#### **TRESTLEBOARD**

# S. W. Hackett Masonic Lodge No. 574, F& AM Chartered October 11, 1923



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<b>APRIL 2012</b>							
<u>SUN</u>	<b>MON</b>	TUE	WED	THU	<u>FRI</u>	<b>SAT</b>	
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22	23	***	25	26	27	28	
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#### APRIL EVENTS

3	Stated Meeting & Dinner	6:30pm
10	Officers Practice	7:00pm
11	Masonic Information Night	6:00pm
17	Proficiency Work Assistance	7:00pm
18	Bethel 40 Dessert Auction (See WM message)	7:00pm
24	Officers Practice	7:00pm

#### FROM THE PILLAR OF WISDOM

### Greetings Brethren and Ladies:

We had an interesting March and more to come. The FC Degree we hoped to confer did not happen. And that was a bit disappointing, but we move forward. Bro. Ryan Bacaoco, our junior Warden, did a great job with the first EA & FC Night of the year. Wor. "JR" Knight presented a "walk-about" and presented the mentoring program. Those in attendance, even the officers of another lodge, commented on the program and said they all learned some things that even they didn't know. We were hoping for a larger turn-out, but it was a success none the less.

Remember that on Wednesday, April 11 at 6:00pm, the Scottish Rite will present a complimentary dinner and Masonic Information Night. This will be a great opportunity for all Brethren to bring their friends and families and especially those who may be interested in becoming a Mason.

I was hoping to have the visitation to Covina Masonic Home planned for April, but so far we have not decided on the date or the arrangements for travel. We will be working on this and will email the details as soon as we have them worked out

### **2012 OFFICERS**

Lodge Office Telephone	619-295-4420
Master	Dennis P. Stahr
Sr. Warden	"JR" Knight, PM
Jr. Warden	Ryan A. Bacaoco
Treasurer	James J. Achenbach
Secretary	Dimiter Lyakov, PM
Asst. Secretary	
Chaplain	
Sr. Deacon	
Jr. Deacon	Mark Bacaoco
Marshall	Robert J. Scheeler
Sr. Steward	
Jr. Steward	Steven "Tex" Perry
Tiler	Robert Smith, PM
Officer's Coach	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Inspector, 921st. Masonic Distric	et David A. Haslim, PM
Trestleboard Editor	

All Master Masons, their wives and ladies are invited to a special night out April 18 at the Scottish Rite Center. Jobs Daughters Bethel 40 will honor the 921<sup>st</sup>. District with a Masonic Appreciation Night, followed by their Dessert Auction. Mark your calendar and come out to support our Fraternity's Youth Groups.

Thank you all for helping make Samuel Warren Hackett Lodge what it is today. Have a great April, and I hope to see you in Lodge.

Also, please remember to keep up to date with our website. Find it, visit often and bookmark it at: http://www.swhackett574.sandiegofreemason.com/

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Dennis Stahr.

Worshipful Master

### THE TROWEL

The Trowel is the principle working tool of the Master Mason Degree.

The symbol of a generous heart, which alone can "spread the cement of brotherly love". Peculiarly the symbol of the Master Mason, since the Apprentice prepares the stone, the Fellowcraft tries it for squareness and dimension, while the Master puts it in place and binds it there with mortar or cement. Curiously, cement and mortar are so briefly mentioned as hardly to come within the classification of symbols, yet it is obvious that improperly mixed cement will not bind, and "brotherly love and affection" will not endure if they do not come from sterling worth to excellent character. The tool alone cannot insure permanency of the building; the character and purity of the cement is as important as the skill with which it is laid; the same, by analogy, holds true in the understanding of the symbolic trowel and the symbolic cement.

#### **MASTERS WAGES**

A phrase symbolic of the rewards which come to a Mason who learns what he professes and practices what he learns. The wages of a Mason are different for each brother; each asks what he will and receives that for which he labors. If he demands much, he will receive much, provided he earns it. This is one of the great intangibles, difficult to express in words, known well to all who love and labor in the Craft. The intangibles of love, friendship, respect, opportunity, happy labor, and associations are the wages of a Master who earns them – hence, the phrase in the mouth of a lodge officer, descriptive of his duty, "pay the Craft their wages if any be due..."

## FORTY-SEVENTH PROBLEM OF EUCLID

Symbol geometry; of exact science. Passed over with but a few words of ritual, it is most interesting in Masonry. It appears of the frontispiece of Anderson's Constitutions, published in 1723; Street says it is the earliest example of a printed symbol of Freemasonry. It was apparently known to mathematicians long before Pythagoras (Masonically credited as its discoverer) or Euclid, who made of the properties of a right-angled triangle his fortyseventh problem. It is the root of all mathematics used to determine an unknown from two knowns. Given the distance of a mountain and the angle of sight to its top, mathematics may determine its height. Tunnels are driven through mountains from both sides to meet exactly by means of measurements made by the forty-seventh problem. Navigation of the seas depends upon it.

All right angle triangles, regardless of the length of base and upright, follow this law; that the line joining the free ends (the hypotenuse) is the square root of the sum of the two sides.

### **2012 COMMITTEES**

Audit	JR Knight, PM	
Budget, Fin. Inv.	Dennis Stahr, WM	
Cand. Coach	Kent Dau, PM	
Charity	Dennis Stahr, WM	
Communication	John Fitch	
Del. Dues	JR Knight, PM	
Funeral	David Haslim, PM	
Honored Ladies	Maebelle Haslim	
Life Member	Jim Campbell, PM	
Maso Education	James Achenbach, PM	
Masonic Youth	JR Knight, PM	
Masonic Formtn	Robert Smith, PM	
Masonic Outrch	Ron Detzer, PM	
Member Retent	Robert Salini	
Public Schools	James Achenbach, PM	
Social Media	Steve Laurvick, PM	
Sam Jones Memorial Award	Robert Smith, PM	
Mentoring & Member of Year Award	JR Knight, PM	
Trestleboard	Dick Covert, PM	

Therefore, if any two sides of the three are known, the third may be calculated. According to the ritual "it teaches Masons to be general lovers of the arts and sciences." This short description encompasses the study of geometry.

GL Committeeman: Norm Hale, PM (Emeritus) Widows

Dennis Stahr, WM

## **EDITORS NOTE**

Contributions to our Trestleboard are welcome and urgently solicited. Submissions should be of Masonic nature suitable for enjoyment of EA, FC and non Masons alike.

We welcome items of general interest as well. Submissions should be directed to the editor at <a href="mailto:uglidedc@cox.net">uglidedc@cox.net</a> or by telephone at 760-751-3469. Deadline for May submittals is April 21, 2012.

Fraternally, Dick Covert, PM

Website Master

### **APRIL STATED MEETING DINNER MENU**

Spring Mix Salad
Honey Baked Ham
Roasted Chicken
Scalloped Potatoes
Buttered Corn
Assorted Hot & Cold Beverages
Assorted Rolls
Pineapple Upside Down Cake

#### FROM THE PILLAR OF BEAUTY

Brethren and ladies:

First, I would like to thank all of the Brothers who were able to make it to the Entered Apprentice/Fellowcraft night on the 21<sup>st</sup>. of February. We had a wonderful time and a very informative Masonic education given to us by Wor. "JR" Knight, who lectured on the mentoring program, as well as a "walk-a-bout", demonstrated to an Entered Apprentice from Heartland Lodge No. 576. He explained each of the Lodge Officers responsibilities, including the jewel of their Office, together with an explanation of the jewels' symbolism. Thanks again Wor. Bro. Knight for making this event very special.

As my wife and I prepare for our first ever Master, Senior and Junior Warden Retreat this Friday, March 23 through March 25, I would like to thank all the Brethren of S. W. Hackett Lodge for the opportunity to attend this important event. Nancy and I look forward to sharing our experiences with all of you. We are very excited to be attending the Retreat and are very grateful for the awesome support that you have given us.

Again, my many thanks; I can't wait to communicate with all of you again in next month's Trestleboard.

Sincerely and Fraternally, Ryan A. Bacaoco, JW Samuel Warren Hackett Lodge No. 574

### CALIFORNIA GRAND LODGE PHOTO CONTEST

The California Grand Lodge has launched the fraternity's first ever photo contest. Entries will be posted to Facebook, where more than 8,500 fans will be asked to "like" the photos that they enjoy the most. The winning entries will be those that garner the most "likes". Fans are encouraged to base their voting on both creativity and photographic quality.

## **Contest Rules**

- 1. All photos must be original work by the submitting photographer.
- 2. There are two categories: adult, for masons or current members of an adult Masonic order, and Youth, for current members of DeMolay, Job's Daughters or Rainbow for Girls.
- 3. All entries must include: Photographer name, Masonic affiliation, and photo title. For digital photos please include camera type.
- 4. Online voting closes at 12:00p.m. PST on April 20. If mailing a photo, please plan accordingly.

- 5. By submitting a photo, you verify that everyone pictured has given consent for you to distribute their image to our organization. A signed photo release may be requested by Grand Lodge staff.
- 6. Photos must be submitted to the Communications Department, as outlined below. Photos uploaded directly to Facebook are not eligible and will be removed.

Send photos to <u>communications@freemason.org</u> (put "Photo Contest" in the subject line) or mail to Communications c/o Photo Contest, Grand Lodge of California, 1111 California St., San Francisco, CA 94108

#### STATED DINNER DETAILS

If you are on the standing reservations list be sure to inform our Bro. Secretary if you are not able to attend Stated Meeting dinner at least the Friday prior to Stated Meeting. Likewise, if you are not on the standing list, let the Secretary know you will be attending dinner. Dinner cost is \$15.00 each. Our Bro. Secretary can be reached at 619-295-4420.

# APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Anthony Samaye
- 5 Antonio Balat Fred Lipscomb
- **7** Kegan Thomson
- 12 Bruce Abel Devin Breise
- 17 Brian Waterman
- William Mathis, PM
- 25 Robert Hickok

# **ECHOES FROM THE PAST**

56 Years

Willard Meyer MM 4-17-56

54 Years

Claude Woods MM 4-29-58

39 Years

**Donald Harding MM 4-24-73** 

34 Years

**Donald Dibler MM 4-18-78** 

# CALLED FROM LABOR

**Brother Milton M. Humphrey** 

Born: September 21, 1921 Initiated: December 3, 1953 Passed: February 11, 1954 Raised: April 22, 1954

**ENTERED INTO REST: March 9, 2012** 

SOFT AND SAFE TO THEE
OUR BROTHER
BE THY RESTING PLACE
BRIGHT AND GLORIOUS
BE THY RISING FROM IT