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Chartered September 1, 2000



April 2009
Trestleboard

Romi Quinto, PM
Worshipful Master

April Schedule of Events:

30 Mon 6:30 pm	Temple Board Meeting	03 Fri 6:30 pm	Stated Meeting Dinner
7:30 pm	Stated Meeting (March 30)	15 Wed 6:30 pm	Practice, Proficiency
03 Fri 6:30 pm	Stated Meeting Dinner	17 Fri 6:30 pm	1 st Deg, D Duerme, B Zoler
08 Wed 6:30 pm	Practice, Proficiency	22 Wed 6:30 pm	Practice, Proficiency
10 Fri 6:30 pm	1 st Deg. Chris Cabuhat, Mark Poblete.	24 Fri 6:30 pm	3rd Deg Conferral, Bro. Ernesson Soriano
11 Sat 6:30 pm	Golf Tournament/Fundraiser @ ADM Bakersfield	27 Mon 6:30 pm	DOS 1 st & 2 nd sec, 2 nd deg Temple Board Meeting.



From the East:

Worshipful Sirs and Brethren:

In the true sense of the word Freemasonry is not a secret society, but is rather a society of friends and brothers among whom no contentions should ever exist and but that noble contention, or rather emulation, of who best can work and best agree.

The past does not determine our future and whatever ill feelings or things we have done wrong in the past; don't dwell and revive on it, as this will prolong your agony and add more stress in your life. Just forget them and learned from it and move on, and let masonry prevail. ***What masonry is to be in the future depends on what we are now and what we can still become.*** *Let us forgive and forget and let us all work in unity, peace, and harmony and let justice be the guide of all our actions.*

We are still going stronger as far as new membership to our lodge is concern. We have more degrees coming up every Friday and I am very thankful for the active participation of our members and non-members.

Our very first ever, Golf Fund Raiser/Tournament will be this April 11th and I am calling on all our brethren, "Golfers" to come and play and to our "non-golfers" to support our fund raiser event by donating door prizes for raffles or even become hole sponsor to promote your business.

Always keep in mind that Time, Patience, and Perseverance will accomplish all things.

Romeo Quinto

Master 2009



From the West:

Brethren:

If one important purpose of Freemasonry is "to make good men better," a man should become a Freemason only if he is pure of heart and conscience and considers himself capable of actually becoming a better man. That's not as simple as it sounds. Determining the basic moral, mental, and in the not-so-distant past, the physical qualifications of men seeking admission to the craft was, and continues to be, an essential aspect of upholding the integrity and viability of our ancient institution. The investigative procedures of modern Masonic lodges are designed to ensure that the brethren of the lodge have sufficient information about the moral qualifications and character of the candidates they vote on to receive the privileges of Freemasonry.

Freemasonry helps teach the importance and benefits of personal honor, integrity, duty, and service. If every Mason works hard and takes responsibility in all he does, then Masonry will thrive. As Masons, we should never lose sight of the fact that in a very real sense, we have placed the future of Freemasonry in our hands. Masons are expected to attend as many stated meetings and degree nights, and other activities of their lodge as their time and abilities permit. Masonic participation is mutually beneficial both to the individual Mason as well as to the other brethren of the lodge. Good fellowship is an important aspect of Masonry. The bonds that unite Masons together grow stronger with each shared moment, event, and discussion thereby exemplifying the intended purpose of the Masonic Trowel "of who best can work and best agree".

Fraternally,
Arnel A. Paynita, PM
Senior Warden



From the South:

Brethren:

My Brothers, March has come and gone and now spring is in the air. The flowers and trees will begin to blossom and bloom. The time of season when nature can again be traced through her various windings. I hope that each of us may exercise something in our tenets to make us "spring forward" in our personal commitments to our fraternity.

Recently, I was in a conversation with a friend and a non-mason, whom happens to be a professor of morals and bible studies at the University San Diego (USD). As normal, we chatted and discussed the verses and meanings of the Old Testament-I inquired from him the meaning of Psalm 133. His explanation was **utterly profound**. First, Psalm 133 is the first degree perambulation- where it says, ". . . the precious oil coming down upon Aaron's beard, coming down upon the edge of his robes." He explained that the precious oil is being used as an illustration of "brothers dwelling together in unity."

And the answer is the oil found in Exodus 30:22-33. The oil used to anoint Aaron's beard was a "holy oil". The holy anointing oil was a mixture of four spices in oil. The spices were myrrh, cinnamon, cane, and cassia. The spices were mixed together in olive oil. They were **different** spices mixed together to make a wonderful fragrance - a holy oil. My friend claimed it to be a picture of **unity**. Now we as Freemasons mix together men of different countries, sects and opinions and call it masonry, called to live in harmony and unity. We are that holy oil, my Brother's!!! See you in the lodge.

Brother George
Junior Warden, 2009

**silvergatethreestars.org...Our NEW WEBSITE!!!
Please read on....Taking advantage in today's
technology....Your dues card have your GL
member number underneath your signature....**

Welcome Brothers, the new Website is up and partially functioning at this time. The Calendar and the Forums are working. The address is www.silvergatethreestars.org When you enter the main site, you will see a row of buttons at the top. Currently, all you can use are the Calendar and the Forum button. In the near future, the other will be updated and work.

You will need to register to be able to post on these forums. I would recommend you choose a screen name that will allow others to know who you are. IE: for my personal log-in I have chosen BrotherGraham.

To register, you click on the button that says Register. Read and accept the terms of use. Enter the information required. Fill in the box at the bottom with the scrambled letters. This is to keep "bots" (programs that register automatically for spamming purposes) from registering. Upon completion of the registration, you will need to sign in.

If you are using a computer that is yours, and not a public computer, I recommend you click the "Log me in Automatically" button. This will make it so that every time you come to the Forums, you will be logged in and be able to see all the boards. If you do not check the "Log me in Automatically" button, you will be required to log in each time you come to the forums.

Lodge members, I will need you to send me a private message at silverga_admin with your screen name, real name and Masonic Lodge member number to confirm that you are a member of this Lodge and enable you to see the private message boards. I have the members list from Secretary Rante and will be able to confirm your identity to give you access.

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The Trestleboard will be posted online. All will have access to read this. By choosing to read the Trestleboard online you will be helping the Lodge by saving the time and cost required to print and assemble, then mail. You will also be helping the environment by not using the paper to print them. All the future Trestleboard will be kept online and you will be able to refer back to them at your leisure, without having to store them in your home. If there is something specific you would like, you will be able to print just that part of the Trestleboard.

You will NOT be required to receive the Trestleboard online. If you wish to still receive it by mail, that of course will still happen. However, the Lodge does encourage you to use the electronic version. Bro Bill Graham III.



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MASONIC EDUCATION:

§809.320. LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

A Lodge may adopt a standing resolution providing for a life membership plan, which shall forever exempt a member making the required payment into the plan from the payment of dues in the Lodge. The resolution may be adopted, amended or revoked at any Stated Meeting by a majority vote of the members present. Any such action must be presented, in writing, at a preceding Stated Meeting and written notice must given to each Lodge member setting forth the text of the proposed action and the date of the Stated Meeting at which the vote is to be taken.

The plan must provide that a life membership shall be granted upon payment of:

A. A sum of money which is not less than 20.83 times the Lodge's annual dues at the time of purchase of the life membership; or

B. A sum of money equal to the Lodge's annual dues at the time of purchase of the life membership multiplied by the factor indicated opposite the member's age in the following schedule:

Under age 49, 21 times annual dues;
50 to 54 inclusive, 19 times annual dues;
55 to 59 inclusive, 17 times annual dues;
60 to 64 inclusive, 14 times annual dues; and
65 and over, 11 times annual dues.

The resolution shall take effect only upon its approval by the Grand Master.

The Secretary shall send to each life member at his last known address, annually, a Life Membership Dues Card for the next calendar year. A life membership is an executed contract requiring the consent of the Lodge and the life member to rescind it.

[Source: Sections 27020 and 27030 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]

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