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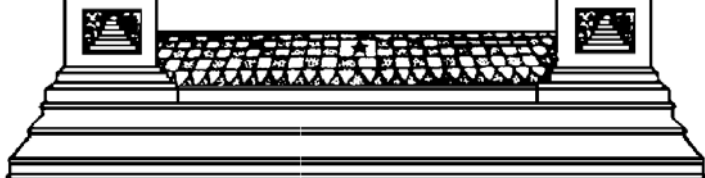
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TRESTLEBOARD

COAT & TIE FOR STATED MEETINGS AND DEGREES

7:30 p.m. – STATED MEETING / LADIES' HOUR

DEGREE OR PRACTICE

SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH

JANUARY

Thursday, 1st

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Don't forget to watch the Parade.

Thursday, 8th

7:30 p.m. – STATED MEETING

Wor. Walter Mueller, Master - Presiding

Dinner Reservations Required by January 6th

Thursday, 15th

7:00 p.m. – 1ST DEGREE PRACTICE

Candidates Coaching Available

Thursday, 22nd

7:00 p.m. – 1ST DEGREE CONFERRAL

Candidate: Mr. Allan Fitzgerald

Bro. Keadrick Washington, J.W. - Presiding

Candidates Coaching Available

Thursday, 29th

5:30 p.m. – WMBA MEETING

All Board Members are expected to attend

FEBRUARY

Sunday, 1st

2:00 p.m. – SUPER BOWL SUNDAY

Make Reservations so we will have enough food.

Thursday, 5th

7:30 p.m. – STATED MEETING

Wor. Walter Mueller, Master - Presiding

Dinner Reservations Required by February 1st

TRESTLEBOARD

Thursday, 12th

7:00 p.m. – DEGREE OR PRACTICE
Candidates Coaching Available

Saturday, 14th

9:00 a.m. – SWEETHEART'S DAY
Candlelight Dinner Theater
Claremont, California

Reservations are MANDATORY by February 1st.

Thursday, 26th

5:30 p.m. – WMBA MEETING
All Board Members are expected to attend

OUR LODGE IS FOR RENT!

Do you have or know about an event that needs a venue? For availability or just more information, contact our Rental Manager.

Bro. Brian Hyland
at (310) 648-9732

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WE NEED SOMEONE

LODGE WEB MASTER

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MASTER'S MESSAGE

This is my first message to you from the East. First of all, I want to wish everyone a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. I also want to thank all the members of Southern California Lodge #529 for electing me to serve as your Master for the ensuing year. I will certainly strive to fulfill all the duties you have entrusted to me.

I also want to thank the brethren who served on my Installing Team, Worshipful Tony Fox, P.M., who served as my Installing Officer; Worshipful David Chernik, P.M., who served as the Master of Ceremonies and Worshipful Joseph Barth, P.M., who served as the Installing Chaplin. I also thank Kalani Jensen, Keadrick Washington, Richard Pierce, P.M., Arman Ross, Paul Avoungnassou, Sean Yu, Josefino Ambray, Adam Aylesworth, Jerome Esteban, Kevin Bowman and Ian Rusnell who have agreed to serve with me as Officers for the upcoming year.

When I was preparing for my installation as Master of this Lodge I thought back on the past as well as on the future. I have noticed that the age of the Brethren has become younger and it is my goal to reach out to our younger Brothers and meet the needs wants and desires of them, their families and children. In addition to keeping many of our past events I would like to try some new ones. Such as a trip to a target range and a Ladies Appreciation Night, where we take our ladies out for a dinner to thank them for their support of us throughout the year.

On Thursday, January 22, we will start the year by conferring the First Degree of Masonry on Mr., soon to be Brother, Allan Fitzgerald. Please plan to come to the Lodge that evening at 7:00 to welcome him into Masonry and our Lodge.

I am looking forward to serving as Master and I am sure that, with your help and support, we will have a very successful year. For those who remember when I wrote the Between the Pillars column, that I can always be reached at the Lodge or by e-mail at waltermueller@ca.rr.com.

While on the subject of Between the Pillars, we need someone to assume the duty of writing that column. If you have a flair for writing, please contact either Brother Jack or myself.

Until next month,
Fraternally,
Walter Mueller, Master

NECROLOGY REPORT

MAURICE FORMAN

AGE - 86 Years • DIED - February 10, 2014
RAISED - July 16, 1981

TIMOTHY A. HORAN, JR.

AGE - 80 Years • DIED - October 30, 2014
RAISED - March 22, 1969

*Soft and safe to thee my Brother be thy resting place.
Bright and Glorious be thy rising from it.*

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFO

Your current phone number, home address, an EMERGENCY contact person and phone number and e-mail address if you have one.

Send it to: Bro. Armen Ross, Secretary Elect
or armenross@yahoo.com

BRETHREN!

THE LODGE NEEDS SOMEONE TO BE THE EDITOR FOR THE BETWEEN THE PILLARS COLUMN. IF YOU WANT TO DO IT, PLEASE CONTACT TRESTLEBOARD EDITOR, BRO. JACK DE MERIT, TO GET FURTHER INFORMATION.

Super Bowl Party!



Sunday, February 1 at 2 p.m.

Join your Brethren, family and friends for the biggest game of the year with some of Dinah's chicken.

RSVP by January 30th to the Lodge Hotline so we will know how much food to get! You can bring your favorite drinks and snacks as well. Hope to see you.



CANDIDATES CORNER

Brethren,

The new Masonic year has begun. We are looking forward to a great many Degree nights and hope that you can come out and show some support for the Candidates. This is all new for most of them and they all deserve whatever support we can give them. As usual, Candidates Coaching will be available for all those who either need it or request it. Remember, we are working to improve everyone's character and while it does not take a village, it does take great Masons to help make their Brothers into better Masons. Show them how much you care.

Fraternally,

Kevin L. Bowman, Tiler, Head Candidates Coach



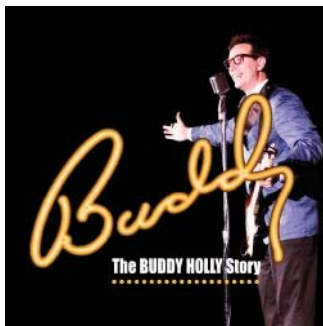
Sweetheart's Day

Saturday, February 14th

A delicious luncheon and show at the

Candlelight Dinner Theater

Claremont, California



The Buddy Holly Story

All Widows of Our Lodge will be our guests

Lodge Members and their Sweethearts

\$65 per person

We leave from the Lodge by bus at 9:30 a.m.

and return at approximately 4:30 p.m.

Reservations are absolutely essential.

There is a limit of 54 on the bus.

MASTER'S BALL



The Master's Ball on Sunday, November 23rd at the LAX Renaissance Hotel, was very well attended. We were even honored with the presence of Bro. Leo Stallworth and his guests. Pictured above are left to right, Sean Yu, Senior Steward; Ian Rusnell, Organist; Brian Hyland, Junior Deacon and Rental Manager; Kevin Bowman, Tiler and Candidate's Coach; Worshipful Master, Alex Mancao; Jack De Merit, Marshal and Trestleboard Editor; Richard Pearce, P.M., Treasurer; Keadrick Washington, Senior Deacon and Walter Mueller, Senior Warden and Master Elect. They were all presented with various colored Masonic Ties for all their help in making it a great Masonic Year for Master Alex. Kalani Jenson, Junior Warden was unable to attend. The food was great, the Music was great and we all had a really good time. The drinks were pretty

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FROM THE EDITOR

A GREAT NEW YEAR!

We are all looking forward to a New Year with Bro. Walter Mueller serving as Master. He has a lot of ideas for making the Stated Meetings more interesting and geared more for the younger Brethren. But, he needs everyone's Support to make this year a great one. It is our job to Support the Lodge and its Events. We are planning to have a much greater presence in the community. There have been many times when I, as Building Manager, have had people walk in asking what we are and how long have we been in this location. Too many of the residents in the area either don't know what Freemasons are or what we do as a group. We need to change that.

We need more events that are open to the public so that they can see what we are and what we do and they can learn about some of the charities we support. This can only be accomplished if we ALL do everything we can to support the Lodge and its Events.

My mentor was Wor. Elliot Schwartz, P.M. He instilled in me a desire to attend every Meeting and every Event. I know that not everyone can do this. Most of us have jobs to go to and families to support. This all takes time. But, we are talking about one Stated Meeting per month and generally only one Event per month. With just a little effort, can't we all make it our business to attend at least two days or evenings each month?

I, personally, have not missed a Stated Meeting since joining this Lodge but, people do get sick, have accidents, get visits from relatives from out of town, etc. There are many things that can occur to make us unavailable. BUT, how often does that happen? How many times have you been at home trying to decide if something is worth the effort or that you would rather stay home and watch television than put on a tie and jacket and see your Brethren?

As we get older, we tend to do much less than we did as young men. WHY? What has caused us to change our lifestyle? Being active is what keeps us from wasting away or losing interest in what was the spark of life. When I retired, I knew I was not really retiring. I was leaving the profession that I had worked at for more than 60 years and taking on a new one. That of being a volunteer for the most part. I went from one job that took between 60 and 90 hours of my time per week to 10 jobs that take between 60 and 90 hours per month. For me, that was like having a vacation every month. Please do what you can to attend more often and Support the Brethren. We need you!

Jack De Merit, Trestleboard Editor

HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM AL MALAIKAH SHRINERS

I hope everyone had a happy holiday season, you all got to see lots of Lodge installations, and you're ready for a year of fellowship and fun.

The cyclic nature of things gets a big kick-off at the Shrine Auditorium on **Saturday, January 10** at 10:00 a.m. **Al Malaikah Shrine's Annual Meeting & Officer Elections** is the start of a new Potentate's term and there are many special events planned for 2015. All Shriners with dues cards are encouraged to attend this annual meeting. Please contact the Shrine office for reservations.

Shriners Hospitals for Children, the greatest philanthropy in the world, is the reason many men join and remain in the Shrine. Among the international network of hospitals, we are fortunate to have a local facility in Los Angeles. As discussed last year, plans are underway to construct a new facility in Pasadena. To find out more about our local hospital, please go to <http://www.shriner-shospitalsforchildren.org/Locations/losangeles>. You will also be able to look at the Hospital's magazine, *Leaders in Care* (in English or Spanish). The magazine contains a mix of personal stories, successes, and some technical articles, as well as safety and burn prevention information. I hope you take some time and look at this. You will see why Shriners Hospitals is at the forefront of medical technology as well as the most caring place for children to be healed.

For reservations for all Shrine events, please call the Shrine office at (213) 748-0173 unless otherwise noted above. If you have any questions about the Shrine, feel free to contact **Dave Chernik**, davidchernik@gmail.com, or any other Shriner you may know. For the full rundown of events and activities, check the website www.al-malaikah.com and look at the on-line version of the Al Malaikahan magazine. We are also now on Facebook as Al Malaikah Shriners. The Shrine Auditorium parking is located at the corner of 32nd Street and Royal Street in Los Angeles.

GIVE THE GIFT OF A LIFETIME

As a California Mason, you are committed to the enduring health and relevance of this great organization. Our fraternity champions public education and provides industry-leading care for vulnerable seniors and families, and we are engaged community leaders.

Making a legacy gift to our Masonic charities changes lives

A 'planned' gift, or 'legacy' gift, can help you achieve your personal, financial, and estate planning goals. For example, a legacy gift can provide the donor with an income for life as well as a charitable income tax deduction, and make a profound difference in Masonry.

What Is The Cornerstone Society?

The Cornerstone Society is reserved for those Masons who choose to include the Masonic Charities in their estate plans.

The simplest way to become a Cornerstone Society member is through a bequest. But there are several giving options available, such as trusts and charitable gift annuities. The method you choose will depend on your personal circumstances and needs. It is always a good idea to first consult your attorney and/or tax advisor for financial advice and expertise.

How do I start?

Please contact Greg Cherry to learn more about supporting California Masonic charities through a legacy gift at (310) 968-8369 or e-mail him at gcherry@freemason.org.

DINNER POLICY

Any Dinner Reservations made for the monthly Stated Meeting which are not kept will be billed to the member. Additionally, we will only be ordering enough meals for those that **RESERVE** in a timely manner. Without a Reservation, you **MAY NOT BE SERVED**. If there are questions regarding this policy, please contact either the Junior Warden or the Master.

DINNER MENUS

JANUARY

Caesar Salad
Beef or Veggie Lasagna
Green Beans • Garlic Bread
Coffee • Soft Drinks • Dessert

FEBRUARY

Greek Salad
Beef & Vegetable Kabobs with Lemon Rice
Hummus & Pita Bread
Coffee • Soft Drinks • Dessert

DINNER RESERVATIONS

- Dinners are \$15.00 each. Cash or checks only.
 - Reservations MUST be made to assure a dinner.
 - Reservation deadline, Tuesday night prior to dinner.
 - Vegetarian dinners available. Specify when you call.
- If you need more information regarding this policy, see or call Bro. Kalani Jensen, J.W.

LIVING PAST MASTERS

Norman Goldbach	57	Alfred Omansky	82	Howard Pasamanick	96
J. Leonard Penner	59	Nicholas Mitchell	83	Melvin Formaker	97
Gerald E. Lerman	60	Van H. Sherman	83	Alex Smerling	98
Benjamin Elias	61	Lee P. Crystal	84	Steve Barbusa	99
Edward Blake	63	Mourad Kaplanian	84	Larry Lebowsky	99
Howard Mooers	66	Joel Rudof	84	Lucio Bonilla	2000
Leo Pinsky	66	Bob Kulick	85	A. Daniel Singer	01
Arnold Blake	67	Clarence Kussner	85	David Chernik	02
W. T. Schlack	67	Joel M. Bolten	86	Larry Thompson	03
Philip C. Colman	69	Harold Goldstein	86	Marcelino Pantaleon	04
Leslie Jacobson	69	Bert Kreisberg	87	Melvin L. Rogers	05
Robert Roy Saul	69	Solomon Wolfus	87	J. Richard Pearce	06
Donald Gelberg	72	Joel M. Bolten	88	Nicholas Mitchell	07
William Miller	73	Stanley R. Hersh	88	Alex Mancao	08
Robert H. Siegel	73	Milton W. Flack	90	Melvin L. Rogers	09
Harry Waterstone	74	Russell H. Weis	92	Anthony W. Fox	10
Albert L. Marks	75	Joseph Barth	93	John Drewery	11
George Wolfus	79	Harold Goldstein	93	Eduardo Mendoza	12
Barry Levitt	80	Clarence Kussner	93	Alan M. Quon	13
Alan Turkheimer	80	Milton E. Kaplan	95	Alex Mancao	14
Morton Barrish	80	Joseph Barth	96		

LODGE ACTIVITY HOTLINE

(310) 354-4064

NO RESERVATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER THREE DAYS PRIOR TO AN EVENT. PRESS THE # KEY ON YOUR PHONE TO SKIP THE RECORDED MESSAGE. MAKE YOUR RESERVATION AFTER THE TONE. SPECIFY FOOD CHOICE IF REQUIRED.

EVENTS

JANUARY

First Degree Conferral

FEBRUARY

Super Bowl Sunday
Sweetheart's Day at Candlelight

MARCH

Youth Orders Month
Inspector's Official Visitation

APRIL

Public Schools Observance
Diabetes Tour De Cure
Masters & Wardens Retreat
Shrine Carnival

MAY

Memorial Day Ceremony

JUNE

OSI BBQ Lodge Picnic
Midnight Mission Trip

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