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L-R: Luis Echevarria, Ronald Lewis, George Amirian, Dennis Yen, Gary Tutundjian, John Mc Dannel, Grand Master M. David Perry, Gerald Harris, Stephen Hawkins and Younes Safa.

Meets Every Tuesday Evening

First Tuesday is our
 Stated Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Second Tuesday is our
Family Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Our Temple Board meets
 on the **Last Wednesday** at 6:30 pm
 Every Month

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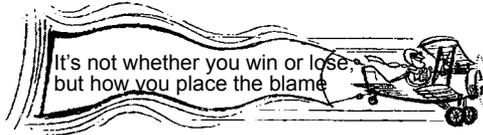
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WE ARE PROUD TO BE MASONS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 2016

Tuesday, January 5	7:30 p.m.
Stated Meeting Officers Coat & Tie	
Tuesday, January 12	6:30 p.m.
Monthly Family Dinner	
Tuesday, January 19	7:00 p.m.
First Degree	
Tuesday, January 26	7:00 p.m.
Practice or Degree	
Wednesday, January 27	6:30 p.m.
Temple Board	



January Birthdays

(If your Birthday is in January, your dinner is free.)

Zohrap Ohanian, Jan 1, Sherwin L. Wainscott, Jan 1, James W. Wallace, Jan 2,
Michael G. Dooner, Jan 3, Carroll E. Gray, IV, Jan 5, Avedis H. Ovayan, Jan 5,
Roland D. Murphy, Jan 6, Donald W. Heller, PM, Jan 7,
Richard B. Gittings, Jan 10, Albert J. Nakad, Jan 13, William S. Simon, Jan 13,
Gary W. Munroe, Sr., Jan 14, Esper Kanaan, Jan 15, Michael P. Bonner, Jan 19,
Jerome E. Kracow, PM Jan 20, Gerald E. Harris, PM, Jan 23,
Tony R. Nassar, Jan 25, Younes Safa, Jan 25, Wayne E. Jack, Jan 26,
Hassane S. Ayass, Jan 27, Ricc L. Waddell, Jan 28, Antonio E. Herrera, Jan 30,
Rudolph M. Neria, Jr., Jan 31, John A. Rose, PM, Jan 31

January Family Dinner

January 12, 2016

Lemon Caper Chicken with Garden Rice
Caesar Salad
Cake for Dessert

*Please make Family Dinner Reservations by Friday, January 8, 2016
(626) 795-5610 or
email: secretary@emasons.org
\$12.00 per person*



REFLECTIONS

I am proud to say that our installation was extremely well-attended. This installation was exceptional! **Grand Master M. David Perry** was excellent serving as the installing officer. **PM Greg Gabriel** was superbly qualified to be Master of Ceremonies and **PM Dave Doermann**, our chaplain for the night, was magnificent as always. We were also very fortunate to have the **Grand Lodge Organist PM Stephan Miller** playing the piano for our installation. And last, but not least, the **US Marines Corps** proudly presented our nations flag to open our ceremony.

We enjoyed tremendous support – **210 guests were in attendance**. Our visitors began to arrive at 6:00 pm. They were greeted by our lodge officers who welcomed them at the door to our lobby. They were met with tasty hors d'oeuvres and pleasing guitar music that was being played in the lobby.

At 6:30 pm everyone convened upstairs for the installation. W. Greg Habib opened the meeting with welcoming remarks and asked Aiden Yen, Dennis Yen's 6 year old son, to be a featured guest of the lodge.

Greg Gabriel made his opening remarks and escorted this year's team of officers into the Grand Lodge room. The officers were introduced by Greg Gabriel and invested in their positions by Most Worshipful Grand Master M. David Perry. Our new Grand Master is a likeable down-to-earth leader who will be appreciated by our fraternity. Our ritual was clearly on display for our guests to behold. Thus far, I have received several telephone calls from people who had never been to a Masonic event before. Those who called me have expressed their thanks for inviting them to this wonderful event.

The formal installation was concluded around 8:15 pm and everyone headed downstairs to enjoy **Chef Eusubio Sanchez's sumptuous Christmas meal** of salad, turkey, ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, stuffing, baked yams, string beans, apple or pumpkin pie for dessert. A large number of our guests continued to visit with each other and remained until nearly 10:30 pm in the ballroom. During dinner **Ben Buttler** spiced things up when he entered the ballroom cheerfully representing Santa Claus with a bag full of gifts. Thanks, Ben, for doing this for our lodge. We also hired a group of eight Dickens style singers to roam about the ballroom dressed in their delightful festive costumes singing very pleasing Christmas carols.

FYI, We donated \$100 to the DeMolay, \$100 to the Job's Daughters, \$100 to the Marines Toys for Tots program and \$500 to the Grand Lodge's Foundation which was presented to MW David Perry as a way of thanking him for participating in our installation. MW Perry in turn presented us with a very nice gift. He handed me with a miniature rough and finished ashler which I will proudly display in our Tiler's entry to our lodge room.

I view my new Master's role as being that of a servant of your lodge armed with the charge to stimulate members to participate, hopefully increasing membership through growth and enhancing good fellowship among the brothers of our lodge. In addition, we hope to offer mean-

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Message from the Senior Warden

An Ambitious Year

Greetings to all and well wishes for a prosperous 2016 as this Masonic year will be a busy year for Pasadena Lodge #272. As the Master hinted in his address of December 1, 2015, the Lodge will be involved in some laborious projects.

For starters, the most ambitious project will be the ritual demonstration by our Brethren from across the Pond. Brother Saffa is the point-of-contact on this adventure which we are to host on September 5, 2016. From some of the phone conversations that I personally have had with Brethren outside the local commuting area, this event is going to be huge as many of them are making plans to attend. Aside from interest from just Pasadena members, our Brethren in our district, 717, plan on attending as do some members of Grand Lodge. In fact, a birdie mentioned to me that I should not be surprised if the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Perry, attends this historical occasion as it does require dispensation from the Grand Lodge of California and the Grand Lodge of England.

Next, the Worshipful Master has asked me to work with our Brethren from Wisdom and South Pasadena Lodge in preparing the annual District wide table lodge. For those that attended the inaugural event in 2015, it was a lot of fun as it was the first time many of them had ever been to a table lodge. The fellowship and pageantry is unique as this tiled event involves food with drink. Our special twist is that 2015's event was hosted by three Lodges versus the normal one. Hence, the pleasures of coordinating the event with our Brethren to truly make the event a success as all of the details need to be worked out. If any of you wish to attend the meetings and be a part of the planning, let me know and you can see the process by which we grind and build the event to its completion.

For those that watch the calendar, the annual brunch will be here before you know it. The Lodge is making some changes to improve the

experience of the brunch. For starters, the old rooster as of late has had trouble waking up the old night owl which is why the brunch will start a little later in the morning and go into the mid afternoon. The time change will greatly accommodate those that have morning mass. Next, word is to possibly expand the menu to offer more than just the traditional breakfast items. Don't worry, the eggs will still be made to order along with the waffles. Details will be forthcoming.

Our scholars also need a word or two as Pasadena Lodge has a tradition of supporting the local schools. Worshipful Bob Rinker started the "Best You Can Be" program and Grand Lodge added the "Raising a Reader" program as a mechanism to spur academic interest in our youth. For those Brethren who have supported and been a part of this project: Thank You! I am certain our Worshipful Master will want to continue to show these youngsters that we truly care about their education.

Finally, as Senior Warden, I want to extend to our Entered Apprentices, Fellowcrafts, and Master Masons that helping hand to assist you in learning the ritual. The candidates, in group sessions, have in the past expressed great satisfaction in how they have been coached. I hope to continue that and ask that you approach me if you feel that your coaching needs to be tweaked. Ritual can be tedious and memorizing the proficiencies can be difficult, so just let me know what seems to work best for you if you get stuck.

Respectfully,
Ronald Lewis, Jr, P.M.
Senior Warden



*Message from the
Junior Warden*

**NEW YEAR LAUNCHED
SUPER BOWL PARTY Feb 7th**

Brethren,

It seemed that just a few weeks ago we had our 2015 officers installation and now we are off and running. While we have raised all of the candidates we had waiting for the degrees, we have a few more applications that have recently arrived and we will begin the process again of making more Master Masons in Pasadena. It seems like this joyful job never ends!!!!

December is usually the month of Masonic Blue Lodge Installations. If you would like to attend one in January, South Pasadena Lodge will have theirs on Saturday January 23 at 1126 Fair Oaks Ave in South Pasadena. The Pasadena Scottish Rite will have all their bodies having their installations on Friday, January 22 at 6:00PM. This is an open installation and the public is invited.

Now that the new projector has been installed in the ballroom, this year we can really enjoy Super Bowl 50 (L) in Pasadena in style. With an improved projector unit, you will notice a much more improved visual experience. Our Super Bowl party will be on Sunday, Feb 7, 2016 beginning at 2:00PM for

a warm-up, while the game begins at about 3:15PM. You'll be able to see all of the action and pageantry in a much cozier and friendly place. Since this is a potluck, please bring a dish for 6-12 people. Chips and liquid refreshment may also be brought to the party. I will be providing my hot chili for all who want to indulge.

I have been looking at new ideas for our lodge to do for 2016 and beyond. If you have any ideas, call me or send me an email. I would love to get your great ideas.

Fraternally
Steve Hawkins
Junior Warden

*Happy New Year!!
Resolution: Attend Lodge in 2016*



The Gift of Gab(e)

The Victory Bath

Now that the college bowl games are under way and the pros are preparing for the playoffs, there will be a lot of celebrating going on along the sidelines of the gridiron. In addition to the “High 5’s” and the man hugs, is the celebratory ritual not found in other bone crushing, man versus man competitions. Yes, I am referring to the “Gatorade Shower”. A time honored tradition since, well, 1984.

But it didn’t start out as a jubilant celebration, but rather an act of revenge. Here’s the play by play.

Nose tackle Jim Burt of the New York Giants was under two minutes away from enjoying a hard fought battle against his team’s arch rival, the Washington Redskins. To the 6-foot-1, 260 pound defensive lineman this game was more than a decisive 37 to 1 blowout; it was time for revenge. Not against the rival team but against his own coach, Bill Parcells.

It seems that Parcells had been riding Burt all week about facing Washington’s center Rick Donnalley. Parcells wasn’t convinced that Burt would be able to stop Donnalley and the Washington offense. After all, Donnalley was Washington’s secret weapon having played on the Pittsburgh Steeler’s awesome front line and had won the NFL’s strong man competition just a year before. Burt

was an undrafted, free agent from the University of Miami who had yet to prove himself in the NFL. But Burt managed to contain Donnalley and shut down Washington’s running game helping his team to victory. It was at that point while standing on the sidelines next to the Gatorade barrel, Burt thought to himself, “I’ve got to get him back. You know what, I’m gonna dunk his ass.” And that’s just what he did! He snuck up behind Parcells with the barrel of Gatorade and unleashed his pent up emotions. It was a scene that was on every sports page and replayed time and time again on TV.

The team wasn’t sure how the head coach would respond, but he took it in stride admitting he deserved it. Parcells and Burt have been friends ever since and the sports drink baptism is as common as the forward pass. Be sure to catch it at Super Bowl 50.

Thought for the Month: Why are they called apartments when they are all stuck together?

Gregory J. Gabriel, P.M.

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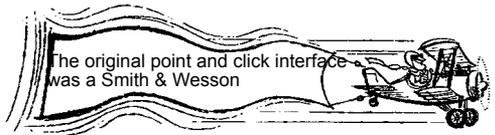
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Master's Message

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ingful events to enrich the experience of our brother masons. We have developed a calendar of meaningful activities for all of you to enjoy. Please come to our Stated Meetings to learn more about this year's activities. I challenge each of you to consider visiting your lodge at least six times this year and get involved with some of our activities - any one of which will enhance your life's experience and rekindle your reason for being a mason.



Sincerely,
John Mc Dannel 
Master

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