



Los Angeles Harbor

MASONIC LODGE # 332 F. & A.M.

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FROM THE EAST



Ahoy Brethren,

I would like to start off by thanking in advance all of those who will attend our 123rd Annual Installation of Officers on January 11th. I am looking forward to a fun year filled with returning events but also a few new ones which include a First Responder's Night and a Military Appreciation Night. I would also like to thank the members who stepped up to take a station this year. I look forward to working with all of you this year.

As we look to the New Year, you will notice that we still have a few empty officer chairs that could use some filling. If you are willing and able to help out whenever you can, the Lodge would love your assistance.

During the months of January and February we will be practicing in preparation for Oscar

Garcia's 3rd Degree in the near future. We will also be practicing for the 1st Degree as we prepare to present that degree for the Inspector at the February Officer's School of Instruction. If you are interested in taking a part in either Degree, I highly encourage you to do so.

Also, in February we will celebrate the Sweethearts of L.A. Harbor Lodge. Worshipful Paul Galyean is heading that that event this year and I am sure he could use help with set up and clean up along with serving. Please join us as we celebrate these ladies and remind them how important they are to our Lodge.

As the Lodge enters its 123rd year of existence, the Executive Committee is looking ahead to the year 2022 when our Lodge will turn 125 years old. During that year we will plan for an anniversary celebration with Grand Lodge, but I hope to also see us plan for some events in the community that show that Masonry is still alive and well in San Pedro. If you have any ideas of things we can do, please communicate them with us and we can turn that year into a very successful celebratory year.

To conclude my message, I will leave you with this quote from Brother George Washington.

"To enlarge the sphere of social happiness is worthy of the benevolent design of a Masonic institution; and it is most fervently to be wished, that the conduct of every member of the fraternity, as well as those publications, that discover the principles which actuate them, may tend to convince mankind that the grand object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race."

[Letter to the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, January 1793]

I look forward to seeing you all in Lodge,

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Greg Peterson
Worshipful Master

CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
JAN			
03	FRI	Social Night	6:30 PM
08	WED	Hall Association Dinner	6:00 PM 7:00 PM
		Stated Meeting	7:30 PM
11	SAT	123rd Annual Installation of Officers <i>Los Angeles Harbor Lodge</i>	5:00 PM
15	WED	Officers Practice	7:00 PM
17	FRI	Social Night	6:30 PM
21	TUE	Shrine Club Dinner	6:30 PM
22	WED	Officers Practice 3 rd Degree	7:00 PM
24	FRI	Officer School of Instruction <i>Angels Gate Lodge</i>	7:00 PM
26	SUN	Executive Committee Officers Dinner	4:00 PM 6:00 PM
29	WED	Officers Practice 3 rd Degree	7:00 PM
FEB			
02	SUN	Annual Super Bowl Party <i>Los Angeles Harbor Lodge</i>	2:30 pm
05	WED	Hall Association Dinner	6:00 PM 7:00 PM
		Stated Meeting	7:30 PM
07	FRI	Social Night	6:30 PM
12	WED	Annual Sweetheart Dinner <i>Los Angeles Harbor Lodge</i>	6:30 PM
14-16	FRI-SUN	Whiskey Flat Days <i>Beach Cities Shrine Club</i>	N/A
18	TUE	Shrine Club Dinner	6:30 PM
19	WED	Officers Practice 1 st Degree	7:00 PM
21	FRI	Social Night	6:30 PM
23	SUN	Executive Committee	4:00 PM
26	WED	Officer School of Instruction <i>Los Angeles Harbor Lodge</i>	7:00 PM
29	SAT	Past Masters Association <i>Long Beach Scottish Rite</i>	6:00 PM
MAR			
04	WED	Hall Association Dinner	6:00 PM 7:00 PM
		Stated Meeting Inspector's Official Visit	7:30 PM

Social Nights at 6:30 PM

Jan 3
Feb 7

Jan 17
Feb 21





THE STATUE BENEATH

The story is told of a man who turned to the famous sculptor, Gutron Borglum (a Freemason), whose work he had been admiring. "How do you take a rough chunk of stone and make it such a beautiful statue?"

The answer of the sculptor is one that intrigues Masons: "There is really nothing to it. All I do is take a hammer and chisel and, from a massive, shapeless rock, I knock away the stone I do not want...and there is the statue. It was there all the time." There is a Masonic lesson in the story of the sculptor and the statue.

In every Masonic Lodge room there is the Rough Ashlar and the Perfect Ashlar. In the First Degree we are taught that the Rough Ashlar "is a stone as taken from the quarry in its rude and natural state" and that the Perfect Ashlar "is a stone made ready by the hands of the workman, to be adjusted by the working tools of the Fellow Craft."

In changing a Rough Ashlar into a Perfect Ashlar, the workman takes away but never adds to. He chips and cuts away the rough edges. He removes the visible flaws. He does not create a new material but takes that which is already there and develops it into the Perfect Ashlar. Through our Degrees, we can take away much of the roughness, remove the sharp points and obliterate the visible defects. We can produce as good a Mason as there is within our power to produce. But the essential thing is to have a good material upon which to work.

Aided by the Common Gavel and the Chisel of Education, the force of conscience reminds the Mason that a persistent endeavor is necessary to attain the Perfect Ashlar from the Rough Ashlar. By divesting our hearts and consciences of the vices and superfluities of life, we show the perfect man – and Mason – within.

As we advance in stages in Freemasonry, we are continually learning and being taught – and chiseling away the roughness to discover and reveal the perfection that is already present.

As a man applies the lessons to be learned in the initiation process, he transforms himself from the imperfect Rough Ashlar to the Perfect Ashlar. As the Mason learns and grows, the statue of the perfect man emerges...because it was there all the time.

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Annual Installation of Officers

Saturday January 11, 2020 • 5:00 PM

You are cordially invited to attend our 123rd Annual Installation of Officers. Join us as we celebrate this auspicious occasion.

5:00 PM Installation Ceremony

6:30 PM Reception & Dinner

Ladies, Family & Friends are invited!

Business attire appropriate.



Greetings from the West

Brethren,

Thank you for electing me as Senior Warden. I will do all I can to fulfil the duties of this office and assist the lodge in its activities this year.

Please note that the Stated Meeting in January is on Jan 8, not Jan 1. I don't think many of us want to have a Stated Meeting on New Year's Day.

The Lodge has volunteered as a community support activity to serve as a LA County Vote Center for the California Presidential Primary Election in March 2020. Beginning with this election, LA County will not operate the Precinct system as has been done for many decades. Instead, there will be a smaller number of Vote Centers, and voting will extend over eleven days from Feb 22, 2020 through March 3, 2020. Our facility was evaluated against other possible locations and selected. We have signed a formal agreement with LA County agreeing to serve as a Vote Center. I believe this will bring a large number of people through our doors and give us a chance to expose them to Masonry, as well as provide a service to our community.

I hope your holidays were happy and filled with family and friends. Best wishes for the New Year.

Fraternally,

Paul Galyean, P.M.

Senior Warden

Greetings from the South

Brethren,

One of my earliest childhood memories is walking into the lodge room with warm lighting wearing my new Christmas sweater. I sat on the carpet Indian-style with my younger sister and my cousins and a bunch of other kids all dressed in their Christmas outfits. We cheered when we saw the first puppet appear from behind the backdrop. It was one of Santa's elves. Then we met a little teddy bear and a ballerina (or was it an ice skating bear?). It has been over 45 years for me, so it's hard to remember exactly. I do remember the little puppy dog puppet and a very special little reindeer. I also remember the Santa puppet saying that I needed to be good, and that if I was, he would deliver presents to my house on Christmas Eve.

I had this fun, wide-eyed adventure for many years after my first Christmas Party and Puppet Show at LA Harbor Masonic Lodge. Each year we got to sit on Santa's lap and tell him what we wanted for Christmas. I am so thankful that my son Gavin has had a chance to experience this same wonderful holiday treat and that the magic has not faded (for either of us). If you did not get a chance to bring your children or grandchildren this year, please don't let them miss out on this magical experience next year. Jim Gamble's Puppet Productions has been performing their fabulous puppet show at our lodge for over 50 years.

I would like to thank all of the volunteers that helped to put on this holiday event, and in particular, Danielle Whitney Moore for her assistance with the Christmas Party and for inviting additional guests. We had over 100 people at the event. I look forward to this event next year, and to many more opportunities throughout the upcoming year, to have fellowship with our members as well as sharing what it means to be a Mason with those who are not.

Fraternally,

Todd Heiss

Junior Warden

Annual Sweetheart Dinner
Wednesday Feb 12, 2020 6:30 PM



Join us as we honor our Ladies, Sweethearts, and Widows at this annual dinner!

Ladies, Family & Friends are invited!

Business attire appropriate.

Tickets \$20 for Gentlemen.

Complimentary for Ladies.

Annual Super Bowl Party
Sunday Feb 2, 2020 2:30 PM



Join us to view the game on our incredible 75" television! Plenty of traditional Super Bowl food and adult beverages will be served in the Goose & Gridiron Room.

Ladies, Family & Friends are invited!

No tickets sold. Donations only.



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1972 ANTHONY N. ENGLISH	1998 RONALD R. MOORE	2010 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH	1967 PATRICK T. DONOHUGH
1977 EDWARD HOLLAND, JR.	1999 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	2011 RONALD E. DUNCAN, JR.	1975 R. STEPHEN DOAN, PGM
1977 ROBERT R. WOLFE	2000 PHILLIP R. HEISS	2012 KENNETH M. FULLER	1983 DONALD A. HULL
1986 ROBERT A. ERBACKER	2001 RONALD R. MOORE	2014 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	1987 STEVEN R. YOUMANS
1988 PAUL H. GALYEAN	2002 JEFFREY P. BAKER	2015 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	1988 DONALD A. HULL
1989 REX S. WIEDERANDERS	2003 F. SCOTT CORRIGAN	2016 RONALD E. DUNCAN, JR.	1989 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH
1990 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	2004 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH	2018 PAUL H. GALYEAN	1998 JOSEPH P. BOWKER
1992 PHILLIP R. HEISS	2005 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH	2019 JOSEPH ARITELLI-NEWMAN	2015 DOUGLAS D. BURROWS
1993 RICHARD D. WATSON	2006 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH		2016 DOUGLAS D. BURROWS
1994 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	2007 JEFFREY P. BAKER		2016 GREGORY L. PETERSON
1996 RICHARD D. WATSON	2008 JEFFREY P. BAKER		

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The Order of the Eastern Star is the largest fraternal organization in the world to which both men and women may belong. Founded on heroic conduct and moral values, it is open to all faiths. The stated purposes of the organization are: Charitable, Educational, Fraternal and Scientific. It is dedicated to love, service, charity and truth.

**JOB'S DAUGHTERS INTERNATIONAL
2ND & 4TH SATURDAYS AT 10:00 AM**

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Job's Daughters is an organization of young women between the ages of 10 and 20. It is an order that promotes fun, while offering life skills that teach young women about the importance of organization, leadership, service to others and scholarship.

**ORDER OF DeMOLAY
2ND & 4TH FRIDAYS AT 7:30 PM**

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DeMolay is an organization for young men, 12-21 years of age, who develop management, leadership, and social skills as they participate in sports, community projects, and educational programs. They learn to grow into responsible adults of good moral character, providing them with lots of fun, companionship, and the opportunity to develop solid values.