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FROM THE EAST

Brethren and Ladies.

Hello, and I hope your year is off to a good start, now that it's spring already. The first day of spring for the year 2018 was March 20. Also on this date, Brother JR Knight presented Masonic Education on Geometry. We all thank you Brother JR for enlightening us on the subject. It's interesting that the Grand Lodge of California, chooses to present Masonic Education on Sacred Geometry at this point also. During March's stated meeting we did receive Worshipful Inspector Richard Bullard into the lodge, and our team did a fine job of it I must say.

In March we had a visitor from Tucson, Arizona, dine and sit in lodge with us. His name is Robert Vonada, of Builder's Lodge #60. He enjoyed his visit, and hopes to return to visit as much as possible, as he is temporarily working in San Diego. Welcome Brother Robert, and we do enjoy your company here with us.

The trip we plan to Guthrie Oklahoma is coming together pretty good at this point. Brothers Werkstetter, Achenbach, and myself are traveling together, and leaving on the 5th of April. Jim made arrangements to stay at the Scottish Rite Temple there, which is very economical, and most of all a great experience. All are still welcome to take part in this adventure.

On a different note, The Grand Lodge of Virginia, Terry Ronald Shaffer, DDGM, of Masonic district 3 and Washington lodge#78 Made a presentation of the Golden Veterans Award, to our own George O. Glavis, PM. Brother Glavis has been living in Virginia for some time now, and chose to have the presentation there at his lodge. I wanted to remind all that JR Knight, PM, has been scheduling Masonic Education, and due to conflicts the schedule has changes to the 3rd Tuesday instead of the 4th and all Masons are welcome to attend.

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 everyone in lodge. Sincerely and Fraternally, Bro. Bob Salini, PM, Master

2018 OFFICERS

Master	Robert Salini, PM
Sr. Warden	William "JR" Knight, PM
Jr. Warden	John Fitch, PM
Treasurer	David Casper
Secretary	
Chaplain	
Sr. Deacon	
Jr. Deacon	Robert Gale
Marshall	Robert Scheeler
Sr. Steward	Mario Urbino
Jr. Steward	
Tiler	Jim Achenbach, PM
Officer's Coach:	
Officer's Coach:	Robert Salini, PM
Inspector, 921st. Masonic Dist	rict: Richard W. Bullard, PM

APRIL EVENTS

3	Stated Dinner/Meeting	6:30 pm
6	Guthrie Oklahoma Trip	6th, 7th & 8th
10	Hiram Award Ceremony	6:30 pm
13	Master & Warden Retreat	13 th , 14 th & 15 th
16	Officer School of Instruction	6:00 pm
17	Masonic Education	6:30 pm
24	Proficiency / Officer practice	from 4:30 pm
25	Masonic Information Night SR Cntr	Time not listed

APRIL STATED DINNER MENU

Spring Mix/Strawberries Chicken Marsala Sirloin Tips Bourguignon Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Peas & Pearl Onions Peach Cobbler

Dinner cost is \$15 per person. Make your lodge reservations with the Lodge Secretary at 619-295-4420 or email to: hackett@lodge.sdcoxmail.com.

EDITOR'S REQUEST

Please submit articles. Everyone is requested to submit articles for the Trestleboard, in fact, it is encouraged. Please email them to info@freemason574.org on or before the 19th of every month. Thank you!



FROM THE WEST

My Brother,

This year is rolling along, we are already a quarter of the way through, although it feels like we are just getting started.

I hope you are enjoying our Masonic Education Lecture Series and if you have not yet availed yourself of these sessions, we hope that you will. Our February lecture was extremely informative Brother Stefan Werkstetter did a very good job explaining the differences between California and German Masonry and with the assistance of Wor. Bob Salini as Worshipful Master, Wor. Bro. Mark Doubleday of San Diego #35 as Senior Warden, Bro. Mark Read of Oceanside #381 as Junior Warden and Wor. Bro. Jim Achenbach as Tyler put on a German 1st degree.

We have some very interesting lectures coming up. They are on the 3rd Tuesdays of the month. Wor. Bro. Mark Doubleday will be giving the lecture on April 17th.

I wish to thank Brothers Bob Gail and Stefan Werkstetter and Worshipful Brother David Haslim, PM, for doing my job on this year's audit. I really appreciate your work and am sorry that due to my job, I was not able to be there to do my Senior Warden's job.

Sadly we lost Worshipful Brother Robert (Bob) Smith on March 2nd. He was a longtime active Mason and will be missed by all of us who got to spend time with him. Soft and safe to thee, my brother, be thy resting place. Bright and glorious be thy rising from it.

Finally, don't forget that Brother Bob Scheeler will be receiving the Hiram Award on Tuesday, April 10th. See you in Lodge My Brother.

Sincerely and Fraternally, "JR" Knight, PM, Senior Warden

NICE EMAIL FROM WOR. GEORGE GLAVIS

I thank you for working with San Francisco GL to send my 50 year Veteran Award.to Virginia. It was a great honor to receive it in stated meeting at Washington Lodge #78 with many brothers present where I twice was Master and now am secretary.

I enjoy getting Hackett Trestleboards with neat info and have appreciated good news about many members throughout the years. As some may remember I began in Monterey 217 and after Vietnam became active in the dingaling lodge while at PT&T. Was honored to be Master in 1976. Shifted to AT&T with transfer to San Francisco but retained Hackett membership. When Mother's health declined and the Bell System dissolved, I relocated to Front Royal where my wife grew up, and where mother stayed with us when no longer able to live alone in the Falls Church home where I grew up. She died two years ago at age 109.

2018 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Audit	"JR" Knight, PM
Budget & Finance	Robert Scheeler
Candidate Coaching	
Charity	Robert Salini, Master
Member Retention	John Fitch, PM
Delinquent Dues	
Funeral	David Haslim, PM
Honored Ladies	
Life Membership	James Campbell, PM
Masonic Education	Jim Achenbach, PM
Calif. Annual Fund	Robert Salini, PM
Public Schools	
Entertainment	Robert Gale
Sunshine & Visit	Dennis Stahr, PM
Masonic Outreach	Ryan Bacaoco, PM
Trestleboard	Dennis Stahr, PM
Website Master	Dennis Stahr, PM

WORSHIPFUL ROBERT SMITH CALLED FROM LABOR



Chula Vista, California
Born: May 14, 1943
Called from Labor: March 2, 2018
Initiated: June 19, 1990
Passed: September 6, 1990
Raised: October 18, 1990
Master of SW Hackett Lodge, 2007
Hiram Award, May 15, 2012
33° Scottish Rite Mason
Member of Al Bahr Shrine

Worshipful Brother Robert I. Smith

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

I now enjoy retirement after 50 years with the Navy, the Telephone Company and the State Department. Worked with many good people. Retired from Navy as Captain after three commands. Had great engineers there, at AT&T and at State where we designed and built US Embassies and Consulates around the world. Lots of travel in each, but no regrets.

If any of you folks come to the Washington area, please let me know, you might get a good meal and a neat visit at one of our meetings in a lodge chartered in 1840, which meets above a church chancery jointly built by masons and church in 1872.

Sincerely and Fraternally, George



Dear Brethren,

This month I would like to bring to our attention an article published, in the Fall 2017 Journal of the Philalethes Society, by Thomas D. Worrel PM of Mill Valley Lodge N° 365. The Article is titled "The Noble Knights of the Golden Chord" and gives an account from a manual of rituals, to a Masonic Rite that he has discovered.

The intrigue with the Rite, that appears to have been most active during the 19th Century, is both the lineage of it's leaders to signers of the Declaration of Independence, and the explicate usage of the Declaration of Independence and the Reverse Sb ide of the Great Seal of the United States in its ritual.



Annuit Coeptis "He [God] has favored our undertakings" (The Pass)

The Eye of Providence
The Unfinished Pyramid of 13 Courses
MDCCLXXVI "1776"

Novus Ordo Seclorum "A new order of the ages" (The Word)

The Historical form of the Great Seal was defined by the Secretary of the Continental Congress in 1782 and it is indeed interesting that it has been found to have been carried forward as part of Masonic Ritual in America.

Fraternally, John Fitch, PM, Junior Warden

BROTHER ROBERT J. SCHEELER, HIRAM AWARD HONOREE FOR 2018

The Hiram Award ceremony for Brother Scheeler is set for April 10th. The dinner will be in the Doric/Ionic room and will begin at 6:30 pm. The presentation ceremony will be in the SW Hackett lodge room at 7:30 pm. Please make plans to come out to support our Brother and congratulate him on his receiving this very prestigious award. The dinner cost is \$15, and Wor. Dimiter, our Secretary really needs you to confirm so that the proper number of dinners can be ordered. Call him or email him at the information on the header of the first page.

THE BATTLE OF GETTYSBURG AND THE MASONIC GENERALS - PART II

The climax of the battle took place on July 3. After a quiet morning, in early afternoon General Lee ordered the most massive cannon attack ever on the North American continent. Then, he ordered about 12,000 men to attack the center of the Union position, across about a mile of open country. Both the Southerners and Northerners generally showed great courage in facing each other, realizing that this might be the event that would decide the war and the fate of our country. Among the leaders of this event, known as Pickett's Charge, was Confederate Brigadier General, and Brother, Lewis Addison Armistead. The leader of the Union force being attacked was the Union Major General, and Brother, Winfield Scott Hancock.

Armistead and Hancock were both career soldiers, and before the Civil War they were friends when both were U.S. Army officers in California. Both were also Freemasons.

When the Confederate attack reached the Union line at Gettysburg, there was fierce fighting. General Armistead was shot twice, and as he went down he gave a Masonic sign asking for assistance. A fellow Mason, a Union officer named Henry H. Bingham, then a Captain, later a higher officer and then a very influential Congressman, came to Armistead's assistance and offered to help. Armistead reportedly asked to see and talk with his friend General Hancock, but he was told that Hancock had been very badly wounded just a few minutes earlier. Union Brother Bingham then helped Confederate Brother Armistead off the field and to a hospital, but Armistead died two days later. General Hancock, to the surprise of many, recovered and resumed his command later in the Civil War.

This incident, of a Freemason who was a Union officer helping a Freemason who was a wounded Confederate officer, is one of the greatest examples of the ideals of Freemasonry in action. In 1993, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania completed and dedicated a monument on the Gettysburg National Cemetery, with the cooperation and support of the United States government that shows Brother Bingham, a Union officer, assisting Brother Armistead. This statue is extremely dramatic, and it is called the "Masonic Friend to Friend Masonic Memorial."

In the words of Sheldon A. Munn, one of the Freemasons who helped bring about the construction of this monument:

"The 'Friend to Friend Masonic Memorial,' at Gettysburg will help demonstrate to the world that Freemasonry is, indeed, a unique fraternity; that its bonds of friendship, compassion and brotherly love withstood the ultimate test during the most tragic and decisive period of our nation's history; it stood then as it stands now, as 'A Brotherhood Undivided!'"

You can see this monument on our website under the "Amazing stories and trivia items"

http://freemason574.org/Article_Gettysburg.htm

Happy birthday to all the Ladies of the Lodge Whose birthday is in April

APRIL BIRTHDAYS		ECHOES FROM THE PAST - (10 + Years)				
5	Fred	Lipscomb	Brother		Raised_	<u>Years</u>
5	Antonio	Balat	Claude	Woods	1958	59
6	Augustus	Phiasivongsa	Donald	Harding	1973	44
7	Kegan	Thomson	Glenn	James	1976	41
12	Bruce	Abel	Douglas	Campbell	1981	36
12	Devin	Breise	David	Mc Gill	1983	34
14	George	Brakeall	Edward	Jackson	1983	34
18	William	Mathis	Kent	Dau	1996	21
25	Robert	Hickok	Peter	Milovich	2004	13
28	Geordan	Mitchell				