

Wisdom Lodge No. 202

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Master's Message - January 2009

Brethren,

I would again like to express my special thanks to the installing officers, Worshipful Steve Cooper, Worshipful Stu Wright and Worshipful Gerard Shirikjian who presided over the Annual Installation of Officers this past December 12, 2008. Our current progressive line of officers (which excludes the treasurer, secretary and assistant secretary) has no past masters. Therefore, we can look forward to some fresh ideas, but we call upon our Past Masters and all members to provide sage advice, assistance and support to our less experienced officers.



I am honored to serve as Master of Wisdom Lodge #202. For my year as Master, I have adopted the theme: "Masonic Footprints." As we carry out our duties as Masons, we desire to leave footprints. We desire to make an impact on our communities and society at large. We desire to leave a mark in a positive way. At many of our meetings and events this year we will recognize the efforts of our concordant bodies and Masons in general to serve and aid other people. In February, for example, we will hear about the work of the Shriners Hospitals for Children. Throughout the year, we will celebrate the positive work that Masons do and hopefully we will be inspired to improve our own efforts in the community.

I look forward to your assistance and participation this year as we seek to leave a lasting impression.

Fraternally, Paul D. Rosenberger

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

A hearty Birthday wish is extended to the following brethren who celebrate their birthdays in January. We sincerely hope your celebration is joyous and we would like to share in this event. Please join us at our Stated Meeting.

Ahmad H. Serhan	1	Nishan Derderian	19
Messrob Missirlan	2	Joseph V. Bentley	21
Ebrahim H. Meer	7	Douglas D. Powell	24
Oran E. Maples	8	Rudolph J. Warrington	25
Robert E. Lenzie	10	Frank M. Becker III	25
Williard M. Huyck	11	John R. Cowle	25
David L Green	11	Gerhardt W. Olson	26
Edwin D. Goakes	12	Charles J. Clark	27
Gerald D. Christian, Sr.	12	Gerald A. Jebejian	28
Stephen G. Sollock	14	Joseph S. Beebe	29
Melton Barnes	14	Francis P. McHugh	29
John K. Hendry	14	Franz Rodriguez	31
Bill Pritchard	15	Jason Klascius-Fernandez	31
Paul Martinet	17		
Walter B. Van Oosterhout	18		

3rd Degree Anniversaries

Leon M. Saliba	11	1939	Vasken Jouharian	27	1999
Norman Artunian	13	1971	Douglas D. Powell	27	1982
Walter L. McCune	15	1964	Carl G. Bohman	27	1965
Justin D. Denlinger	16	2008	Salvatore L. Mangiameli	27	1953
George F. Meehan, Jr.	17	1951	Daniel Klein	28	1998
Francisco Pineda	18	2006	Joseph S. Beebe	29	1962
Merlin T. Murphy	19	1959	Vahe Artinian	29	2003
Jack R. Spradlin	19	1955	Mohamed N. Mohsen	31	2001
Donald W. Tagtmeyer	20	1942	Robert E. Dougherty	31	1961
Lawrence L. Wolf	23	1952			
Rameses D Arias	25	2006			

DID YOU REMEMBER TO PAY YOUR DUES

They were due on January 1, 2009
Call Dean for more information
(818) 334-8623

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Trestleboard

January 2009

Wednesday January 7, 2009

Stated Meeting Dinner - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday January 14, 2009

First Degree Practice - 7:00 p.m.

Sunday January 18, 2009

Masonic Service Bureau Breakfast
Pasadena Scottish Rite

Monday January 19, 2009

Officers School of Instruction
Alhambra Lodge (all officers required to attend) - 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday January 21, 2009

First Degree of Patrick Anderson - 7 p.m.

Wednesday January 28, 2009

Second Degree Practice - 7 p.m.

Wednesday February 4, 2009

Stated Meeting Dinner - 6:30 p.m.
Shriner's Hospital Presentation

**ALL WEDNESDAYS CANDIDATE'S COACHING
WILL BE AVAILABLE**

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History of Freemasonry

The inception of Freemasonry

In the Middle Ages, the term "freemason" was awarded to highly skilled stonemasons who were hired as free agents to build castles and cathedrals in England and Scotland. Because of the inherent danger of their work, stonemasons formed local organizations, called lodges, to take care of sick and injured members as well as the widows and orphans of those who were killed on the job.

The first Grand Lodge was established in 1717 in London. In 1718, English Freemasonry spread to France and Spain, and after 1729, to India, Italy, Poland, and Sweden. Freemasonry spread to other parts of Europe and eventually made its way to the American colonies. In 1733, the first American lodge was established in Boston, under the authority of the Grand Lodge of England. Of the 39 men who signed the U.S. Constitution, 13 were Masons.

Freemasonry comes to California

Freemasonry has been an integral part of California for more than 150 years. During the Gold Rush of 1849, thousands of settlers came to California in search of fortune. Many of these men had been Masons back East and brought with them the tradition of Freemasonry. Not surprisingly, some of California's first Masonic Lodges were established in the mining towns of the Gold Country. In 1850 – the same year that California became a state – the Grand Lodge of California was established in Sacramento. Within 10 years, the number of Masonic Lodges had grown from 11 to 130, while membership soared from 258 to more than 5,000.

Over the years, the Masons have played a key role in shaping the history of California. To date, 19 California governors have been Masons, and at least four California Masons have been elected to the U.S. Senate. Today, the Grand Lodge of California has over 75,000 members and about 350 Lodges located throughout the state, making it one of the largest Grand Lodges in the world.

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www.wisdomlodge202.org**

Ramblin' with Ed Roos

Clyde Has a Formula He Can Count On

Clyde is oldish and finds that he is unable to perform sexually. He finally goes to his doctor who tries a few things, but nothing seems to work. So the doctor refers him to an American Indian medicine man.

The medicine man says, "I can cure this." That said, he throws a white powder in a flame, and there is a flash with billowing blue smoke.

Then he says, "This is powerful medicine. You can only use it once a year. All you have to do is say '123' and it shall rise for as long as you wish!"

The guy then asks, "What happens when it's over, and I don't want to continue?" The medicine man replies: "All you or your partner has to say is 1234, and it will go down. But be warned -- it will not work again for another year!"

Clyde rushes home, eager to try out his new powers and prowess. That night he is ready to surprise Bonnie, showers, shaves, and puts on his most exotic shaving lotion. He gets into bed, and lying next to her says, "123."

He suddenly becomes more aroused than anytime in his life -- just as the medicine man had promised. Bonnie who had been facing away, turns over and asks, "What did you say 123 for?"

And that, my friends, is why you shouldn't end a sentence with a preposition.

Learn from Others

*Wise men learn by others harms:
fools scarcely by their own.*

*-- Thoughts by Benjamin Franklin from Poor Richard's Almanac,
or from his letters, on life and prosperity*

Sweethearts' Brunch



Brookside Country Club

(near the Rose Bowl) in
Pasadena

Lodge Sweethearts (Widows)

and their guest admitted free
Sunday, February 15, 2009

10:30 am to 1:30 pm,

Members and guests \$40.00 per person, Member's lady no charge. Children
who are under 12 years old no charge. Valet parking is included.

Reservation are required

Please call your reservation into our secretary's office at 818-334-8623,

**Do not call the Country Club to
make your reservations.**

Brookside Country Club
1133 N. Rosemont, Pasadena, CA 91103
(626) 795-0631

From Downtown: 110 N. to Orange Grove Bl., left on Orange Grove to Rosemont. Left on Rosemont, down the hill, pass the Rose Bowl. Country Club will be on your left.

From San Fernando via 134: Exit Orange Grove/Colorado Blvd. off ramp. Left on Orange Grove to Rosemont, turn left on Rosemont, go down the hill, pass the Rose Bowl.

From San Fernando via 210: Exit at Arroyo/Windsor ramp and turn right on Arroyo. Make another immediate right onto Rosemont and go down the hill.

From San Gabriel Valley via 210: Exit at Seco/Mountain off ramp. Turn left onto Seco down hill to Rosemont. Turn right on Rosemont, pass Rose Bowl to Brookside Country Club.



In a Masonic lodge, the altar, with its Volume of the Sacred Law, Square and Compass,

symbolizes the Ark of the Covenant. The three Lesser Lights form a triangle symbolizing the presence of Deity.

There are three steps leading to the chair of the Worshipful Master in the East. You were told that these are emblematic of Youth, Manhood, and Old Age. These are symbolic of the three Degrees in Masonry, Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, and Master Mason. It is necessary to learn the lessons of these degrees well if you are to lead the life a good Master Mason should. You must learn, teach, and practice them if you are to one day climb these steps to preside in your lodge as its Worshipful Master.

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Close to 90% of those voting at Grand Lodge last September supported a resolution allowing for the Installation of Assistant Secretary.

Worshipful Paul Rosenberger has chosen past master Levon Keshishian to serve as first in that position.

Congratulations Levon!



The Ceremonial Apron presented to Alfred Ringling on January 21, 1891.

Famous Masons

The Ringling Brothers

Albert, Alfred, August, Charles, Henry, John and William and Their Father August

were members of Baraboo Lodge, No. 34, Baraboo, Wisconsin. On January 21, 1891 six of the then famous Ringling brothers returned to their home lodge and occupied many of the major chairs in the ceremony of the lodge. Only Brother John was not in attendance. Before the year was out August Ringling (the father and founder of the circus) would join his sons in the craft.

On that special night in 1891 aprons had been ordered and presented to the brothers as gifts. Made of blue velvet, each apron was embroidered with silver thread and tassels. On the back of each apron appeared the name of the Ringling brother and the chair he occupied.



Ringlingville was the winter home of the Ringling Brothers Circus in Baraboo, Wisconsin. This vintage photograph shows workers in the costume department preparing some of the 2000 costumes that were required each season.

**On Wednesday February 4, 2009
at our Stated Meeting Dinner
We will enjoy a presentation on the**

Shriner's Hospital



835,000 KIDS. 85 YEARS. ONE MISSION.

Shriners Hospitals for Children is dedicated to improving the lives of kids living with orthopaedic problems, burns, spinal cord injuries and more. With the belief that all kids should lead full, productive lives, the Shriner's built an entire health care system around this thought. From the most routine to the most rarely seen cases, the unique patient care they provide not only treats the child, but also involves the patient's family in all aspects of care and recovery.

Offering a comprehensive range of services, Shriners Hospitals for Children takes the best possible care of a patient. They customize each child's treatment experience, providing specialized care that delivers on their mission to help more kids defy the odds.

World-class research. Exceptional physician training. A uniquely collaborative treatment environment.

Stated Meeting Dinner - 6:30 p.m.

Save the Date

Please save the following dates:

February 4, 2009

**Stated Meeting Dinner
Presentation on Shriners Hospitals**

February 15, 2009

Sweethearts' Brunch

February 22, 2009

Masonic Service Bureau Breakfast

March 4, 2009

Stated Meeting Dinner -Inspector's Official Viisit

March 29, 2009

Breakfast Honoring Grand Master - Biltmore Hotel

May 22-25, 2009

Annual Spring Fling

September 25-27, 2009

Grand Lodge Annual Communication