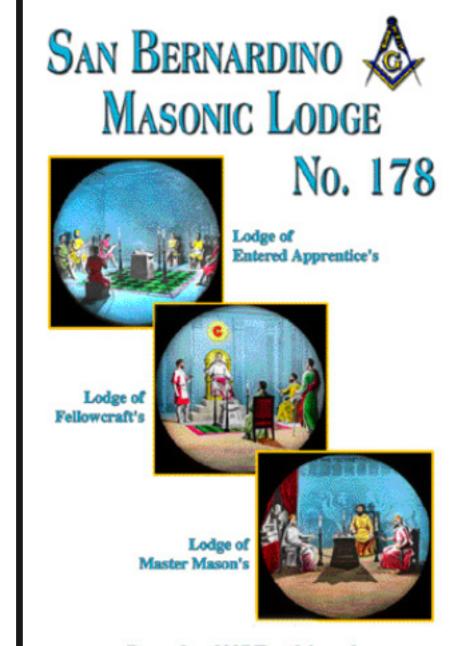
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Director # 7	Brian Foote
Director # 8	Tom Meyer
Director # 9	Sean Brannon
ex-officio	Rick Stilt



Youth Orders









Gate City O.E.S. #212

December 14th - 6:30 P.M. - Practice for first meeting.

7:30 P.M. - First Meeting - Christmas Meeting

December 28th - 7:30 P.M. - Stated Meeting

Too much tinsel on the tree

Cheapens it, it seem to me

Too much tinsel intertwined with our lives, we're sure to find Cheapens our lives on Christmas day, and on any other day, too much attention to mere things, robe the yule time of its wings

Let's not forget the meaning true

Too much tinsel takes away the dignity of Christmas Day

The spirit of the season fair should not be cluttered with great care

Its best expression seems to be

In a fine simplicity, may the tinseled things that are

Nevermore blot out the star.

ENJOY YOUR HOLIDAY AND REMEMBER THE TRUE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON.

See you next month.

Sandy Ditto, PM

YORK RITE BODIES SAN BERNARDINO

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

December 5th – 6:30 pm – Building Board Meeting. December 5th – 7:30 pm – Stated Convocation (Election of Officers)



ValleyCouncil No. 27, C.M.

December 5th – 6:30 pm – Building Board Meeting. December 12th – 7:30 pm – Stated Assembly (Election of Officers)



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

December 5th – 6:30 pm – Building Board Meeting. December 8th – 9:00 am – Department 1 Instructional

December 19th – 7:30 pm – Stated Conclave (Election of Officers)

December 22nd – 8:30 am – Christmas Obervance



FROM THE EAST

Brethren, at the November stated meeting, the lodge elected me to serve as Master in 2008. I truly appreciate the confidence that the membership has in my abilities to perform my duties, and it is an honor for me to serve the lodge for another year. I'm looking forward to smoother sailing in 2008, as many of the challenges of 2007 are finally behind us. Hopefully the lodge can focus on performing ritual and implementing its programs (the reason why I became involved in the line), rather than focus on the administrative functions such as moving into another facility or the impact of Per Capita on the budget.

The Stated Meeting and dinner will be held on the first Thursday of the month on December 6th, feel free to bring along your family members or friends interested in touring our Open House. **Also, we will be presenting the 50-year pin to Wor. Joe Bartelson.** I know we will have a good turnout for these events, so please RSVP with the Junior Warden. Unfortunately, due to a schedule conflict, I will not be able to attend the Stated Meeting.

The annual installation of officers will be held on the second Thursday, on December 13th at 7:00 p.m. The installing officer will be Wor. Mike Betschart and the master of ceremonies will be Wor. John Nolan. The lodge will be dark on the last two Thursdays in observance of the holidays, and allow everyone to finish the inevitable last-minute shopping. Just remember that I prefer electronics or other items that are shiny, expensive, or make a big noise.

Fraternally, Wor. Brian Foote

Masonic Education: The 15th Masonic President

David Rice Atchison





Statue at Clinton County



In the courthouse of Plattsburg, Missouri, there is a statute of Brother Atchison bearing the inscription "David Rice Atchison 1807-1886. President of the United States for One Day." The circumstances were the transition from President James Polk to Zachary Taylor. According to the law at that time, President Polk stepped down as President on Sunday, March 4, 1849. Zachary Taylor was a deeply religious man and refused to be inaugurated on a Sunday. Thus, according to ascension laws, the office falls to the Vice-President George M. Dallas however his term also ended on noon on March 4. Thus the Presidential line then falls to the President Pro Tern of the Senate - who was David Rice Atchison. The problem was debated in the Congress for several hours and agreed by them that Brother Atchison, although never inaugurated was legally and by the Constitution, President of the United States from noon on March 4, 1849 until noon on March 5, 1849. Brother Atchison was a member of Platte Lodge No. 56 in Platte City, Missouri.

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.

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

December 18th

- 5:30 P.M. Stated Meeting

- 5:30 P.M. Women's Association Meeting

- 6:15 P.M. Dinner

- 7:30 P.M. Christmas Show

THE TRAVELING MAN

Long years ago, I climbed a stair And rapped at an ancient door. I passed within a temple fair And trod the checkered floor. I passed between the pillars two; I climbed the winding stair; The letter "G" then met my view; I earned my wages there. I knelt besides the altar fair I counted not the cost. I searched afar with earnest care, **But still the Word was lost** Though some may think my search absurd, When time shall ebb and fall, I hope to learn the final Word Beyond life's mystic veil.

-AUTHOR: D. C. Tidwell



From the Secretary

Brothers we voted to raise the dues to \$70 plus the per capita which is 29 this year, I have not gotten the word from Grand lodge yet so as soon as they ok the raise then I will mail out the dues notices. Lodge is doing some really good things, we have several brothers who have started in the degrees so keep you eyes peeled and come out to lodge. I am also getting some people who are looking to reunite after having been away for a time. So we have some work ahead of us. If you have not been to lodge in a few months, years come on down and see where we are and what we are doing. Our Installation is going to be something you will want to come to, so that we can get the new Corp of Officers started in the right direction. Plus, what a great way to start the new year, making a concerted effort to join the lodge an doing some of it's activities. With the increase we hope that we can do some other activities during the year, ice cream socials, family nights, what ever seems to draw the interest of the lodge. Finally on behalf of the lodge I would like to thank Mike Betschart, for his service to the Fraternity, he will be retiring from the position of Inspector, is it wrong to have someone cook their own fish at a going away party? Not sure we'll find out. Here is hoping that everyone has a safe holiday and a Happy New Year.

Wor. Robert Jacka, P.M. Secretary

Norry Christmas DECEMBER 2007



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