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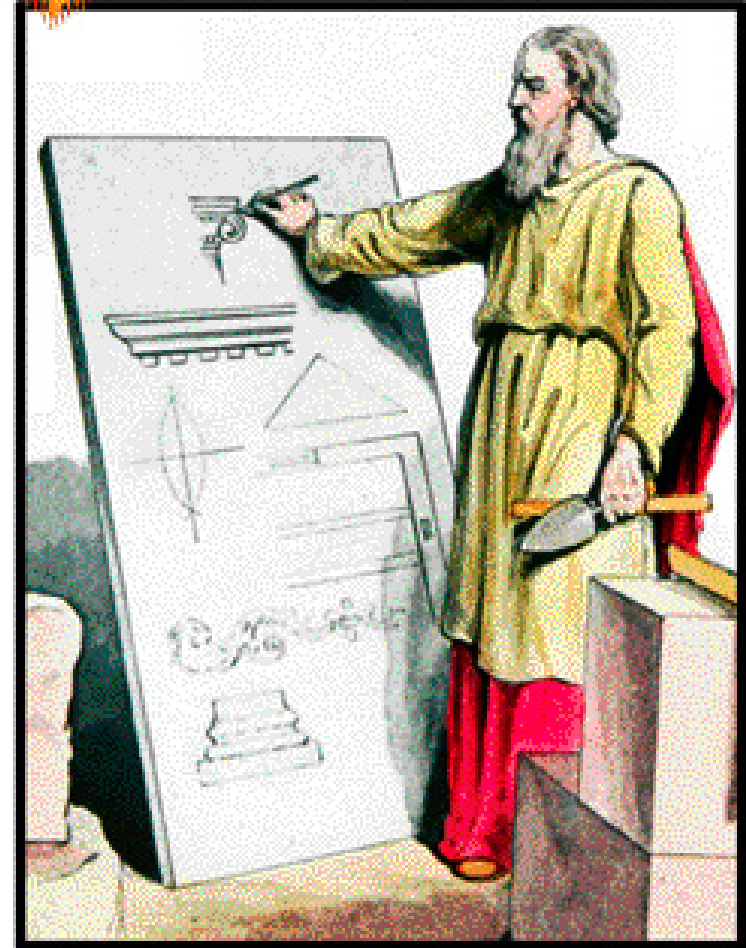
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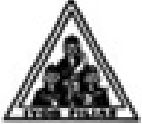
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<p align="center"><i>San Bernardino No 12 Club No. 430</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Good Fellowship</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Good Will</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Brotherly Love</i></p> <p align="center"><i>For all Masons, their Spouses, their Widows and Friends</i></p> 	<p align="center"><i>In Memory of a Worthy Brother:</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Bro. Smith Marshall</i></p> <p align="center"><i>from a Friend &amp; Brother - Mason</i></p>
<p align="center"><b>YOUR NAME/AD HERE</b></p> <p align="center"><b>\$150.00 FOR ONE YEAR</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>YOUR NAME/AD HERE</b></p> <p align="center"><b>\$150.00 FOR ONE YEAR</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITIES</b></p>  <p align="center"><b>JOB'S DAUGHTERS BETHEL NO. 33</b></p> <p>It's Saturday Morning Cartoon Time!</p> <p>Job's Daughters Bethel No. 33 of San Bernardino will be having their Grand Guardian's Official Visit on Saturday, March 24, 2012. Our Bethel will be joined by Bethel No. 35 of Moreno Valley, Bethel No. 104 of Redlands, and Bethel No. 264 of Riverside at 11:00 am at The Evergreen Masonic Center in Riverside. This is a perfect opportunity to bring your daughters, grand-daughters and/or nieces for a morning of Job's Daughters FUN!! Please join us for a buffet breakfast, cartoon trivia, and lots of laughs!</p> <p>And, as usual, you are welcome to join us for our regular meetings on March 3<sup>rd</sup> or</p> <p>April 7<sup>th</sup>. We would love to see you!</p> <p>Any questions can be answered by contacting Colleen Howard, Bethel Guardian, Bethel No. 33, San Bernardino</p>	



## SCOTTISH RITE BODIES VALLEY OF SAN BERNARDINO

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

- March 6th - 6:30 P.M. - Executive Board Meeting
- March 20th - 6:15 P.M. - Dinner (Reservations Required)
- 7:30 P.M. - Special Program
- 8:00 P.M. - AASR Stated Meeting
- Women's Association Meeting



## Gate City O.E.S. #212

- March 9, 2012 7:30p.m. - Stated Meeting  
"Leprechaun Adventures"  
Norma June Phillips, PM, Chairman
- March 23, 2012 7:30p.m. - Stated Meeting  
"Mad Hatter's Tea Party"  
Linda Windegger, W.M. Chairman  
Sandy Ditto, PM, Chairman

A leprechaun is small and green,  
He hides where he cannot be seen.  
But if you catch one on this day,  
He must give his Gold Away!

### In Memorium

**Bro. Bill G. Cox**

Passed Away August 2011

**Dr. Robert Warburton Miller**

Died October 24, 2011, a month shy of his 90th birthday

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



I hope that this month finds each of you well, and warm. This cold and damp weather can sometimes get the best of you, but keep in mind that the Lodge is always a place that is full of warmth and cheerful brotherly love. This past month we initiated a new Entered Apprentice, and also passed two of our newly obligated brothers to the degree of Fellow Craft. We have missed those of you that have not attended the degrees as sideliners are always a welcome treat for the candidates.

This month, we will be discussing the status of our new lodge building, and performing degree practices for our anticipated 3<sup>rd</sup> degrees. I hope you will keep in touch with the lodge officers for updates. Make sure that you join us for Stated Meeting dinner, as the Blue Lodge will be a little green in honor of St. Patrick, check in with the Junior Wardens page for details. Please keep your brothers in Freemasonry in your thoughts this week, and if you haven't seen one of your "old" friends in a while, try giving him a call and invite him to join you in lodge. We would love to see back with us..... coffee is always on and we love to hear some of those stories. Hope to see you soon.

Frederick (Rick) Stilt

Master

March 6<sup>th</sup> On this date in 1775, several black men, including one named Prince Hall, were initiated into Freemasonry in Boston. This marked the beginning of what became a huge movement or organization in the United States known as Prince Hall Masonry, composed mainly of African Americans.

March 25<sup>th</sup> On this date in 1902, Sir Winston Churchill received his 3<sup>rd</sup> degree in Studholme Lodge #1591, London

## Greetings from the West



What a busy month we had with degrees. I am excited about the beginning months of this new year and hope that it is an indication of what is to come.

It seems that on the news, and even around our neighborhoods, we can see that we are definitely in a time of trial here. It may even become easy to get a little jaded. About 5 years ago Eric Bordner and I were sitting at dinner one stated meeting, and we were lamenting over something in the news. I cannot even remember what calamity had befallen our area. I remember I made a comment like the “the world is simply going down the tubes.”

Elliot Livingston was sitting at the table with us. He piped up and said, “Wait a minute. I have lived a long time. I have met a lot of people, and 99% of them are good, decent, hardworking people. It’s the 1% that get all the attention on the news.” He was absolutely right. I had become jaded by the narrow 1% and let it affect my attitude, and forgot about the 99%.

I went back to work and changed my current events project that I give my students. I changed it to “What’s Right in the World Today” project. We masons and our family members are part of the “What’s Right in the World Today.” We have the capacity and dedications to change the communities in which we live. We are able to aid and assist the 99% when they are struggling and falling on hard times. We are able to reach out to our schools, women’s shelters, our elderly, widows and orphans, brothers and sisters, at risk teens etc. We have the foundation and organization to make a difference. Our seasoned members can even simply influence our newer members with their stories, world view, and lives. So thank you Elliot for giving me that heart to heart, that I have edited down to a “G” rating for this publication. I encourage all of you to attend as regularly as possible, and let’s go do great things in 2012.

Fraternally,  
Jesse M. Maust  
Senior Warden

## 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 illness!

## YORK RITE BODIES SAN BERNARDINO

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**Keystone Chapter No. 56, R.A.M.**  
March 3rd – 8:30 am – Conferral of Chapter Degrees  
March 7th – 7:00 pm – Building Board Meeting  
March 7th – 7:30 pm – Stated Convocation



**Valley Council No. 27, C.M.**  
March 7th – 7:00 pm – Building Board Meeting  
March 14th – 7:30 pm – Stated Assembly  
March 17th – 8:30 am – Conferral of Cryptic Degrees



**St. Bernard Commandery No. 23, K.T.**  
March 7th – 7:00 pm – Building Board Meeting  
March 21st – 7:30 pm – Stated Conclave  
March 31st – Conferral of Commandery Orders

## 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.

## From the Secretary Desk



Brethren it definitely has been a very prosperous and successful start of the year. I believe this is the first time in at least the last three to five years that we have had so many brothers pay their dues on time. However we still have a hand full who have not paid. Remember brothers your dues are what fund the day to day operations of the lodge and allow us to put on our programs and other community events. If you are having issues paying your dues please reach out to either myself or Wor. Rick Stilt and let us know the situation we might be able to provide you some assistance.

On a positive note please look to messages from the building board in the next few months we are coming up on the remodel of our newly purchased building and I think everyone will be very interested to see it upon its completion. The new lodge building has been a labor of love for all the officers and members of both the lodge and the building board. Countless hours have gone into this project and I hope once it's completed everyone will make an effort to come and visit.

Fraternally  
Wor. Eric L. Bordner, P.M.

“I think there is only one quality worse than hardness of heart and that is softness of head.”

“A man who has never gone to school may steal from a freight car; but if he has a university education, he may steal the whole railroad.”



“The most successful politician is he who says what everybody is thinking most often and in the loudest voice.”

— — — Bro. Theodore Roosevelt

## Greetings from the South



March is named for Mars, the Roman god of war; and it's not an inappropriate name for a month in which the elemental forces of the seasons appear to battle one another until Spring finally declares her victory over a spent and exhausted Winter!

“Beware the Ides of March was the prophecy given by the seer, to Julius Caesar, warning him of the danger that awaited him on the “Ides” (or middle of the month) when he would be assassinated. Again, the Ides of March were dedicated to the god Mars, and was celebrated with festivities and a military parade.

This year Spring officially begins (in the Northern Hemisphere) on March 20<sup>th</sup>; on which day the Sun moves directly over the earth's equator, with half of the earth lying in to the North and half lying to the South; making March also a month of balance, and an appropriate time to try to find the center point in ourselves, that ‘point within a circle’, which carries so much meaning for Masons.

On Sunday, the 11<sup>th</sup> of March, we will move our clocks forward one hour at 2:00 am that very morning; again symbolizing the transition that takes place during this month that traditionally “comes in like a Lion and goes out like a Lamb”.

Finally, Saturday March 17<sup>th</sup> is Saint Patrick's Day, originally dedicated to honor the famous missionary to the Irish, Saint Patrick's Day has (with time) become a day to celebrate ALL things Irish, and to wear a ‘bit o' Green', in honor of Ireland the “Emerald Isle”!!

Accordingly, our March 1<sup>st</sup> Stated Meeting dinner will be a traditional Irish Corned Beef and Cabbage offering by Threasa Krueger-Harlan, (our gracious Chef AND friend)! Please come early, bring a wife or girlfriend, and enjoy the friendly fellowship of Brother Masons with their “Better Half's”!!

We look forward to seeing you there!

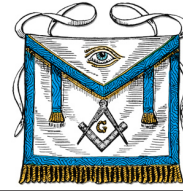
Fraternally,

Mark V. Stilt

Junior Warden

San Bernardino Lodge

# March 2012



Upcoming Events to Watch for:

*3rd Degree March 22nd*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1  Stated Meeting 6:30 P.M.	2  Hi-Twelve Arrowhead CC- 11:30 am	3  Job's Daughters at Scottish Rite Center
4	5	6  De Molay at Scottish Rite Center	7	8  3rd Degree Practice 7:15 P.M.	9 <u>Hi-Twelve</u>  Gate City O.E.S. State Meeting, Leprechaun Adventures 7:30 P.M.	10
11 <i>Daylight Savings Time Begins</i>	12	13  at Scottish Rite Center 6:30 pm -Executive Board Meeting	14	15  Degree Practice 7:15 P.M.	16 <u>Hi-Twelve</u>	17  Job's Daughters at Scottish Rite Center  <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>
18	19	20  at Scottish Rite Center 6:30 pm -Dinner <i>Spring Begins</i>	21	22  3rd Degree 7:15 P.M.	23 <u>Hi-Twelve</u>  Gate City O.E.S. Mad Hatter's Tea Party 7:30 P.M.	24  Masters & Wardens Retreat
25  Masters & Wardens Retreat	26	27	28	29  D.O.A. 6:30 P.M. at Inland Empire Lodge	30	31