

THE MASTER WORKMAN

January/February 2023

The Home Lodge No 721 F.&A.M. Bulletin

A MESSAGE FROM THE
MASTER OF HOME LODGE,
PETER VOGELSANG



Brethren,

A very Merry Christmas to you all. I have to admit, my heart was full at our Holiday Party seeing all the families coming together and sharing merriment. 2022 was a comeback year for Home Lodge, a year of returning to who we were before the pandemic. We're continuing in the new year, with several degrees and events already on the calendar. The goal of the current Officer Line is to continue ramping up Home Lodge to be the only place to be on a Wednesday night. We hope that you'll join us.

“Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up! Again, if two lie together, they keep warm, but how can one keep warm alone? And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him—a threefold cord is not quickly broken.” Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

Fraternally from the East,
Peter Vogelsang
Worshipful Master

A MESSAGE FROM THE
SENIOR WARDEN OF HOME LODGE,
MICHAEL DAVID, P.M.



Brethren,

It's a great ending to a stellar year at Home Lodge. Our degree work and social events have proven that we far exceeded our rebound after COVID 19. The lodge is poised to excel in 2023 and you all have contributed to the upcoming successful year. We have prospective applicants that are excited to join and officers eager to serve.

We are all looking forward to the new officer line and all of the activities that will keep us entertained as well as productive. Let's have fun in the upcoming year as we build on our rich Lodge traditions!

Fraternally,
Michael David, PM
Senior Warden

A MESSAGE FROM THE
JUNIOR WARDEN OF HOME LODGE,
ARTIN ALADADYAN, P.M.



Happy new year my

brethren and families. As we enter 2023 we have so many things to look forward to. Our committee has been busy during the month of December planning the year and I'm pleased to say we've packed it full of events, degrees and good times.

I hope to see you all at the 2023 annual installation of officers!

As always, there's no better place to be on a Wednesday night, than at Home. Be well and I hope everyone has a wonderful year.

Fraternally from the South,
Artin Aladadyan, PM
SW-elect

FROM THE SECRETARY'S TABLE



I hope that everyone had a

happy holiday season. We are starting a new year and we are all looking forward to being together in Lodge in 2023. We have a lot of interesting and exciting plans for our social activities this year. Make sure you are on the email list so that you can be aware of everything happening at Home Lodge each month.

Part of my responsibilities as secretary is to remind you that yearly dues should be paid by January. Grand Lodge has taken over sending out the dues notices. If you have not received an email from them, please let me know. The dues amount for 2023 is \$111.00 which includes the per capita payment to Grand Lodge. You can pay online with [Pay Pal](#), at homelodge721.org or send your check to us at 14750 Sherman Way, Van Nuys, CA 91406.

Our Installation of Officers will be held on January 22nd at 4:00pm. You can make reservations on the website.

Fraternally
Richard Weiser, PM
Secretary

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FROM THE DESK OF THE
TREASURER OF HOME LODGE,
MOSES GAZAZIAN



Dear Brethren of Home Lodge,

I like to wish you all a Happy and prosperous New Year and most importantly a healthy new year.

Every December 31st we are told or are accustomed to make new year resolutions and try to keep those for the entire year, but sometimes we have to make adjustments and evaluations with "Life's what it's". All we can do is to improve upon each situations and make things better for ourselves, our family and as Masons, for our Fraternity.

For decades we have improved our lives and enhanced our Masonic journey to benefit the Craft! This should never change except to get better. It is up to each Mason to become a better person and support the brothers in need.

Let us lean on each other, support each other and make the journey a brighter one than last year.

Hope to see you all next year happy & healthy along with your families.

With utmost gratitude and respect,

Fraternally
Moses Gazazian
Treasurer
Trustee President

2022 Home Lodge Officers

- Peter Vogelsang Worshipful Master
- Michael David, P.M. Senior Warden
- Artin Aladadyan, P.M. Junior Warden
- Moses Gazazian Treasurer
(818) 298-5652
- Richard A. Weiser, P.M. Secretary
(818) 326-3841
- Gerard E. Deprest Assistant Secretary
(818) 980-8370
- Michael Egbert Chaplain
(818) 691-0069
- To Be Filled Marshal
- Aaron Cohen, P.M. Senior Deacon
- Andre Aladadyan, P.M. Junior Deacon
- Varag Kamali Senior Steward
- To Be Filled Junior Steward
- George Aladadyan Tyler
- Leland H. Celestre, P.M. Inspector, dist. 709

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Past Master's Corner

Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth still prevail at Home Lodge # 721, big time. Let me tell you a true story of a recent occurrence right here in our Lodge. We have an elderly Brother (just 87 years old) who had on his "Bucket" list a final trip to a game at Dodger Stadium. He is obviously a huge Dodger fan. However, reality, his doctors, family and his body, especially since a near fatal auto accident last June suggested that the fulfillment of that dream was very doubtful. Although to say the least, this Brother has been very active and very rarely missed a meeting or Degree over close to forty years, now he cannot even attend Lodge. He simply cannot attend any evening meetings. So indeed his "Dodger Dream" was very unlikely. Lo and behold he received a telephone call from another Brother at Home Lodge, also a huge Dodger fan with season tickets in the VIP section, padded seats, service, etc. inviting him to be his guest for an upcoming game. By the way, he is also a current officer of the Home Lodge Line. The amazed elderly Brother thanked him, but had to decline his invitation, knowing he could not go out for an evening game. So what do you think this Brother did? He said hold on, I'll call you back.

He called back and reported that he traded his season tickets for seats in the handicapped section. (no stairs to deal with) for a Sunday afternoon game, He said he really wanted to take him to the game. He even provided an electric scooter, with a Dodger logo naturally and said to the elderly Brother not to worry, he had all the bases covered. That Sunday he, together with his nine year old son, Alexander and the Master of our Lodge, picked up the elderly Brother. To quote Vin Scully, "It was time for Dodger Baseball". That outing was absolutely amazing, beyond the wildest of dreams. If you haven't figured this out yet, I was the "elderly Brother" Brother Mike Egbert, our Lodge Chaplain was my host, together with his son, who already wants to be a Mason and Worshipful Peter Vogelsang. Brethren, I cannot say too much about how well, they, all of them took care of me, in so many ways. I saw that they really care and that same caring extends to our Lodge, its present and its future. They deserve our appreciation, our help and participation, as best we can. Let Worshipful Peter and our officers know what you want from our Lodge and Masonry and help them make it happen.

Miracles don't just happen. Action, our action is a must. Always remember that our Lodge, then on Lankershim Blvd., was a dream come true. It was built by Brethren who planned, funded and physically built the Lodge, brick by brick all this was done by the founders of Home Lodge. It is our heritage and I called "The Home Lodge Way."

Don Pollock, PM



January/February 2023 TRESTLEBOARD

Lodge Dark for New Years

January 4th

Stated Meeting

Wednesday, January 11th, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Closed Meeting to Follow

All Masonic Lodges and Youth Groups are invited.

Pay online [Steak](#) or [Fish](#) or text (818) 4Home-05

Harry & Hovig Aroyan 2nd Degree

Wednesday, January 18th

2023 Officer Installation

Sunday, January 22nd

Pay online [Steak](#) or [Fish](#) or [RSVP here](#)

Social Night

Wednesday, January 25th

Stated Meeting

Wednesday, February 1st, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Closed Meeting to Follow

All Masonic Lodges and Youth Groups are invited.

Pay online [Steak](#) or [Fish](#) or text (818) 4Home-05

3rd Degree Practice - Officers Only

Wednesday, February 8th

Sarkis Kazandjian - 3rd Degree

Wednesday, February 15th

Social Night

Wednesday, February 22nd

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PAST MASTERS OF HOME LODGE No 721

*William H Eyler 1952-54	*Marvin Linn 1976	*Russell E. Singer 1998
**Allyn S. Abramson 1955	*Meyer M. Swartzman 1977	Ralph B. Dash 1999
*Marius Thisted 1956	*Stuart A. Graboyes 1978	Rafael Hernandez 2000
*Samuel Crystal 1957	**Marvin Winchell 1979	Stanley R. Taub P.M. 2001
*Michael Garner 1958	*Murray Tobias 1980	*Robert V. Downs 2002
*Arthur D'Avellar Jr. 1959	*Lester Price 1981	Robert M. Berger 2003
*Abraham J. Marks 1960	*Meyer S. Levine 1982	Lynn M. Freed 2004
*Marvin Shapiro 1961	**Joe Winchell 1983	* Gordon E. Perry P.M. . 2005
*Seymour Glick 1962	*S. William Gershon 1984	Harvey M. Tapper . 2006
*Sidney L. Herman 1963	Roger Sterneck 1985	Lynn M. Freed P.M. . 2007
*Frank Gelfound 1964	*Irving Levine 1986	Eduardo Estrada 2008
*Jay Ludwin 1965	Melvin H. Barlam 1987	*Jose A. Fiss P.M. . 2009
*Abel Tobey 1966	Stanley R. Taub 1988	Steve L. Eberhardt, P.M. 2010-2011
*W. Robert Banks 1967	*Seymour Empol . 1989	Robert H. Borden . 2012
*Irving Wapner 1968	*Norman I. Libes . 1990	Michael David . 2013
*Harold J. Zinkow 1969	Donald T. Pollock 1991	Richard A. Weiser, P.M. 2014-2015
*Benjamin Ennis 1970	*Clifford C. Schlesinger 1992	Aaron J. Cohen P.M. 2016
*David Tribich 1971	*Mark A. Leibert 1993	Leland H. Celestre . 2017
Stanley Kadesh 1972	Herschel P. Mazer 1994	Aaron J. Cohen P.M. 2018
*Harvey Solocheck 1973	*Allen F. Kelman 1995	Artin Aladadyan 2019
*I. Robert Brown 1974	Jack A. Klapper 1996	Andre Aladadyan 2020-2021
David Springer 1975	David M. Townsend 1997	*Deceased **Demitted

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PAST MASTERS BY AFFILIATION

Gordon M. Van Sanford 1962
 David S. Handelman 1970
 Henry H. Tarica 1971
 Robert B. Brandt 1972
 Richard V. Franco Sr. 1974
 Ken Judd 1976
 Stanley Garnett 1978
 Harvey B. Lyman 1982
 David P. Ottinger Jr. 1983
 Thomas C. Crompton 1985
 Vanso O. Jenabian 1986
 Sam Makarem 1986
 Alvin Gorenbein 1988
 Ray Rosenbaum 1990
 Jerome A. Shubb 1992
 Russell H. Weis 1992
 Aldo A. Dipre 1993
 Jose A. Fiss 1994
 Bruce E. Hudson 1995
 Steven M. Weinberg 1995
 Steven L. Eberhardt 1996
 Sean N. Foran 1996
 Stepan S. Varsam 1997
 Victor M. Lerma 1998
 Lloyd R. Turnquist 1998
 Carlos H. Gonzalez 1999
 Gordon E. Perry 1999
 William H. Pike 1999
 Vatche Izakellian 2001
 Nishan "Nick" Khatcherian 2002
 Avedis A. Abdoyan 2004
 Burton E. Haaz 2004
 Vartan Assadourian 2006
 Ralph W. Morton P.M. 2009-2010
 Dan Shepard 2015
 Leland H. Celestre 2016
 Dan Shepard P.M. 2018
 Gene Giegolt 2019-2021

***Deceased **Demitted**

HIRAM AWARD RECIPIENTS

*Irving Levine P.M. 1979
 *Fred R. Price 1980
 *Sidney L. Herman P.M. 1980
 *Allen Price 1983
 *Irwin Rosenberg 1984
 *Harry J. Angel 1985
 *Buddy Samuel 1986
 *S. William. Gershon P.M. 1988
 *Ben Leibowitz 1988
 *Lester Price P.M. .1989
 *Allen F. Kelman P.M. 1990
 Stanley R. Taub P.M. 1991
 Howard Levine 1992
 *Norman I. Libes P.M. 1993
 *Herbert Hyman 1994
 Louis Kaminer 1995
 Donald T. Pollock P.M. 1995
 *Benjamin Ennis P.M. 1996
 Barney B. Kort 1996
 *Jerome H. Shatanoff 1997
 **Bruce M. Blitz 1998
 *Clifford C. Schlesinger P.M. 1999
 **Jack Brehm 2000
 Leo W. Witz 2001
 Jack A. Klapper P.M. 2002
 Ralph B. Dash P.M. 2003
 Herschel P. Mazer P.M. 2004
 *Seymour Borenstein 2005
 Gary B. Levitt 2006
 Gerard E. Deprest 2008
 Lynn M. Freed P.M. 2009
 *William "Bill" Rosenthal.2010
 *Ralph Feldfeber2011
 *Jose A. Fiss P.M. 2012
 Steven L. Eberhardt P.M. 2013
 Moses M. Gazazian 2015
 Richard A. Weiser P.M 2016
 Javier De La Torre 2017
 Stephan Varsam, P.M. 2018
 Aaron J. Cohen, P.M. 2019
 Andre Aladadyan, P.M. 2022

HOME LODGE COMMITTEES

COMMUNICATIONS

Michael David P.M., Richard A. Weiser, P.M

WEBSITE

Master Peter Vogelsang, Michael Egbert

FUNERAL COMMITTEE

Artin Aladadyan, P.M., Gerard E. Deprest, Moses Gazazian

GOLF COMMITTEE

Eduardo Estrada, P.M., Scott I. Weber

HEAD & ASSISTANT CANDIDATES COACHES

Steve Varsam, P.M.

HIRAM AWARD NIGHT

Gerard E. Deprest

HOME LODGE TRUSTEE PRESIDENT

Moses Gazazian

HOME LODGE TRUSTEE SECRETARY

Gerard E. Deprest

HONNY-DO

The Ladies of Home Lodge

MASONIC EDUCATION NIGHT

Boris Linares

PICNIC COMMITTEE

Gerard E. Deprest, Moses Gazazian Javier Del la Torre

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Artin Aladadyan, P.M.

SICK & VISITATION

Tommy Ray Smith

SIDELINERS

Michael David, P.M., S.W.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Andre Aladadyan P.M., Michael Egbert

SWEETHEARTS OUTREACH

Richard A. Weiser, P.M.

TELEPHONE COMMITTEE

Richard A. Weiser, P.M.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR

Lynn M. Freed, P.M.

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

ENCINO SHRINE CLUB

Meets the 2nd Thursday of Every Month at 7:00 p.m.

Van Nuys Masonic Building,
14750 Sherman Way, Van Nuys

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,
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