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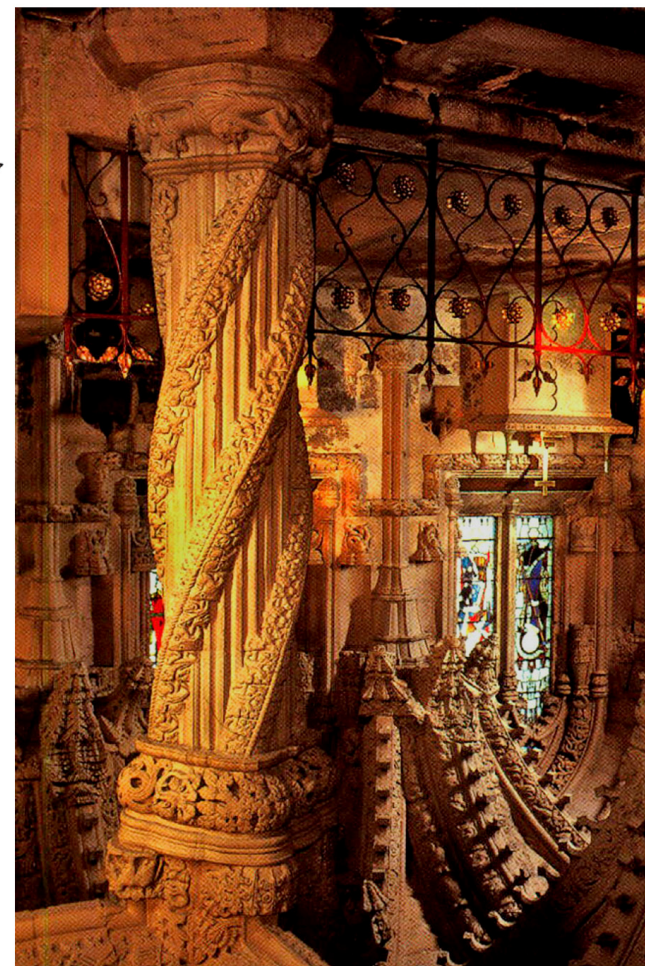
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## Sickness & Distress

Irv Uffer - is now in Virginia  
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!

## In Memorium

***Bro. Roy Stephenson***

***Bro. Hue Covey, Bro. Robert E. Davis,***

***Bro. Bronislaw B. Pasterski, Bro. Jessie Starkley***

***Bro. Al Fletcher, Bro. Ronald C. Porter***

***Bro. Owen Manning, Bro. Arnold Schapiro***

Into thy loving hands we commend the spirit of our departed  
brothers. If you hear of someone passing on please let the



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

April 8 Stated Meeting – Happy Birthday – 7:30pm

April 22 Dark – Good Friday

May 13 Stated Meeting – May Day

Plant a seed of friendship; reap a bouquet of happiness.

See you next month. –Sandy Ditto pm

## Greetings from the East



Brethren,

I'm excited how well this year has gone thus far, we have been extremely productive. At the March Stated Meeting we received three applications for Degrees. We will hold their 1<sup>st</sup> Degrees on April 14<sup>th</sup>; the Telephone Committee will call and confirm this date with all the Brethren. I have to thank all the sideliners who have come to the Stated Meetings; it was great to see new and old faces. If you have not been to lodge in a while its not to late to start, as these Brothers will tell you, we have started new activities to make the meeting a little more entertaining. Such things as a Door Prize Challenge from our Jobs Daughters, we also restarted our Masonic Education series with presentations on a Masonic topic from one Lodge Officer each month.

April is shaping up to be just as busy. April 21<sup>st</sup> will be Past Masters night. This is a truly special evening as all of our Past Masters confer a degree "as it was in their day." They will be conferring the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree on Brother Tuck. Please come out and support our Past Masters. If you are a Past Master and wish to be included please contact Wor. Thad Coffing as soon as possible for a part, if all parts are filled we would still love to have your support as a sideliner.

As far as the new Building goes we have made great progress. Please make sure to read Bor. Evan Thompson's (our Build Board President) message from the Building Board. Seeing as we will now have our own building and there will be much going on I hope to have a monthly or at least a quarterly message from the Building Board to keep you all up on the happenings of your new lodge.

Let us also not forget the Grand Masters Project for 2011, By Your Side. The Piggy Bank has been out at all of our meetings this year and he has seen a lot of action. We will continue to collect donations for this great project as the year progress. The funds collected will be delivered to Grand Lodge by myself and the Senior and Junior Wardens at the 2011 Annual Communications. Please continue to donate as it's never too late.

If you need anything from the Lodge please contact myself or Wor. Thad Coffing, Secretary and we will see how we can assist you.

Faternally,

Wor. Eric L. Bordner, Master



## Greetings from the West



It's Official; we are the PROUD new owners of 1380 E Highland Ave. This, my brothers is the address of what will soon become San Bernardino Masonic Lodge #178. It's been a long time coming, but the wait will have been worth it once completed. My thanks to the building board, for a job well done on this 1<sup>st</sup> phase of the project. As I stated last month, now the real work will begin. As the next phase begins, we will need lots of energy, help, and most of all, patience. But that said; let the work begin!

Bro. Rick Stilt  
Senior Warden

### *The Greater and the Lesser Lights*

In the eighteenth century the 'Moderns' at first regarded their three big candles carried in high candlesticks as the three great lights, the purpose of which was "not only to show the due course of the sun which rises in the east, has its meridian in the south and declension in the west. but also to light men to, at and from their labor " and also to represent "The Sun, Moon and the Master of the Lodge."

The 'Ancients' took a less obvious view of the matter; to them the three great lights were the Volume of the Sacred Law, the Square and Compasses, while the three lesser lights were the candles of the Master and his Wardens. To the 'Moderns' the Volume of the Sacred Law, the Square and Compasses were known as the 'furniture' of the lodge; they are still often known in that way. Probably by the end of the century many of the 'Modern' lodges had come to look at the matter differently, and we find the Lodge of Reconciliation, after the union, adopting the 'Ancient' practice as to the great lights, and agreeing that the three lesser lights are situated in the east, south, and west, and are meant to represent the sun, moon, and Master of the lodge.

In the old lodges the candles were arranged to form a triangle on the Floor of the lodge, a position which they still occupy in a few of the older Lodges, but mostly nowadays (an arrangement dating back to the early nineteenth century) the candles are at the side of the Master and the two Wardens, where the three tall candlesticks seem to do duty for the three tall pillars present in the old lodges. There does not appear to be any reason why the candlestick should be on the left or right of a pedestal, and, although the right side is the more general, the left is the more convenient so far as the work with the Candidate is concerned.

In some old French lodges there was a custom of using nine candles in the Third Degree only, in three clusters of three each, retaining the triangular arrangement. Apart from this, it is not thought that there was ever a custom of arranging the candles in different ways to indicate the degree in which the lodge was working.

In existing old lodges there must be great diversity with regard to the positions of the candles and with regard to the customs associated with them. For example, in the Lodge of Love and Honour, No. 75, Falmouth, founded in 1751, the candle in the east is lit

before the Master enters the lodge. The lodge having been opened, the Wardens approach the Master's light with their candles, light them, return and place them in position, and resume their chairs. The candles stand out on the floor, Candidate passing between them and the pedestals.



## SCOTTISH RITE BODIES VALLEY OF SAN BERNARDINO

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

April 19th      – 5:30 P.M.– Stated Meeting  
                     – 5:30 P.M.– Women's Association Meeting  
                     – 6:30 P.M.– Dinner & Maunday Thursday Program

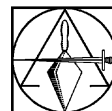
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### Keystone Chapter No. 56, R.A.M.

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



### Valley Council No. 27, C.M.

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



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

April 6th – 7:00 pm – Building Board Meeting  
April 20th – 7:30 pm – Stated Conclave  
April 24th – Commandery Easter Service at Shrine Auditorium

## 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.

### Meeting Dates for 2011

JAN, 27, 2011	APR 28, 2011	JULY 28, 2011	OCT 27, 2011
FEB 24, 2011	MAY 26, 2011	AUG 25, 2011	NOV 17, 2011
MAR 24, 2011	JUN 23, 2011	SEPT 22, 2011	DEC 15, 2011



## From the Secretary Desk

### Greetings Brothers!

April is here, and I can finally look forward to warmer days and BBQ! Aside from that, we are now 1/3rd the way through our Masonic Year, but I have still only received dues from a little more than 65% of our members. If you have not paid your dues yet, please call or E-mail me. I tend to reply faster to E-mail (ThadCoffing@yahoo.com) as I have a more than full time job (Outside Masonry) and am a full time parent, but if you call, I will try to call you back as soon as I can.

Hope to hear from you soon!

Bro Thad Coffing  
Secretary - SBD Lodge #178

“Masonic labor is purely a labor of love. He who seeks to draw Masonic wages in gold and silver will be disappointed. The wages of a Mason are earned in their dealing with one another, sympathy that begets sympathy, kindness begets kindness, helpfulness begets helpfulness, and these are the wages of a Mason.”

WBro.

*B. Franklin*



## Building Board News

Greetings Brethren! You should be happy to know that step # 1 is complete. We are the proud new owners of the property located at 1380 E. Highland Ave, San Bernardino, CA!!! This former Union Bank will now begin undergoing the arduous task of transforming into the new lodge home for San Bernardino Lodge #178, F&AM. Our next step is to hire an Architect to assist us in developing a design for our new home. And, shortly thereafter, we can hire a Contractor and begin renovations.

Wor. Eric has graciously reserved this section for me to update the brethren in our Trestleboard for the next several months to keep everyone aware of our progress. We currently have a sufficient number of Architectural bidders, but if any brother would like to recommend a good Construction Contractor, please forward their contact information over to me.

Fraternally, Bro. Evan Thompson, President, Building Board

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View of Front of New Lodge from Highland Ave.



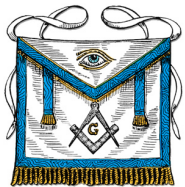
East Side of Lodge



West Side of Lodge



West Side of Lodge Viewed From Back to Front



San Bernardino Lodge

# April 2011

Upcoming Events to Watch for:

April 21<sup>st</sup> – Past Master,s Night

May 19<sup>th</sup> – Widow's Night

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1  Hi-Twelve Arrowhead CC- 11:30 am	2  Job's Daughters at Scottish Rite Center
3	4	5	6	7  Stated Meeting 6:30 P.M.	8  Gate City O.E.S. Happy Birthday 7:15 pm	9
10	11	12  De Molay at Scottish Rite Center	13	14  Job's Dinners Auction 1 <sup>st</sup> Degree 6:00 P.M.	15 <u>Hi-Twelve</u>	16  Job's Daughters at Scottish Rite Center National Sojourners Fort Nolan
17 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	18	19  Scottish Rite 5:30 pm - Stated Meeting 6:30 pm - Dinner Maundy Thursday	20	21  Past Master's Night 7:15 P.M.	22 <u>Hi-Twelve</u>  Gate City O.E.S. Dark - Good Friday	23
24 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	25	26	27	28  DOA – 1 <sup>st</sup> Degree 6:30 P.M.	29	30