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SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS

Wednesday, June 7th - 6:30 p.m.
STATED MEETING

Wednesday, June 14th - 7:00 p.m.
FIRST DEGREE

Wednesday, June 21st - 7:00 p.m.
FIRST DEGREE

Wednesday, June 28th - 7:00 p.m.
OFFICERS PRACTICE

Wednesday, July 5th - 6:30 p.m.
STATED MEETING

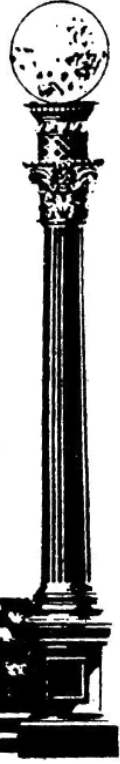
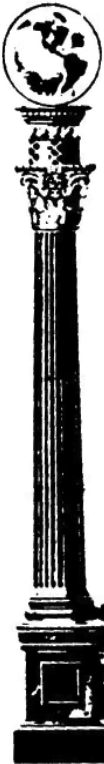
Wednesday, July 12th - 7:00 p.m.
THIRD DEGREE

Sunday, July 16th - 11:00 a.m.
ANNUAL FAMILY AND FRIENDS PICNIC

Wednesday, July 19th - 7:00 p.m.
OFFICERS PRACTICE

Thursday, July 20th - 7:00 p.m.
OFFICERS SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

Wednesday, July 26th - 7:00 p.m.
TBD



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JUNE 2017 TRESTLEBOARD

Wednesday, June 7th 6:30 p.m.

STATED MEETING

Donation for all \$15.00 - Home Lodge Widows are Free
Tri-Tip Steak or Salmon

For dinner reservations please call (818) 446-6305

Wednesday, June 14th 7:00 p.m.

FIRST DEGREE

Mr. Anthony Hatchett & Mr. Alex Danielian
Junior Warden Artin Aladadyan presiding

Wednesday, June 21st 7:00 p.m.

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Mr. Robert Ludlow
Junior Warden Artin Aladadyan Presiding

Wednesday, June 28th 7:00 p.m.

OFFICERS PRACTICE

With Wor. Stanley R. Taub, P.M.

JULY 2017 TRESTLEBOARD

Wednesday, July 5th 6:30 p.m.

STATED MEETING

HAWAIIAN SHIRTS UNTIL AUGUST

Chicken or Salmon

Donation for all \$15.00 - Home Lodge Widows are FREE

For Dinner Reservations Please Call (818)-446-6305

Wednesday, July 12th 7:00 p.m.

THIRD DEGREE

Brother Cyril Sariano

Wor Leland H. Celestre Worshipful Master Presiding

Sunday, July 16th 11:00 a.m.

HOME LODGE No.721

ANNUAL FAMILY AND FRIENDS PICNIC

Sunday - July 16th at 11:00 a.m.

Rancho Tapo Community Park Simi Valley

Wednesday, July 19th 7:00 p.m.

OFFICERS PRACTICE

With Wor. Stanley R. Taub, P.M.

Thursday, July 20th 7:00 p.m.

OFFICERS SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

North Hollywood Lodge

5122 Tujunga Ave.

North Hollywood, CA 91601

Wednesday, July 26th 7:00 p.m.

TBD

FROM THE EAST



As summer arrives we gird ourselves for the ensuing warmth...just part and parcel of where we're blessed to live. Accordingly, commencing in June, proper attire for stated meetings will be Hawaiian shirts for officers and business casual for others. Attire for Degrees remains Tuxedos for officers and business suits for others.

We'll soon celebrate the birthday of our grand Nation, along with its high valuation of individual liberty. A good time to reflect on what a blessing such freedoms truly are, and that with them necessarily comes personal

responsibility. May your celebrations be joyous and safe.

Degree conferrals keep steadily apace with Home Lodge tradition with a full docket ahead. Some of your officers are already working on their step up positions for next year...much rewarding work yet to be done. As always I encourage your attendance that you may contribute to what are for the candidates the most important experiences of their Masonic careers. The candidate whose degree you attend now may well be Master of the Lodge in future.

Food for thought:

"The development of the art of memory grew to encompass a mental representation of the entire cosmos as conceived in the medieval world. Its use became as an object of contemplation through the will and imagination. Much of the structure of the process was inspired by the Hermetic sciences including kabbalah and astrology as well as Pythagorean number mysticism. As the building of this cosmic temple proceeded, it provided the necessary link of the mind with the divine world. It was considered that developing mental representations to mirror the eternal and unchanging divine world and processes would bring about spiritual revelations. In other words, the practices would aid the soul in its ascent to the divine world. It would, surely, give one the vision of the celestial temple. A number of eminent scholars—including Frances Yates, David Stevenson, and Marsha Keith Schuchard—have theorized that the origins of the fraternity of Freemasonry can be found emerging from this background."

[Thomas D. Worrel, "The Art of Memory and the Spiritual Practice of the Liberal Arts," *Philalethes, The Journal of Masonic Research & Letters*, (Vol. 63, No. 1, Winter, 2010)

May the G.A.O.T.U. ever bless you and yours,

Fraternally from the East,
Leland H. Celestre, Worshipful Master

FROM THE WEST



Greetings Brethren and Ladies,

I would like to thank you for sending Bro. Aladadyan and myself to the Master and Wardens retreat in April.

Wor. Celestre attended the retreat in May. We are going to sit down and discuss what we can do to increase member participation at our meetings as well as the degrees.

We have started to work in our step up positions and hopefully will can qualify by the end of September.

During last month, we had our dinner and movie night; and I look forward to continuing it next year. Also at the end of last month, Most Worshipful Charvonia, Past Grand Master gave a talk on civility. The event was well attended and hopefully it left a deep and lasting impression on everyone who attended.

This year we celebrate the 300th anniversary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of England and the birth of Masonry as we know it.

I look forward to seeing you in Lodge on Wednesdays. Come on down and support the candidates as they progress through their degrees.

Remember that Wednesdays are Lodge Night.

Fraternally from the West,
Aaron J. Cohen P.M.
Senior Warden

FROM THE SOUTH



With the summer months around the corner, I'd like to remind everyone to be careful in their vacation plans. The recent events just remind us that there are those out there that don't subscribe to the same values as Masons. That being said, since we're approaching the mid-year point I'd like to congratulate all the officers on a great first half, with many more

degrees coming up, I'd like to see some long lost faces join us in lodge. Remember, degree nights aren't only about the conferral of the degrees; it's about coming together with your brothers and enjoying yourselves.

As with all months previous, I encourage the brethren to attend our weekly meetings, be it to help coach brothers or to sit in the audience. Having a crowd inside for degrees means a great deal, not only to the officers, but also to our candidate. We want to ensure they feel at home at Home Lodge.

Remember, there's no better place to be on a Wednesday than at Home.

Fraternally from the South,
Artin Aladadyan, Junior Warden

**A Message from our Secretary
Wor. Richard A. Weiser, P.M.**

This is a good time, as we approach the midway point of 2017, to reflect on why we became Masons. Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. The three tenets of Freemasonry. Part of Brotherly Love is making an effort to attend Lodge and take an active part in all its activities. Attending degrees to show our new Brothers that we care about them and want to see them progress through the degrees, serving on a committee, doing investigations, bringing new ideas for activities, all of these help to make the Lodge better.

Don't sit back and expect others to do all the work. Don't complain about a lack of activities that interest you, get involved. Talk to the officers. This is your Lodge. Be proud of it and help it to continue as one of the finest Lodges in California.

**DON'T FORGET THAT WEDNESDAY NIGHT IS
LODGE NIGHT... SEE YOU THERE!**

Fraternally,
Wor. Richard Weiser, PM
Secretary, Home Lodge No.721

**HOME LODGE MEMBERS
AND THEIR FAMILIES**

**HOME LODGE No. 721
ANNUAL PICNIC**

Sunday

July 16th at 11:00 a.m.

Rancho Tapo Park

3700 Avenida Simi, Simi Valley

118 Freeway to Tapo off ramp, go north to Avenida Simi then left for 1.5 to 2 miles. Parking and the Park will be on your left.

**Lots of good eats – Hamburgers, Hot Dogs
and all of the trimmings**

Games for the children

**Please remember,
*RESERVATIONS are a MUST***

**Please contact:
Gerard Deprest or Moses Gazazian
(818) 980-8370 (818) 298-5652**

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Many of our brethren and their ladies have had health issues, we should always keep them in our prayers, but take a minute to notify either Wor. Bob Brandt, P.M. or Wor. Richard A. Weiser, P.M. so that we can get a card out to them and check on them.

HOME LODGE SWEETHEARTS CORNER

Dear Home Lodge widows and family, please keep us up to date on any changes to your mailing address and phone numbers and if there are any changes in your health. You are a part of our Home Lodge family and if we or Grand Lodge can be of service to you we will need to be able to reach you. Please let us know if you are aware of other Home Lodge widows. You may contact the Home Lodge Secretary, Richard A. Weiser, P.M. at (818) 326-3841.



HOME LODGE DUES INFORMATION

Our dues for 2017 are \$97.00 per member, due on or by the 1st day of January. If you are not at the very least in possession of a 2016 dues card (haven't paid your dues for 2016) we will be sending you a notice of possible suspension, beginning in March. If you have not paid your dues in arrears or made proper arrangements, we will be suspending you in May of 2017. Many brethren have asked what that means. It means this, if you are suspended for nonpayment of dues, your name will be read in lodge the night you are suspended, the other Masonic bodies will be notified of your suspension (per the CMC) and you will become suspended in those bodies as well until you are back in good standing with your blue lodge. Bringing yourself back into good standing involves the following process-you must pay your dues in arrears, then you are put up to a vote of the brethren for reinstatement, then the other bodies are notified upon your reinstatement.

<i>Dues for the 2017 term are</i>	<i>\$97.00</i>
<i>Petitions for membership are</i>	<i>\$425.00</i>
<i>Petitions for affiliation are</i>	<i>\$130.00</i>
<i>Petitions for out of state affiliation are</i>	<i>\$285.00</i>

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

THE FOLLOWING IS THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR 2017

Under the age of 49 is 21 times the annual dues:	\$2,037.00
50 to 54 is 19 times the annual dues:	\$1,843.00
55 to 59 is 17 times the annual dues:	\$1,649.00
60 to 64 is 14 times the annual dues:	\$1,358.00
65 and older is 11 times the annual dues:	\$1,067.00

PAST MASTERS OF HOME LODGE

*William H. Eyler 1952-54	*Irving Levine 1986
**Allyn S. Abramson 1955	Melvin H. Barlam 1987
*Marius Thisted 1956	Stanley R. Taub 1988
*Samuel Crystal 1957	Seymour Empol 1989
*Michael Garner 1958	*Norman I. Libes 1990
*Arthur D'Avellar Jr. 1959	Donald T. Pollock 1991
*Abraham J. Marks 1960	Clifford C. Schlesinger 1992
*Marvin Shapiro 1961	*Mark A. Leibert 1993
*Seymour Glick 1962	Herschel P. Mazer 1994
*Sidney L. Herman 1963	*Allen F. Kelman 1995
*Frank Gelfound 1964	Jack A. Klapper 1996
*Jay Ludwin 1965	David M. Townsend 1997
*Abel Tobey 1966	Russell E. Singer 1998
*W. Robert Banks 1967	Ralph B. Dash 1999
Irving Wapner 1968	Rafael Hernandez 2000
*Harold J. Zinkow 1969	Stanley R. Taub P.M. 2001
*Benjamin Ennis 1970	*Robert V. Downs 2002
*David Tribich 1971	Robert M. Berger 2003
Stanley Kadesh 1972	Lynn M. Freed 2004
*Harvey Solochek 1973	Gordon E. Perry P.M. 2005
*I. Robert Brown 1974	Harvey M. Tapper 2006
David Springer 1975	Lynn M. Freed P.M. 2007
*Marvin Linn 1976	Eduardo Estrada 2008
*Meyer M. Swartzman 1977	*Jose A. Fiss P.M. 2009
*Stuart A. Graboyes 1978	Steve L. Eberhardt, P.M. ... 2010-11
**Marvin Winchell 1979	Robert H. Borden 2012
Murray Tobias 1980	Michael David 2013
*Lester Price 1981	Richard A. Weiser, P.M.. 2014-2015
*Meyer S. Levine 1982	Aaron J. Cohen 2016
**Joe Winchell 1983	
*S. William Gershon 1984	
Roger Sterneck 1985	

* Deceased

** Demitted

PAST MASTERS BY AFFILIATION

Gordon M. Van Sanford	1962	Bruce E. Hudson	1995
David S. Handelman	1970	Steven M. Weinberg	1995
Henry H. Tarica	1971	Steven L. Eberhardt	1996
Robert B. Brandt	1972	Sean N. Foran	1996
Richard V. Franco Sr.	1974	Stepan S. Varsam	1997
Ken Judd	1976	Victor M. Lerma	1998
Stanley Garnett	1978	Lloyd R. Turnquist	1998
Harvey B. Lyman	1982	Carlos H. Gonzalez	1999
David P. Ottinger Jr.	1983	Gordon E. Perry	1999
Thomas C. Crompton	1985	William H. Pike	1999
Vanso O. Jenabian	1986	Vatche Izakellian	2001
Sam Makarem	1986	Nishan "Nick" Khatcherian ..	2002
Alvin Gorenbein	1988	Avedis A. Abdoyan	2004
Ray Rosenbaum	1990	Burton E. Haaz	2004
Jerome A. Shubb	1992	Vartan Assadourian	2006
Russell H. Weis	1992	Ralph W. Morton	2009-10
Aldo A. Dipre	1993	Dan Shepard	2015
Jose A. Fiss	1994	Leland H. Celestre	2016

HIRAM AWARD

*Irving Levine P.M.	1979	Barney B. Kort	1996
*Fred R. Price	1980	*Jerome H. Shatanoff	1997
*Sidney L. Herman P.M.	1980	**Bruce M. Blitz	1998
*Allen Price	1983	Clifford C. Schlesinger P.M.	1999
*Irwin Rosenberg	1984	**Jack Brehm	2000
*Harry J. Angel	1985	Leo W. Witz	2001
*Buddy Samuel	1986	Jack A. Klapper P.M.	2002
*S. William. Gershon P.M. ..	1988	Ralph B. Dash P.M.	2003
*Ben Leibowitz	1988	Herschel P. Mazer P.M.	2004
*Lester Price P.M.	1989	Seymour Borenstein	2005
*Allen F. Kelman P.M.	1990	Gary B. Levitt	2006
Stanley R. Taub P.M.	1991	Gerard E. Deprest	2008
Howard Levine	1992	Lynn M. Freed P.M.	2009
*Norman I. Libes P.M.	1993	*William "Bill" Rosenthal....	2010
Herbert Hyman	1994	*Ralph Feldfeber.....	2011
Louis Kaminer	1995	*Jose A. Fiss P.M.	2012
Donald T. Pollock P.M.	1995	Steven L. Eberhardt P.M. ..	2013
*Benjamin Ennis P.M.	1996	Moses M. Gazazian	2015
		Richard A. Weiser P.M.	2016

*Deceased

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CONCORDANT BODIES

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY SCOTTISH RITE

Meets the 3rd Friday of Every Month at 6:30 p.m.
Van Nuys Masonic Building, 14750 Sherman Way, Van Nuys

YORK RITE BODIES

SIGNET ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER #57

Meets the 1st Monday of Every Month at 6:30 p.m.
Van Nuys Masonic Building, 14750 Sherman Way, Van Nuys

OMEGA COUNCIL #11

Meets Five Times a Year
Van Nuys Masonic Building, 14750 Sherman Way, Van Nuys

LOS ANGELES COMMANDERY #9

Meets the 3rd Monday of Every Month at 6:00 p.m.
Van Nuys Masonic Building, 14750 Sherman Way, Van Nuys

AL MALAIKAH SHRINERS

NORTH VALLEY SHRINE CLUB

Meets the 4th Wednesday of Every Month at 7:30 p.m.
At IHop Restaurant 22810 Van Owen, West Hills

ENCINO SHRINE CLUB

Meets the 2nd Thursday of Every Month at 7:00 p.m.
At LuLu's Restaurant 16900 Roscoe Blvd, Van Nuys, CA

CENTURY HI TWELVE CLUB

Meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of Every Month at 12 Noon
At The China Olive Buffet 9224 Reseda Blvd., Northridge

RAINBOW FOR GIRLS SAN FERNANDO ASSEMBLY # 223

Girls Service Organization Ages 11 to 20 Years
Meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of Every Month at 7:00 p.m.
Van Nuys Masonic Building, 14750 Sherman Way, Van Nuys

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