

Los Angeles Harbor
MASONIC LODGE # 332 F. & A.M.

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FROM THE EAST



Ahoy Brethren,

It is hard to believe that this time one year ago, I was writing to you as the newly installed Master of Los Angeles Harbor Lodge. It has been a difficult year filled with many challenges including a pandemic, but we made it through.

Now that the Installation of Officers for 2021 has come and gone, I would like to thank all of those who participated and made it a worthwhile event for our Lodge. This was a first for our Lodge and included some changes in the ritual to adapt to the need to move to an online installation, but we took it all in stride and made it work.

I would like to thank the officers for continuing their roles in 2021 and I look forward to working with all of you this year as we plan for the advancement of the Lodge in 2022.

It is my goal this year once the Lodge is able to return to in-person activities to bring back many of those time-honored activities that the Lodge has continued to do over the years. It is also my intention in the Fall to hold a Hiram Award Ceremony for a Distinguished Brother.

As we are beginning 2021 the Executive Committee is putting together the plan for our 125th Anniversary in 2022. It has been placed on the Grand Master's calendar and we are starting to plan the major details of this event. If you wish to participate in the planning and execution of this event, please contact Brother Todd Heiss for more details.

I would like to thank those members who have been attending our Virtual Stated Meetings over these last few months. While I know it is not in person it is still great to see the faces of those brethren who are able to join us and spend a bit of time doing Lodge business and socializing.

As I close my message, I will leave you with this Masonic joke.

A man is walking through the recreation ground of his local park when he notices a huge fight going on in full fury on the football field he is passing. "What's going on?", he asks a spectator, watching from the side-lines. The other replies "It's a match between the Masons and the Knights of Columbus." "What's the score?" asks the first man. "I don't know. It's a secret."

See you in Lodge,

Greg Peterson
Worshipful Master

CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
JAN			
03	SUN	Executive Committee (Zoom)	4:00 PM
06	WED	Hall Association (Zoom) No Dinner Stated Meeting (Zoom)	6:00 PM 7:30 PM
09	SAT	Annual Installation of Officers (Zoom)	5:00 PM
13	WED	Officers Meeting (Zoom)	7:00 PM
15	FRI	Social Night (Zoom)	7:30 PM
20	WED	Masonic Information and Discussion Roundtable	7:30 PM
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Stated Meetings and Hall Association meetings are for Masons only. All Members will be sent a Zoom invitation. For questions, please contact the Secretary.

Social Nights at 7:30 PM

Jan 15 (Zoom)

Feb 5 (Zoom)

Feb 19 (Zoom)



As we are likely unable to meet in person for the Social Nights in Nov and Dec, we will have Zoom meetings instead. All those on the Lodge's email list will receive an email invitation with login information. Login information can also be found on the Lodge's online calendar. Please let others of our lodge family know they are welcome to join.

FOR REFLECTION

LET US ILLUMINATE THE PATH

During these dark hours of Solstice's extended nights and short days we search for a mental snapshot of the longest day of the year. If I concentrate, I can almost smell freshly mown grass and hear bees. Abandoned by our sun, we hibernate and appeal for its return. For millennia, this time of year has been primarily associated with one thing... fear.

Picture yourself thousands of years ago in Northern Europe. There are four seasons. And of those, you are afraid of only one... Winter. Spring provides opportunities to plant and grow; Summer is abundant; a bountiful harvest occurs in Fall, wherein you are able to hunt, gather and store. But Winter is focused on one thing only... survival.

The triggering event is Solstice. The low sun hugs the horizon, providing little light. There is real fear that it may not return. Will your food cache last? The screaming wind causes you to tremble with the thought that your god, Odin, accompanied by his wolves, is on his annual ride.

Light cannot be taken lightly. For primitive man, the absence of light, by impairing his ability to see, seemed to plunge the world into nothingness. Thus, even from the earliest times, we find darkness, as the negation of light, regarded as a cause of fear and, therefore, of evil. Thus developed the idea of Light as a symbol of Knowledge and Truth, and of Darkness as representative of Ignorance and Error.

It is in this form that Freemasonry has received this concept. If a Master Mason is can see the effects of malice, envy and self-seeking, the corroding influence of prejudice and intolerance, if his search for the Lost Word serves increasingly to show how much he still has to learn, he will be enlightened and regenerate himself anew. "We have all the light we need; we just need to put it in practice," wrote Albert Pike.

As Sons of God, let us be bearers and keepers of the Light. Let us each shine brilliantly so as to illuminate the path that others may find their way and follow.

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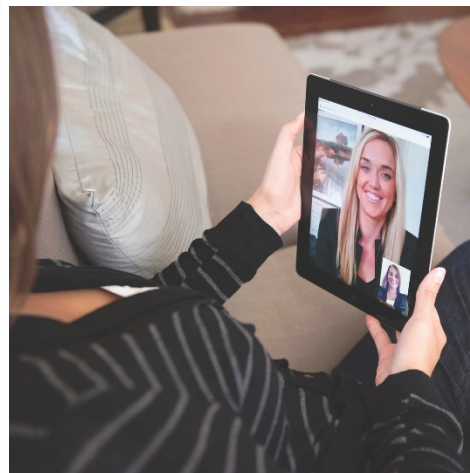
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Masonic Outreach Services is here to help those who find themselves in need due to COVID-19. Relief includes emergency financial assistance, case management, and information and referral services.

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Or call (888) 466-3642 to speak with Masonic Outreach staff



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If a young person in your life is struggling with behavioral, educational, or emotional challenges, we can help – no matter where you live in California.

Through new telehealth services, the Masonic Center for Youth and Families (MCYAF) offers professional consultation services over a secure video connection for parents, couples, families, and youth.

To learn more about telehealth, contact inquiries@mcyaf.org or (877) 488-6293.

Find out how MCYAF's professional therapeutic services help families thrive at mcyaf.org.



Greetings from the West

Brethren,

First, thank you for re-electing me as Senior Warden. I will do what I can to further the interests of the Lodge this coming year. What any of us can do at this time is limited by the pandemic, unfortunately. While we can see light at the end of the tunnel with the arrival of effective vaccines, I believe it will be at least a few more months before we can again meet in person.

We are again seriously considering refurbishing the kitchen. We have known for a long time that its present condition is a detriment to our rental program, but it has been difficult to set aside enough money to do this project. With the pandemic, our rental income has diminished to a very low level, and we don't expect it to pick up substantially until the second half of 2021. This both creates a serious financial problem and an opportunity to refurbish the kitchen when it is not in use. In the next several weeks, we should know the approximate cost of this project. We (Hall Association and Lodge) will then need to make a decision to proceed, or not.

Please try to continue to help those in need of assistance in this time of COVID, particularly our worthy brothers. Those of us who are relatively comfortable need to remember that many are not so fortunate. There are many opportunities to help others, including the Worthy Brother Relief Fund. If you are able, please consider finding a cause you can support and contribute. Many are in distress, and charity is one of the great principles in Masonry.

We have had a number of men inquire about possible membership in the fraternity in recent months, and all we can offer them at the moment is occasional communications and a commitment that we will pay them more attention when we are again able to assemble.

On a positive note, Stated Meetings are now able to be held via video conferencing. We can't do ritual, but we can at least conduct some business.

In a few more months, I expect we will again be able to assemble in the character of Masons. Time, Patience, and Perseverance will accomplish all things, as we say.

Fraternally,

Paul Galyean, P.M.
Senior Warden

Greetings from the South

Brethren,

There are certainly many ways to describe 2020. I will call it unprecedented, others may have "different" names for it. One thing I think all of us can agree on is that we are happy it's over.

With the prospects of a Covid-19 vaccine on the way there seems to be light at the end of the tunnel, but for many it has been a long hard year. Sometimes it's hard to see the silver lining in the proverbial cloud, but my goal is not to dwell on the year behind us, but to celebrate an end to it and help you imagine better times to come.

It seems like a long time ago now, but do you remember when we used to shake everyone's hand? It wasn't a Masonic thing, it was a human thing. I can't wait to shake your hand. Remember when no one wore a face mask, and you could see the smile on their face and clearly hear the sound of their laughter? I can't wait to see your smile. Do you remember when personal space was 20 inches instead of 72 inches or 6 feet? I can't wait to see people hugging, holding hands, even...kissing.

Kids will go back to school, folks will be able to attend their places of worship and public civic meetings will resume. We will be allowed to gather for dinners and social meetings. We can get together to play cards or have a meal. We will be able to travel freely, visit loved ones, and attend weddings. We will have in-person Masonic meeting, like we used to. Stated meetings, installations, social nights, fundraisers, BBQs and festive dances. We will see good friends again. I hope to see you. I will shake your hand and say "it's been a tough year, but it's going to be alright".

Until then stay healthy, stay strong and stay connected. Hang in there, we are so close to this reality. Hope is a powerful thing.

With Brotherly Love,

Todd Heiss
Junior Warden



**Saturday January 9, 2021
5:00 PM**

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

5:00 PM Installation Ceremony

Join the Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87989906451>

Meeting ID: 879 8990 6451

Ladies, Family & Friends are invited!

Business attire appropriate.

FREE.



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1971 ROBERT H. HAYNES	1997 JEFFREY P. BAKER	2009 PHILLIP R. HEISS	AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS
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	2013 EDWARD J. TAYLOR	1987 STEVEN R. YOUMANS
1988 PAUL H. GALYEAN	2002 JEFFREY P. BAKER	2014 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	1988 DONALD A. HULL
1989 REX S. WIEDERANDERS	2003 F. SCOTT CORRIGAN	2015 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	1989 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH
1990 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	2004 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH	2016 RONALD E. DUNCAN, JR.	1998 JOSEPH P. BOWKER
1992 PHILLIP R. HEISS	2005 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH	2017 MATTHEW W. STEVENS	2015 DOUGLAS D. BURROWS
1993 RICHARD D. WATSON	2006 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH	2018 PAUL H. GALYEAN	2016 DOUGLAS D. BURROWS
1994 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	2007 JEFFREY P. BAKER	2019 JOSEPH ARITELLI-NEWMAN	2016 GREGORY L. PETERSON
1996 RICHARD D. WATSON	2008 JEFFREY P. BAKER		

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

1ST & 3RD MONDAYS AT 7:30 PM

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The Order of the Eastern Star is the largest fraternal organization in the world to which both women and men 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 charity, truth and loving kindness.

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, 9-21 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.