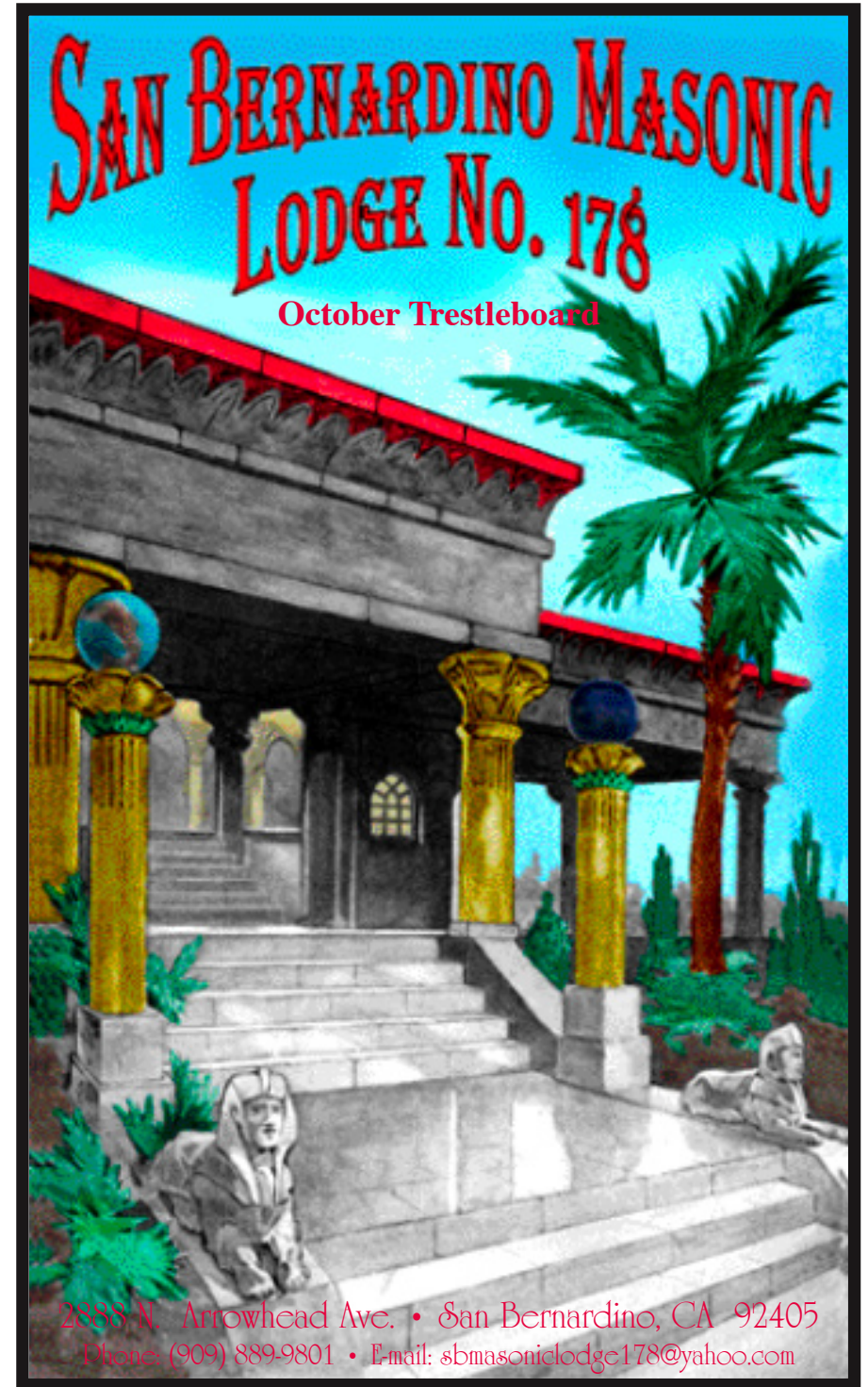


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Gate City O.E.S. #212

October 12th – Election
Hawaiian Farewell – 7:30 P.M.
Lorene Luce, PM Co-Chairman

October 26th – Grand Chapter – Bakersfield.

November 9th – Installation

Dear Friends:

You are so special.
You are gifts of love and sent to fill our
Lives with joy from heaven up above.
You bring so much happiness by all the things you do.
We thank the Lord for sending friends as dear as you.

Sandy Ditto, PM

YORK RITE BODIES SAN BERNARDINO

2888 N. Arrowhead Ave. - San Bernardino, CA 92405 - (909)883-2615



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

October 3rd – 6:30 pm – Building Board Meeting.
October 3rd – 7:30 pm – Stated Convocation.



Valley Council No. 27, C.M.

October 3rd – 6:30 pm – Building Board Meeting.
October 10th – 7:30 pm – Stated Assembly



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

October 3rd – 6:30 pm – Building Board Meeting.
October 17th – 7:30 pm – Stated Conclave.



FROM THE EAST

Brethren, the journey to Flagstaff was spectacular and those of you that could not go really missed something special. The fellowship and degree work was without precedent. The degree was truly sublime, as it was conferred outdoors in the beautiful Coconino National Forest outside of Flagstaff. With a placid meadow as our backdrop, and Shriners on horseback as our tilers, the lodges delivered their performances flawlessly. All followed by Arizona steaks and an outstanding BBQ afterward. If you haven't yet gone to Flagstaff, then you need to go at least once.

At the Stated Meeting in July, the membership proposed restructuring the annual dues, so that the Per Capita fee is separate from our lodge's operating budget. The motion ensures that the Per Capita fee, which has been increasing every year, does not take a bigger bite out of our operating budget or impair our ability to function as an independent lodge. The motion calls for lodge dues in the amount of \$70 and the Per Capita (approximately \$29) would be a separate fee in addition to that \$70. At the September stated meeting, the proposal was tabled and no action taken. That means that we will anticipate taking a vote for approval at the October stated meeting.

We will probably deliver a first degree (or possibly a double degree) in October since there are candidates waiting in the wings. I always attempt to avoid vagueness regarding the calendar, but at the time of this writing the date has not been confirmed yet. Please contact me to confirm the trestleboard or if there are any questions.

We are now operating from the York Rite Temple located at 2888 N. Arrowhead Avenue, which is the ideal size for lodge ritual. The lodge is getting a much better return for its dollar, without a doubt. For those of you that have not stopped by recently, you need to see it to believe it! As we enter the Autumn of this Masonic year, next year's officer line is beginning to take shape. There are vacancies for a new Senior Deacon, Stewards, and Marshal. We also need officers "on call" to fill in if necessary on short-term notice. It is definitely worth your time! All certifications must be completed by the end of November, so I encourage all interested Master Masons to contact me immediately.

Fraternally, Wor. Brian Foote

Masonic Education: Entropy & Masonry

Two physical laws impacting all systems are *entropy* and *absence of a steady state*. Entropy, in the context of pure thermodynamics, is a measure of the amount of energy in a physical system that cannot be used to do work. *It is also a measure of the disorder present in a system*. Entropy also implies that, left undisturbed, *any* system will eventually run down, disburse its initial energy, and stop. This is true of the physical universe and of everything in it. Fortunately, unlike the physical universe, which according to the First Law of Thermodynamics, cannot create new energy but only change its form; humans *can* put new energy via effort and creative thought into their systems, organizations, and relationships and keep them viable and effective.

My basic assertion is that every physical and non-physical system, organization, or relationship can only be in one of two conditions – it is either improving or it is degrading. There is no such thing as a steady state in the universe! This would imply equilibrium and a state of no change, and according to the Third Law of Thermodynamics implies that all molecular motion ceases. My like-minded Brothers can attest to the fact that all chemical bonds eventually break down. The tallest mountain and the largest building will eventually revert to their basic atomic components, simply by the passage of time. Just as a steel tool left unattended will develop a coating of rust and eventually turn totally to iron oxide and finally to its component atoms, so also will every physical object revert over time to a state of equilibrium – it's all a matter of scale.

Likewise, there is no steady state in our Masonic lives – *it is either getting better or it is getting worse*. Your symbolic trowel, which was given to you when you first became a Master Mason, is either shiny with good honest Masonic labor or it is rusty and dusty with disuse and neglect.

A few year's ago, I found my grandfather's trusty compass and wood square – tools he used around the house when he was a Master Mason in his lodge in Iowa back in the early 1900's. They had been sitting in a box of his old things and had not seen the light of day for at least 30 years since his passing in 1969 (before my time). Yet the steel was rusty and tools dusty just from the passage of time. Masons, like their tools, also have to be used properly to prevent their becoming rusty and unusable for their intended purpose.

The point of this rant is this – we all have to put *energy* in the form of effort and participation into our Lodge and into our personal Masonic lives or it is going to oxidize and stop. San Bernardino No. 178 is a machine, and like any machine, it must be maintained or it will cease to function effectively and eventually simply stop. So, my Brothers, go take a look at *your* trowel. Is it rusty from neglect and disuse or shiny with service to the Craft and humanity? Think about it!

The Child ID Program continues to need your/our support!!

Please contact Russ Davis at (909) 883-4552 for times and places.

Sickness & Distress

Irv Huffer - 7534 Palm Avenue, Highland

Hue Covey - Waterman convalescent

Please visit these brothers if you can.

Roy Stephenson - hope you are feeling better.

Prayers work!!! Just ask someone who has come back from a serious illness!

In Memorium

Bro. William Barbour, Wor. Bro. Bill Rainbolt

Please notify us about any Brother who has recently passed away so that we can remove his name from our active membership roll.

SCOTTISH RITE BODIES VALLEY OF SAN BERNARDINO

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



October 6th – TBA – Practice for Fall Class

October 12th & 13th – TBA – Fall Class

October 16th – 5:30 pm – Stated Meeting

5:30 pm – Women's Association meeting

6:15 pm – Dinner, Feast of Tishri Ceremony

FATHER'S LODGE

Father's lodge, I well remember, wasn't large as
lodges go;
There was trouble in December getting to it through
the snow.
But he seldom missed a meeting; drifts or blossoms
in the lane,
Still the Tyler heard his greetings, winter ice or
summer rain.

Father's lodge thought nothing of it: 'mid their labors
and their cares
Those old Masons learned to love it, that fraternity
of theirs.
What's a bit of stormy weather, when a little down
the road
Men are gathering together, helping bear each other's
load?

Father's lodge had made a village: men of father's
sturdy brawn
Turned a wilderness to tillage, seized the flag, and
carried on,
Made a village, built a city, shaped a county, formed
a state,
Simple men, not wise nor witty—humble men, and
yet how great!

Father's lodge had caught the gleaming of the Great
Masonic past;
Thinking, toiling, daring, dreaming, they were builders
to the last.
Quiet men, not rich nor clever, with the tools they
found at hand
Building for the great forever, first a village then a
land.



From the Secretary

The container, fooooooosh, everything but the kitchen sink was taken out by a fine group of Men and the container lifted by the Great Great Grandson of Houdini, and taken to Mo. Valley. We still have 3 large safes. They have some historical value. The oldest is probably civil war era from Phoenix Lodge. We have two options to sell the lot of them. I have an offer from a Mo. Valley brother, he figures it would cost about \$1000 bucks to haul, and said he would give something like \$1500. They are nice safes. We have the combinations and can find out how much it cost to move them there. If we decide not to sell them, then we have to find a storage unit, and that will cost us about \$100 or more a month and the cost to move them. The only other real things that the Lodge needs to find a place for is our book collection. Some of the nondescript books, I think we can donate to one of the groups to sell at a yard sell. The other Masonic related books, we need to get out of the cardboard boxes and either stored in a nice container or into some kind of a library. The other stuff, such as checks from 1980 or Bank statements are all going to be ground up. There are some really interesting pieces of History. Pictures of Masons walking in parade through San Bernardino and Past Masters aprons from the 1930's. The Scottish Rite bought the lodge furniture from up stairs. Most of the other junk has been dispensed with. We also have the two pillars from up stairs lodge. We are going to take the original lodge pillars to the York Rite Temple. If the lodge wants to sell the other pillars, I will make an offer on those or will entertain other offers on them. The other thing that we need to discuss is the increase in our dues which we will vote on to change the by-laws at our October meeting. The brothers need to figure a couple of things, one is the per capita, which is half of what we pay now. It is going up next year and will continue to go up. Next year it is estimated at \$ 31 per member. We plan on incorporating the per capita, that way our lodge can operate for the year on our dues. The other thing we need to focus on, is we need to do something about membership. No building or Historical mementos are going to matter a whole lot if we do not maintain membership. One last thing, when you are going through things make sure to write on the back, dates and names. We have a lot of pictures with no names and no dates.














Wor. Bob Jacka, Se-



San Bernardino Lodge

OCTOBER 2007



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3  De Molay 7:00 pm At Scottish Rite Center	4  Dinner 6:30 pm Stated Meeting 7:30 pm	5  Hi-Twelve Arrowhead CC-11:30 am	6  Job's Daughters 11:00 am At Scottish Rite Center
7	8	9	10	11  Practice 1st Degree 7:00 P.M.	12 Hi-Twelve  Gate City OES - 7:30pm	13
14	15	16  Scottish Rite Stated Meeting – 5:30pm 6:30pm Dinner	17  De Molay 7:00 pm At Scottish Rite Center	18  Practice or Degree 7:00 P.M.	19 Hi-Twelve National Sojourners @ Gourmet 6:00 pm	20  Job's Daughters, 11:00 am At Scottish Rite Center
21	22  D.O.A. 6:30 pm At Fontana	23	24	25  Practice or Degree 7:00 P.M.	26 Hi-Twelve  Gate City OES - 7:30pm	27
28	29	30	31			