



# Los Angeles Harbor

MASONIC LODGE # 332 F. & A.M.

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JULY / AUGUST 2022

## FROM THE EAST



Ahoy Brethren,

Can you believe, we are halfway through the Masonic year already.

As a recap, since January, we have Initiated 1 new member and Passed 3 members to the Degree of Fellow Craft.

On July 16th, we will host the Grand Master of Masons in California and his Grand Line at our 125th Anniversary of Los Angeles Harbor Lodge. I hope to see as many of our Lodge members present as possible. It will be an evening filled with food, fun, and fellowship.

Over the next two months, we will be focusing on practicing for the 3rd Degree. We have two Fellow Crafts who are ready, and we want to put on a fine 3rd Degree for each of them. If you are interested in participating, please contact me or Wor. Jeff Baker.

As we head into the summer months, I hope that it is filled with many happy memories with family and friends. For those who are heading out of town, I hope that you have a safe and happy time.

So that everyone is aware, the 4th of July Picnic & Fireworks Viewing Party will once again be held this year on the patio of the Lodge. In an abundance of caution, PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN FOOD, BEVERAGES, and UTENSILS. The Lodge will NOT be providing food this year but will have adult beverages, sodas, and ice available. Tables and chairs will be provided for dinner.

Fraternally,

**Greg Peterson**  
Worshipful Master

CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
<b>JULY</b>			
04	MON	Annual Picnic and Fireworks Party	6:30 PM
06	WED	Hall Association Dinner	6:00 PM 6:30 PM
		Stated Meeting	7:30 PM
13	WED	Setup for 125 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	7:00 PM
15	FRI	Social Night	6:30 PM
16	SAT	LA Harbor Lodge 125 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event	4:00 PM
19	TUE	Shrine Club Dinner Meeting	6:30 PM
20	WED	Masonic Information and Discussion Roundtable (Zoom)	7:30 PM
22	FRI	Officers School of Instruction Gardena Moneta Lodge	7:00 PM
27	WED	Officers Practice – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree	7:00 PM
<b>AUG</b>			
03	WED	Hall Association Dinner	6:00 PM 6:30 PM
		Stated Meeting	7:30 PM
05	FRI	Social Night	6:30 PM
10	WED	Officers Practice – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree	7:00 PM
17	WED	Officers Practice – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree	7:00 PM
19	FRI	Social Night	6:30 PM
24	WED	Officers Practice – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree	7:00 PM
31	WED	Officers Practice – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree	7:00 PM
<b>SEPT</b>			
07	WED	Hall Association Dinner	6:00 PM 6:30 PM
		Stated Meeting	7:30 PM

### Social Nights at 6:30 PM

July 15  
Aug 5

Aug 19



**FOR REFLECTION**

**DANIEL RANDALL CLAY, CHARTER MASTER**

The present growth and prosperity of San Pedro is a fulfillment of the early visions of Daniel Randall Clay, for years one of the most progressive citizens and most sagacious authorities in real estate whom the town boasted in its list of prominent residents. Through his labors as a member of the board of trustees for several years; through his services as the first chief of the fire department of San Pedro; through his membership in the Chamber of Commerce, and in other capacities he was a promoter of San Pedro's welfare, and his interests likewise extended into the business activities of Los Angeles, where he held membership in the Chamber of Commerce.

Clay was born in Maine in 1849 and moved to Wyoming at an early age. While still quite young he learned telegraphy and this occupation he followed throughout much of his active life. For eight years he acted as telegraph operator and station agent for the Union Pacific Railroad Company at Carbon, Wyoming, from which point he moved to Denver and took up the real estate and insurance business. His next location was at Rico, in the mountain districts of Colorado, where he remained for two years.

From there he came to California in 1884, where he made his home in Los Angeles. His wife, May, was born in Cardiff, England, and they had two daughters. He secured employment with the Southern Pacific Railway Company as a telegraph operator at San Pedro. During that time he had become interested in the possibilities of our town. Thoroughly believing in its future growth, he decided he could advantageously engage in the real estate business; hence he gave up telegraphy to devote himself exclusively to business affairs. The firm of D.R. Clay & Co. was the first general real estate and insurance business established in the town and under his active supervision it was developed into an important institution. His real estate transactions being extensive and important, they aided greatly in building up the town. The Clay family residence stood on the corner of Tenth and Beacon Streets and was one of the most attractive homesteads in the city.

His fraternal associations included membership in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, Royal Arcanum, and was the first Worshipful Master of our Lodge, San Pedro Lodge No. 332, F. & A. M., and also an active member of the Royal Arch chapter. Mrs. Clay as involved in charities and was a thoughtful contributor. In fraternal associations, she was identified with the Order of the Eastern Star and the Rebekahs. Though not a partisan in politics, they had pronounced convictions upon the leading questions of the age.

While still actively engaged in business Daniel Clay died in February 1904, and a few days later his body was interred in a cemetery in Los Angeles. After his death, the business was purchased by his son-in-law, who conducted it under the title of D.R. Clay Co., and maintained the high reputation established during the lifetime of its founder.

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**Monday July 4, 2022 6:30 PM  
Annual Picnic and Fireworks Party!**



Join us as we celebrate another year of Independence! Come and watch ALL 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...

We've got a bouncy house for the kids!

Those attending are invited to bring a potluck item to share.

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!**

## Lodge 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

### LA Harbor Lodge's Charter Master Was A Pillar Of the Community

Brethren,

Previously, I reflected on Wilmington Lodge #198, after coming across the building it once belonged to, and seeing the Freemasons' square and compass still attached to that building. In that article, I mentioned a man named Daniel Randall Clay, Jr. because he would become instrumental in the formation of San Pedro Masonic Lodge, which is now known as Los Angeles Harbor Lodge. Who was Daniel Randall Clay?

Daniel Randall Clay, or D.R. Clay was a San Pedro "booster", meaning that he put in a ton of effort to boost the town as a place to visit and do business. He was a prominent real estate agent for the area, and an active member of the community.

In particular, Clay was a member of the Board of Trustees, the first chief of the San Pedro Volunteer Fire Department, and a member of San Pedro's Chamber of Commerce, and the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

Clay was born on November 13, 1849 in Gorham, Maine to Mary Hamlin. Clay was named after his father, the Reverend Daniel Randall Clay, who was a Baptist minister. The historical timeline was unclear, but it appears that Clay, Sr. and Hamlin moved from Maine to Wyoming to Los Angeles. When D.R. Clay, Jr. made it to Los Angeles, he was in his early 20s. His mother Mary Hamlin passed away in San Pedro in 1898.

In Clay Junior's early adulthood he learned telegraphy, which was his occupation throughout most of his life. He moved around for many years, working telegraphy for eight years with the Union Pacific Railroad Company at Carbon, Wyoming. He then switched trades and took up real estate in Colorado, in Denver and at Rico, which is in the state's mountain districts.

Clay came to California in 1884, where he worked as a telegraph operator at the Southern Pacific Railway in San Pedro. During this period, Clay realized San Pedro's possibilities. He dropped telegraphy altogether and began focusing on his business as a real estate agent. Clay started San Pedro's first general real estate and insurance business, called D.R. Clay & Co. In 1889, Clay started the San Pedro Volunteer Fire Department, and in 1890, this fire department was instrumental in putting out a major fire at the San Pedro Hotel, which was located at 4th and Beacon Street. Another major fire occurred in 1901, where the volunteer fire department barely saved San Pedro City Hall from being engulfed in flames.

Among his most influential actions for San Pedro was the formation of the Clay subdivision to San Pedro, where he used his real estate transactions to greatly expand and build up the downtown. This is the part of his story where his involvement in various fraternal organizations started to come into play. He was a member of the Oddfellows, the Elks, Royal Arcanum, and most importantly to us, Wilmington Masonic Lodge and then the San Pedro Masonic Lodge, where he served as its first Worshipful Master (or President). These various fraternal connections among San Pedro's community members built strong bonds among the town's founders and really built up the sense of community which helped San Pedro persevere and grow through the years.

Clay passed away on February 18, 1904. He was only 54, and was survived by his wife May J. Sanders-Clay (May Clay!!!) and two daughters. Clay was interred in a cemetery in Los Angeles. His son-in-law, J.W. Walton, took over the family business and even kept the title D.R. Clay Co. In many ways, LA Harbor Lodge's current mission is to go back to the roots laid out by individuals like Mr. Clay. His devotion to the thriving tight-knit community of San Pedro, is inspirational for the Masons of LA Harbor Masonic Lodge.

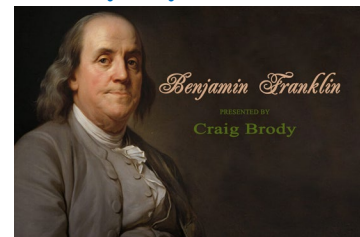
LA Harbor Masonic Lodge is celebrating its 125th anniversary on July 16, 2022. That is when we'll recognize the day that D.R. Clay, and other San Pedro Freemasons started Masonry in San Pedro. We're going to have a luau, with top notch entertainment and Hawaiian barbecue. For more information, contact Andrew Perry for more information.

Fraternally,

**Andrew Perry, P.M.**

*Junior Deacon*

### Masonic Information and Discussion Roundtable Wednesday July 20, 2022 7:30 PM



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89598130665>

Meeting ID: 895 9813 0665

Tel: 669 900 6833

It's our **quasiquintennial**, meaning our **125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event Celebration!** And we're planning on a fantastically fun celebration worthy of spanning the three centuries of our existence in the San Pedro community.

We'll be serving an AUTHENTIC luau dinner, courtesy of Cliff Kane, followed by a lively Polynesian entertainment show. Seating is limited! Get your tickets now to avoid disappointment.

- 4:00 PM Social Hour
- 6:00 PM Luau Dinner
- 7:00 PM Anniversary Celebration Program
- 7:30 PM Luau Entertainment
- 8:30 PM Social Hour

**Tickets on sale through 10 July 2022.**  
**\$35 Adults | \$15 Children (12 and under)**  
**Ladies, Family & Friends are invited!**

*Remember that Hawaiian attire is appropriate!*

## Saturday July 16, 2022



### L I V I N G P A S T M A S T E R S

1971 ROBERT H. HAYNES	1998 RONALD R. MOORE	2011 RONALD E. DUNCAN, JR.	<b>AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS</b>
1972 ANTHONY N. ENGLISH	1999 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	2012 KENNETH M. FULLER	1967 PATRICK T. DONOHUGH
1977 EDWARD HOLLAND, JR.	2000 PHILLIP R. HEISS	2013 EDWARD J. TAYLOR	1975 R. STEPHEN DOAN, PGM
1977 ROBERT R. WOLFE	2001 RONALD R. MOORE	2014 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	1983 DONALD A. HULL
1986 ROBERT A. ERBACKER	2002 JEFFREY P. BAKER	2015 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	1987 STEVEN R. YOUMANS
1988 PAUL H. GALYEAN	2003 F. SCOTT CORRIGAN	2016 RONALD E. DUNCAN, JR.	1988 DONALD A. HULL
1989 REX S. WIEDERANDERS	2004 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH	2017 MATTHEW W. STEVENS	1989 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH
1990 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	2005 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH	2018 PAUL H. GALYEAN	1998 JOSEPH P. BOWKER
1992 PHILLIP R. HEISS	2006 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH	2019 JOSEPH ARITELLI-NEWMAN	2015 DOUGLAS D. BURROWS
1993 RICHARD D. WATSON	2007 JEFFREY P. BAKER	2020 GREGORY L. PETERSON	2016 DOUGLAS D. BURROWS
1994 MICHAEL J. LOGAN	2008 JEFFREY P. BAKER	2021 GREGORY L. PETERSON	2016 GREGORY L. PETERSON
1996 RICHARD D. WATSON	2009 PHILLIP R. HEISS		2017 ANDREW N. PERRY
1997 JEFFREY P. BAKER	2010 M. SHAWN DONOHUGH		

#### ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> 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.