

TRESTLEBOARD
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<u>FEBRUARY 2014</u>						
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FEBRUARY EVENTS

4	Stated Meeting & Dinner.....6:30 pm
11	Officers Practice MM Degree.....6:00 pm
18	MM Degree Benjamin Bridges.....6:30 pm
21	San Diego/Imperial PM Assn. Meeting 6:00pm
24	OSI.....6:30 pm
25	Degree Practice.....6:00 pm

FROM THE PILLAR OF WISDOM

Brethren & Ladies:

In January we installed the remaining officers of our lodge in their respective chairs. Congratulations to our Jr. Warden, Bro. John Fitch, our Sr. Steward Bro. Mario Urbino and our Jr. Steward Bro. Aaron Thomas. Thanks to all who attended this event and to our newly installed officers, who continue to support our lodge. Another important announcement was made during our January Stated meeting: Wor. Dimiter Lyakov is our Hiram Award selection for 2014. My thanks to the committee for their selection, Worshipful Dimiter is so very deserving of this honor.

For some of our newer members who may not be familiar with the Hiram Award, it is an award presented by a Blue Lodge of California and is considered one of the highest honors which can be conferred on a brother Master Mason who has given unselfishly of his time, talents and energy for the improvement of his Lodge and Fraternity. Date and time for Wor. Dimiter's reception ceremony are not set at this time but will be announced on our website and in one of our future Trestleboards.

2014 OFFICERS

Master.....	Ryan Bacaoco
Sr. Warden.....	Robert Salini
Jr. Warden	John Fitch
Treasurer	James J. Achenbach. PM
Secretary	Dimiter Lyakov, PM
Chaplain	Dennis Stahr, PM
Sr. Deacon	Charles Caskey
Jr. Deacon	Nick Mullen
Marshall	Robert Scheeler
Sr. Steward.....	Mario Urbino
Jr. Steward.....	Aaron Thomas
Tiler	Robert Smith, PM
Officer's Coach.	Dennis Stahr
Inspector, 921 st . Masonic District.....	David A. Haslim, PM
Trestleboard Editor.....	Dick Covert, PM

January also saw the raising to the sublime degree of Master Mason Bro. Mark Helton. Congratulations to Bro. Mark and to the officers participating in the conferral of a fine degree.

In February we are looking again to confer the Master Mason degree on February 18th on Brother Benjamin Bridges. A MM degree practice will take place the week prior to the degree. Thank you all for your continued support and I look forward to seeing you all in Lodge.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
 Ryan A. Bacaoco, Worshipful Master

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

New CMC legislation passed during the 2013 GL Communication requires written permission from any member before their personal information can be listed in any social media publication or lodge website. Our Bro. Secretary has the necessary forms for securing the required signatures. If you are an officer /member having no objections to publication of your telephone, email or image, please sign the required form on hand in the Lodge office.

Fraternaly, Dick Covert, Editor

FROM THE PILLAR OF STRENGTH

Brethren and Ladies;

The year is off to a good start. Most of us have paid your membership dues for the year, and, if you haven't, please take a minute to take care of this important detail. I know that I am a member of a few Masonic bodies, and sometimes I misplace the current dues notice. Please check and be sure you are up to date with your lodge dues.

On January 11th, the Shrine Legion of Honor had its Installation of Officers, of which I am one. It was a memorable event being that the International Association of Legion of Honor came to San Diego and conducted our Installation. It was a well attended event at Al Bahr Shrine, with the Shrine Divan present, along with friends and family. After the Installation we met agreeably at Proud Mary's Restaurant (next door) for a great buffet lunch. By all accounts it was a fun day for all in attendance.

For those of you curious about the Mt. Laguna Shrine Camp, here is the latest info I am aware of. The clean up contractor has been started cleanup December 17. The Shrine has contacted a law firm to handle a suit to recoup its losses. The involved government agencies placed a temporary stop on cleanup efforts pending investigation of the fires cause. This may take some time, but hopefully we will start rebuilding before the year is out.

This is a good time to remind all of our Brethren to come on down to lodge and share the fellowship with us. Drive safe and I hope to see you all in lodge.

Sincerely,
Robert Salini, Senior Warden

EDITOR'S NOTE

Your items of Masonic Education and general interest are always welcome and earnestly requested. Just be sure to have them to me no later than March 20. You may contact me by mail at 16436 Avenida Venusto "D", San Diego, CA 92129; Fraternaly, Dick Covert, PM Editor

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

PLEASE If you are not on the permanent dinner reservation list, call at least two days prior to a Stated Meeting. We are always delighted to see you at Stated Meeting and dinner, but it can be difficult accommodating everyone who shows up without notice. Cost of dinner is \$15.00 each. Brethren on the permanent list should call if they are unable to attend dinner. Please remember also to keep us advised of address and telephone number changes. (619-295-4420)

Fraternaly,
Dimitry Lyakov PM Secretary

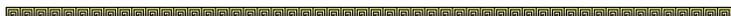
OUR ARMED FORCES

In these stressful times for our Military men and women, it is appropriate that we remember and pray for all members of our Armed Forces who are away from their families and friends in whatever part of the world they may be. Several of our own members are presently serving in our Armed Forces and are now, have been or will be in harm's way during their service. They guard us, defend our way of life and serve to protect democracy in our Country and around the world. They are what stand between us and the terrorists and despots of the world who would rob us of our freedom. They are all volunteers and without them we, and the rest of the world, could not continue. We owe them a debt of gratitude we can never repay. Let us remember them in our prayers and thank God they are ours. Let us support them in every way we can.

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis Stahr, PM

2014 COMMITTEES

Audit	Bob Salini
Budget & Finance	Bob Scheeler
Candidate Coaching .	Clint Black, PM
Charity	Ryan Bacaoco, WM
Communication.....	Charles Caskey
Delinquent Dues	Bob Salini
Funeral	David Haslim, PM
Honored Ladies.....	Maebelle Haslim
Life Membership.....	James Campbell, PM
Masonic Education ..	Jim Achenbach, PM
Masonic Formation ..	Bob Smith, PM
Masonic Outreach	Ron Detzer, PM
Member Retention ...	John Fitch
Public Schools.....	Jim Achenbach, PM
Social Media	Steve Laurvick, PM
Sam Jones Memorial	Nick Mullen
Sunshine & Visit.....	Dennis Stahr, PM
Mentoring.....	Bob Salini
Trestleboard	Dick Covert, PM
Website Master	Dennis Stahr, PM



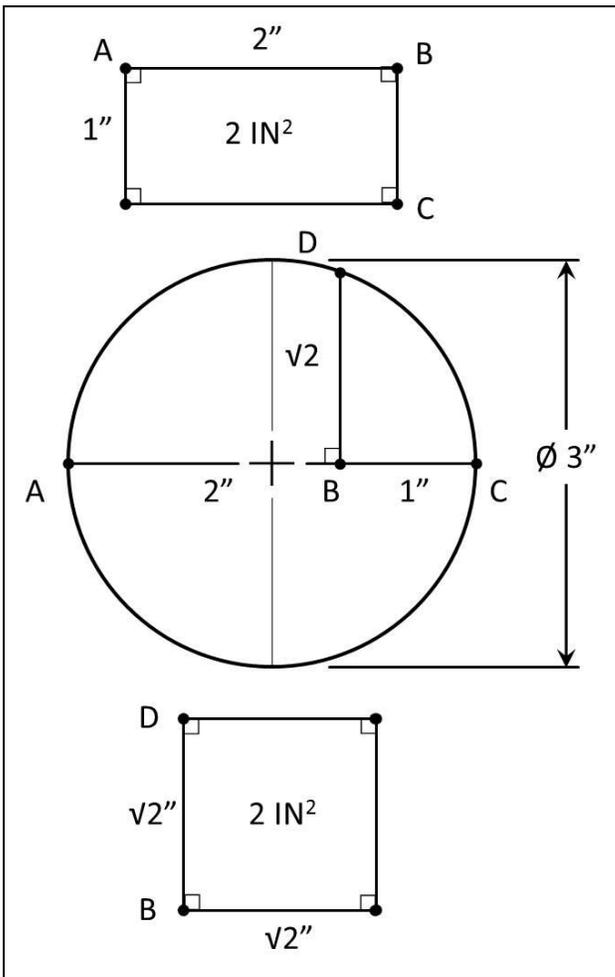
FROM THE PILLAR OF BEAUTY

Greetings Brethren;

January 7th, was the installation of our Officers in the South, myself as Junior Warden; Mario Urbino as Senior Steward; and Aaron Thomas as Junior Steward. I welcome these two Brothers to their chairs in our Lodge, and thank all who have helped us achieve our respective places.

This month I present for your consideration the use of the square and compass to derive the square root of a number. Consider the rectangle shown below, with sides AB = 2 and BC = 1. From this construct a circle with diameter AB + BC = 3. The length of the perpendicular BD = square root of 2. The square with sides BD has the same area as the original rectangle. This method is known as "Squaring the Rectangle"

Fraternally yours,
John Fitch, Junior Warden



FEBRUARY STATED MEETING DINNER MENU

- Chinese Chicken Salad
- Roast Pork
- Roast Turkey
- Herbed Buttered Noodles
- Oriental Stir Fry
- Small Croissants
- Assorted Hot and Cold Drinks
- Cobbler

Dinner cost is \$15 each.
Reservations by calling our Bro. Secretary
at 619-295-4420.

LODGE HISTORY BOOKLET

Brethren:

In 1973 Wor. Jim Campbell was Master of S. W. Hackett Lodge. That was, of course, our 50th year as a constituted lodge of the Grand Lodge of California.

During that year, the lodge compiled and printed a 27 page booklet of lodge history. Some of you "old timers" may remember the book, and may even still have your copy. It is a great information source, not only for our current members, but also for our "young" masons recently initiated, passed or raised. At the encouragement of Wor. Campbell, we had 35 of them printed as a start. These will be given to the "young" Masons referenced above for free, but since they cost \$2.00 per copy to print, if any of the members would like a copy, we offer them at our cost of \$2.00.

You can stop by the office and see the book and how informative it is. Thanks.

Dennis Stahr, PM

A MASONIC HYPOTHESES

From time immemorial Freemasonry has exercised the right to ask of its votaries whence he came and whither he was traveling. The answer to neither part of the question can be conclusive. If memory could go back to Masonry's beginning, it would be a misuse of words to describe its past as immemorial. The best account of its remote past is that it had not one origin but many origins. Modern Freemasonry is in the truest sense a reservoir into which the cult lore and social experiences of countless eons of human experience have poured their treasures. Into this mighty lake streams have trickled from the remotest mountain tops; it is fed from innumerable founts. It signifies little how the life-giving waters have found their way into its bosom, by what channels they have come, across what continents they have flowed.

~ A History of Freemasonry – H. L. Haywood ~

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 3 **Alexander Shpigel**
6 **Sean McDade**
8 **Richard Bergstrom**
9 **Burman Faucett**
 Mario Urbino
10 **William Eade, Jr.**
20 **William Knight, PM**
25 **Bryan Sumter**
26 **Travis King**
 Joseph Amescua
28 **Benjamin Bridges**
 Edward Jackson

ECHOES FROM THE PAST

55 Years

Leonard Kulhanjian MM 2/24/1959

47 Years

Ray Rapp, PM MM 2/14/1967

37 Years

Gerald Lynn, PM MM 2/24/1977

35 Years

David McGill, PM MM 2/027/1979