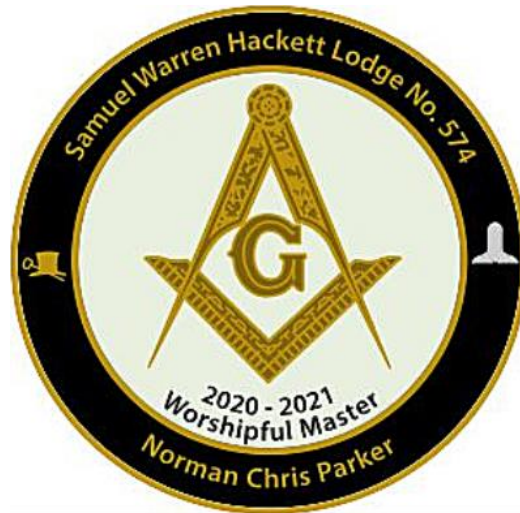


TRESTLE BOARD



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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NOVEMBER 2021



FROM THE EAST

WM Norman C. Parker

Brothers,

It is with a heavy heart that, I have to make this announcement. On the early hours of Saturday the 23rd of October. The Lodge lost one of its great ones, my dear friend for over 25 years known to me as “my Command Master Chief”, and our beloved Marshal brother Robert Scheeler has laid down his working tools and is now resting beside the Grand Architect of the Universe in that Celestial Lodge above. Our brother will truly be missed.

The month of November is upon us. There is a lot of updates to disseminate to all our members. First on the list is we will be holding our first in-person Stated Meeting for this year with the presentation of the flag of our country on Tuesday, November 2nd. Please refer to the Special Announcements section for more details. Secondly, Officers, kindly practice your parts as we will be voting for next year’s line-up of Officers.

The Scottish Rite Center (SRC) in Mission Valley continues to be closed at this time. However, I have been informed that the SRC will be ready for occupancy starting the first week of December. I have been in close contact with Worshipful Brother Jojo Quimpo who has noted our schedule for our Stated Meeting on December 7th and our Installation of Officers on December 11th. One of the items requested by the SRC is for our Lodge to start working on moving items from the Conex box in the parking lot back into our Lodge Office within the second and third week of November. I will provide additional information as soon as I receive updates from the SRC.

For your immediate reference, I included screenshots in the Special Announcements section covering the full description of legislation that passed and failed at the recent Annual Communications in San Francisco.

As mentioned earlier, our next Stated Meeting is scheduled on **Tuesday, November 2nd, at 6:30 p.m.** This will be in the **Heartland Masonic Center [695 Ballantyne Street, El Cajon, CA 92021]**.

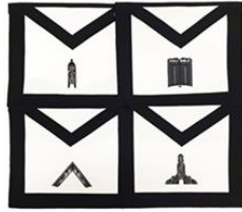
I would also like to wish you all a Happy Veterans Day and a Happy Thanksgiving to you and your families. Stay safe, stay well, and know you are all in our prayers.

Looking forward to seeing you all in November.

Respectfully yours,

N. Chris Parker
Worshipful Master

**Our Beloved Marshal
you will be missed!
S. W. Hackett Lodge No. 574**



Yesterday's
Memories
are tomorrow's
Treasures



CALLED FROM LABOR

Brother: Robert John Scheeler

Born: December 17, 1955

Entered Into Rest: October 23, 2021

Raised: November 24, 2003

Hiram Award: April 10, 2018

**SOFT AND SAFE TO THEE, OUR BROTHER
BE THY RESTING PLACE...**

BRIGHT AND GLORIOUS BE THY RISING FROM IT!

2021 OFFICERS

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

Inspector, 921st Masonic District

Richard W. Bullard, PM

NOVEMBER EVENTS

Subject to change

02 Stated Meeting 7:30 pm

DECEMBER EVENTS

Subject to change

07 Stated Meeting 7:30 pm

11 Officers Installation 12:00 pm

**NOVEMBER 2
STATED MEETING
DINNER**

**CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER
NOTICE**

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 hackettlodge@gmail.com

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Brothers, Please remember you can now pay your dues for the masonic year of 2022 at the grand lodge site.

Be a supporter of your great Lodge!

Fraternally,
Dimiter Lyakov, PM

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS FOR NOVEMBER

Name	Date Raised	No. of Years
Robert A. Carsten (PM)	11/28/1960	61
Richard C. Bergstrom	11/9/1961	60
James W. Campbell (PM)	11/26/1968	53
William L. Mathis (PM)	11/13/1984	37
Bruce B. Able	11/11/1986	35
John S. Gamache	11/26/1991	30
Morgan A. Thompson Jr.	11/28/1995	26
Stephen L. Allen	11/27/2001	20
Robert J. Scheeler	11/24/2003	18
Dennis P. Stahr (PM)	11/28/2006	15
Charles I. Caskey	11/13/2012	9

2021

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Audit	Dennis Stahr, PM
Audit	Robert Scheeler
Audit	Benjamin Pulido
Budget & Finance	Chris Parker, WM
Budget & Finance	Dimiter Lyakov, PM
Budget & Finance	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
Masonic Education	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

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

7	Stephen L. Allen
8	Jerry Jeremiah P. Aquino
9	Ronald J. Howard
14	John F. Fitch (PM)
14	William F. Stanfield
15	Bruce C. Marx
15	Clerence W. Seyfferth III
15	Paul B. Stephenson
16	David A. Brant
18	Otto L. Drum
20	Glenn R. James
24	Alex Pina
30	Daryl B. Sandaker

Ladies Corner

Happy November, my dear Ladies!

This month offers us a multitude of opportunities to be thankful for all the blessings we have received...



For family
For true friends
For health and safety
For each time we wake up to a new day!

“It is a miracle if you can find true friends and it is a miracle if you have enough food to eat, and it is a miracle if you get to spend your days and evenings doing whatever it is you like to do. And the holiday season – like all the other seasons – is a good time not only to tell stories of miracles, but to think about the miracles in your own life, and to be grateful for them...”

~ Lemony Snicket

Words cannot express how very thankful Chris and I are for all your support throughout the years, for your love, kindness, and friendship, and how extremely blessed we are to have you in our lives.



Sincerely, Finese

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Re-Opening of the Lodge



*Samuel Warren Hackett Lodge No. 574
Free and Accepted Masons
San Diego, CA*

**YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO JOIN US AT OUR FIRST
IN-PERSON STATED MEETING THIS YEAR**

- **Date: November 2, 2021 @ 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM**
- **Location: Heartland Lodge No. 576**
- **Address: Heartland Masonic Center
695 Ballantyne Street
El Cajon, CA. 92021**
- **Dress Attire: Black Suit and Tie**

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Resumption of In-Person Meetings; No Further Virtual Stated Meetings

October 14, 2021

Dear Brethren,

During his tenure, Past Grand Master Weiss issued emergency directives allowing lodges to hold virtual stated meetings. His directives were issued pursuant to emergency provisions in the California Masonic Code and in light of the prohibitions against in-person meetings by many California government authorities.

These emergency directives, allowing virtual participation at stated meetings, expired at the close of the Annual Communication on Sunday and now have no force or effect.

This summer, the California Department of Public Health lifted its prohibitions on meeting and events. Counties and cities throughout California have also lifted their meeting prohibitions. I am not aware of any state, county, or city regulation that would prohibit lodges from holding in-person stated meetings (provided, of course, that the meetings are conducted safely and follow guidance with respect to the use of masks, ventilation, proper social distancing, etc.).

Therefore:

There is not cause or justification to renew the directives related to virtual stated meetings issued by Past Grand Master Weiss when he was grand master; and

- **Effective immediately**, all lodges shall resume in-person stated meetings.
- In-person stated meetings shall be conducted in accordance with state and local guidance regarding the safe conduct of meetings and gatherings.
- All lodges shall cease holding virtual stated meetings and cease allowing lodge members to participate virtually in a stated meeting.

It was wonderful to see many of you at Annual Communication last week and celebrate the vibrant return to the in-person practice of Freemasonry.

Sincerely and fraternally,



Jeffery M. Wilkins
Grand Master

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



GRAND LODGE
FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA MASONIC MEMORIAL TEMPLE
1111 CALIFORNIA STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94108-2284
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October 10, 2021

To: All Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Masters, Past Grand Officers,
Inspectors, Committeemen, and Lodges

Brethren:

Herewith for your information are the results, in summary form, of the actions taken at the 172nd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of California:

GRAND MASTER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation No. 1: Ratification of Actions at the 171 st Annual Communication	YES	817	96.23%	ADOPTED
	NO	32	3.77%	
Recommendation No. 2: Establishes the Lodge Executive Committee as a Standing Committee	YES	661	77.86%	CARRY-OVER
	NO	188	22.14%	
Recommendation No. 3: Permits Virtual Participation in Stated Meetings	YES	587	68.82%	CARRY-OVER
	NO	266	31.18%	
Recommendation No. 4: Negotiated Settlement at Mediation to be Binding and Final	YES	601	69.64%	CARRY-OVER
	NO	262	30.36%	
Recommendation No. 5: Transfer of an Accused to the Grand Master's Lodge	YES	593	68.79%	CARRY-OVER
	NO	269	31.21%	

CARRY-OVER 2019 RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 19-07: Permits Lodges to Meet No Fewer Than Four Times Annually	YES	704	81.48%	ADOPTED
	NO	160	18.52%	
Resolution No. 19-08: Permits Partial Remission of Dues	YES	706	81.24%	ADOPTED
	NO	163	18.76%	
Resolution No. 19-09: Requires Application for Reimbursement of Mileage to Grand Lodge	YES	602	70.57%	ADOPTED
	NO	251	29.43%	

DEFERRED 2020 RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 20-01: Allows Installing Officer to Address Master and Wardens from the Floor	YES	325	37.49%	FAILED
	NO	542	62.51%	
Resolution No. 20-02: Changes the Installation from Ritual to Ceremony	YES	0	0.00%	WITHDRAWN
	NO	0	0.00%	

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Resolution No. 20-03: Requires Three Accusers to Bring Masonic Charges	YES	289	33.68%	FAILED
	NO	569	66.32%	

2021 RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 21-01: Adds Admonition by Master Before the Lodge is Formally Opened	YES	151	17.66%	FAILED
	NO	704	82.34%	

In addition to the above, the following actions were also taken:

In accordance with California Masonic Code §801.065, the Grand Lodge granted charters to Benicia Lodge, U.D., The Thirty-Three Lodge, U.D., and Columbia Historic Lodge, U.D., and entered them into the Registry of this Grand Lodge as Benicia Lodge No. 877, The Thirty-Three Lodge No. 878 and Columbia Historic Lodge.

The Grand Lodge approved requests of mutual recognition with the Grand Lodge of Lithuania A.F. & A.M., and the Grand Orient of Rio de Janeiro (*Brazil*).

The Grand Lodge voted to request mutual recognition with the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Tennessee.

In accordance with California Masonic Code §407.050, the Grand Lodge adopted the budget for 2021-2022 as proposed by the Deputy Grand Master. The background check fee was set at \$30.00.

The per capita assessment for the fiscal year November 1, 2022, through October 31, 2023, as proposed by the Senior Grand Warden, was adopted and fixed at \$57.50.

Total registration for the 172nd Annual Communication was 1,002 Master Masons with 251 of 336 chartered lodges represented. (*The number of chartered lodges includes 9 lodges under dispensation, one historic lodge, four research lodges, and Grand Master's Lodge.*)

The elected and appointed officers of the Grand Lodge duly installed for the Grand Lodge year commencing on October 10, 2021 are:

ELECTED OFFICERS

Jeffery M. Wilkins	Grand Master
Randall L. Brill	Deputy Grand Master
G. Sean Metroka	Senior Grand Warden
Arthur L. Salazar Jr.	Junior Grand Warden
Charles P. Cross	Grand Treasurer
Allan L. Casalou	Grand Secretary
Ricky L. Lawler	Grand Lecturer

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Steven H. De Muth	Grand Chaplain
Gary R. Quintrell	AGL Division I

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D. Mike Edwards	AGL Division II
Antonio G. Cimarra Jr.	AGL Division III
Jairo J. Gomez Jr.	AGL Division IV
Robert G. Beeson III	AGL Division V
Matthew S. Vander Horck	AGL Division VI
Alberto L. Casanova Jr.	AGL Division VII
Victor M. Ropac Jr.	AGL Division VIII
John H. Crago III	AGL Division IX
Peter A. Ackeret	Grand Orator
Jordan T. Yelinek	Assistant Grand Secretary
Christopher R. Trueblood	Grand Marshal
David A. Olmedo	Grand Standard Bearer
Earl D. Love Jr.	Grand Sword Bearer
N. Uriah McBroome	Grand Bible Bearer
Russell E. Hennings	Senior Grand Deacon
Tom Kavishi.	Junior Grand Deacon
Paul A. Dana	Senior Grand Steward
Rio L. Santonil	Junior Grand Steward
Eric D. Hatfield	Grand Pursuivant
Stephen R. Miller	Grand Organist
Vinz O. Tolentino	Grand Tiler
Jonathan S. Davis	Assistant Grand Organist
Scotty J. Christian	Assistant Grand Tiler

The 173rd Annual Communication will commence at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, October 21, 2022, in the City and County of San Francisco.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Allan Casalou
ALLAN L. CASALOU
Grand Secretary

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

[MEMBER SIGN IN](#)

[EVENT CALENDAR](#)

Next Steps and Summary for Adopted Legislation

October 19, 2021

Dear Brethren,

At the 172nd Annual Communication, legislation was adopted to, among other things, provide lodges with more options regarding stated meeting frequency and dues remissions. I have summarized below the legislation that was adopted and the recommended next steps, if any. I hope this information is useful to you should your lodge decide to implement these new options.

Grand Master's Recommendation No. 1

Actions at the 171st Annual Communication are ratified.

The adoption of this recommendation ratified all the actions taken at the 171st Annual Communication. There is no further action required.

Resolution No. 19-07

Stated meetings may be held less frequently than monthly but no less than quarterly.

The adoption of this resolution amended Section 807.000 of the California Masonic Code to permit lodges to choose the number of stated meetings to hold each year so long as the lodge holds a stated meeting at least quarterly. All lodges must still hold a stated meeting during the months of February and August for the annual and semi-annual reports of the secretary and treasurer, and during the month of November for the election of officers.

A lodge that desires to hold stated meetings less frequently than monthly must amend their lodge bylaws to specify the new meeting frequency. (Lodges whose bylaws provide for monthly meetings fixed by the phase of the moon must continue to hold stated meetings for the transaction of business once in each lunar month.)

A [template resolution](#) and [certificate of amendment](#) have been developed for the purpose of amending the bylaws to meet less frequently than monthly. These documents can be found on the iMember under Resources/Lodge Administration/Bylaws.

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Resolution No. 19-08

Partial remission of dues is now permitted.

The adoption of this resolution amended Section 809.360 of the California Masonic Code, which now allows a lodge, upon recommendation of the charity committee, to remit all, or just a portion, of accrued dues of a Mason who is unable to pay. The lodge may determine how much of the dues are remitted. For example, the lodge may remit 50 percent of the dues or 75 percent of the dues.

Amended Section 407.025 reduces the amount of a lodge's per capita contribution with respect to dues that were partially remitted. The contribution owed by a lodge with respect to partially remitted dues is equal to the percent remitted. For example, if a lodge remitted 50 percent of a brother's dues, the lodge would contribute 50 percent of the per capita due for that member.

In the exercise of this provision, the report of the charity committee should include information about partial remissions. The report should include, without giving the name of the delinquent Masons except to the secretary, full remission of dues for a certain number of brothers and partial remission of dues for a certain number of brothers. For example, "The committee recommends full remission of dues of eight brothers, and partial remission of dues for two brothers." The committee could include the portion of dues remitted in the report if it or the lodge desires. If there is no partial remission of dues, it does not need to be included in the report.

iMember will be updated to allow a secretary or assistant secretary to record the portion of dues remitted, so that the proper per capita calculation can be made. Until the system is updated, the Partial Remission of Dues form must be sent to member services. The partial remission of dues form can be found under Resources/Lodge Administration/Reports and Forms.

Resolution 19-09


Lodges now apply for Annual Communication representative mileage reimbursement.

Section 407.065 of the California Masonic Code now requires a lodge to apply for Annual Communication representative mileage reimbursement. Reimbursement is for the cost of round-trip transportation for one person from the location of the Lodge to the place of the Annual Communication. Lodges must apply no later than 30 days after the close of the Annual Communication, which is November 9, 2021, for this year. This reimbursement form can be found on the member center under Resources/Annual Communication.

Thank you to all brothers who participated in the Annual Communication. Should you have any questions about these materials, please contact Member Services at memberservices@freemason.org.

Let's have a great and impactful Masonic year in California!

Sincerely and fraternally,



Allan L. Casalou
Grand Secretary

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From the Secretary's Desk:

**2022 Dues Cards can be printed
by every member when he logs in to
iMember 2.0**

**at <https://member.freemason.org>
with his name and Member ID #
shown on the 2022 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**

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLANNED LODGE ACTIVITIES

Installation of Officers: December 11th 2021
Annual Holiday Food Delivery: December 18th 2021

LADIES' ACTIVITIES

***schedule TBA**

NOVEMBER 2021 HOLIDAY OBSERVANCE

11th: Veterans Day

Veterans Day (originally known as **Armistice Day**) is a [federal holiday in the United States](#) observed annually on November 11, for honoring [military veterans](#), who are people who have served in the [United States Armed Forces](#) (that were discharged under conditions other than dishonorable). It coincides with other holidays including [Armistice Day](#) and [Remembrance Day](#) which are celebrated in other countries that mark the anniversary of the end of [World War I](#). Major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 when the [Armistice with Germany](#) went into effect. At the urging of major U.S. veteran organizations, Armistice Day was renamed Veterans Day in 1954.



25th: Thanksgiving

