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February 2011
Trestleboard

BenHur Evangelista
Worshipful Master



From The East:

W Sirs and Brethren,

The month of February has a very important meaning to all of us. Not just to Masonry, but also to our family. It is during the month of February when we openly show our affection with those we loved most and to all of those who are dear and near to our hearts. It is also the month of February that the American Institute for Cancer Research (AICR) has identified as the “National Cancer Prevention Month”. February is likewise known as the month of romance and the season of love.

My brethren, I strongly invite all of you to reflect on these thoughts not just this month of February, but all through out the year, not just with our families in Masonry but also to our own families and to all the people around us.

Making a change is hard to do. We often do not realize we make changes in order to accomplish our own personal goals or if necessary as it affects others. Prevention of Cancer starts with a simple change in our daily routines. There are a few things we can do here in our Lodge to start this prevention. First, we have to change the way we prepare the food we eat during our meetings and practices. Second, we must include exercise in our daily activities. And lastly, we need to have our regular medical check up. Let us not be fooled by the fact that we are free from any medical condition just because we do not manifest any changes in our body. Remember, that the signs and symptoms of this dreadful condition called CANCER will surface only when it is in its final stages.

On our upcoming February Stated Meeting, the Committee on “By your Side” chaired by W B George Barbers, WB Doug Hawley and WB Carding Edra with the assistance of Sister Violet Quinto, Sister Farinas and Sister Edith Evangelista, will give us a brief presentation about “By Your Side”.

Just a reminder to all brethren and their families, “Valentines Party” for SGTS will be on February 12, 2011, Saturday, at the Jack Stelton Hall from 5:00pm. Please bring your fat wallet or your check book for there will be a fee of \$25.00 for couples and \$15:00 for singles. There will be an entertainer fit for the Queen. Proceeds from this affair will go to the Grand Master’s Initiative “By Your Side”. There is more to this affair and that is to honor and remember our friends and loved ones whose lives were afflicted with this dreadful condition. By giving generously, the Masons of California can work hand in hand with the well trained Oncology Nurses in improving the quality of life and quality of care of thousands of cancer patient’s and their families.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
BenHur Evangelista
Master 2011



From the West:

As the sun is in the West,

If Freemasonry, as an institution, may be pictured as a great tree, the lodge may be pictured as a small tree. The master would be the trunk of the tree, the larger branches would be the officers and the small branches would be the GENERAL MEMBERSHIP. A tree is known by its fruit. The Masonic tree is known by its fruit. Let each of us so live, so act, so talk that the community we live in may say of each of us with approval "Why, we are Freemasons" let that be an avouchment of our Honesty, our Integrity, our Temperance and our Decency.

As a senior warden of our lodge I had the opportunity to open the lodge for our first Conferral of the candidates for Masonic year 2011, Mr. Duplon. Mr. Bartolay and Mr. Briones on 21 Jan 2011. As we welcomed them to our Fraternity, I was elated to see some numbers of first time visitors visiting our lodge, also to see some Brethren from other lodges around San Diego County, as well as the familiar members of our lodge that I usually see. What could have made it made it better was if I can see the old time members of our lodge.

Finally that night we witnessed one of the most impressive, if not the most impressive delivery of First Degree Charge by a Fellowcraft, none other than Bro. Patrick Carreon. So Brethren of the Old, come visit your LODGE you're missing a lot.

See YOU my BROTHERS,

Bro. Ramon Ancheta
SWSGTS#296.

February Birthday Celebrants

2 Alberto B. Cirineo	11 John D. Robinson
2 Earl C. Restine, Jr.	13 Escolastico A. Romero
3 Edwin P. Tan	15 Virgilio C. Bumbasi
5 Michael Dvorak	16 Alberto G. Mayoyo
6 Federico C. Cariaga	18 Edward Legaspi
6 Pedro P. Gonzalez	20 Carl E. Slatter
6 Douglas R. Hawley, PM	21 Alfredo S. Cabrera
6 Amando L. Lastrella	22 Frank M. Dela Cruz
6 Jaime D. Legaspi	23 Celso A. Maranon
6 Gonzalo Ruiz	25 Cesar C. Mata
7 Rudy L. Martinez	26 Gary C. Stephens
8 Ramon C. Cervantes	27 Mickey Cornwall
10 Joel M. Cepeda	27 Reynaldo S Toledo, PM
11 Allan Isidro	28 Marcus Martinez



From the South:

The Junior Warden sits in the South (symbolic of the position of the sun at midday) and is responsible for the Brethren while the Lodge is at ease or refreshment. His jewel, the **Plumb**, is a stonemason's instrument used for ascertaining the alignment of a vertical surface. It symbolizes **upright behavior** among Masons.

Brethren, our first stated meeting has been successful and our dinner was enjoyed by everyone. My personal thanks go to Bro. Rey Cruz for preparing a sumptuous feast at the stated dinner. I also express my thanks to WB Joe Dano, Bro. Celso Maranon, Bro. Ramon Ancheta and Bro. Mark Dela Cruz for assisting in the kitchen. My sincere thanks also go to Worshipful Master BenHur and sister Edith for donating the January's birthday cake and for their help in buying the food items.

A gentle reminder to all Brethren of our Valentine's Dinner Party on Saturday, February 12, 2011, to be held at the lodge at 5:00pm. Come with your better half or sweetheart, enjoy the refreshment and dance to our favorite DJ music, as well as fellowships with the brethren.

We encourage everyone to take an active part in the programs and events planned by the master this year. See you all in the lodge!

By the Plumb,
Bro. Fred Marty
JW 2011

DINNER MENU FOR FEBRUARY STATED MEETING

Classic Meatloaf
Mashed Potatoes
Mixed Vegetables
Garden Salad
Assorted Fresh Fruits
Steamed Rice
Dinner Rolls
Ice Cream
Coffee and Assorted Soda



◀ January		~ February 2011 ~					March ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
		1	2	3	4 Stated Meeting (Attire Dark Suits) Dinner @ 6:00PM	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 Valentines Day Dinner and Dance 5:00 PM	
13	14	15	16 Officers Degree Practice/Candidates Examination 7:00PM	17	18 Degree Conferral TBD 6:45PM	19	
20	21 District Officers Instruction, 7:00PM (Location SGTS Lodge)	22	23 Officers Degree Practice/Candidates Examination 7:00PM	24	25 Degree Conferral TBD 6:45PM	26	
27	28 Masonic Hall Association Meeting 6:00PM	Notes:					

Brothers, if you would like to receive the Trestleboard electronically and opt out of the paper version please let the Asst. Secretary Bro Bill Graham know at wfgraham@cox.net. You will be put in a mail group to receive your Trestleboard via e-mail.



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Masonic Third Degree Similarities to College Courses and Online Degrees

Continuing Education: Your Master Mason degree is the beginning of your continuing education. Online classes and Masonic courses are few, therefore your Masonic knowledge will be obtained from Masonic books, instructor led Masonic education classes and Schools of Instruction as well as online learning from many of the excellent Masonic websites available to you.

Programs of "Study"

- **Masonic Ritual:** Masonic ritual teaches us lessons learned in the Holy Scriptures, around which Freemasonry evolves. Some members choose to learn, excel and "master" Masonic ritual.

These members may go on to become Masonic lecturers, helping others to learn ritual or may be requested to become a District Deputy Grand Lecturer who teaches Masonic education to lodges within his district.

So, if education and teaching is your forte; there is a place for Masonic instructors and mentors within every lodge.

- **Fraternal Brotherhood:** Much like a university degree, others join the fraternity for both the social aspect of lifelong brotherhood as well as the fellowship enjoyed by its members.
- **Masonic Charity:** Members of the fraternity believe in and actively participate in Masonic charity to various and innumerable worthwhile causes which creates a satisfying feeling of "giving back" to their local communities.

There are many avenues for participation in the activities of your lodge, therefore it is best to find the areas where you will be the happiest in your new Masonic home.

Masonic Participation: There are a variety of ways to serve and to benefit....a period of duty on the Stewards' Committee, waiting on the brothers who have previously waited on you, learning to participate as a sideliners in the degree work until you are comfortable to help in the work; supporting the Lodge simply by regular attendance at Stated and Special Meetings, calling on a brother who is ill; bringing wives, families and friends to social functions, taking up the study of Masonic research, and, of most special importance,... partaking of all the good fellowship which is available to you through your Lodge.

- **Lodge Officers:** Some take the path toward ascending through the Masonic officer chairs to ultimately arrive "in the East", which is to be elected as the Worshipful Master of the lodge, and whose chair sits in the East.

They fulfill roles having to do with not only the ritual work of each specific officer's position, but lodge officers govern lodge operations including audits and budgets and insure that peace and harmony prevail both within the lodge room and outside its walls.

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