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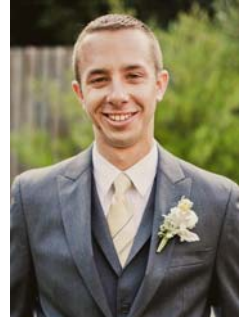
June Trestle Board

June 1, 2015

Master's Message

Greetings from the Station of Wisdom,

We have some exciting events coming up. Please see Brothers Hugo Ramos or Mike Selix for Pageant of the Master's tickets scheduled Friday, August 28th. I'd like to formally ask each of the officers to personally sell 4 each. All contributions will go directly to paying for our new beautiful Masonic table cloths that will be used at future Grand Master's Receptions. Our lodge goal is to sell 100! My wife and I are looking forward to the event.



Brandon Cook, Master

Also in August, we have our lodge BBQ Fundraiser & Blood Drive. This is going to be a fantastic event where our lodge families can get together and enjoy a fun filled Saturday with great food and music. Since one side of the De Molay Center's parking lot will be used for the various lodge smokers, I'd like to request that everybody who has a 'tent-up' to lend one to the lodge so that we may blanket the parking lot with shade. The hall cafeteria will also be available. Please sign up for the blood drive through Brother Hugo if you haven't already.

It is with great pleasure that I announce the appointment of our recently raised Brother Patrick La Brecque as our new officer at large. Brother Patrick will serve as Tyler when the officer's line has an absentee which will allow Brother Reidy to move into the lodge where necessary.

Seeing that the calendar is June, it is time for the officers to qualify for next year's positions. We are therefore having a Step-Up night where we'll open on the 3rd degree and host a couple of Master Mason's returns as well as an officer's practice by Wor. Kevin Stibich.

Lastly, congratulations to Brother Gonzaga on his raising and to Brother John Porter who will be the 2015 recipient of the Hiram Award presented to him at our June stated meeting. In addition to that, look forward to our upcoming series on Masonic education which will highlight a 5-10 minute opinion on Masonry in general at each stated meeting. If you would like to present, please let me know.

Brandon Cook, Master



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From the West

Greetings Brethren from the Station of Strength

Welcome to the month of June with a full calendar of activities and bring new members and Brothers into our Lodge. Every year Blue Lodges across the state of California bestow an honor known as the Hiram award upon a single member of their individual Lodge. The award is generally described as the "Highest Honor" which can be presented by a Lodge. As far as eligibility requirements go, every Master Mason is eligible. The award is recognition of a Brother by the Lodge for his service. It is a tribute to a Brother who has devoted themselves, their time, and their talent above and beyond the minimal requirements of Freemasonry to become a shining beacon to others both within the Fraternity and the community. It is a singular honor authorized by the Grand Lodge of California and presented by the Brethren of the Lodge to a member they feel is a credit to the Craft.



Hugo Ramos, HA, Sr. Warden

On Wednesday, June 3rd will be our stated meeting and it gives me great pleasure of seeing our Brother John Porter being awarded this year's Hiram Award by our Master Brandon Cook. John and his wife Agnes have been tremendous assets to the Lodge and it's members. They have been instrumental in planning and executing numerous activities that have been held over the years. Our hats are off to our Brother, John Porter!

Only children look forward to getting older. The rest of us wish we could stop time. But we have no power over the aging process as it unfolds before us and upon us. What we do have, though, is the power to choose how we respond to our own aging. We can dread it or we can embrace all the gifts that our years have to offer. Age also bestows blessings upon us: the freedom of life without work, the joys of grandchildren and great-grandchildren, the identity as the elder of a family, the perspective on life that can only be gained through years, the awareness of human frailty, the link to the past that elders can offer, the

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From the South

Greetings Brethren from the Station of Beauty

We have been busy performing the labors of our craft. Many new brothers have received their

"EA" and "FC" degrees as well as our two new Master Masons, Brothers La Brecque and Gonzaga.

Well, it looks like we will be having Meat Loaf with Mushroom Gravy (a special request from Br. John Porter, this year's recipient of the Hiram Award). Congratulations to Br. John!

I'd like to offer my kudos to the brethren who assisted with the meal for the Public Service Dinner. Keep up the good work. Don't forget we have the "Anaheim 207 Smoke Off", "Blood Drive" and "Day of Service" at the Lodge on August 22nd. It will certainly be a busy day, plenty of Fun and Food to be had by all.

Remember the battle cry from the kitchen: "Real Men Wear Aprons"

Fraternally yours,
Robb Morris, Junior Warden



Robb Morris, Jr. Warden



The Brethren assembled for this photo after Br. Patrick LaBrecque's Raising to the Sublime Degree.

June Birthdays

Chris R. Christoff	June 1	Minori J. Higashi	June 17	David R. Leeper	June 26
Leon F. Pimple	June 2	Joe Donnelly	June 18	Robert Parekh	June 26
Todd M. Lambeth	June 4	Jesse J. Morales	June 20	Joshua Franco	June 28
Richard M. Brand	June 8	Juan Ortega	June 20	Charles E. Godby	June 28
Brian A. James	June 11	Jack O. Stephan Jr.	June 20	Lew Phillips PM 76	June 28
Thomas D Brotemarkle	June 14	Charles D. Waters	June 21	Richard M. Gates	June 30
Charles B. Williams	June 15	Herman Thordsen	June 23		
Craig Holoboski PM79,07	June 15	Jack B. Roggenbuck	June 25		

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BRETHERN

Circle of Concern

The following Brethren and Ladies could use a call or visit to help ease them through difficult times.

William F. Beckham
 Thomas Brotemarkle
 Ray and Sandy Dailey
 Richard Gates
 Ray Godeke, PM

Tom Horngren
 John L. McElroy
 Chuck Ogden, PM
 Bobby Ollar
 Edna Prince (Warren)

Roger Schendel
 Randy Warrick
 Danny Wilcox

If you need a current phone number or email address for a person on the list, contact the Secretary

Candidate Advancement

All candidates and their coaches are encouraged to meet at the DeMolay center dining room on Stated meeting and degree nights to study your proficiency. The Head Candidate Coach, Mort Tandy, will be pleased to check a candidate's work and recommend him for advancement when ready.

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Coach</u>	<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Coach</u>
Michael Smith	EA 4/15	Richard Nash	Mahesh Parekh	EA 9/13	Garo Keurjikian
Eddie Magana	EA 4/15	Patrick LaBrecque	Randy Warrick	EA 8/13	Chuck Ogden
Fred Izaguirre	FC 3/15	Mort Tandy	Ara Kashishian	FC 7/13	Garo Keurjikian
Marko Woslum	FC 3/15	Nelson Eschesabal	Art Torossian	FC 7/13	Garo Keurjikian
Steven Thornton	FC 1/15	Nelson Echesabal	Aramazad Fidanian	FC 5/13	Garo Keurjikian
Geoffrey Ray	EA 12/14	Andrew Bowen	Steven Ball	EA 5/13	Rickey Rodriguez
Joshua Franco	FC 8/14	Chuck Ogden	Alberto Lopez	FC 3/13	Hugo Ramos
Robert Parekh	FC 7/14	Garo Keurjikian	Steve Llebaria	FC 2/13	Chuck Ogden
Raymond Walker	EA 3/14	Bruce Shaphran	Douglas Cale	EA 6/11	Mort Tandy
Robert Walker	EA 3/14	Bruce Shaphran	Sam Kbushyan	FC 9/10	Garo Keurjikian

In Memoriam

Brethren,

We have lost two Brothers who demitted to the Celestial Lodge above where the Great Architect of the Universe Forever Presides.

Br. Jack Mc Ferren Fratt passed away on Oct. 28, 2014 in Newport Beach. Jack was born Oct. 15, 1922 in Nebraska. Br. Fratt was Initiated Dec. 10, 1943, Passed Jan. 28 and Raised Feb. 15, 1944 in Angeles Mesa Lodge 625, now Anaheim 207. Br. Jack was Honored with the Golden Veteran Award in Mar. 1994. 71 years a Mason.

Br. William J. Mc Garvey passed away on May 15, 2015 in Fullerton. William was born on Nov. 5, 1921 in Ohio. Br. Mc Garvey was Initiated Mar. 14, Passed May 23 and Raised July 25, 1963 in Azure Lodge 533, now Anaheim 207. Br. Mc Garvey was honored with the Golden Veteran Award in Feb 2013.

Soft and Safe be Thy resting place, my Brother...



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Get to know our Entered Apprentice Brother Michael Smith

1. How did you learn about Masonry for the first time and why did you decide to join Anaheim Lodge?

When I was a very young man of 12 or 13 my step father was involved with the Masons and spoke very highly of the organization. My mother and he divorced and I didn't give much more thought to it until recently when I met Wor. Godeke in passing at the office building where I work, and one day he asked me in to talk about my service in Vietnam. I noticed some portraits displayed in his office and asked him about them. We began talking about Masonry, and I expressed my interest in the organization. He offered to get me an application, and explained the process of being assessed for admission. I submitted the application with the required fees, and now here I am.

2. What is your background and where do you want to be in 5-10 years?

I am the son of a combat Marine/Drill Sargent, Grandson of a Navy Admiral, and Veteran of the Vietnam War. All three of my brothers also served in the military as well. I have for the past 5-6 years been helping homeless veterans acquire the benefits they are entitled to, find employment if they so desire, and find stable housing in order to get off the streets. I have been in college for 4 plus years studying psychology, chemical addiction and post-traumatic stress disorders in order to better understand some of the underlying issues that have caused so many of our past military heroes to fall in to a lifestyle they do not deserve.

3. What is the best advice you have every received and why?

My Grandfather once said, "Do what needs to be done, when it needs to be done, whether you like it or not!" This advice has proved to be very valuable in every aspect of my life. It has helped me to accomplish many tasks/duties that were at times less than desirable but necessary and ultimately my responsibility.

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wisdom that comes with age and much more. Please keep in your prayers, the Brethren and wives of our Lodge. Special prayers and wishes for a quick recovery go out to our Past Masters, Chuck Ogden, Raymond Dailey, Bud Coleman and his wife Mary Ann and Brother Dale Johnson. We wish everyone on this list a Full and Complete Recovery. I apologize for any names that were left off this list; however, you are all in our prayers. Brethren, "Please", a telephone call from YOU could brighten their day and mean a world of difference in their lives. If you know of a Brother or His Family who are ill, please notify me or the Lodge.

I look forward to seeing you in the Lodge at our stated meeting and subsequent degree meetings. Thank each of you for your participation and support.

Hugo Ramos, HA, Senior Warden



Brother Wendell L. Williams was presented with his 50 Year Golden Veteran Award on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 by Worshipful Merritt Read. The presentation was made at his home due to medical issues. Brother Williams' daughter Deb and his caregiver were present for the presentation.

Brother Williams, 81, was born in Oklahoma and has two children. He was raised a Master Mason at Azure Lodge # 533, now Anaheim Lodge # 207, on March 11, 1965. Although his medical condition leaves him with limited speaking ability, he was so excited about the presentation that he could not stop telling his caregiver that the lodge was coming to present him with the award. Anaheim Lodge # 207 expresses their congratulations to Brother Wendell Williams on this very special occasion.

Brother William E. Howard was presented with his 50 Year Golden Veteran Award on Thursday, May 28, 2015 by Worshipful Merritt Read. The presentation was made at his home due to medical issues concerning his wife. Our brother was very pleased that the lodge would come to his home to make the presentation and we had a very pleasant conversation.



Brother Howard, 83, is a native Californian. At the age of 10 he used to shine shoes for sailors who were returning to their ships in Long Beach. He graduated from Jordan High School where he lettered in football, basketball and baseball. He also played football at Compton Junior College and was a DeMolay with Compton Chapter. He and his wife of 65 years, Carol, have 3 sons and 1 daughter. He worked in sales for the Gypsum Co. for 26 years. Then opened Howard & Sons Building Materials in 1989. Although his sons run the business now, Brother Howard still works 5 days a week. He was raised a Master Mason at Anaheim Lodge # 207 on March 13, 1965. He is also in Scottish Rite and the Shrine. Anaheim Lodge # 207 expresses their congratulations to Brother William Howard on this very special occasion.



Brother Bernard E. Weiss was presented with his 50 Year Golden Veteran Award on Wednesday, May 27, 2015 by Worshipful Merritt Read. The presentation was made at his home due to medical issues concerning his wife. Brother Weiss' daughter Constance Dumond was present and pinned our brother with his 50 year pin. She is a Past Homecoming Queen from Bethel # 5. Our brother and his daughter were very pleased that the lodge would come to his home to make the presentation. We had a very enjoyable conversation.

Brother Weiss, 84, is a native Californian. He graduated from UCLA with a degree in Civil Engineering while on a baseball scholarship. He served in the Navy during World War II and spent most of that time in the Philippines. He worked for Aerojet General and Metal IMP as a Materials Engineer. He and his wife of 60 years, Hildegard, especially enjoyed traveling. He was raised a Master Mason at Anaheim Lodge # 207 on January 31, 1964. Anaheim Lodge # 207 expresses their congratulations to Brother Bernard Weiss on this very special occasion.



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Event Calendar

6/ 3/15 Stated Meeting & Hiram Award Presentation 7:30pm
Honoring Br. John Porter Dinner 6:30pm
6/10/15 3rd Degree Stepup (Officer's Practice/Return) 7:00pm
6/17/15 1st or 2nd Degree TBD 7:00pm
6/28/15 Mason of the Year, Grand Lodge Event 11:00am
DeMolay Center, tickets available thru Grand Lodge
6/30/15 OSI (Irvine Valley) 7:00pm
7/ 1/15 Stated Meeting 7:30pm, Dinner 6:30pm
7/ 8/15 1st Degree 7:00pm
7/15/15 1st Degree 7:00pm
7/22/15 2nd or 3rd Degree (as needed) 7:00pm
7/29/15 Lodge Dark
8/22/15 Blood Drive, Lodge Service Day and Smoke Off
8/28/15 Pageant of the Masters
tickets from Hugo Ramos, Mike Selix, lodge officers

Ladies... We'll be exchanging jewelry at the June meeting – if you have something you're tired of (no diamonds, emeralds or rubies) bring them and shop for something new at NO EXPENSE. It's fun and yes – we've done it before and again is more fun! See you on the 3rd of June! Agnes P

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