



# S.W. Hackett Lodge# 574 F&AM

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## FROM THE PILLAR OF WISDOM

Greeting's Brethren and Ladies,

The month of February was a bit quiet at for the Lodge. We are working with a couple of our candidates on their proficiencies and things are coming along well I might add. I made a couple of Lodge visits for Stated Meetings of our neighbor lodges, and was accompanied by Brother Bob Gale to East San Diego Lodge where we had a very good Chinese buffet for dinner. I do plan on making more visits to other lodges' stated meetings, and all brethren that are interested, please let me know and we can make the trip. Looking forward to our Calendar, I just reserved a site at Santee Lakes for our annual Picnic. It is reserved for Saturday June 13<sup>th</sup>, and again we have the same site as last year, that we all enjoyed so much. Also, Maebelle Haslim and I are making arraignments for the Honored Ladies Luncheon to be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of May. J.R. Knight is working on the Table Lodge to be held on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. So mark your calendar for the upcoming events.

A number of the Brethren have talked about having a backyard bar-b-que. I think it's a great way to socialize with each other, where we don't have any business agenda to deal with. I will host a bar-b-que at my home on Saturday April 11<sup>th</sup>, the Saturday after Stated Meeting. I will provide burgers, chicken, and sodas. You can bring a dish, and other food or drinks as you prefer. Bar-b ques are not a new thing to Hackett, however it's been a while since we've had one, so now's the time. Our attendance at Stated Meetings has fallen off for the past months, and I'm hoping to shake it up a little to maybe bring some of our Brethren back to Lodge. In March we will be presenting a resolution to raise the Initiation costs.

The follow up will be in the April Stated Meeting when we vote on the issue.

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## 2015 OFFICERS

Master.....	Robert Salini
Sr. Warden..	John Fitch
Jr. Warden .	Charles Caskey
Treasurer ....	Ryan Bacaoco, PM
Secretary ....	Dimiter Lyakov, PM
Chaplain.....	Dennis Stahr, PM
Sr. Deacon..	Ben Bridges
Jr. Deacon ..	Dustin Capps
Marshall .....	Robert Scheeler
Sr. Steward .	Robert Gale
Jr. Steward..	David Casper
Tiler.....	Jim Achenbach, PM
Organist.....	JR Knight, PM
Officer's Coach: .....	Dennis Stahr, PM
Inspector, 921 <sup>st</sup> . Masonic District:	William R. Stokes, PM

## MARCH EVENTS

3	Stated Meeting & Dinner.....	6:30pm
10	Degree Practice / Proficiencies.....	6:00pm
17	Degree Practice / Proficiencies.....	6:00pm
23	OSI Meeting.....	6:30pm
24	Degree Practice / Proficiencies.....	6:00pm
31	Degree Practice / Proficiencies.....	6:00pm

## MARCH STATED DINNER MENU

Roast Tri-Tip, Corned Beef & Cabbage  
Green Bean Almondine  
Spring Salad & Rolls  
Marble Cake  
Hot & Cold Beverages

Dinner cost is \$15 per person. Make your lodge reservations by calling the Lodge Secretary at 619-295-4420

This is a good time to remind all of our brethren to come on down to Lodge and share the camaraderie, and fellowship with us.

Drive Safe and I hope to see everyone in lodge.

Sincerely and Fraternally,  
Bob Salini  
Master



**FROM THE PILLAR OF BEAUTY**

Brethren,

As the year keeps going and the months pass by we find ourselves already in the month of March. I can't believe how fast the year is going. I took some time to reflect on the level this month. In Latin libra was a balance, the root of our libration, equilibrium; libella was the diminutive form of the same word, and from it has come our level, an instrument by which a balance is proved, or by which may be detected the horizontal plane. It is closely associated in use with the plumb, by which a line perpendicular to the horizontal is proved. The level is that on which there are no inequalities, hence in Masonry it is correctly used' as a symbol of equality. "We meet upon the level" because Masonic rights, duties, and privileges are the same for all members without distinction. (masonicdictionary.com) the next is only a segment of a poem that I found; I did not have enough space for the entire poem.

*We meet upon the Level and we part upon the Square.  
What words of precious meaning, those words Masonic  
are!*

*Come, let us contemplate them! They are worthy of a  
thought;  
In the very walls of Masonry the sentiment is wrought.*

*We meet upon the Level, though from every station come,  
The rich man from his palace and the poor man from his  
home;*

*For the rich must leave his wealth and state outside the  
Mason's door,  
And the poor man finds his best respect upon the  
Checkered Floor.*

- By Brother Rob Morris (mastermason.com)

Fraternally Yours,

Chuck Caskey  
Junior Warden

**2015 COMMITTEES**

Audit.....	John Fitch
Budget & Finance .....	Bob Scheeler
Candidate Coaching .....	Clint Black, PM
Charity .....	Robert Salini
Communication.....	Robert Gale
Delinquent Dues .....	Dennis Stahr, PM
Funeral .....	David Haslim, PM
Honored Ladies .....	Maebelle Haslim
Life Membership .....	James Campbell, PM
Masonic Education .....	Jim Achenbach, PM
Masonic Formation .....	Jim Achenbach, PM
Masonic Outreach .....	Ron Detzer, PM
Member Retention .....	Ben Bridges
Public Schools .....	Jim Achenbach, PM
Social Media .....	Steve Laurvick, PM
Sunshine & Visit .....	Robert Salini
Masonic Youth.....	JR Knight, PM
Trestleboard .....	Ryan Bacaoco, PM
Website Master.....	Dennis Stahr, PM

**PUBLIC SCHOOLS COMMITTEE MESSAGE**

Brethren & Ladies,

On Sunday, December 21, 2014 some of the members of our Lodge and their Ladies came together to organize and deliver food, presents and gift cards to some of the neediest families in our community. As most of you know our Lodge has a very dynamic partnership with Sequoia Elementary School. Sequoia is located in the Clairemont area of San Diego. Over the course of a few months we coordinate with the staff of the school to bring both relief and a little joy what would otherwise be a very miserable situation during the holiday season. Thanks to the generosity and hard work demonstrated by many of our members WE have touched the hearts and lives of families that are struggling. The members of S.W. Hackett Lodge #574 have a lot to be grateful for, and also a lot to be proud of.

To view pictures and accounts of these activities, including pictures of the events and thank you cards written by parents, please visit our webpage. We have the finest website out there. I often visit other Lodges websites, both here and around the country and world, and we have the best, most current website I am aware of. Thank you Webmaster Dennis Stahr, PM!

S&F,

Jim Achenbach, PM  
Chairman of the Public Schools Committee

**APPLICATION FOR DEGREES FEE'S RESOLUTION  
TO BE READ AT THE MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2015 STATED  
MEETING.**

I, John Fitch, Senior Warden, respectfully submit the following resolution for the Brethren herein assembled. This resolution is being read, the evening of March 3, 2015, at the S.W. Hackett Lodge #574 Stated Meeting. All Brethren of S.W. Hackett Lodge #574 have been notified of this impending resolution in the March 2015 Trestleboard. All S.W. Hackett Lodge #574 Brethren will have the opportunity discuss the merits of this resolution, and vote on this resolution at the S.W. Hackett Lodge #574 on April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M., which will be held in the Heald Room at the San Diego Scottish Rite Center located at 1895 Camino del Rio South, San Diego, California 92108.

Whereas the cost to confer all three degrees upon a Candidate exceeds the current Lodge Application Fee of \$125.00, which has not been increased since 1978.

Whereas the California Grand Lodge charges this Lodge an additional \$94.00 fee for each Candidate.

It is determined that a total of \$300 is necessary to cover the current costs and provide some contingency for any future increases.

Therefore, be it resolved that §802.020. Article III-Fees and Dues, Section 1 (Fees), Paragraphs A, B & C of the By-Laws of this Lodge shall be changed to read as follows:

The table of fees for this Lodge shall be as follows:

- A. For the degrees, the sum of **\$206.00**;
- B. For the degrees of Fellow Craft and Master Mason, when the Entered Apprentice degree has been received in another Lodge, the sum of **\$180.00**;
- C. For the degree of Master Mason, when the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft degree has been received in another Lodge, the sum of **\$170.00**;

The above resolution, if adopted by a vote of two-thirds of members present, and approved by Grand Lodge, will have the effect of raising the Lodge Application Fee from \$219.00 to \$300.00.

**LOOKING FORWARD**

by  
**James K. Remick, PM**

The lessons we have learned in the yesterday of the years, through trial and error, are the eloquent, though silent guides to our future performance in the arena of worldly living. The errors are transitory, the truth is immutable, so with our feet firmly planted upon the Fraternal Principles of Freemasonry, channeled through S. W. Hackett Lodge No. 574 F. & A. M., and serving both initiate and profane as a mighty force for the good, we look forward to greater achievement and nobler deeds.

We condone no lapse from rectitude of conduct by any minority, though it may lend allegiance to the Masonic Organization, but we look ahead with full confidence in the inherent intelligence of the peoples of the American Continent to keep themselves safe and clean from the encroachments of political filth and immoral economics and that our Order will be a light along the path.

We pledge loyalty to our Officers in the Fraternity, both high and low, to keep us immune to the acceptance of the undesirables within our midst and with faces toward the Beacon of Hope in the rhythmic step we surge forward, ever conscious of our eternal debt, "To owe no man anything but to love one another".

Masons are a happy people; we do more than wish them happiness in all the years to come, we know they shall be happy as they deserve to be happy.

*Are you an active member, the kind that would be missed?  
Or are you just contented that your name is on the list?  
Do you attend the meetings and mingle with the flock  
Or do you simply stay at home and criticize and knock?  
Do you take an active part to help the work along?  
Or are you satisfied to be the kind that "just belong"*

Reprinted, word for word, from the S.W. Hackett Lodge,  
January 1947 Trestleboard.

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**EDITOR'S NOTE**

If you have an article you would like to submit. Please submit your article to [bacaoco@gmail.com](mailto:bacaoco@gmail.com) before the 19<sup>th</sup> of every month. Thank you!

**Ryan A. Bacaoco**  
Trestleboard Editor

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

6 Edward Dangler  
7 Jordan Helton  
8 Patrick Comeaux  
10 Eric Kurzenberger  
16 Ivan English  
19 Ronald Detzer, PM  
Joseph Pollard  
20 Alfred Strickman  
Jeffery Payne  
Anthony Thornburg  
22 Clair Martin  
Robert Windle, PM  
27 Maurice Lowe  
31 Elias Uskokovic

**ECHOES FROM THE PAST**

**49 YEARS**  
R. Miller, 3/22/1966

**41 YEARS**  
Floyd Covert, PM  
3/19/1974

**38 YEARS**  
Robert Hickok, 3/31/1977

**35 YEARS**  
Knox Krug, 3/19/1980

**33 YEARS**  
Daryl Sandaker, 3/9/1982

**32 YEARS**  
John McBride, 3/15/1983

**20 YEARS**  
Ronald Howard,  
3/30/1995

**20 YEARS**  
Dimiter Lyakov, PM  
3/28/1995

**14 YEARS**  
Robert Windle, PM  
3/13/2001

**10 YEARS**  
James Garrett, 3/29/2005