



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

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**FROM THE EAST**

Brethren and Ladies:

Just like March, we had another busy month in April, and last month the year was one-fourth over and now one-third gone.

Let me start by saying thank you to all that were able to attend the reception for Worshipful Dave Haslim. It was a great event as you can see on page two. The social hour with the hors D'oeuvres allowed for all present to mingle and meet with each other and the Grand Lodge Officers as well as meet with the Grand Master. The Prime Rib and Salmon were well prepared, and many commented that Ranch Catering did a great job. The ceremony was done in a way that certainly honored Worshipful Haslim, and at the same time had its funny moments. Gifts from the Lodge were presented to Worshipful Dave and Lady Marty as well as to Lady Margo Heisner. A check was presented to Most Worshipful John Heisner for his 2017 charitable causes. SW Hackett can be proud of this event for Worshipful Dave knowing that it was well deserved and well done.

Like each year that he has presented us with a barbeque, Wor. Bob Salini again does it up royally! On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April, we all had another great time gathering at his house to enjoy the fellowship, storytelling and most of all the wonderful food.

Then also in April, SW Hackett has added two more Master Masons to its membership. On the 18<sup>th</sup>, we raised Brother Anthony Riordan, and on the 25<sup>th</sup> we raised Brother Alejandro Rodriguez. We all congratulate these worthy Brothers and look forward to their continued involvement in the Lodge.

Looking forward to another very busy month. Be sure to attend the Sequoia Spelling Bee on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

Join us to Honor our Hiram Award recipient, "JR" Knight, on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Then plan for a very nice lunch honoring our Honored Ladies on Saturday May 27<sup>th</sup>. **(See page 2 for details of all of these events).** Thank you all!

Dennis Stahr, Master  
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## **2017 OFFICERS**

Master .....	Dennis Stahr, PM
Sr. Warden .....	Ben Bridges
Jr. Warden .....	Robert Salini, PM
Treasurer.....	David Casper
Secretary.....	Dimiter Lyakov, PM
Chaplain.....	Steven Laurvick, PM
Sr. Deacon .....	Nicholas Baker
Jr. Deacon.....	Stefan Werkstetter
Marshall.....	Robert Scheeler
Sr. Steward .....	Jason Bockerman
Jr. Steward.....	Robert Gale
Tiler .....	Jim Achenbach, PM
Officer's Coach: .....	Dennis Stahr, PM
Officer's Coach: .....	Robert Salini, PM
Inspector, 921 <sup>st</sup> . Masonic District:	Richard W. Bullard, PM

## **MAY EVENTS**

2 Stated Dinner/Meeting (MOS presentation)	6:30 pm
9 Second Degree (Tentative)	6:30 pm
11 Sequoia Spelling Bee - 2017	6:00 pm
13 Hiram Award, Wor. William "JR" Knight	6:30 pm
15 OSI - third degree, second section	6:30 pm
16 Third degree (Tentative)	6:30 pm
27 Honored Ladies Luncheon	Noon
30 Masonic Education with Bro. Watson	6:30 pm

## **MAY STATED DINNER MENU**

Fiesta Salad  
Beef Fajitas  
Chicken Enchiladas  
Spanish rice  
Refried Beans  
Vanilla Ice Cream with Caramel Sauce

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](mailto:hackett@lodge.sdcoxmail.com).



**FROM THE WEST**

Greeting Brethren and families,

May is upon us, the warmer weather, the birds chirping and the animals singing. If you listen close you will hear just what they are saying. It doesn't take long to enjoy the sounds that nature provides, to listen to the wise counsel of the Great Architect played out through nature.

When I see a bird sitting in a tree singing to his brothers and sisters, friends and family I imagine he is telling them a story of his day. A great epic about what was lost and what was found. What does he see? What does he tell his friends and family about? I like to imagine he tells of stories of men and women who are harried and restless, unable to sit for even a moment and enjoy the company of one another ever hurrying from one task to the next.

Then, there is another group of people the bird speaks of. He talks about a group called Freemasons. He says when he watches this group of men do their work in the world he can see the difference they make. They are deliberate in their actions, true in their words and selfless in their giving. Each of these men have families and lives that demand their time as well, but they are willing to make a sacrifice of their own time in order to help relieve the suffering of others and restore peace to their troubled minds.

This bird and the stories he tells happen all around us all day long. When you make the excuse that "I just don't have the time to come to Lodge", ask yourself how can I make the time? When your time is up which story do you want the bird to tell of you? Albert Pike once said "That which we do for ourselves dies with us, that which we do for others is immortal". It is true the Lodge may survive without one or two members. It is true that one person alone cannot make or break it. However, it is also true that the Lodge is truly never its strongest when even one of its supports are missing. Make use of that valuable instrument of which you were informed and divide your time accordingly. Find a time for Lodge because the Lodge will always find a time for you.

Ben Bridges, Senior Warden

**EVENT DETAILS FOR MAY**

**Sequoia Spelling Bee** - Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. Location is the Sequoia Elementary School, 4960 Limerick Ave., San Diego, CA 92111. Lots of fun with the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students doing their best to win a monetary award for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Be there, you will enjoy it and they love having us there for the event.

**Hiram Award** - On Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup> SW Hackett Lodge will honor its Hiram Award recipient, Worshipful "JR" Knight. The dinner will begin at 6:30 pm with the celebration to follow in the Hackett Lodge room. Please make your reservations with the Secretary or the Master and be there to join with all the past honorees on this important night.



**2017 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS**

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

**WORSHIPFUL DAVID A. HASLIM  
SENIOR GRAND DEACON RECEPTION**



On the evening of April 11<sup>th</sup>, the reception was held to celebrate S.W. Hackett's, Worshipful Dave Haslim, Senior Grand Deacon. Most Worshipful John R. Heisner and Lady Margo, attended, as will several other Grand Lodge Officers (shown above). There was a great turnout for the dinner and ceremony, and the Master thanks all who joined in the reception. It was obvious that Worshipful Haslim was honored and that he and Lady Marty had a good time. Most Worshipful Heisner and Lady Margo were as gracious as always and thanked the Master and the committee for their work in presenting this important event.

**EVENT DETAILS FOR MAY (CONTINUED)**

**Honored Ladies Luncheon** - To be held on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at noon at the Marie Callender's at 950 Alvarado Rd. San Diego, CA 92120. This is another of the events that is a fun gathering to honor the widows of our Brother Masons. Maebelle Haslim is graciously organizing the event and will need an RSVP so that she can make reservations. Call or email Worshipful Dimiter or the Master

## TWO FOUNDERS, ONE NAVY, PART II

Tacumshane County Wexford Ireland the Barry family is being evicted by an English Landlord. John the son is soon to be working his uncles fishing skiff and later become a cabin boy and well on his way of learning the ways of the sea in almost the same way as John Paul Jones. John Barry went on to adopt the Pennsylvania Colony because of its religious tolerance, as he is Catholic. 12-7-1775 John Hancock issued the first Commission of the Continental Congress to John Barry and the command of the 14 gun Lexington that December.

More than sixty five vessels of all types will serve in the Continental Navy of which Captain Barry will command four. The second in 1777 was the brig Delaware under a letter of Marque, raiding and capturing vessels on the Delaware River. The third was the Raleigh, capturing three prize ships before running aground and forced to be scuttled to avoid immediate capture but was later raised by the British. Lastly the Alliance which fought the final naval battle of the revolution off Cape Canaveral while serving as an escort vessel severely damaging and driving off its British adversary.

During the Revolution British offers of remuneration and a commission were offered if he would desert and it is said his reply was that not all the money in the British Treasury or command of its entire fleet could tempt him to desert his adopted country.

The 1783 treaty of Paris officially ended the war with England and the Colonies and the need for the war's surviving eleven ships and that Congress ordered the Continental Navy Disbanded and in 1785 saw the Alliance the last ship of the fleet auctioned off for \$26,000.

George Washington as President of the United States, under the Naval Act of 1794, due to growing external threats called upon a brother Mason of Lodge No.2 Philadelphia and veteran of the Revolution, John Barry on Feb. 1797 to receive Commission No.1 dated 6-4-1794. In the following 20 years the U.S. Navy saw it involved in the Quasi-war with France, the Barbary Pirates, and the War of 1812. Commodore John Barry the first Flag Officer led the U.S. Navy until his death on Sept. 12, 1803. Many naval heroes of 1812 were trained under his command. Dr. Benjamin Rush (Signer of the Declaration of Independence) stated that he fought often and bled once in the cause of freedom, but his habits of war did not lessen in him the peaceful virtues which adorn his private life

Submitted by Clint Black, PM

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## CELEBRATE WITH A TABLE LODGE

Celebrate the summer solstice and the 300th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of England, with your brethren at a depiction of a Table Lodge. In 1717, when the Mother Grand Lodge was formed to revitalize the Lodges in and around London, one of the reasons given was "To hold the Annual Feast". The dress will be formal. Please remember this seven course banquet with toasts is all about having fun and fellowship.



## BROTHER ANTHONY ROIRDAN,



On April 18<sup>th</sup>, Brother Anthony Riordan became a Master Mason. He was obligated a Master Mason by Wor. David Haslim, Senior Grand Deacon. Wor. Bob Salini, PM, gave a beautiful lecture and Wor. Jim Achenbach, PM, Tiler, perfectly delivered the charge.

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## BROTHER ALEJANDRO RODRIGUEZ,



On April 25<sup>th</sup>, Brother Alejandro Rodriguez Salas became a Master Mason. He was obligated a Master Mason by Wor. Michael Allen, PM, Wor. Bob Salini, PM, gave a beautiful lecture and Wor. Jim Achenbach, PM, delivered a beautiful charge. Also joining us was our visitor, Wor. Richard Lattizzori, Past Mater of Globe Unity Lodge in Dalton, MA.

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Essentially, a Table Lodge is a Masonic banquet with toasts, and yet it is much more than that. It is a special Lodge ceremony in itself, very ancient, with a ritual, formalities, and a special terminology, which is of considerable interest.

It was born from the idea of the feast, and the desire to promote a greater degree of fellowship and kinship in Masonry. Both the affection of friends and the love for the fraternity flourished within its walls. Its meetings were more like a reunion than a regular Lodge meeting, and it became a center of relaxation, celebration, and inspiration in Freemasonry.

SW Hackett Table Lodge, Saturday, June 24, 2017. Brethren, if you have not already done so, please take the time today, to make your reservation for our table lodge dinner. The price is set at \$35 and includes: Dinner Menu: Course 1-Hors d'oeuvre, Course 2-Appetizer, Course 3-Salad, Course 4-Soup, Course-5-Palate Cleanser, Course 6-Entree, Course 7- Individual Dessert. Hard and Soft Beverages for Toasts, SW Hackett Commemorative Shot Glass. Masons only. Contact me by email [magicalmason574@gmail.com](mailto:magicalmason574@gmail.com) or cell phone 951-805-7318.

**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

14 Robert Smith  
15 Rene Romero  
20 Leonard Kulhanjian  
21 Dimiter Lyakov  
23 Gary Jones  
24 Jason Hicks  
25 Richard Applestill  
26 George Glavis  
26 Luis Deorsola  
26 Jason Bockerman  
29 Claude Woods

**ECHOES FROM THE PAST - (10 + Years)**

<u>Brother</u>	<u>Raised</u>	<u>Years</u>
Matthew Botu	1949	<b>68</b>
Alfred Strickman	1952	<b>65</b>
Robert Hutchinson	1960	<b>57</b>
Clair Martin	1978	<b>39</b>
Bruce Marx	1979	<b>38</b>
Clinton Black	1994	<b>23</b>
David Casper	1996	<b>21</b>
Richard Applestill	1997	<b>20</b>
Eric Straub	2001	<b>16</b>
Jason Hicks	2006	<b>11</b>