

S.W. Hackett Lodge# 574 F&AM Chartered October 11, 1923

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FROM THE EAST

Greeting's, Brethren and Ladies,

The year is quickly coming to an end. In September, after our Stated Meeting we had an eventful Past Master's Third degree, for brother Piasavongsa. Worshipful Dimiter, PM, ordered a delicious dinner, and a group of Brothers from Heartland Lodge visited and helped with some of the degree work. We thank them for the visit and assistance.

On the 22nd of September, Brother Nick Baker was also raised to the degree of Master Mason. His friend and Past Master from Black Mountain Lodge, Worshipful Bill Byous obligated Brother Baker, and I hope he was as pleased with his degree as Brother Phiny was with his. Also on that night we were honored with a visit from a Brother Peter David from Cotteswold Lodge 592 in Cirencester, United Kingdom. Brother Peter presented S.W. Hackett with framed letter from the Master of his lodge. Thank you very much Brother David.

On Sept.8, many of us enjoyed the Petco Park Padre's game, with the Padres breaking their loosing streak by winning the game against the Colorado Rockies. The Grand Master, Russell Charvonia was present and the Masons presented a check to the Padre's youth group, and announced the Masons for Mitts program that we all supported.

The officer's are all working on their qualifying, and we are looking forward to the upcoming election of officers and the close of 2015, as it's rolling around pretty quickly. This is a good time to remind all of our brethren to come down to Lodge and share the camaraderie, and fellowship with us.

Drive Safe and I hope to see everyone in lodge. Sincerely and Fraternally, Bob Salini, Master

2015 OFFICERS

Master	Robert Salini
Sr. Warden	John Fitch
Jr. Warden	Charles Caskey
Treasurer	Ryan Bacaoco, PM
Secretary	Dimiter Lyakov, PM
Chaplain	
Sr. Deacon	Ben Bridges
Jr. Deacon	Dustin Capps
Marshall	Robert Scheeler
Sr. Steward	Robert Gale
Jr. Steward	David Casper
Tiler	Jim Achenbach, PM
Organist	JR Knight, PM
Officer's Coach:	
Inspector, 921 st . Masonic District: W	illiam R. Stokes, PM

OCTOBER EVENTS

6	Stated Meeting & Dinner	6:30 pm
13	Proficiency / Qualifying	6:30 pm
20	Proficiency / Qualifying	6:30 pm
27	Proficiency / Qualifying	6:30 pm

OCTOBER STATED DINNER MENU

Spinach
Baron of Beef
Lemon Herbed Chicken
Stuffed Green Peppers
Baked Potato
Asparagus Tips
Spice Cake

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



October Greetings from the West.

Now that we have passed the Vernal Equinox on the 23rd of September, the night season has become longer than the daytime. Before getting on with Lodge business, I will indulge myself by sharing with you my summer observations of the stars and planets from my abode in the local mountains, where the view of the heavens is unimpeded by the city lights. In the South, the constellation of Scorpio has been prominently displayed throughout the summer, the red star Antares marks the heart of the Scorpion, and the Planet Saturn passed through the constellation in August. The mighty constellation Orion has been rising earlier and earlier, accompanied by Taurus, marked by another red star Aldebaran, the Bulls Eye. The brightest star in the sky, Sirius, twinkled red and blue, as it made its appearance in Canis Major during the dog days of August. The evening planets of the summer, have now swung around full circle; and the inner planets Venus and Mercury are adorning the early morning sky. If you fancy these sorts of observation yourself, I recommend installing a star tracker program on your smartphone or Tablet; it is helping me to observe what's going on, in the great beyond, when viewed from our planet.

Back on Earth, we raised Brothers Phiasivongsa and Baker during the Month of September. The former, on Past Masters Night, and the Later on a special night where Brothers from Seven different Lodges were in attendance, including Brother David who is visiting from England.

In October, the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of California will be attended on the 9th-11th in San Francisco. At the end of the Month, on the 26th, our Lodge will perform the Officers School of Instruction Flag Escort, Stated Meeting and Election of Officers Procedures for the Combined 909th & 921st Masonic Districts.

Stay safe and best wishes to all.

Fraternally yours,

Brother John F. Fitch, Senior Warden

EDITOR'S URGENT NOTE UPDATE

It was announced last month, that all Brothers with email addresses would receive their Trestleboard by email. Those who do not have an email address will still receive their Trestleboard by first class mail. This issue will be the last issue that is bulk mailed to all persons. The next issue will be mailed only to those who do not have email.

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Therefore, and <u>very important</u>, if you have an email address that was/is listed with the Grand Lodge and didn't see the September issue in your email, <u>be sure to check your spam folder and if you find it there, mark the email address as NOT SPAM</u>. The November issue and all future issues will be emailed to you there. If you did not receive the September issue or this issue in your email, you must contact the editor so that corrections can be made since going forward, that is how you will receive all of your future Trestleboards.

I have not received any emails regarding bad or missing email addresses, so I will assume that all of you are receiving it properly. Thank you. If you need to contact the editor, you can email info@freemason574.org, or call the Secretary.

Dennis Stahr, PM Trestleboard Editor

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At the Grand Master's Reception on September 5, 2015, Most Worshipful Russell Charvonia, Grand Master, presented Worshipful Clint Black, PM, the award for being selected as SW Hackett's Mason of the Year.



Brothers and Ladies:

I asked myself what is masonry? I took a minute to reflect on that. I haven't had the opportunity to be a lodge because of my duties to the Navy lately, but I have not forgot my duties to my brothers! I leave you with a short story and a poem. I love my brothers and am thankful that I am a member of S. W. Hackett Lodge 574. What is Masonry to you.

It means sharing the values of our nation's founding fathers; men who believe in the brotherhood of man are firmly rooted in the Constitution of the United States. It means becoming a better person while helping to improve the quality of life for others. It means forming deep and lasting friendships that transcend the boundaries of race, religion and culture, as well as those of geography. Masonry adheres to many of the same values associated with religious faith, yet Masonry is not a religion. It is a brotherhood of men from every country, sect and opinion, joined in a common effort to make themselves better people to ease the suffering of others, and to make the world a better place.

Who becomes a Mason: any man and every man: Accountants, businessmen, teachers, contractors, professional men and laborers. Masons come from all walks of life and all levels of income. They represent every race, creed and culture. Freemasonry is build upon three basic tenants - Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth No one is asked to join the Brotherhood. To become a Mason, one must ask. True brothers will be your brother for life whether or not you have the same blood. I leave you with a short poem. Enjoy!

A GIFT OF FRIENDSHIP

Friendship is a priceless gift that cannot be bought or sold, But its value is far greater than a mountain made of gold--For gold is cold and lifeless, it can neither see nor hear, And in the time of trouble it is powerless to cheer--It has no ears to listen, no heart to understand. It cannot bring you comfort or reach out a helping hand. So when you ask God for a gift, be thankful if he sends not diamonds, pearls or riches, but the love of real true friends. Author Unknown

Charles Caskey, Junior Warden



Being congratulated by Worshipful Robert Salini, Master, is Brother Augustus Phiny Phiasivongsa, our newest Master Mason was raised to the sublime degree on Past Master's night, September 15, 2015. Worshipful David Haslim, PM, obligated Brother Phiasivongsa. Worshipful Salini, Master, presented the lecture and Worshipful Winstanley gave a beautiful Charge.



Worshipful Bill Byous, PM, congratulates Brother Nicholas Baker. Worshipful Bill, a friend of Brother Nick's obligated him as a Master Mason. Brother Nick became a Master Mason on September 22, 2015. Worshipful Salini, Master, presented the lecture and Worshipful Achenbach, PM, gave a perfect Charge.

EDITOR'S NOTE / 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!

Dennis Stahr, PM Trestleboard Editor

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1	John	Farrell	
2	James	Sprague	
5	David	Garcia	
7	James	Livingston	
8	Dennis	Mac Dade	
20	David	Willer	
22	Eric	McDonald	
23	Robert	Hutchinson	
25	Benjamin	Cooper	

ECHOES FROM THE PAST - (10 + Years)

Brother		Raised	<u>Years</u>
George	Sorensen	1954	61
Jack	Miller	1962	53
Kenneth	Hilburn	1968	47
Otto	Drum	1971	44
David	Haslim	1974	41
Robert	Smith	1990	25
William	Knight	1993	22
Kyle	Dau	1995	20
Joseph	Pollard	1995	20
Michael	Allen	1996	19
Sean	Mac Dade	2005	10