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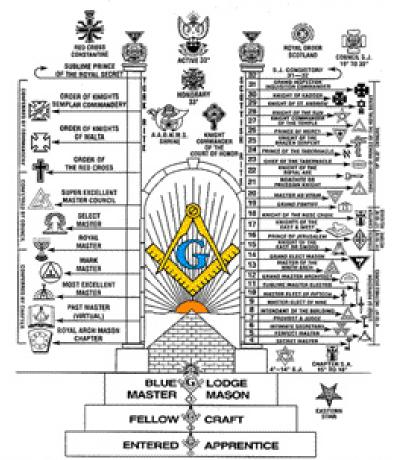
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Bro. Smith Marshall

from a Friend iz Brother Mason

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THE CORNERSTONE

We have laid the stone all truly with a Master Craftsmen's care. We have tested it and tried it by the level, plumb, and square, We've made a firm foundation for our children's children's toil And empty poured the vessels of their corn and wine and oil.

What further is remaining save stone on stone to rear
That soon the finished building in its glory shall appear?
What more to do than giving to this pile its latest touch?
And a Voice that stirs the stillness makes this answer, "There is much."

"There is work to do, my brothers, wrought of neither stone or steel
And never dome or tower can its majesty reveal,
For this the nobler labor, ere his toil can make it whole,
Must be performed in darkness in the Master Craftsman's soul.

"There are works of loving-kindness and of charity and good And a structure to be built with the stones of brotherhood, For this mighty Temple's fabric is an empty mocking shell Unless within there be built a shrine of souls as well.

"Take heed, then, Master Craftsmen, when this Temple shall arise With its brave and gleaming towers pointing grandly to the skies. Let yourselves compose the structure, let yourselves the Temple be, That shall stand in great proportion unto Eternity."

— R. J. McLauchlin



SCOTTISH RITE BODIES

VALLEY OF SAN BERNARDINO

4400 Varsity Avenue - San Bernardino, CA 92407 - (909) 887-4415

February 18th - 6:15 p.m. - Dinner (Reservations Required)

- 7:30 p.m. - Show - Riverside Municipal Band

- 8:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting



Gate City O.E.S. #212





"HAPPY NEW YEAR" & PRESIDENT'S DAY
FEBRUARY 8, 2013

7:30PM. REGULAR STATED MEETING
"CHINESE NEW YEAR"
Ann Kensett, W. M., Chairman

FEBRUARY 22, 2013

7:30PM REGULAR STATED MEETING
"PRESIDENT'S BIRTHDAY"

In Memorium

Wor. Bro. Al Root

January 6th, 2013



Into thy loving hands we commend the spirit of our departed brothers. If you hear of someone passing on please let the Secretary know, so that he can send a card to the family.

Greetings from the East



It is with great sadness that I write to inform you that on Sunday, January 6th we lost Worshipful Al Root. He succumbed after a short bout with cancer. Worshipful Root was my coach as I was going through the degrees some years ago, and I got an opportunity to spend a lot of time with him. He was no fan of the short form return so that was not an option for me, but I didn't know any different so I didn't care. I remember after I was raised to Master Mason. I thought to myself, "Whew, I am done with the proficiencies." And at the end of my degree, while I was shoving cake down my gullet. he came up to me and said, "I'll see you Tuesday." "Why," I asked? He then informed that I still had one more proficiency to do. He believed in doing things right and traditionally. I consider myself very blessed for having had the opportunity to get to know him. He was a fantastic mentor and coach and devoted member of our fraternity. I know he is in a better place, but I know we are going to miss him here. My thoughts and prayers go out to him, his wife and family.

It has been a busy start to the year already. Last month we had a 2^{nd} degree and a 3^{rd} degree. We have another couple of brothers in the pipeline for 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} degrees and will schedule them accordingly as they are ready to progress.

After speaking with an overwhelming number of brothers it has been requested that our stated meeting dinners go back to the traditional steak dinner. So starting this month that is what we will do. Stated meeting dinners with be traditional steak dinners. We will also have chicken for folks that do not like or wish to eat steak. The cost will remain, at present, a minimum \$8 donation.

We have also discussed having an open house Saturday mornings once a month where we can get together have some coffee and fellowship. So starting this month, on the third Saturday of the month, we will open up the building and brew coffee and have a time where we can all just come together and sit down with no other agenda than good fellowship and conversations. This month's open house will be February 16th at 9:00am and will continue with every 3rd Saturday of the month for the rest of the year. This would also be a good time to bring prospective candidates who may wish to get a tour of the building or more information about Masonry and our lodge.

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(Master's Message continued)

I hope you are all well and look forward to seeing each of you in lodge. Remember Valentines Day is February 14th. That is a Thursday, so lodge will be dark. Make sure you take care of your significant other that day and make them feel really special. If nothing else, you'll earn a "get out of the doghouse free" card by doing so.

Fraternally,

Jesse M. Maust

Worshipful Master



From the Secretary's Desk

Do you have information about your lodge's Masonic cemetery properties?

The Grand Lodge Masonic Cemetery Task Force is creating a central recordkeeping system to improve stewardship of Masonic cemeteries and plots. We are surveying every lodge to gather essential information.

If you have any information on any cemetery property owned by a Masonic Lodge, please notify the lodge secretary, Worshipful Tom Meyer (909) 489-4896 or email tmeyer828@yahoo.com.

You may also contact the task force directly. Email Russ Charvonia at rcharvonia@freemason.org or call 805-258-1037.

Thank you for preserving and protecting our Masonic Cemeteries.

Sickness & Distress

Bro. Joe Barthlesson, P.M. now at home Irv Uffer is at "Highland Palms Healthcare Center" - Highland

George Ellis is at "Somerford Place" - Redlands

Please visit these brothers if you can.

Prayers Work!!! Just ask someone who has come back from a illlness!

YORK RITE BODIES

SAN BERNARDINO

2888 N. Arrowhead Ave. - San Bernardino, CA 92407 - (909) 883-2615



Keystone Chapter No. 56, R.A.M.

February 6th – 7:00 pm – Building Board Meeting February 6th – 7:30 pm – Stated Convocation



Valley Council No. 27, C.M.

February 6th – 7:00 pm – Building Board Meeting February 13th – 7:30 pm – Stated Assembly



St. Bernard Commandery No. 23, K.T.

February 6th – 7:00 pm – Building Board Meeting February 20th – 7:30 pm – Stated Conclave

SHRINE WIDOWS & FRIENDS CLUB

The Shrine Widows invite all widows and their guests to visit our San Bernardino Widow's and Friends Club. They normally meet on the 4th Thursday of each month at The Gourmet Restaurant, 1445 E. Highland Ave., San Bernardino at 11:30 am. Theirs is often enjoyable entertainment. There will be menu choices to choose from. For more information and reservations, call Eleanor Seccombe at 886-8026 about 2 weeks prior so she may take orders for lunch and prepare appropriate introductions.



Greetings from the South

This is my first article for the trestle board and I thought, since this is a new beginning for me why not start at the beginning.

Freemasons hidden in plain sight.

During my interest and research of Freemasonry I was among the populace that thought the only way to get into a lodge was to find a Mason and hope he asked me to join. I had it completely wrong. The hardest thing to do was find a Mason. A lot of Masons do not or will not "Advertise" or wear Masonic items or any form or identification in public for whatever reason. Though, when Masons do where identification, it is in specific events or various functions.

While I was learning about the craft, I had no idea that one of my family members was a Mason. A person I talked with many times a week. Still, I had no clue of his affiliation. Today, as I have been entrusted with more and more of our secrets our brethren have become more visible to me. Masonic brethren are amazingly everywhere when the "Light" is on.

In closing always keep your eyes open and the "lights" on. You will never know what you will see.

Smile it's good for you and the person next to you.

Luke Routhieaux

Junior Warden

San Bernardino Lodge #178

Greetings from the West



One of my "hobbies" is the study of all things 'ancient'. I am fascinated at the way our earliest ancestors consistently produced works that STILL evoke wonder and awe in the observer. As a young man, I was privileged to visit Egypt, to enter the Great Pyramid and climb upon its stones. At that formative time of my life I was filled with admiration for the people who could accomplish building "Mountains" in the desert. When, within just a few days of my trip to Egypt, I traveled to Greece and while walking up the Acropolis, I entered the Parthenon. I was again struck with a sense of overwhelming incredulity that human minds and hands could produce such magnificent beauty and harmony out of stone.

Since that time, I've had the opportunity to visit other ancient sites - Stonehenge, Mayan, Hawaiian and Tahitian Temples. and Roman ruins. In each case, I have marveled at the levels of sophistication and skill attained by so-called "primitive man" in the working of stone with the very simplest of tools. As I've grown older. I've become fond of certain passages of Scripture which refer to men as "Living stones" used to build a "Spiritual House", that would be "acceptable to God". When I reflect upon the wonderful surviving examples of "operative Masonry" bequeathed to us by our earliest ancestors, it occurs to me that even though the "working tools" we receive in our Degrees MAY seem simple or even outdated, we (likewise) have been outfitted adequately to perform the great work which we have obligated ourselves to do. May OUR work, ALSO become the admiration of succeeding generations, is my humble wish and prayer. So Mote it Be!

Fraternally

Mark V. Stilt Senior Warden

San Bernardino Lodge February 2013

Upcoming Events to Watch for:

February 16th – Open House 9:00 am February 28th – D.O.A. at San Bernardino

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Hi-Twelve Arrowhead CC- 11:30 am	Job's Daughters at Scottish Rite Center
3	4	5	6	BB Meeting 6 P.M. Dinner 6:30 P.M. Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M.	8 Hi-Twelve Gate City O.E.S. "Chinese New Year" 7:30 pm at York Rite	9
10	11	12 Lincoln's Brithday	13	DARK Valentine's Day	15 Hi-Twelve	Open House Coffee Social 9:00 am
17	18 President's Day	at Scottish Rite Center 6:00pm - Stated Meeting 6:30pm - Dinner 7:30pm - Show	20	3rd Degree Practice 7:00 P.M.	Gate City O.E.S. "President's Brithday" 7:30 pm at York Rite	Job's Daughters at Scottish Rite Center
24	25	26	27	D.O.A. 6:00 P.M.		