



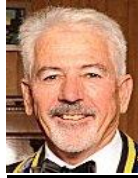
# S.W. Hackett Lodge# 574 F&AM

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### FROM THE EAST

Brethren and Ladies,

Well June is upon us. Norma and I returned from our Mediterranean Cruise, and I must report that it was fantastic. Between the food and ancient sights that we saw, the Acropolis, Pompeii, Santorini, Rome, Malta, and Sicily, we had a wonderful time, and hung out with friends from the Al Bahr Shrine.

Coming back to the Lodge, it looks like Brother Aquino's second degree went well, and that Jr. Knight, PM, took care of the stated meeting, and lodge in great Hackett style. I've been working with Maebelle Haslim to put together a lunch, or an appropriate event for the Honored Ladies of SW Hackett, which will be announced at a later time. The SW Hackett annual picnic is scheduled for Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12 noon. Once again it's at Santee lakes and please invite your friends and brothers to enjoy this event with us. We are working on an initiation coming up soon, maybe in June, and we will keep you posted of the candidate's progress.

On another note, every year we have to look at our books as to the membership, and it is my sad duty to report that there will be a few suspensions again this year, as some of the Brothers have not paid their dues for two years. This truly is sad news to me, and I wish I had an answer to the problem. We are following the California Masonic Code, and we have our member retention committee doing all they can to keep our members current, however we must adhere to the CMC or have our charter suspended.

Having said that, June is the month that we honor the teacher of the year, as so chosen at Sequoia Elementary. So please make your reservation and come to the June Stated Meeting and fellowship with us all. I'd like to thank all of our Brethren and Ladies for their continued support of our Lodge.

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 Fraternaly,  
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 .....Dimitter Lyakov, PM  
Chaplain.....Benjamin Pulido  
Sr. Deacon.....Stefan Werkstetter  
Jr. Deacon .....Robert Gale  
Marshall .....Robert Scheeler  
Sr. Steward.....Mario Urbino  
Jr. Steward.....Horatio Johnson  
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

### JUNE EVENTS

5 Stated Dinner/Meeting Teacher of the Year 6:30 pm  
12 Qualifying / Proficiencies Starting at 4:30 pm  
18 OSI (1<sup>st</sup> degree 1<sup>st</sup> section, 574 does work) 6:00 pm  
19 Masonic Education 6:30 pm  
23 Hackett picnic at Santee Lakes Noon  
26 Qualifying / Proficiencies Starting at 4:30 pm

### JUNE STATED DINNER MENU

Spring Mix with Strawberries  
Chicken Parmesan / Baked Red Snapper  
Rice Pilaf / Peas & Carrots  
Pineapple Upside-down Cake

### SPECIAL NOTE - IMPORTANT!

**YOU MUST MAKE RESERVATION FOR THE FREE JUNE DINNER OR YOU CANNOT BE ADMITTED TO EAT. IT IS THE TEACHER OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION AND RANCH CATERING MUST HAVE THE ACCURATE NUMBER OF GUESTS NO LATER THAN THE 29<sup>TH</sup> OF MAY. FOR RESERVATION, CALL WOR. DIMITTER, OUR SECRETARY, AT 858-350-9449 OR TEXT AT HIS CELL NUMBER: 858-229-4480 OR YOU CAN EMAIL TO: dlyakov@pacbell.net. GIVE YOUR NAME AND NUMBER OF GUESTS.**



**FROM THE SOUTH**

The Jr. Warden sends fraternal Greetings to the Brethren and ladies this month, and is looking forward to the Lodge Picnic at Santee Lakes.

Due to business travel, there is not an article with Masonic Content from the South in June.

Best regards,

John Fitch, PM, Junior Warden

**2018 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS**

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

**THE GREAT SEQUOIA SPELLING BEE**



On May 3<sup>rd</sup> SW Hackett Lodge, as every year, sponsored the Sequoia Elementary School’s Spelling Bee for the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Principal Kissel, all the teacher and students appreciate so much seeing the Hackett Lodge Brothers, wives and families attend the event. All the students are pictured here. Wor. Jim Achenbach, PM, presented monetary awards to the top three places for each grade. You should have been there, always so much fun.

**BROTHER JERRY AQUINO IS PASSED TO THE DEGREE OF FELLOWCRAFT**

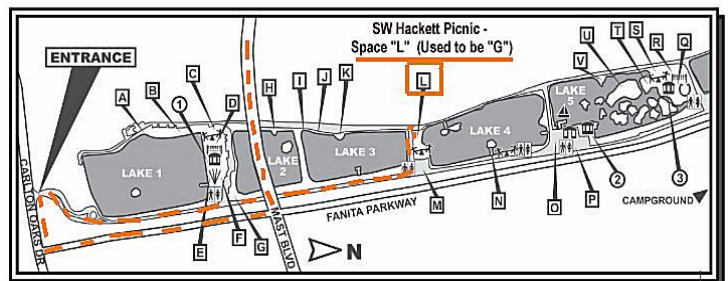


On April 24<sup>th</sup>, SW Hackett gained another Fellow Craft Mason as Brother Jerry Aquino was passed to that degree. Brother Jerry was obligated a Fellow Craft Mason by Wor. Dennis Stahr who was in the East for the degree. Wor. “JR” knight presented the Middle Chamber lecture and Wor. Dave Haslim delivered a perfect charge. Brother Jerry is a Merchant Marine and departed again the day after the degree and will not be returning until October. Congratulations Brother Jerry.

**SW HACKETT LODGE PICNIC WITH A SPECIAL NOTICE !**

On Saturday June 23<sup>rd</sup>, come out and attend our Lodge Picnic at Santee Lakes. Plenty of things to do for all. Fishing, boating, water spray/play areas for kids, hiking, mixing and eating. Please volunteer and sign up at the June Stated Meeting to bring something on our list or call the lodge office most Tuesdays after four for info.

See you there with a hardy appetite for dogs, burgers and more. Friends and families are also welcome!



**9310 Fanita Parkway Santee, CA 92071 - Space L**

**SPECIAL NOTICE:** In past years we were in space “G”. Well, we are still in the same space, but we were informed by Santee Lakes that the areas have been re-lettered. So, we will be in Space “L” which is the old Space “G”. And again, the same space as before.

**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](mailto:info@freemason574.org) on or before the 19<sup>th</sup> of every month. Thank you!

## SOME MASONIC WRITERS AND RESEARCHERS DEFINITIONS OF FREEMASONRY

### **William Preston:**

Freemasonry's role is spreading knowledge. Masons should study and learn more about all subjects. Another idea is that Freemasonry's purpose is the perfection of humanity by organizing the moral sentiments of mankind, improving law and government.

George Oliver felt Freemasonry is best understood in relation to the philosophy of religion, as a means for us to know God and his works, by handing down tradition.

Albert Pike said that Freemasonry is a method of studying basic principles and its goal is to reveal and give us possession of the universal principle by which we may master the universe, the Absolute. We should study the allegories and symbols of Freemasonry until they reveal the light to each of us individually.

### **Roscoe Pound:**

He and others in the early 1900's talked about a modern approach, that Freemasonry's goal is to preserve, develop, and transmit to posterity the civilization passed on to us, by insisting on the universality of mankind and the transmission of an immemorial tradition of human solidarity.

William E. Hammond talked of moral discipline, where Masonry produces the finest type of character and culture through fellowship and mutual helpfulness.

Joseph Fort Newton said Freemasonry is a form of public service and public mindedness. We have a social duty to help our neighbors by work in our communities, to promote the freedoms of the mind unhampered by dictation by anyone, with education for all to maintain democracy, and to unite people in common service for mankind.

### **Allen E. Roberts:**

He and Albert Mackey said Masonry is a system of ethics and brotherhood, making men better not just to themselves but to each other. It teaches the meaning of life and death, with the search for the lost word, the attempt to find God's truth in our lives. We should act towards others as we want them to act towards us, with faith in the social, eternal, and intellectual progress of mankind.

### **H.L. Haywood:**

Freemasonry is a system of ethics, showing each man the way toward a new birth of his nature as symbolized in the Hiram Abif drama, bringing divine power to bear on each individual. The great teachings of Freemasonry are equality, which is synonymous with Masonry, meaning the equal right of all people to use our own minds and abilities; liberty, meaning the unhindered full exercise of our nature and mind; and the right of people to govern themselves, even if they sometimes make mistakes. He was optimistic about the human ability to improve through education, to enrich human life with the human family living happily together.

## GAVELS IN FREEMASONRY - BY PAUL M. BESSEL

"Perhaps no lodge appliance or symbol is possessed of such deep and absorbing interest to the craft as the Master's mallet or gavel. Nothing in the entire range of Masonic paraphernalia and formulary can boast of an antiquity so unequivocally remote," according to Joseph F. Ford in *Early History and Antiquities of Freemasonry*. Gavels, hammers, mallets, or mauls, have both practical and symbolic uses in lodges and other meetings, as well as both practical and symbolic uses in operative and speculative Freemasonry. The gavel has been generally adopted by Masonic bodies and many other groups as a means to call meetings to order, keep order, announce the results of votes, and otherwise punctuate actions of the group.

In a larger sense, gavels symbolize the executive power, or it can be thought of as a symbol of authority without the use of force. The gavel is an emblem of the authority of the Master in governing the Lodge. At the installation of a Master he is informed, upon being tendered this implement, that it constitutes the essential element of his authority over the assembled brethren, without which his efforts to preserve order and subordination would be ineffectual. It is the symbol that inducts him into the possession of the Masonic lodge.

The appropriate item for this purpose should be wooden with a flat surface at one end and a pointed surface at the other. French and Spanish Freemasons sometimes refer to it as the "president's hammer" and use an instrument that is flat at both ends, then slightly pinched, and larger again in the middle. The gavel should not resemble a setting maul. The gavel is sometimes confused with the setting maul which is a different instrument used for different purposes.

The gavel is an implement of both the Master and his Wardens, and is an emblem of power, while the maul is a heavy wooden hammer with which the mason drives his chisel. It is also inappropriate to use a little auctioneer's hammer in place of a gavel, as this may connote that the initiate is being sold. The gavel of the Master of a Lodge is also called a "Hiram" because, like that architect, it governs the Craft and keeps order in the Lodge as Hiram did in the Temple

**Use by Operative and Speculative Masons:** Freemasons are taught that the common gavel is one of the working tools of an Entered Apprentice. It is used by operative masons to break off the corners of rough ashlar and thus fit them the better for the builder's use. The gavel is adopted in Speculative Freemasonry to admonish us of the duty of divesting our minds and consciences of all the vices and impurities of life, thereby fitting our bodies or minds as living stones for the spiritual building, not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Years later, even when one has attained the highest rank in the Lodge by becoming its Master, the same implement of a gavel is placed in his hand as a reminder that we all need to continue to strive for improvements in our manner and character. Albert Pike felt the mallet and chisel (and gavel) symbolized development of the intellect of each individual and of society. He wrote, "...a man's intellect is all his own, held direct from God.

**Happy birthday to all the Ladies of the Lodge  
Whose birthday is in June**

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

7	David	Haslim
9	James	Campbell
12	Morgan	Thompson
13	Dustin	Capps
16	Michael	Allen
17	Dennis	Stahr
17	Stephen	Hannum
26	Scottie	McLain
27	Jack	Miller
27	George	Sorensen
29	Dennis	Campbell
29	Aaron	Thomas
30	Henry	Marbott

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

<u>Brother</u>	<u>Raised</u>	<u>Years</u>
Grant	Kramer	1969 <b>49</b>
Gerald	Winstanley	1973 <b>45</b>
Dennis	Campbell	1978 <b>40</b>
Luiz	Deorsola	2003 <b>15</b>
Benjamin	Pulido	2005 <b>13</b>