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"Masonry Builds Its Temples Among the Nations and In the Hearts Of Men"



September 2002

North Hollywood Lodge No. 542
(Meets Thursdays)

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LODGE TRESTLEBOARD
SEPTEMBER 2002

- Wed. 4th** Building Association Meeting 7:00 PM
- Thurs. 5th** Stated Meeting Dinner 6:15 PM
Meeting 7:30 PM
- Thurs. 12th** Hiram Award Presentation
Wor. Richard Duenckel (See Ad)
Dinner 7:00 PM
Presentations 8:00 PM
- Thurs. 19th** 2nd Degree
- Thurs. 26th** Constitution Night w/ Gene Collins 7:00 PM



Thursday,
September 5, 2002
Stated Meeting Dinner
By
Frunze Kocharyan
and
Jack Shakarozyon
Donation \$ 8.00

Please make
your reservations
for dinner.



From the East

Ladies & Brethren,

What do you love about Masonry? The ritual is one of the things I love about Masonry. It is what sets us apart from all the other fraternities and clubs. On the surface, some of the wording seems a bit strange and sometimes silly. Certainly when we were candidates going through the degrees, the ritual made very little sense. But after being in the Craft for a while and seeing many degrees and memorizing the words, the work takes on its true meaning. It is not until we can digest it that we can truly understand the lessons taught to us.

Masonry teaches us to be better, more moral men. When faced with a situation that is questionable, we can ask ourselves, "Is that what a good Mason would do?" or sometimes it is more obviously something that we obligated ourselves to do or not do. For me, Masonry helps provide a moral compass, something to help me circumscribe my desires and keep my passions within due bounds. So much of what is taught today is that people should do whatever makes them "happy". What is forgotten is that sometimes the "right" choice is not the "easy" one. Sometimes

we must do what is good and right instead of what is easy and fun. I believe that my grandparents generation knew that, but pop culture dictates the opposite. That may be why Masonry is not as popular as it once was. Because it challenges us too much. Or maybe, if Masonry was more popular, we would have a better society. Either way we need more Masons. If any of you know someone who would be a good Brother, just bring them to one of our upcoming social events, they will probably ask you about Masonry.

*Stay on the Level,
Chris Holme
Master*



From the West

Greetings From The West

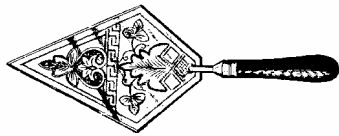
This month I would like to give you a little history of our lodge. As you may already know, we originated as the Lankershim Lodge that started out in 1922 when a group of twenty-five brothers got together to consider necessary measures for the establishment of a lodge of Free and Accepted Masons. Nineteen of which were from Hollywood Lodge #355, two from Iowa, and one from Oklahoma, New York, Washington and Illinois.

This was the beginning of what now is North Hollywood Lodge #542. September 8, 1951 was the climax of a decade of hard, unselfish work by many members of North Hollywood Lodge. It was the occasion of the dedication of the temple by Grand Master of Masons in California, Arthur Paulson.

Some five hundred Masons assembled in the dining room for a banquet and then went to the lodge room where they were joined by several hundred other Masons and where the temple was officially dedicated. William Neuendorff, was Worshipful Master and Edward Solomon was named the principal architect, who with the assistance of Robert Stowell, presented the working tools of the craft to the Grand Master.

On September 23, 1951, which I find quite significant since that was the day and year, I was born, open house was held in the temple and hundreds of Masons and their families visited the temple for the first time. So you can see my Brothers, we had quite a grand beginning and I hope we will have many years ahead of us full of fellowship and fond memories that future Masons will be writing about in the Hour Glass.

*As Always on the Level
Jan Eddy
Senior Warden*



North Hollywood e-Hour Glass

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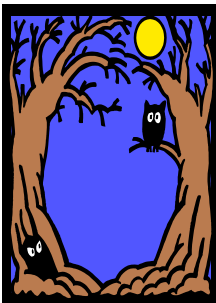
*chris@holmedesigns.com,
include your Name, and email address and please indicate that you want the e-Hour Glass instead of the hard copy.*

*If you want to receive both specify that as well.
As soon as the Hour Glass is ready to be printed, you will receive a pdf file or a link to a web page containing the complete Hour Glass in color.*

This means that you will have it a week to two weeks before the mailed version.



Upcoming Events to look for:



October 26th 2002

Halloween

Costume Party and
Fundraiser



September Birthdays

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| 03. JOHN PHILLIP LAW | 19. MIKE J ALFANO |
| 04. JAMES E MOSIER | 20. AVEDIS AVO ABDOYAN |
| 05. BRYANT W KEIHLE JR | 21. PAUL R ROMICH |
| 05. ROBERT L SWANSON | 23. JAN L EDDY |
| 06. JOE H WEITER | 24. WALTER H LORENZ |
| 07. CHARLES H HOUSTON | 25. STEVE VARSAM |
| 07. ALVIN G LEONHARDT | 27. VATCHE IZAKELLIAN |
| 08. JOHN B BROWN | 29. GEORGE D WEBB |
| 10. ALBERT F TUCKER | 30. WALTER C KLETZING |
| 10. Dr. MARIO DELARA | |
| 11. JOHN MCINTYRE | |
| 12. FRANK W JOHNSON | |
| 13. HAROLD B WHITFIELD | |
| 14. ROBERT A BIGLER | |
| 17. RAY E LANG | |
| 18. RONALD K PIERCE | |
| 18. NOAH CLEMONS JR | |
| 19. JERRY J FERRO | |

*Brethren
who are celebrating
their birthdays in this month,
qualify for
a complementary dinner
on the day of
the Stated Meeting*

Finish each day and be done with it. You have done what you could; some blunders and absurdities have crept in; forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day; you shall begin it serenely and with too high a spirit to be encumbered with your old nonsense.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft Members ...

All Entered Apprentice and Fellow craft masons are expected to attend Lodge every Thursday night for proficiency instruction. This is your opportunity to advance through the degrees as quickly as possible, and it is your opportunity to get acquainted with the brethren of North Hollywood Lodge.

The candidate's coach Brother Steven W. Barr, will be present and will keep you moving along toward your goal. While the memory work may seem out of reach at first, you will find that by being coached through the work, you will advance with ease. Don't be shy. Don't worry about your speed of attainment as each person is able to memorize at their own pace.



North Hollywood Lodge #542

Invites You To Its Presentation of
“The Hiram Award”

to

Worshipful Richard Duenckel

on

September 12, 2002

at the

North Hollywood Masonic Center

5122 Tujunga Avenue, North Hollywood, California

Social Hour 6:30 PM / Dinner 7:00 PM

Program 8:00 PM

Donation \$10 / Dress: Informal

RSVP by September 8th

Please make your reservations early

Richard Duenckel (818)766-8521



Southern California Research Lodge

F. & A. M.

CORN, WINE and OIL
By Rabbi Isaac Marcusson

(From “leaves From Georgia Masonry” published by the Educational and Historical Commission of the Grand Lodge of Georgia, F. & A. M.)

Among the early peoples, we find life divided into three aspects – physical, mental, spiritual. The fully developed man was the man who considered all these aspects of life and did not develop one at the expense of the other. The gladiator or the athlete stood at the lowest of the ladder of life and the proverb, “A strong mind in a strong body,” was the ideal towards which man strove.

It is not to be wondered at that throughout its whole history Masonry endeavored to keep alive this three-fold aspect of life. It was clearly understood by the founders of our order that the fully developed man was he who took heed of every aspect of his nature and body; mind and soul were to be equally guarded.

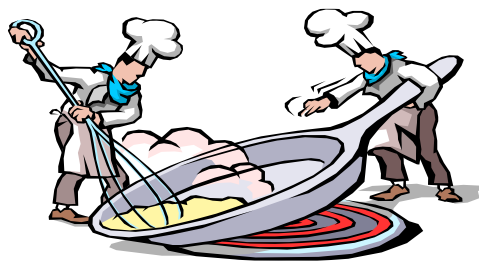
CORN

This has always been the symbol of physical life. It represents orderliness and brotherhood. While each grain of corn stands separate and alone, yet it has its place in the line and is firmly imbedded with all the rest in one central unifying mass. Should a single grain, even for a moment lose its hold, it falls out unless supported and sustained by its neighboring grain. So man in his social life must finally realize that if he lets go of the central purpose of life, if he steps out of his place in the great march onward, “his place will know him no more; ” he falls out of the orderly procession of life. But like the ear of corn there are sustaining forces which for a little while can keep him in his place if he will but cling to them until he can once more take hold of life and its deeper purposes. So while corn to the Master Mason is symbolic of the physical life, it also has for us a lesson of great and lasting and a helpful brotherhood. It is the nourishing, sustaining food on which we are dependent to make ourselves felt in the higher walks of life. But it is none-the-less essential. It is the foundation stone on which the higher life must be build if we are to erect a structure that shall be a real temple wherein man shall rise to his better self.

Contributed by, Bruce E. Hudson , P.M.

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Monthly Buffet Breakfast



Date : Sunday September 8th
Time : 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Cost : \$6.00

The buffet will be open from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM