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Free and Accepted Masons  
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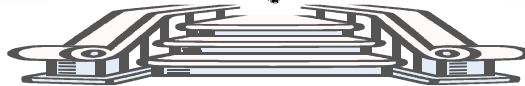
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February 2009  
Trestleboard

Romy Quinto, PM  
Worshipful Master

### MASONIC TRIVIA:

Q. Who was Hiram, King of Tyre?

A. He was a contemporary of King Solomon and assisted him in the building of the Temple. He also loaned him one hundred and twenty talents of gold, equal in our money to about two and a half million dollars (see I Kings, v, 8, 9).

Q. What were the sole contents of the Ark of the Covenant at the dedication of the Temple?

A. Two tablets of stone, on which were engraved the Ten Commandments.

Q. Between what two villages was the clay found which was used in molding the sacred vessels of the Temple?

A. Succoth and Zeredatha.



## From the East:

Worshipful Sirs and Brethren,

The New Year is upon us and it is certainly not a time for looking back. We move forward and learn from the past. Although we live in a time of uncertainty and anxiety and in economic distress, we should not overlook the fact that we have also in mind Faith and Hope. “*We must have faith in order to hope for Success*”. Masonry teaches that we are capable of improvement and advancement and that life is a battle- to effect reasons and moral sense to overcome the passions.

My brothers, I implore to all of you to lend me your hands and your unwavering support as we journey through a new challenge, support our lodge functions and hoping to see more of you in the lodge. Friendship, fraternity, fellowship- this is the soul of Masonry.

The scheduled degrees, proficiency exams, practices, and lodge functions will be communicated on our SGTS Yahoo group. Again, If you are not yet a member of the SGTS Yahoo Group, please contact WB Arnel Paynita @ (619) 278-8907 or email him @ [arnel\\_paynita@yahoo.com](mailto:arnel_paynita@yahoo.com). (arnel underscore paynita). **Let us keep within hailing distance my brothers.**

Fraternally,

Romy Quinto, PM  
Master



## From the West:

Brethren,

Outside the door of every Masonic lodge stands the tiler, armed with the proper implement of his office, the sword of silence. The tiler's job is to guard the lodge against the approach of cowans and eavesdroppers, lest the secrets of Freemasonry be comprised. In the early days of the craft, prior to 1717, operative Masons often met high up on a mountain or deep in vale, or valley, so as to have adequate warning of approaching danger or the prying eyes of the profane seeking to gain Masonic secrets, modes of recognition, and so forth. To prevent such a possibility, Masons were set in place to guard approaches to these meetings and today's tiler is the direct descent of these early guardians of the craft.

The word cowan, is derived from the Greek 'kuon', or dog. Later, the term was used to describe a person who could only build dry (or loose) stone walls – such as were used to separate fields and grazing lands in medieval times – in other words, an unqualified or fraudulent mason. Today, it is the sworn duty of the tiler to prevent entry of any unauthorized persons and to warn the master of approaching danger.

Thus, when you see our tiler who stands watch for so many Masonic years now, thank him of his great undertaking in guarding the outside door against the approach of any unworthy persons, as well as tactfully challenging every visitor who wishes to visit our worshipful lodge.

Arnel A. Paynita, PM  
Senior Warden



**SILVER GATE THREE STARS  
LODGE NO. 296**

# Breakfast Fundraising



**WHEN: 01 FEBRUARY, 2009  
(SUNDAY) 7:00 - 11:45AM**

**SILVER GATE/THREE STARS LODGE MASONIC CENTER  
3795 UTAH STREET, SAN DIEGO, CA 92104**

*Come join and participate in fellowship  
and bring along a hearty appetite, family  
and friends...See you there !*

*Bro. George Melious  
Junior Warden*

**"Donation is \$7.00 / Children under 7 yrs old are free"**



## From the South:

### Brethren:

First, I would like to extend a "Big Thank You" to Bro. Amado Supnet for his handiwork and culinary skills for the preparation and the sumptuous cooking our January stated meeting dinner. Secondly, a gentle reminder to all the Brethren of our Breakfast fund raising event to be held on Feb, 01, 2009 at the lodge. Breakfast will be served beginning at 7:00AM a nominal donation of \$7.00 for adults and children less than 7 years of age are free. Next is our annual Sweethearts' Ball, to be held at the Lodge on Feb 13, 2008 at 7:00PM. Come with your sweetheart and enjoy this evening of food, beverages, fellowship and the musical line-up provided by Bro. Tony. Additional details for this event will be posted in the lodge and through email.

In fine, brethren, your consistent presence and support in the Lodge not only will keep your Corps of Officers on their toes, more importantly; it will definitely inspire them to work extra harder for you and the rest of Silver Gate Three Stars Lodge #296. How about it??? See you in the Lodge!!!

Bro. George  
Junior Warden

### February Schedule of Events

- 01 Sun 8:00 am to 11:45 pm BRKFST FND RSR
- 02 Mon 6:30 pm Temple Board Meeting
- 06 Fri 6:30 pm Stated Meeting Dinner  
7:30 pm Stated Meeting
- 13 Fri 7:00 pm Valentines Night Dance
- 18 Wed 6:30 pm Practice/Profeciency
- 20 Fri 6:30 pm Ernesson Soriano  
2<sup>nd</sup> Degree
- 20-22 WKEND Secretaries' Retreat
- 23 Mon 7:00 pm DOS/Normal Heights
- 25 Wed 6:30 pm Practice/Profeciency
- 27 Fri 6:30 pm Bayani Abling  
2<sup>nd</sup> Degree

### Stated Meeting Menu:

- Kingston oven fried chicken with smothered onions
- Buttered snowflake potatoes
- Buttered green beans
- Tossed green salad with dressings
- Ice cream/cookies
- Hot coffee and tea



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**Friday, February 13, 2009**  
**7:00 PM-11:00PM**  
**Social, Food, Beverages,  
& Dancing**

Bring your lovely valentine lady to this special event and enjoy an evening of dancing and fellowship at the Lodge

Lodge members and their ladies are FREE!!!  
Tickets for guests \$12.50 per person  
which can be purchased at the door.

Music by: DJ Brother Tony

## VALENTINES.....To our WIDOWS....

The Lodge is honoring our widows and ladies and inviting them to join with us by attending our Valentine's dinner and dance on Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM. This special occasion is our privilege to treat you to a beautiful evening for your enjoyment. Please let us know your attendance by calling our chairman. If you need to be picked up, we will make arrangements to take you to the lodge.

Telephone to Call 619 589 2325 (George Barber, PM)

During the Middle Ages the FEAST OF ST. VALENTINES was held as a Spring Festival. Young people gathered in the groves to listen to poetry and exchange favors. Strolling among the gardens. A legend of St Valentines described as a priest or bishop with a special feeling for children. He defied the Emperor Calaudius II by passing out tokens to the young men with girls names inscribed. The idea was to get the young people acquainted in their activities. This infuriated the Emperor as he needed men for soldiers in order to fight his wars for gaining land. Also, one of the events for this occasion was that Mark Anthony picked this day to offer the crown to Julius Caesar. This was regarded as the Roman festival called the LUPERCALIA.

There is a verse that goes like this and meant for a postman...

Hasten thee with this Valentine. thou silly man of letters  
And try to do the best you can to serve and please your betters  
For I'd sooner live an old maid or else give up the ghost.  
Then wed a grinning man as stupid as a post

## Silver Gate Three Stars Lodge List of Officers

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