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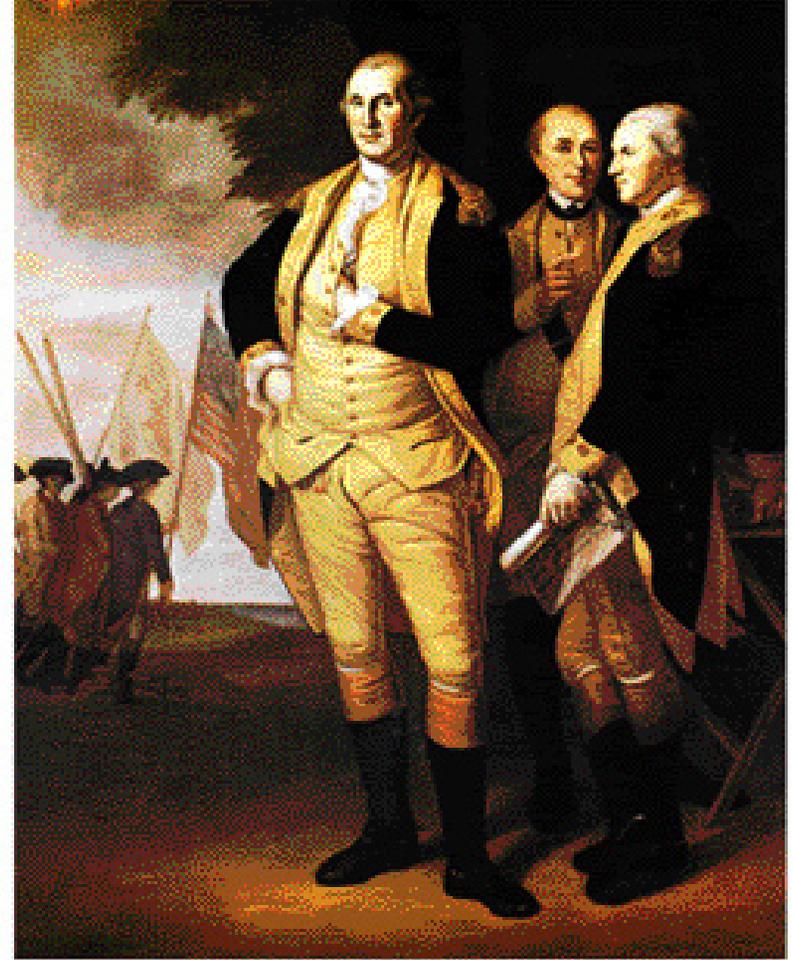
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<p align="center"><i>San Bernardino No 12 Club No. 430</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Good Food! Good Fellowship</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Meets Friday Even</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Archived CC Backside Drive.</i></p> <p align="center"><i>For all Members, 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 & Brother Mason</i></p>
<p align="center">YOUR NAME/AD HERE</p> <p align="center">\$150.00 FOR ONE YEAR</p>	<p align="center">YOUR NAME/AD HERE</p> <p align="center">\$150.00 FOR ONE YEAR</p>
<p><i>(Junior Warden's Message continued)</i></p> <p>One practice of operative Masonry with which I have recently become acquainted, is the manner of determining the soundness of a granite stone for working. In <u>"Elements of Stone Masonry"</u> (www.pasvalco.com/Elements), and under the heading of "Stone Defects", it reads:</p> <p>"Cracks are the main things to guard against, however, and they may be detected by the absence of the clear ringing sound when the stone is struck with a hammer."</p> <p>This 'rapping' on a prospective stone, to be used by the builder, explains certain otherwise inexplicable rituals of Freemasonry, wherein candidates are tested for their suitability to be used in that "house not made with hands"; because it is essential that any 'cracks' hidden deep inside the stone, be discovered BEFORE chisel is laid to stone.</p> <p>So we see, that from 'time immemorial' the peculiar symbols of modern Freemasonry, have carried the same meaning, as they do for us today.</p> <p>May we ever be open to the lessons of this, our Ancient and Honorable Craft! So Mote it Be!</p> <p>Brethren, our dinner for Stated Meeting during the month of November, will include Turkey, Potatoes, gravy, and dressing. Happy Thanksgiving!!</p> <p>Fraternally, Mark V. Stilt, Junior Warden</p>	



SCOTTISH RITE BODIES VALLEY OF SAN BERNARDINO

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

November 12th -6:00 p.m. - Building Board & Executive Board Meetings

November 20th - 6:30 p.m. - Dinner (Reservations Required)
- 7:30 p.m. - Special Program - Clinic Recognition Night
- 8:00 p.m. - AASR Stated Meeting
- Women's Association Meeting



Gate City O.E.S. #212

NOVEMBER 4, 2012

2:00 p.m. – Installation Practice

NOVEMBER 9, 2012

7:30 pm. – Stated Meeting

“Installation Night”

NOVEMBER 23, 2012

Dark – Happy Thanksgiving

In Memorium

Bro. Rex Cox

Our Treasurer for 33 years passed away
on June 17, 2012

Bro. Orville Nunley

Passed Away on May 24, 2012



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



Greetings Brothers,

We had a nice attendance at last months stated meeting dinner for a change, and a few more of our brothers attending lodge. Lets hope that this is the beginning of a trend that will continue to grow. Last month saw us initiating now brother David OShane, raising brother Gregory Bordner, and having brother Dennis Croyle return his 3rd degree proficiency. It was a good month for our fraternity. We also placed applications in the hands of several people who have “knocked” at our door, so hopefully we will see growth in our membership as well. As a reminder, the 2013 dues notices will start going out this month, so please do your best at getting them returned so we can get our books in order early this year. It would really help the Secretary out. REMINDER....at this months stated meeting, we will be having our annual election of Officers. Next month we will be having the annual installation of officers. Installation will be held on Saturday December 1st this year, so please plan to attend and congratulate your new officers line. They will appreciate your support. This will also be a great time to see your new lodge building, a place you can be proud of again. Please plan to attend. Now, as our holiday season is officially here I want to wish each of you a most joyous and blessing filled Thanksgiving. Although this is a happy and fun filled time for most of us, we should remember that for some, it is a sad and lonely time as they are reminded of the If loved ones. Remember, hugs are cheap. Have a great holiday everyone.

Fraternally, Frederick (Rick) Stilt Master

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I hope I shall always possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man. —

George Washington – US President & Freemason

“Let us endeavor so to live that when we come to die even the undertaker will be sorry.” – Brother Mark Twain

The Ceiling is going in and soon



the new home of
Our
Lodge
will be
completed



Sickness & Distress

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

George Ellis is at “Somerset 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.
November 7th – 7:00 pm – Building Board Meeting
November 7th – 7:30 pm – Stated Convocation



Valley Council No. 27, C.M.
November 7th – 7:00 pm – Building Board Meeting
November 14th – 7:30 pm – Stated Assembly



St. Bernard Commandery No. 23, K.T.
November 7th – 7:00 pm – Building Board Meeting
November 21st – 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. There 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

One of the things I love about Carpentry, Operative Masonry and (indeed) ANY of the building arts, is the ease with which actual working tools AND even practices, translate into 'moral lessons' which are easily understood across vast chasms of time, culture, and even religion.

We know that Confucius (551 – 479 B.C.), the great Chinese philosopher, more than once alluded to the working tools of masonry to illustrate his teachings; and that one of his practitioners, a certain Menicus (around 281 B.C.) so clearly captured the spirit of modern Freemasonry, that nearly 23 Centuries later his metaphorical use of working tools (most expressive), requires little further explanation. Said he:

“The Master Mason in teaching his apprentices, makes use of the Square and the Compasses. Ye who are engaged in the pursuit of wisdom must also make use of the Square and the Compasses.”

Two thousand years ago, the humble “Carpenter” of Nazareth, drew moral lessons through his story of a wise man “which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock”; whereas the foolish man, built his house “without a foundation”, and with only “earth” to support it. This simple illustration, even now, carries such clear meaning that even little children can be taught to comprehend its lesson.

The Apostle Peter referred to HIS readers “as lively (or ‘living’) stones” to be used in the building of a “spiritual house” or Temple; thus giving the builders art the most intimate of references.....WE, our very SELVES are the STONES that must be used by the Great Architect in His Grand Designs upon the Tresselboard!

Each of these allusions are rich in meaning, so that by the simple use of metaphor, mankind’s present condition, as well as its future potential is clearly illustrated; whereby even the most unlearned, may be wisely instructed.

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Greetings from the West

November is now among us and hopefully Mother Nature catches up with fall weather. This is a season of Thanksgiving and there are so many things in which we can be thankful for. As we get ready to move into our new facility, I am thankful for the opportunity to serve our great fraternity with such an outstanding group of men. I consider myself very fortunate that my path has crossed paths with so many people with whom I hold the utmost respect, and it is with sincere desire that I hope to become as good of a man as some I have had the pleasure of meeting in our organization. It is nice to see so many fathers and sons share in our Masonic ritual and heritage. It is neat to see children coming up and expressing interest in our fraternity, and there is nothing as fine as seeing a father bestow on obligation on the son, or in some cases, a son obligate a father.

I am thankful to see the new members coming into the organization with the zeal and excitement that they are exhibiting. I look forward to watching our organization continue to grow, and with time and perseverance get back to the numbers of our “glory days.”

Lastly, I would like to thank the wives and significant others of our members. The old cliché that behind every good man is a good woman is definitely true here. It was through the support and assistance of the wives of our members that has helped make some of this year’s events memorable.

So with that said, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Thanksgiving, and many blessings through this time of reflection and giving thanks. I hope to see you all in lodge, for I truly do enjoy the camaraderie that we share.

Fraternally,
Jesse M. Maust
Senior Warden

San Bernardino Lodge

November 2012



Upcoming Events to Watch for:
November – Lodge moving to New Home

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1  Stated Meeting Election of Officers Dinner 6:30 P.M.	2  Hi-Twelve Arrowhead CC- 11:30 am	3  Job's Daughters at Scottish Rite Center
4  Gate City O.E.S. Installation Practice 2:00 pm	5	6  De Molay at Scottish Rite Center	7	8  2nd Degree Practice 7:15 P.M.	9 <u>Hi-Twelve</u>  Gate City O.E.S. Installation Night 7:30 pm	10
11 	12  <i>Veteran's Day (observed)</i>	13  at Scottish Rite Center 6:00 P.M.- Building Board & Executive Board Meetings	14	15  Workshop for Masters & Wardens elect. 7:15 P.M.	16 <u>Hi-Twelve</u>	17  Job's Daughters at Scottish Rite Center
18	19	20  at Scottish Rite Center 6:30 P.M.- Dinner 7:30 P.M.- Special Program Clinic Recognition Night	21	22  Dark <i>Thanksgiving Day</i>	23 <u>Hi-Twelve</u>  Gate City O.E.S. Dark	24
25	26	27	28	29  Installation Practice 7:15 P.M.	30 <u>Hi-Twelve</u>	