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**MAY / JUNE 2021** 

# FROM THE E AST Ahoy Brethren,



I hope this message finds you well.

I cannot believe I am saying this, but Los Angeles Harbor Lodge #332 will soon be returning to in-person events. On Tuesday, April 13th, 2021, the Grand Master held a Town Hall for all California Masons and discussed the necessary plans needed for a Lodge to once again meet in-person. The Hall Association is working diligently to create our Site Prevention Plan which will allow us to best plan for events at the Hall and at the Lodge. I am working on an engagement survey which will be sent to all members of the Lodge and Eastern Star so that we can get everyone's feedback on a safer return to in-person activities.

The new rules provided by Grand Lodge to meet in-person are:

- The County must be assigned to the Orange tier or lower.
- There must be a guest list and a seating chart for any meeting or event.
- Attendees must show proof of full COVID-19 vaccination or proof of a negative COVID-19 test within the last 72 hours.
- The facility must create and implement a COVID-19 site prevention plan.
- Under the California mask mandate, attendees must wear a face mask unless they are specifically exempted under the mandate.

Tentatively, I am reinstituting the 4th of July BBQ at L.A. Harbor Lodge. This year the food will be provided by the Lodge. However, you are welcome to bring a side dish for you and your guests. Because things can change at a moment's notice with COVID-19, we will be sending out updates closer to the event so that everyone is informed.

Our Stated Meeting for the months of May and June will continue to be held online. So that everyone has a chance to get their vaccine(s) and clear the 2-week postvaccine waiting period, I will not be restarting in-person Stated Meetings until July or later. In-person ritual practices will hopefully begin in August and I am planning to start scheduling degrees, perhaps for September. Candidate Coaches, please contact your candidates and find out where they are with their proficiencies so that we can advance them through their degree work.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you once again in person in the very near future.

Fraternally,

**Greg Peterson** Worshipful Master

CALENDAR OF EVENTS									
MAY 05	WED	Hall Association (Zoom) Stated Meeting (Zoom)	6:00 РМ 7:30 РМ						
07	FRI	Social Night (Zoom)	7:30 РМ						
18	TUE	Beach Cities Shrine Club (Zoom)	7:00 РМ						
19	WED	Masonic Information and Discussion Roundtable	7:30 РМ						
21	FRI	Social Night (Zoom)	7:30 РМ						
23	SUN	Executive Committee (Zoom)	4:00 PM						
25	TUE	Officers School of Instruction (Zoom)	7:00 PM						
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<u>JULY</u> 04	SUN	Annual Picnic and Fireworks Party (in person)	6:00 рм						
07	WED	Hall Association (In person) Stated Meeting (In person)	6:00 РМ 7:30 РМ						

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

May 7 (Zoom) May 21 (Zoom) June 4 (Zoom) June 18 (Zoom)



As we are likely unable to meet in person for the Social Nights in May and June, 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



#### THE FIVE POINTS

The Five Points of Fellowship, as every Master Mason knows, contain the essence of the doctrine of brotherhood. But many a new Brother asks, "Why are they called Points"?

In older days there were twelve original points as we learn from the old English lectures. The twelve points of the old days no longer exist, but instead were replaced with our modern Five Points of Fellowship. Strange as it seems, a change was made in the symbolism of the Five Points as recently as 1842 at the Baltimore Masonic Convention. Prior to that time, the Five Points were symbolized by hand, foot, knee, breast and back. After 1842, the hand was omitted, and the mouth and ear were added as the fifth point.

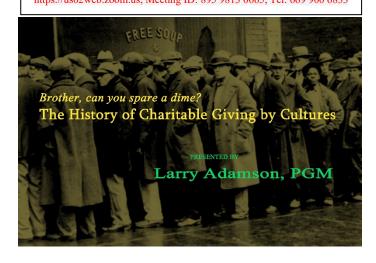
How far should we go "on foot" to render service according to the Five Points of Fellowship? Nothing is said in the ritual, but the cable tow is otherwise used as a measure of length. That same Baltimore Masonic Convention defined a cable tow's length as "the scope of a brother's reasonable ability." Across town may be too far for one and across a continent not too far for another. Introspectively, our own conception of Brotherhood must say how far we travel to help a Brother.

We must do what is needed when the need comes. It makes no difference in what way a Brother stumbles – it may be mentally; it may be spiritually; it may be materially; it may be morally. No exceptions are noted in our teachings. We are not told to stretch forth a hand in aid "if..." or "perhaps..." or "but..." situations. It is not for us to judge, to condemn, or to admonish. It is our responsibility to put forth our strength for our falling Brother at his need, without question and without stint...for such is true Brotherhood.

Consider that this is how much and how far the Five Points of Fellowship extend. These teachings of Masonry, concerned wholly with the relations of Brother to Brother, become a broad and beautiful band of blue – the blue of the Blue Lodge – the true blue of Brotherhood.

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Masonic Information and Discussion Roundtable
Wednesday May 19, 2021 7:30 PM
https://us02web.zoom.us, Meeting ID: 895 9813 0665, Tel: 669 900 6833

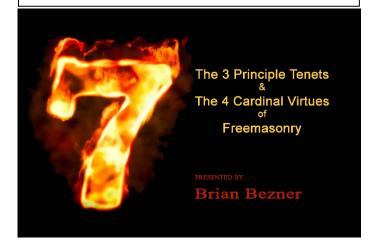


Masonic Information and Discussion Roundtable Wednesday June 16, 2021 7:30 PM

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## **Greetings from the West**

#### Brethren,

We will shortly be permitted to have in-person meetings again! That is the good news – the really good news. The bad news is that for the present the meetings will have some significant restrictions.

The Grand Master is requiring that we prepare a Risk Assessment which evaluates the COVID-19 risks in our particular situation. We then have to develop a COVID-19 Site Prevention Plan which defines how we will adhere to the rules of the State of California, Los Angeles County, Los Angeles City, and the Grand Masters regulations. The Hall Association is at the time of this writing in the process of preparing the Risk Assessment and the Site Prevention Plan. Once the Hall Association and the Inspector approve it, we are required to train everyone on it, post signage in the lodge about various COVID-19 prevention techniques and adhere to a variety of rules. Here are the most important rules that will apply to in-person meetings:

- Evidence of full vaccination is required, meaning two weeks after the second shot (Moderna or Pfizer) or two weeks after the single Johnson & Johnson shot.
- Masks are required.
- Physical distancing is required.
- Guest Lists and Seating Plans in advance are required.
- Frequent cleaning and disinfecting is required, particularly of commonly touched surfaces.
- The maximum number of attendees will be limited.

While these restrictions are significant, we will be permitted to have degrees and social events in person, which we have been unable to do for a year. We have a reasonably long list of men who have expressed interest in Masonry or who are waiting to receive their degrees, and we should now be able to deal with their interests.

These restrictions do not directly apply to the Masonic youth groups. They will have their own guidance which they will have to follow. The restrictions above apply to adult Masonic groups. They also do not apply to rentals of the Hall. In rental cases, it will be the responsibility of the renting organization to adhere to State, County, and City regulations.

Fraternally,

Paul Galyean, P.M. Senior Warden

## **Greetings from the South**

#### Brethren,

I got my first Covid 19 vaccine shot last week. I got the Pfizer one, at a nearby Walgreens. Getting the shot didn't hurt, but my arm hurt for a couple of days afterward and I may have been a little more tired than usual the next day. Two Tylenol took care of the pain in my arm. I was excited to get it done. I can't wait to get the second one...to get it done. I can't wait until we all have them, and we can get Covid DONE! I know it won't all be over, but I hope that we can return to some sense of normalcy. According to the CDC website, US hospitalizations due to Covid 17 are down by 2/3 what they were at the start of this year. That is a significant decrease and shows great progress. It is the hope that I have been writing about in my articles over the last year. I celebrated by going out to dinner with my girlfriend, sitting inside, at a restaurant. Life felt normal again.

Another sign of progress is the directive from the Grand Master of California that allows Masonic lodges and concordant bodies to meet again in person. To be certain, there are a number of conditions that are required in order to insure the continued health and safety of the members and guests, but it is another sign of hope. Things are returning to "normal". I hope that we can have a list of folks who have been vaccinated (and waited the appropriate period thereafter), so that we can walk right into the lodge, shake hands or give a hug and say "it's good to see you". We can enjoy each other's company, and laugh. I hope the number of folks on that list grows every day. That the number of members on the list exceeds the number on the roster before Covid began. I hope that we will have a sense of accomplishment as a community, and that people, which I believe, have an inherent need to congregate with one another, come to the Masonic lodge. I hope they seek a light that they know is out there, an organization with a message of Love, Hope and Charity.

Returning to lodge is the reward for the diligence, sacrifice and hard work in preventing the spread of Covid. I hope everyone will realize what we have done, not only as a Masonic community, but as Americans...together, remembering the freedoms that we share, and reminded that having a Masonic lodge that meets publicly is a privilege. See you at lodge...soon I hope. Until then, stay healthy, stay strong and stay connected.

With Brotherly Love,

Todd Heiss *Junior Warden* 

# Los Angeles Harbor Lodge #332 Annual Picnic and Fireworks Party

### Sunday July 4, 2021 • 6:00 PM

Join us as we celebrate another year of Independence! Come and watch <u>ALL</u> of the spectacular firework shows throughout the Harbor and the coastline that take place on this quintessential American holiday – Cabrillo Beach, the Queen Mary, Ports o' Call, Disneyland, Huntington Beach, Newport Beach...

The Lodge is supplying complimentary hamburgers and hot dogs and individually packaged side dishes. Those attending are invited to bring a potluck item to share (but only with your own group).

Dinner is served at 6:30 PM and the spectacular firework shows throughout the Harbor can be seen from our beautiful deck, beginning at sunset. Bring a comfortable chair if you wish...and don't forget to bring a warm jacket because the temperature on the patio can be chilly sometimes!

Bring your family and friends! There is plenty of free parking...and no traffic. And the event is Free!

### Ladies, Family & Friends are invited!

Reservations are Required (COVID-19 Protocol). Please contact the Lodge Secretary for reservations.

(Please check SanPedroMasons.org for updates in case new COVID-19 restrictions alter this event. It will not occur if there are no fireworks.)



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1971	ROBERT H. HAYNES	1997	JEFFREY P. BAKER	2009	PHILLIP R. HEISS	AFF	ILIATED 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	2020	GREGORY L. PETERSON		

#### **ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**

 $1^{\text{ST}}$  &  $3^{\text{RD}}$  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

2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> 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**

2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> 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.