

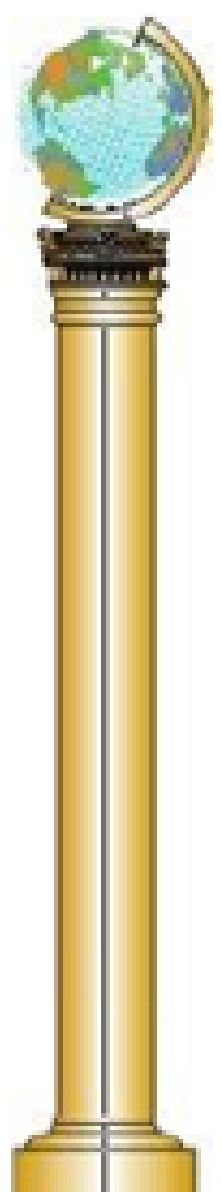
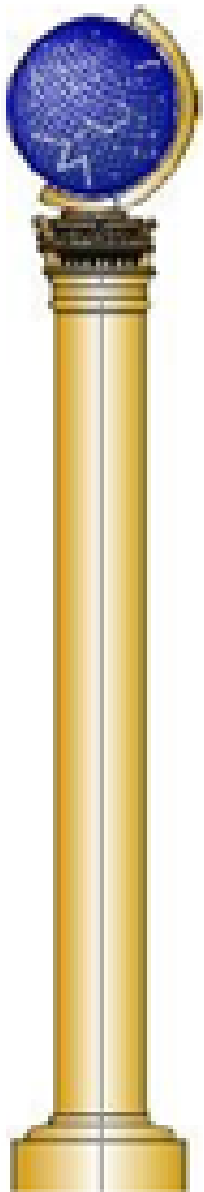
# TRESTLEBOARD



## Samuel Warren Hackett Lodge No. 574

Free and Accepted Masons of the State of California

Chartered October 11<sup>th</sup>, 1923



“Freemasonry is not about  
how good of a man you are ...  
... It's about how good of a man  
you want to be.” Robert Herd

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**JUNE 2020**



# FROM THE EAST

## WM Norman C. Parker

To our Masonic Family,

It's May and the stay-at-home orders from the Government and Health organizations are still in full effect for the time being. As we all continue to travel down this rough and rugged road, we all should keep in mind and understand that some of our members fall into the high-risk group. This makes it imperative to continue being diligent and compliant with the official guidelines so we can all get through this safe and healthy. Please remember to practice safe distancing to protect yourselves, families, friends, and our fraternities, and to wear facial coverings in public at all times.

For your immediate reference, I have posted in the Special Announcements of this month's Trestleboard the letter of our Grand Master, John E. Trauner, dated May 6<sup>th</sup>, regarding the status of our Masonic activities and events. Aside from his "instructions to lodges on the payment of essential bills and charity," Most Worshipful Trauner also mentioned of a "new virtual program for Masters, Wardens, and other lodge leaders to take place sometime in June. In addition, the California Masonic Symposium will also be a "virtual experience" to be offered on July 16<sup>th</sup>. For more information on Grand Lodge events, please visit [this website](#) provided in said letter. Moreover, you can also contribute to the [Distressed Worthy Brother Relief Fund](#) to assist our Worthy Brethren and Masonic families.

The Scottish Rite Building in Mission Valley continues to be closed at this time. It is currently scheduled to open this June 1<sup>st</sup>, though I personally am uncertain that is going to happen yet. As we all have been informed, Most Worshipful Trauner has also indicated in said letter that there will be no Masonic or Concordant Body activities during this time which require meetings or gatherings until further notice. This is just not fun at all! So what can we do? Well, we can still call, text, or email each other to maintain our communication and engagement.

It is during these challenging times where we are presented with opportunities to bring out the best in us. I would like to take this moment to commend our Officers for their outpouring support for our Lodge and our members, delivering food, shopping for some of the members who are unable to leave their homes, to the well-being calls with Brethren and widows. Keep up the good work and the wonderful support for our members, executing your responsibilities, and providing assistance in a time of need. To each of you and to those who continue to go to work to support our communities, I appreciate your commitment and dedication during this dynamic time. A job well done to all!

I hope everyone and your families are doing well. If you or if you know of any of our Brethren/Ladies/Masonic families who need anything, I encourage you to give the Lodge or any of our Officers a call, leave us a message, and we will do our best to assist you as much as we can.

I would also like to take this chance to express special "Happy Father's Day" greetings to all the wonderful Fathers.

Stay safe, stay well, and know you are all in my prayers.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Respectfully yours,  
N. Chris Parker  
Worshipful Master

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## 2020 OFFICERS

|                 |                       |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Master          | Norman "Chris" Parker |
| Sr. Warden      | Nicholas Baker        |
| Jr. Warden      |                       |
| Treasurer       | David Casper          |
| Secretary       | Dimiter Lyakov, PM    |
| Chaplain        | Robert Salini, PM     |
| Sr. Deacon      | Jeremy Weber          |
| Jr. Deacon      | Mark Helton           |
| Marhsal         | Robert Scheeler       |
| Sr. Steward     | Joseph Jordan         |
| Jr. Steward     | Benjamin Pulido       |
| Tiler           | Jim Achenbach, PM     |
| Officer's Coach | Dennis Stahr, PM      |
| Officer's Coach | Robert Salini, PM     |

### Inspector, 921st Masonic District

Richard W. Bullard, PM

## JUNE EVENTS

**TBD**

## JULY EVENTS

**Subject to change**

|    |   |         |
|----|---|---------|
| 07 | Stated Dinner/Meeting/                      | 6:30 pm |
| 14 | Practice of Officer Qualifications          | 5:30 pm |
| 21 | Practice of Officer Qualifications          | 5:30 pm |
| 27 | OSI / 1 <sup>st</sup> Degree Second Section | 6:00 pm |
|    | SW Hackett (Host)                           |         |
| 28 | Practice of Officer Qualifications          | 5:30 pm |

## JUNE 2 STATED MEETING DINNER

- Subject to change -

Tomato Macaroni Salad  
Meat Lasagna  
Tilapia  
Parsley Potatoes  
Zucchini Blend  
Breadsticks  
Tiramisu

Dinner cost is \$15 per person.

Make your lodge reservations with the Lodge Secretary

**on Monday, June 1st** (if the SRC is open)

at 619-295-4420 or email to:

[hackettlodge@gmail.com](mailto:hackettlodge@gmail.com)

## 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 and money for postage.

You can email Worshipful Dimiter, our Lodge Secretary, at [hackettlodge@gmail.com](mailto:hackettlodge@gmail.com)

## FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

- Reminder to use our main email address: [hackettlodge@gmail.com](mailto:hackettlodge@gmail.com)
- IMPORTANT NOTE: **The 2020 Annual Dues is \$118.**
  - BRING YOUR DUES CURRENT.
  - **If you haven't already, please pay your dues for 2020.** As of this time, we have **22 members** who are not in good standing.

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

Fraternally,  
Dimiter Lyakov, PM

## ECHOES FROM THE PAST

| Name                   | Date Raised | No. of Years |
|------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Gerald Winstanley (PM) | 6/5/1973    | 47           |
| Dennis M. Campbell     | 6/29/1978   | 42           |
| Benjamin P. Pulido     | 6/14/2005   | 15           |
| Paul B. Stephenson     | 6/30/2009   | 11           |
| Dustin K. Capps        | 5/25/1960   | 7            |
| Aleksei E. Sviridov    | 5/20/1952   | 4            |



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## COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

|                    |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Audit              | Nicholas Baker    |
| Audit              | Robert Scheeler   |
| Audit              | Benjamin Pulido   |
| Budget & Finance   | Robert Scheeler   |
| Charity            | Chris Parker, WM  |
| Charity            | Nicholas Baker    |
| Member Retention   | David Casper      |
| Delinquent Dues    | David Casper      |
| Funeral            | David Haslim, PM  |
| Honored Ladies     | Maebelle Haslim   |
| Life Membership    | Joseph Jordan     |
| Life Membership    | David Casper      |
| Masonic Education  | Jim Achenbach, PM |
| Calif. Annual Fund | Robert Salini, PM |
| Public Schools     | Jim Achenbach, PM |
| Entertainment      | Benjamin Pulido   |
| Sunshine & Visit   | Jeremy Weber      |
| Masonic Outreach   | Chris Parker, WM  |
| Trestleboard       | Chris Parker, WM  |
| Website            | Dennis Stahr, PM  |

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

|    |                         |
|----|-------------------------|
| 7  | David A. Haslim         |
| 9  | James W. Campbell       |
| 12 | Morgan A. Thompson, Jr. |
| 13 | Dustin K. Capps         |
| 16 | Michael J. Allen        |
| 17 | Stephen B. Hannum       |
| 17 | Dennis P. Stahr         |
| 28 | Harold E. Robison II    |
| 29 | Dennis M. Campbell      |





# Ladies' Corner

Warmest greetings, dear Ladies!

While it seems it will be some time before we see each other again, Chris and I continue to plan and be prepared for when we know we will have our meetings and events.

For reference, below is our matrix of table decorations for the remainder of the year.

|                  |                |                 |                    |
|------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| <b>July</b>      | Marty Haslim   | <b>October</b>  | Judy Black         |
| <b>August</b>    | Finesse Parker | <b>November</b> | Finesse Parker     |
| <b>September</b> | Beverly Lynn   | <b>December</b> | from Nov. activity |

Thought I'd share with you one of the things I've been doing when I take a break from my work week and household chores... I have made a number of bead bracelets, having learned tips and tricks from Lady Ingrid Stahr at our March activity. (Thank you again, Ingrid!) Chris and I have also been "cooking away" whenever we get a chance. I've included a few photos of these bracelets below.

If you would like to share your stories and/or photos of what you have been preoccupied with during this pandemic, please send them to me via my email at [finesseparker@yahoo.com](mailto:finesseparker@yahoo.com) or preferably via my cell at (858) 699-4211. I'd love to hear from you! And we can post those in succeeding Trestleboards.



*Please continue to be safe and healthy.  
Echoing Chris' message, if you or if you know of a Brother or Sister who  
may need anything, whether it's basic food items, a helping hand,  
or just to connect, please feel free to reach out to us.*

*I anxiously await for the time we can be with each other again!*

*Take care always. ♥*

*Sincerely, Finesse*



# SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



GRAND LODGE  
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Brethren,

I hope this message finds you well and in good spirits.

As you know, the state of California and a number of counties issued stay-at-home orders in mid-March and directed that all non-essential gatherings be postponed or canceled until further guidance is provided. All Masonic gatherings are deemed non-essential in the context of these orders. On March 18, I directed that there be no Masonic gatherings of any kind in this state. This includes all Masonic organizations and youth orders. I included [instructions to lodges](#) on the payment of essential bills and charity, and participation in Masonic funeral services. This direction is still in full effect and will remain so until further notice.

As Masons, we are guided by our values and we will lead with our values. Our values include looking out for one another and acting in the best interests of others, including our communities. Our values also include following the laws by which we are governed. We will follow all orders and guidance issued by national, state, and local governments.

Last week the state of California publicized four stages to "resilience and recovery" outlining how the stay-at-home order will be modified and ultimately rescinded. We are currently in Stage One. While there is not yet enough information about each stage to know when or how Masonic meetings and events may resume, we believe gatherings like ours will be permitted in the later stages.

Due to stabilization of COVID-19 hospitalizations and other key metrics, Governor Newsom announced on Monday that the state will move to the initial phase of Stage Two on Friday, May 8. This phase does not apply to gatherings like ours. We will continue to monitor state and local modifications, and I will issue further guidance when it is possible for us to conduct meetings and events in a safe and healthy way.

**In the meantime, I am adding to my March 18 instructions to permit the elected leaders of lodges to approve dues remissions recommended by the charity committee. Elected officers should take this issue up as soon as possible in order to meet the June 30 deadline to record dues remissions. I have also addressed other issues concerning per capita and the grand secretary will issue a notice concerning those later this week.**

The Grand Lodge has canceled a number of statewide meetings and events. It has proven impossible to reschedule the 2020 Master and Wardens Retreats. While the retreats are now canceled, I am pleased to announce that we will offer a new virtual program for masters, wardens and other lodge leaders that will begin in June. The California Masonic Symposium has been modified to a virtual experience and will be offered on July 16. You will receive more information about both of these very soon. In addition, we have introduced an all-new [Masonic Speaker Series](#) offering two to three distinguished speakers per month. Over 1,000 Masons from around the world registered for our first program on April 27. And of course our 9 p.m. toasts every Saturday night on Facebook Live will continue as they have been popular close to home and around the world. Visit [this website](#) for more information about Grand Lodge events.

I am very proud of the response to the [Distressed Worthy Brother Relief Fund](#). Due to your generosity, we have been able to help Masons from all around the state who have lost their jobs or otherwise been affected by COVID-19. If you know a brother in need, please direct him to Masonic Assistance. The phone number is on the back of our dues cards. If you can contribute to the fund, go to [masonicfoundation.org](#) and make a gift today.

My brothers, as difficult as it has been to cancel our gatherings and remain at a physical distance, Masonry is as strong and unified as ever. Masons know how to "wait a time with patience" and we know the rewards of doing so. We will meet in our lodge rooms again—with likely modifications—but we will do so only when the time is right and the conditions are safe. Until then, let's keep our social connections alive online and let's keep the light of Freemasonry shining bright in our lives.

Sincerely and fraternally,



John E. Trauner  
Grand Master



# SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **PLANNED LODGE ACTIVITIES**

**\*subject to change, schedule TBA**

**Teacher of the Year Award  
Visit to Covina Masonic Homes  
Family Picnic**

## **LADIES' ACTIVITIES**

**\*subject to change, schedule TBA**

**Planting Succulents  
Ribbon Lei Making  
Christmas Table Decorations**

## **June 2020 Holiday Observances**

- June 14<sup>th</sup>: Flag Day
- June 21<sup>th</sup>: Father's Day

