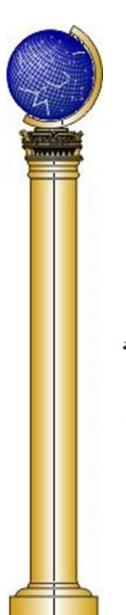
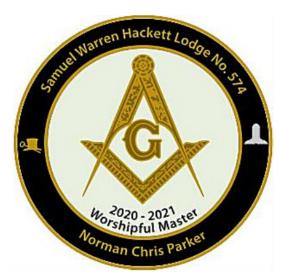
## TRESTLEBOARD



### S. W. Hackett Lodge No. 574

Free and Accepted Masons of the State of California Chartered October 11th, 1923





Freemasonry is founded on the immutable laws of Truth and Justice and its grand object is to promote the happiness of the human race.

~ George Washington ~

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**MAY 2021** 





# FROM THE EAST

### WM Norman C. Parker

Worshipful Sirs, and Brethren,

The Month of May is rapidly approaching with new challenges and requirements for our Masonic organizations. For those who were unable to attend the Town Hall last Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, our California Grand Master of Masons, Most Worshipful Art Weiss, issued a directive dated 13 APR 2021 regarding the re-opening process for California Masonic Lodges as well as Masonic Youth Organizations to conduct indoor in-person Masonic meetings and events. This directive, which I have captured on Pages 8-10 in this Trestleboard for your immediate reference, is in conjunction with the latest California State and San Diego County COVID-19 Private Event guidelines.

The Officers of our Lodge are currently working with the 921<sup>st</sup> District Inspector, Worshipful Richard "Dick" Bullard, and the San Diego Scottish Rite Center (SRC) on the details of scheduling the re-opening of the Lodges within the SRC.

During the Officer School of Instructions (OSI) session held last Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, the 921<sup>St</sup> District Inspector informed us that it will take the SRC approximately 4-6 weeks after the Grand Master's directive has been issued to develop, complete, and distribute the Site Prevention Plan (SPP) required by the State & County guidelines, and the GM's directive. This plan must be in place prior to re-opening of any of the Lodges and Concordant Bodies which operate or function within the SRC. This gives the Lodges located in the SRC a tentative date of the first week of June for the first official opportunity to perform an in-person meeting.

### The option to hold "Virtual" meetings remains, and we will likely exercise that option for a few months more.

Please remember to check the "Special Announcements" section of the Trestleboard for planned activities.

I would like to wish all mothers a special Happy Mother's Day and, a safe and honorable celebration for our Veterans who have given the ultimate sacrifice for our beloved county. Thank You - "You will never be forgotten."

On behalf of all of our Officers, I continue to wish you good health, safety, and non-adverse reactions to the vaccinations!

I look forward to seeing you on 4 May 2021 at our next "Virtual Stated Meeting."

Sincerely and Fraternally, N. Chris Parker Worshipful Master



#### MAY EVENTS

Subject to change

04 Virtual Stated Meeting 7:30 pm

JUNE EVENTS

Subject to change

01 Virtual Stated Meeting 7:30 pm

MAY 4 STATED MEETING DINNER

CANCELED DUE TO COVID-19

#### EDITOR'S CONTINUAL REQUEST

We have been able to get our mailing costs down by using email for the delivery of the Trestleboard. It will be very helpful if we achieve more email deliveries.

Let us know if you have a working email address so that we can begin emailing your Trestleboard. This will help save the Lodge money for postage.

You can email Worshipful Dimiter, our Lodge Secretary, at <a href="mailto:hackettlodge@gmail.com">hackettlodge@gmail.com</a>

#### FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

# The 2021 Annual Dues are \$121

- BRING YOUR DUES CURRENT.
- If you haven't already, please pay your dues for 2021.

#### Be a supporter of your great Lodge!

Fraternally, Dimiter Lyakov, PM

#### MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

| Name                 | Date Raised |    |
|----------------------|-------------|----|
| Clinton R. Black     | 5/19/1994   | 26 |
| David P. Casper      | 5/30/1996   | 24 |
| Vaughn W. Franklin   | 5/23/2017   | 3  |
| Robert t. Gale       | 5/13/2014   | 6  |
| Robert E. Hutchinson | 5/25/1960   | 60 |
| Clair P. Martin      | 5/16/1978   | 42 |
| Bruce C. Marx        | 5/17/1979   | 41 |
| Eric R. Straub       | 5/28/2001   | 19 |
| Alfred E. Stickman   | 5/20/1952   | 68 |



#### 2021 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

| Audit                       | Dennis Stahr, PM   |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Audit                       | Robert Scheeler    |
| Audit                       | Benjamin Pulido    |
| <b>Budget &amp; Finance</b> | Chris Parker, WM   |
| <b>Budget &amp; Finance</b> | Dimiter Lyakov, PM |
| <b>Budget &amp; Finance</b> | Robert Scheeler    |
| Charity                     | Chris Parker, WM   |
| Charity                     | David Haslim, PM   |
| Charity                     | Dennis Stahr, PM   |
| Member Retention            | David Casper       |
| Delinquent Dues             | David Casper       |
| Funeral                     | David Haslim, PM   |
| Honored Ladies              | Maebelle Haslim    |
| Life Membership             | David Casper       |
| <b>Masonic Education</b>    | Jim Achenbach, PM  |
| Calif. Annual Fund          | Robert Salini, PM  |
| Public Schools              | Jim Achenbach, PM  |
| Entertainment               | Benjamin Pulido    |
| Sunshine & Visit            | Chris Parker, WM   |
| Masonic Outreach            | Chris Parker, WM   |
| Trestleboard                | Chris Parker, WM   |
| Website                     | Dennis Stahr, PM   |

#### MAY BIRTHDAYS

| 20 | Leonard V. Kulhanjian |
|----|-----------------------|
| 21 | Dimiter K. Lyakov     |
| 26 | Jason P. Bockerman    |
| 26 | George O. Glavis      |



## Ladies Corner

Dear Ladies,

As we welcome May – the month of flowers and colors – I'd like to quote these May blessings in wishing you and your family steadfast hope and faith as we continue our journey together though this pandemic...

May you be happy.

May you be well.

May you be safe.

May you find comfort.

May you have strength.

May you have courage.

May you find healing.

May you find peace.

May you have joy.

May you be filled with loving kindness.

And may you and your family and loved ones be blessed, today and always.



### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

# Brethren, You have 3 options available to pay your 2021 Dues

Please remember 2021 Dues were due on 31 December 2020

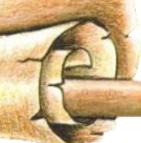
- \* Make a Check for \$121
  - Payable to: S. W. Hackett Lodge No. 574
  - And mail to:

S. W. Hackett Lodge No. 574 1895 Camino Del Rio South San Diego CA 92108-3683

- \* Using your bank online, Pay Bill free of charge service order E-check for \$121
  - Payable to: S. W. Hackett Lodge No. 574
  - And mail to:

S. W. Hackett Lodge No. 574 1895 Camino Del Rio South San Diego CA 92108-3683 Tel. No. 619-295-4420

- \* Using Lodge PayPal Account hackettlodge@gmail.com
  - Pay \$128 (\$121 plus Transaction Fee)





# From the Secretary's Desk:

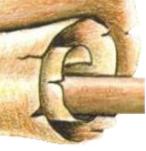
2021 Dues Cards can be printed by every member when he logs in to iMember 2.0

at <a href="https://member.freemason.org">https://member.freemason.org</a> with his name and Member ID # shown on the 2021 Dues Card.

If you don't have it, let me know and I will send it to you.

If you have a problem with logging in,
let me know as well.
I can create your Dues Card and email it to you
or, if you don't have a printer,
I can print it and mail it to you.

Dimiter Lyakov, PM Secretary



## MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND MASTER OF CA



#### GRAND LODGE FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF CALIFORNIA

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#### Reopening Directive Permission to Hold In-Person Meetings and Events, Subject to Limitations

April 13, 2021

Dear Brethren,

On April 2, 2021, the California Department of Public Health issued new guidance on gatherings, private events and meetings. This guidance updates California's COVID-19 Blueprint for a Safer Economy, also known as the state's reopening plan. The reopening plan assigns each county in California to a risk tier based upon the level of COVID-19 spread in that county. As part of these updates to the state's reopening plan, indoor private events and meetings will be allowed, with limitations, beginning on April 15 in counties assigned to the red, orange and yellow tiers, but not to the purple tier. (A description of the reopening plan's limitations on private events and meetings can be found in Exhibit A of this directive.)

At a high level, the applicable limitations are:

- 1. Indoor private events and meetings are not permitted in counties assigned to the purple tier.
- 2. There must be a guest list and a seating chart for any meeting or event.
- 3. Attendees must show proof of full COVID-19 vaccination or proof of a negative test within the last 72 hours.
- 4. The facility must create and implement a COVID-19 site prevention plan.
- 5. Under the California mask mandate, attendees must wear a face mask unless they are specifically exempted under the mandate.

Therefore, <u>effective April 15, 2021</u>, my October 2020 directives regarding in-person meetings are amended as follows:

(1) Masonic lodges may, but are not required to, resume holding in-person meetings and events, provided that all of the following requirements are satisfied:

Prior to the lodge resuming in-person, indoor meetings and events:

- The county in which the lodge holds its meetings is *not* in the purple tier of the state's reopening plan.
- The master of the lodge determines that the county in which the lodge holds its meeting permits in-person private meetings and events. Individual counties may issue limitations that are stricter than state restrictions, in which case the county limitations supersede the state regulations.

### MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND MASTER OF CA

### Grand Master's Reopening Directive Page Two of Two

- The master of the lodge concludes that resuming in-person meetings and events can be done safely and in compliance with this directive.
- The hall association (in consultation with the lodge) conducts a risk assessment of the meeting site; prepares a written COVID-19 site prevention plan that includes on-site guidelines to be followed by lodges; and takes steps necessary to effectuate the prevention plan. (A template for risk assessment and prevention plans will be provided by the grand secretary for reference.)
- At each in-person meeting and event, the master must ensure that the event adheres to the limitations for private events contained in the state's reopening plan (see Exhibit A attached to this directive), the applicable county's orders and guidance, and the site's COVID-19 prevention plan.

Lodges may also conduct outdoor events provided that the event complies with the state's limits (see *Exhibit A* attached) and applicable county orders and guidance for outdoor events.

- (2) Masonic Organizations may conduct in-person meetings and events under the same limitations and conditions set out above for lodge meetings (as applicable).
- (3) Masonic Youth Orders may conduct in-person meetings and events provided that such meetings and events are permitted by the state and the applicable county and the Youth Order follows state and county restrictions and guidance.
- (4) Pursuant to my October 2020 directives:
  - Lodges may continue, at their discretion, to hold virtual stated meetings.
  - Masonic funeral and burial services may be conducted consistent with the directions of a licensed funeral director.
  - Masons and members of Masonic Organizations and Youth Orders may continue to attend events that are not sponsored by a lodge, hall, Masonic Organization or Youth Order.

Today's reopening directive is the first step in our return to in-person Masonic meetings and activities. As the state provides additional information on safe in-person meetings, I may issue further directives. I have asked the grand secretary to provide additional guidance, consistent with today's directive, regarding in-person meetings.

This directive and additional guidance provided by the grand secretary including a template prevention plan is attached and can be found online at <a href="https://freemason.org/covid19">https://freemason.org/covid19</a>.

My directives have no force or effect after my term as grand master ends.

Sincerely and fraternally,

ARTHUR H. WEISS

Grand Master



#### **EXHIBIT A**

**Grand Master's Reopening Directive** 

# EXCERPTS FROM CALIFORNIA'S REOPENING PLAN REGARDING PRIVATE EVENTS

(Effective April 15, 2021)

|  | Tier 1<br>Widespread<br>Purple   | Tier 2<br>Substantial<br>Red  | Tier 3<br>Moderate<br>Orange   | Tier 4<br>Minimal<br>Yellow  |
|--|--|---|--|--|
| Private Events (meetings / receptions / conferences)  Required mitigation measures:  Purchase tickets or defined guest list Seating chart / assigned seating Testing and | <ul> <li>Outdoor only</li> <li>Maximum 25 people</li> <li>If all guests are tested or show proof of full vaccination: Max 100</li> </ul> | Outdoor:  • Maximum 50 people • If all guests are tested or show proof full vaccination: Maximum 200 people | Outdoor:  • Maximum 100 people • If all guests are tested or show proof full vaccination: Maximum 300 people | Outdoor:  • Maximum 200 people • If all guests are tested or show proof full vaccination: Maximum 400 people |
| vaccination can increase capacity  No intermingling of multiple private events   |  | If all guests are tested or show proof of full vaccination:     Maximum 100 people                          | If all guests are tested or show proof of full vaccination:     Maximum 150 people                           | If all guests are tested or show proof of full vaccination:     Maximum 200 people                           |

