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2014 OFFICERS

Master..... Ryan Bacaoco
 Sr. Warden..... Robert Salini
 Jr. Warden John Fitch
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 Jr. Deacon Ben Bridges
 Marshall Robert Scheeler
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 Jr. Steward..... Aaron Thomas
 Tiler Robert Smith, PM
 Officer's Coach. Dennis Stahr, PM
 Inspector, 921st. Masonic District..... David A. Haslim, PM
 Trestleboard Editor..... Dick Covert, PM

MARCH EVENTS

1 Stated Meeting & Dinner.....6:30 pm
 8 Sumpter, third degree6:00 pm
 12 Masonic Homes Visit in Covina
 15 EA Degree6:30pm
 22 MM Degree Practice6:30 pm
 29 MM Degree6:30 pm

FROM THE PILLAR OF WISDOM

Greetings Brethren & Ladies:

Last month we had the honor of presenting the Hiram Award for 2014 to Bro. Dimiter Lyakov, PM. The event was held March 25th and was very well attended by members of our lodge, as well as Brethren from other lodges. I would like to thank all who were able to attend and show their support for Wor. Dimiter. Congratulations Bro. Secretary and thank you for all your hard work and dedication to our lodge.

Our Bro. Junior Deacon, Nick Mullen, has advised us that he will be leaving us in the mid-part of the year due to reassignment by the Navy to Florida for additional training.

For those of us who haven't noticed, Bro. Mullen created for us the new altar kneeling pads. Very smartly done with the S. W. Hackett lodge name and number embroidered upon them. Bro. Mullen your presence at lodge will be greatly missed. Good luck to you and yours. We know your Naval career will be enhanced by your additional training and we wish every success.

At this month's Stated Meeting we will be welcoming the Inspector of the 921st. Masonic District (and Past Master of S. W. Hackett Lodge) David Haslim, PM.

Also in April we will confer the Entered Apprentice Degree on Mr. Jordan Helton on the 15th. Bro. Bryan Sumter will be raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on April 8th.

It has been some time since we visited the Masonic Home in Covina and we will correct that situation with a visit on the 12th of April.

As you can see we have a lot planned for this month and are looking forward to seeing you all in attendance.

Remember, Lodge Night is Tuesday!!

Take care and God Bless!

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Ryan A. Bacaoco, Worshipful Master.

FROM THE PILLAR OF STRENGTH

Being that I am a Scottish Rite Mason, I thought I would mention a little about this Masonic Body. Scottish Rite confers the Fourth through the Thirty-third Degrees. In addition to their respective numbers, the Degrees have such names as Knight Rose Croix and Master of the Royal Secret. Together with the conferral of Degrees, there are a lot of other activities taking place during our year.

February saw a Robert Burns night, which was a fun evening involving a traditional Scottish dinner including a serving of Haggis. Scottish whiskey flowed freely, a bag piper entertained and men in kilts honored the great poet, Robert Burns.

In April we hold Masonic Information night, which is open to all Masons and interested prospects for Masonry. Also open to all is the Extinguishing of the Lights and Relighting of the Lights Easter Ceremony. In May is the Mothers Day Brunch open to both Masons and non-Masons alike. There are activities happening all year long at the Scottish Rite, and becoming a member is open to all Master Masons. Those of you interested in receiving further Light can obtain a application at the Scottish Rite office. We will be having a class for new members May 16 and 17.

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

Sincerely and fraternally,
Bob 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 April 20.. You may contact me by email at or mail at 16436 Avenida Venusto "D", San Diego, CA 92128;

Fraternally, 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).

Fraternally,
Dimitter Lyakov PM Secretary

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
Memb Retention ...	John Fitch
Public Schools	Jim Achenbach, PM
Social Media.....	Steve Laurvick, PM
Sunshine & Visit... ..	Dennis Stahr, PM
Mentoring	Bob Salini
Trestleboard.....	Dick Covert, PM
Website Master.....	Dennis Stahr, PM



VISIT TO JOB'S DAUGHTERS BETHEL NO. 40

Each year, our Grand Master proclaims April as "Youth Activities Month" in California and for the past several years, the 909th and 921st Masonic Districts have visited Bethel 40 of Job's Daughters International in honor of that Proclamation. This year our visitation will occur on Monday, April 7th and will be an extra special evening as several Bethels will come together to welcome the Grand Guardian of the State of California on her official visit.

In Job's Daughters, she is the equivalent of our Grand Master. The meeting will start at 7:00 pm in the Scottish Rite Center in Mission Valley. All the unnecessary business will be eliminated because the highlight of the evening will be a ceremonial reception by the Daughters to honor the Grand Guardian. I have been assured there will be special refreshments following the ceremony. This is an invitation to all Masons and their Ladies to attend and show the Grand Guardian how deeply the Masonic Community of San Diego supports our Masonic Youth. Please make plans to attend. Sincerely and fraternally,

David Haslim, PM - Inspector 921st Masonic District.

John Crago, PM - Inspector 909th Masonic District.

FROM THE PILLAR OF BEAUTY

Greetings Brethren;

Welcome to daylight savings time, where the evenings last longer by the week. New buds and blooms spring forth from the earth as the internal clocks of the plant world respond to the warmth of the Sun.

A busy month of April for the lodge includes an EA Degree, a trip to Covina to visit Bro. George Dean Arnell, and the Masters and Wardens Retreat in Newport Beach.

As the Chairman of the Member Retention committee I have found it remarkable that 41 of our 168 Brethren are residing in 17 states of the Union other than California. Recognizing the names of many Brethren on the roster brings the lodge to life for me. The roster is available for all to view on freemason.org

Fraternally yours,
Brother John Fitch, Junior Warden

THE LODGE

A Lodge is both a group of Masons and the room or building in which they meet. Some Masonic buildings are also sometimes called temples. The term “lodge” was given to structures built by stonemasons in the Middle Ages adjacent to cathedrals that were under construction.

One of the earliest known descriptions of a lodge describes it as “an assemblage of brothers and fellows met together for the purpose of expiating on the mysteries of the Craft with the Bible, square and compass, the Book of Constitutions, and the warrant empowering them to act”.

A lodge was later depicted as “an assembly of Masons, just, perfect and regular who are met together to expiate on the mysteries just, because it contains the volume of the Sacred Law unfolded, perfect, from its numbers, every order of Masonry being virtually present by its representatives, to ratify and confirm its proceedings, and regular, from its warrant of constitution, which implies the sanction of the Grand Master, for the country where the lodge is held”.

Robert Macoy’s *A Dictionary of Freemasonry* notes that a lodge “is an oblong square” that is formed by three “well-informed brethren from a legal lodge” and that “five improve it, and seven make it perfect their meeting place, called a Masonic hall.

From *Freemasons – Inside the world’s oldest secret society*,
H. Paul Jeffers

APRIL STATED MEETING DINNER MENU

Chicken Fettuccine in Marinara Sauce
Old Fashioned Meatloaf
Caesar Salad
Mashed Potatoes
Grilled Vegetables
Assorted Cookies and Brownies
Assorted Hot & Cold Drinks
Dinner cost is \$15 each.
Reservations by calling our Bro. Secretary
At 619-295-4420.

LODGE PICNIC

Mark your calendars for June 14th for the S. W. Hackett Lodge Picnic. This year’s picnic will be at Santee Lakes and is open to all Brethren, families and friends. More info to follow at subsequent Stated Meetings and Trestleboards. The Master has picked a great location for all ages and interests.

CALLED FROM LABOR

GARY G. PARKS, PM
BORN JANUARY 21, 1944
ENTERED INTO REST FEBRUARY 4, 2014
ENTERED SEPTEMBER 21, 1978
PASSED JANUARY 11, 1979
RAISED JANUARY 22, 1979
ALL IN AMITY LODGE 442 (BLACKMER)

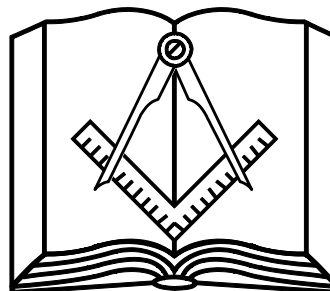
AFFILIATED S. W. HACKETT 574 1991
LIFE MEMBER 2004

PAST MASTER AMITY 442 1991
PAST MASTER S. W. HACKETT 574 1995

SECRETARY S. W. HACKETT 574 1996 – 1997

**SOFT AND SAFE TO THEE OUR BROTHER
BE THY RESTING PLACE,**

**BRIGHT AND GLORIOUS BE THY RISING FROM
IT.**



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Anthony Samaye
- 5 Fred Lipscomb
Antonio Balat
- 7 Kegan Thompson
- 12 Bruce Abel
Devin Briese
- 17 K. Waterman
- 18 William Mathis, PM
- 25 Robert Hickok
- 28 Geordan Mitchell

ECHOES FROM THE PAST

56 Years

Claude Woods, MM 4/29/1958

41 Years

Donald Harding, MM 4/24/1973

38 Years

Glenn James, MM 4/13/1976