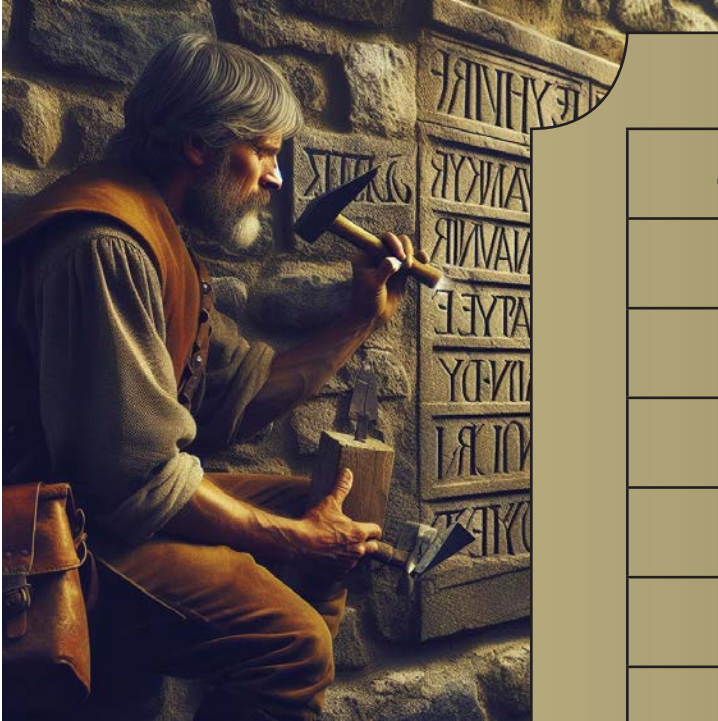
## Wish Your Brothers a Happy Masonic Birthday!





# 2025 Craft Builders

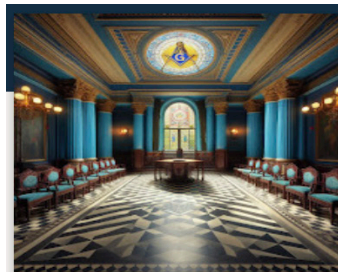
Support your Lodge and be recognized! With a donation of \$20, you can have your name—or the name of a Brother of your choosing—listed for the 2025 calendar year. This is a wonderful way to honor our beloved deceased Brothers or celebrate new Brothers just joining our Craft. Please make your donation to the Secretary and let him know it is for Craft Builders & send an email to [webmaster@pvst29.org](mailto:webmaster@pvst29.org).



<i>Steven Proctor</i>	

## Check out our Lodge Calendar!

Be sure to check out our website and make use of the Calendar for all of the most up-to-date Lodge activities!  
[www.pvst29.org](http://www.pvst29.org)



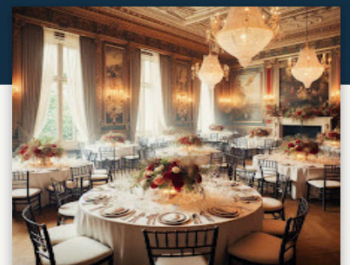
**FEB 5** Dinner and Stated Meeting

Brethren, please join us for dinner at 6:30PM and our Stated Meeting (monthly business meeting) beginning at 7:30 PM. We look forward to seeing you. Doors will open at 6:00 PM for fellowship.



**FEB 9** PVST Super Bowl Party

Brothers, please join us for a Super Bowl party at the Lodge.



**FEB 12** Widows' Dinner

Brothers, please join us for a dinner in recognition of the widows' of our dearly departed Brothers. Doors will open at 5:00PM for fellowship, dinner will be served at 6:00PM.





## Join us for a PVST Super Bowl Party on Sunday February 9th

Join Us for an Epic Super Bowl Party at the Lodge!

Get ready for Super Bowl Sunday at the Lodge on Sunday, February 9th! Bring your family, bring your friends, and come enjoy the big game with great company, delicious food, and plenty of fun.

- Potluck Style: Please bring a dish to share and a drink of your choice.
- Safe & Responsible: A designated driver will be available for anyone in need.
- Family-Friendly: Everyone is welcome!

Don't miss out on a night of football, fellowship, and fantastic food! Mark your calendars and come cheer for your team with your Brothers. See you there!



# Join us for the Widows' Dinner on February 12

Brethren and family, as Valentine's Day approaches, we are honored to announce a special Widows' Dinner to be held at our Lodge on Wednesday, February 12th. Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM.

This evening will be dedicated to honoring the widows of our dearly departed Brothers, celebrating their strength and continued connection to our Masonic family.

Please send your RSVP to [secretary@pvst29.org](mailto:secretary@pvst29.org).





## Join Us on February 22 for the George Washington Oratorical Contest!



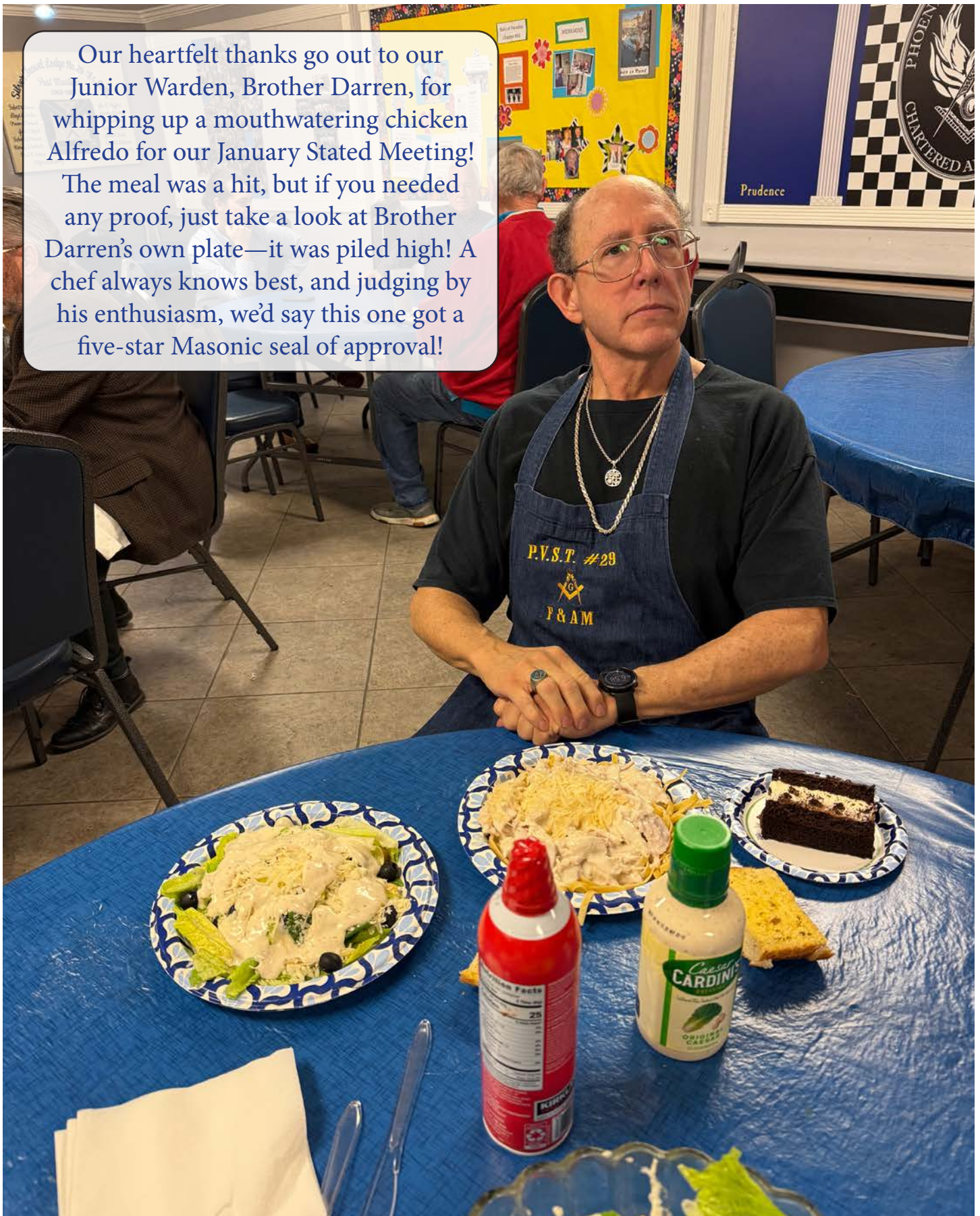
Brothers, please make plans to join us on Saturday, February 22, at 10:00 AM at the Lodge for the annual George Washington Oratorical Contest!

This is an event you won't want to miss. Come witness the absolutely spellbinding speeches from some of the brightest young minds in our local school districts. Their poise and presentation will leave you in awe!

Join us as we celebrate and honor their hard work, and be there to congratulate the winners as the judges award trophies to the top oratorical talents of the day.



Our heartfelt thanks go out to our Junior Warden, Brother Darren, for whipping up a mouthwatering chicken Alfredo for our January Stated Meeting! The meal was a hit, but if you needed any proof, just take a look at Brother Darren's own plate—it was piled high! A chef always knows best, and judging by his enthusiasm, we'd say this one got a five-star Masonic seal of approval!





Look to the heavens and witness the beauty and synchronicity of the celestial clock, where the movements of the sun, moon, and stars govern the rhythm of time itself. From the longest nights of winter to the bright renewal of spring, the great cosmic design marks the passage of days and seasons with perfect precision. As Masons, let us take inspiration from this divine order, embracing the lessons of balance, patience, and harmony in our own lives.





# Congratulations to our newest Entered Apprentice Brother Paul



## PVST Welcomes You!

Fun Fact:

Brother Paul is the first PVST Mason initiated by the first PVST raised Master Mason Worshipful Master Mike Kosatka





**Many Hands Make Light Work**  
Thank you to all the Brothers of PVST and Phoenicia who took time out of their weekend to help clean up the yard of our beloved Lodge building on Saturday. This was a wonderful bonding experience for both Lodges and a great demonstration of continued camaraderie—one we hope to see repeated in the future!



## Congratulations to PVST Brother John Alamshaw, 33° For being named White Hat of the Year in the Scottish Rite





# PVST Emergency Contact List

The officers at PVST would like to ensure we have up-to-date emergency contact information for our members in case of an unlikely emergency at the Lodge or a personal situation requiring our assistance. Participation in this effort is completely voluntary, but we encourage you to consider filling out the form today!

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## PVST Emergency Contact List

**B I U**  

This form is intended to establish an emergency contact list for the purpose of facilitating communication during critical situations at PVST. Participation in this form is entirely voluntary, and any information provided will be shared with the designated officers of PVST in the event that contact is necessary during an emergency.

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Dean Graham, PM-Charter Master (2000)\*

James Miller, PM (2001)\*

William "Skip" Boyer, PM (2002)\*

Stafford O Gormley, PM (2003)

William R Hearter, Jr., PM (2004)

David P McArdle, PM (2005)\*

Phil "Jack" J Buta, PM (2006)

James E Boniface, PM (2007)

Eric T Carter, PM (2009)

Scot M Baker, PM (2010)

Kirk Lockett, Sr, PM (2010)\*

Shane Crabtree, PM (2011)

Tod Truettner, PM (2012)

Leonard Shapiro, PM (2013)

P Bryan Westerman, PM (2014)

Jovan Boskovski, PM (2015)

Mustafa Karamujic, PM (2016)

David McArdle, PM (2017)

Timothy M Dougherty, PM (2018)

Timothy M Dougherty, PM (2019)

William Greenen, PM (2020)

Lukas Siegfried, PM (2021)

Mitchell Robinson, PM (2022)

Mustafa Karamujic, PM (2023)

Jovan Boskovski, PM (2024)

