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***North Hollywood Lodge No. 542
(Meets Thursdays)***

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LODGE TRESTLEBOARD

APRIL 2003

Wednesday 2nd

Temple Board Meeting 7:00 pm

Thursday 3rd

Stated Meeting

Dinner 6:15 pm

Meeting 7:00 pm

Official Visit of District Inspector 7:30 pm (*Officers in Tux*)

Thursday 10th

1st Degree

Kenneth (Jim) Hoerricks Donald Regis

Saturday 12th

OSI Grand Lecture Tujung Lodge 9:00am

Sunday 13th

Monthly Breakfast 10:00 am

Thursday 17th

Degree or Practice 7:30 pm

Saturday 19th

Annual White Elephant Sale 8:00am

Thursday 24th

1st Degree:

Dr. Harvey Presser 7:30 pm

A reminder that all Officers are to wear tuxes at Degree evenings and also tuxes to be worn at this Stated meeting by the Officers for the official visit of our District Inspector Sam Pitassi, PM.

**DON'T FORGET SATURDAY 19TH
OUR ANNUAL WHITE ELEPHANT SALE
IN THE PARKING LOT OF THE LODGE
ALL DONATIONS ACCEPTED!**

From 8:00 AM

From the East

Greetings my Brethren,

“REDEDICATION VOW” I now and hereby, in the Presence of Almighty God and these witnesses, renew my solemn vows in the degrees of the Symbolic Lodge, ratifying and confirming the pledges then made.

I furthermore declare that it is my intention to adhere to the tenets of our profession, which are Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, and to exemplify to the best of my ability in my daily life the cardinal virtues, which are Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence and Justice.

I furthermore affirm that it will be my objective so to assist my Lodge and the Grand Lodge that our time-honored institution may be acknowledged of all men as worthy of respect and esteem.

That my brothers was a quote from the Wisconsin “Freemason”. These words are as appropriate now as they were when written.

Sometimes I get the impression after having been raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason we feel we have accomplished all that is necessary to make us that better man that we were asked to exemplify in our third degree. Such however is not the case. We need to rededicate ourselves to making our Lodge a better place for all to attend and be part of. We can start by attending the weekly meeting and being supportive of the activities that are taking place that evening. This is so important for the Brothers and also the candidates that are receiving their degrees.

There is a saying that goes “I can’t hear what you are saying I can only see what you are doing”. If we don’t practice what we preach our words will fall on deaf ears. This is something that I personally don’t want to see happen. So if we will only take to heart the obligation we solemnly swore to uphold, we can make our Lodge and the world around us a better place to be in. At this point in our history that can be so important.

So in closing, let us all Rededicate ourselves to our Lodge and be a shining example for all the world to see and make this a better place to live in. Remember that Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth shall accomplish all things.

As Always on the Level

*Jan Eddy
Master*



From the West

Hello Brothers and ladies,

I am very excited these few days because the Senior Warden's Retreat is coming up. As I remember last year's retreat as a Junior Warden was almost two days of non-stop fun, and at the same time great experience and knowledge. It was unbelievable the volume of information we received during these couple of days. I will share with all of you after the retreat. I must say, I wouldn't be there without the support of all the brothers at our lodge.

And to all the brothers that we haven't seen for a while; please come and join us at our stated meetings and the degree nights. I assure you a lot has changed and you will enjoy it. Again, thank you to all the brothers for allowing me to attend the Senior Warden Retreat.

*Fraternally
Avedis Abdoyan
Senior Warden*

Secretary's Corner



Brethren,

**Year 2003 dues are payable on the first of the year.
Apparently some of our brothers overlooked their dues.**

**Prompt payments are greatly appreciated.
Please use the envelope that was sent to you by mail.**

**Bruce E. Hudson, PM.
Secretary**

From the South

Dear Worshipful Master and Brethren,

I would like to start by welcoming our new 1st degree candidates: Brothers Jason Leonard, Ashot Ksachikyan, Pierre Moroni, and Arthur Ksachikyan. By the gracious guidance of the Supreme Architect of the Universe, may you see the light by which, all masons should work and agree.

Also as new candidates, take the opportunity to get involved with lodge functions. There is a lot for our new brethren to get acquainted with and we should always try to let them know that there is a mason there to answer their questions.

The 19th of April we are having our "White Elephant Sale" anybody who has any furniture, clothes, or "stuff" that they would like to donate to the Lodge would be greatly appreciated. You can bring it down or call (818) 755-9304 to make arrangements for pick-up.

On Saturday May 10th from 11:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m. we will be at the Universal Studios City Walk hosting the North Hollywood Masonic Center Child I.D. Program. My thanks goes out to brother Steve Barr for his help in arranging this.

We have a great spot, in front of the movie theaters. This is a first for us, my brothers, and it is my hope that those who can spare an hour or two, can sign up to help. Any brethren who would like to help can call, e-mail, or put their names down at the next stated meeting.

From Meridian Height,

*Brother Ronald E. Presser
Junior Warden*



STATED MEETING DINNER

Thursday , April 3rd @ 6:15PM

Donation : \$ 8.00

ITALIAN DINNER

Bro. Ron Presser

Please make your reservations

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 01. Raymond C. Perkins
 April 03. Dale V. Breech
 April 04. Harold Jay Hildret
 April 06. Frunze Kocharyan
 April 06. Cheene E. Evans

April 14. Fred C. Wilson, Jr.
 April 15. Anthony L. Dickson
 April 15. Charles Dean Bray
 April 18. Walter T. Tharp

April 26. James L. Smith
 April 27. John A. Tetley
 April 28. Roland L. Hill
 April 28. Vartan Assadourian

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



From the Editor

Brethren,

If you have anything of interest to the Lodge please do not hesitate to forward your information to the Editor. Our brothers are always glad to hear news of your activities, vacations, honors, etc.

**You may e-mail to; peacockpri@aol.com (Aram M. Bogosyan)
 Or fax to; 818/728-8037**

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.

TRESTLE BOARD GEM

THE NEED FOR MASONIC NOURISHMENT

There is but one way by which Freemasonry can promote the objectives of Brotherly Love, Relief, Integrity and Truth in the outside world, and that is by the silent example of those brethren whose hands are guided by justice, whose hearts are expanded by benevolence, and who display those social and moral virtues which constitute the solid basis of Freemasonry. Rather should our Lodges aim at better Masons than merely more Masons, for better Masons make better citizens, men conscious of the social needs for personal integrity, men convinced that righteousness alone exalts an individual, community or nation; men who serve their fellows by playing an active role in every worthwhile project or activity.

Because Freemasonry expresses no corporate union on any matter about which men's views are divided, it perforce must rely for that favorable opinion that draws men into its ranks, solely on the lives and actions of Masons acting as individual citizens. Thus, to every brother is committed the welfare and good name of the craft. If these brethren are insufficiently instructed in what Freemasonry is and aims to accomplish, many will never become living or enthusiastic exponents of a way of life they neither understand nor appreciate.

Time and again overseas Grand Masters have reiterated that if Freemasonry is ever to accomplish its mission the Lodge program must involve more than an unbroken sequence of ritual degrees. If a brother is given neither instruction nor Masonic employment it can scarcely be any cause for wonder if he loses interest, becomes irregular in attendance, and finally demits or resigns to join that every-growing army of unattached brethren who get nothing from the craft and contribute nothing to it. It is the existence of so many unattached brethren and the prevalence of Masonic indigestion, malnutrition, and partial starvation, which is my sole reason for my address to the need for Masonic nourishment as the obvious remedy.

William Martin, PGM
New Zealand

North Hollywood e-Hour Glass

In an effort to expand into the internet age and at the same time save money for the Lodge, we are starting an e-Hour Glass. If you would rather receive the Hour Glass via email and/or internet please send an email to: 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.

IN MEMORIAM



Mike Joseph Alfano

BORN
 October 19, 1921
 Wisconsin

PASSED AWAY
 March 16, 2003
 Sun Valley

INTERMENT
 Riverside National Cemetery
 Riverside, California

*Let us then be forging, forging stronger still the Mystic chain,
 For the glory of the meeting and the work that doth remain.
 In the spirit of the Poet, let us do our work with care
 "As we meet upon the Level, and we part upon the Square."*

- L.B. Mitchell

DON'T FORGET OUR MONTHLY BREAKFAST
 ON THE **SECOND SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH** UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

IT STARTS AT 10:00AM UNTIL 12:00 NOON.

ALL YOU CAN EAT BUFFET

FOR ONLY **\$ 6.00**

THE BEST DEAL IN TOWN.

COME JOIN US FOR A GREAT BREAKFAST AND GOOD FELLOWSHIP.

IN MEMORIAM



Thomas E Greene

passed away on February 21, 2003 in Cincinnati Ohio.

He is survived by his wife,

three daughters, one son,

five grandchildren

and his parents Bill and Lilly Mae Greene.

Bill is a brother here at N Hollywood Lodge 542.

You have our deepest sympathies in this time of sorrow.

You all will be in our hearts and prayers.