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October 2011  
Trestleboard

BenHur Evangelista  
Worshipful Master



## **From The East:**

Brethren,

I bring you fraternal greetings from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in California. As you are all aware, the 162nd Annual Communications of the MW Grand Lodge of Masons in California was recently concluded last Sunday Sept. 25, 2011. The Grand Lodge Officers for Masonic Year 2011-2012 have been installed in a public ceremony witnessed by families and friends of Masons. The Most Worshipful Frank Louie's initiative for his year was "RAISING A READER". In partnership with Masons of California and Raising a Reader will make a profound difference in child literacy for those who need it most: kindergartners in low performing public schools who are high risk for educational failure. Masons will circulate children's books to homes, engage families in shared reading of those books and help thousands of children develop reading readiness skills. Through our combined support, we will turn the page for child literacy in California.

By the time you receive a copy of the TB, we would have raised Brother Ernesto Opiniano to the degree of MM. You may want to know that the laborers are volunteers from various lodges in town. For little did I know that our Brother Ernesto was so well liked by most Brothers who walked the green turf. Let us all welcome Brother Opiniano and his family to the worldwide body of Freemasonry.

Likewise, on October 14, 2011, SGTS will celebrate the Hiram Award recipient of the current Masonic Year. Brother Senior Warden Ramon Ancheta will proclaim the Awardee during the October Business Meeting. It is the crowning glory of the Masonic life long career of one outstanding brother, it was no wonder at all for having been unanimously selected among his peers by the Committee on Hiram Awards. Congratulations, my Brother, for these well deserved accolades.

On November 4, 2011, I am inviting all the brethren to join us in our Annual Election of Officers for the ensuing Masonic year. Come on out and get to know our next SGTS line of Officers. The incoming Pillars, for the first time, have all been raised at SGTS and all were qualified on their respective stations well before June, 2011. Again, come on out and share the Pride.

On November 13, 2011, we will hold our last breakfast fund raising to benefit and /or fund our Christmas celebration, to be held on December 3, 2011. It will be a family oriented and children populated with Santa on hand to distribute gifts and some photo-ops, much like last years exchanges of gifts and well-wishes and bountiful clean fun and fellowship.

Let us, therefore, endeavor to labor early to involve as many Masonic families as possible, let's get them to connect, communicate and commit to every aspect of our fraternal aspirations.

On the Level,  
Bro BenHur  
SGTS Master  
2011



## **From the West:**

From The West,

Today Masons no longer need to keep trade secrets or evade real persecution. Anyone can do a Google search to find out some “secrets” of Freemasonry. So what does secrecy mean to modern Masons? The secrecy associated with Freemasonry is part of its appeal and, arguably, one reason for its success. Without its mystique, Freemasonry might be seen as just another service organization. We all took a promise not to tell anyone else what the secrets were. If we can’t be trusted to keep our promise, what can we be trusted of?

Two issues that I would like to point out. One is balloting – we all know that balloting is one of the privileges that we received when we become a full member of a Lodge. No one will know what each one of us drops in that ballot box, but you yourself. My Brother, don’t use this as your tools of dissatisfaction. I have no doubt that we can solve any problem “if there is any “. I’m sure the Master, or any Past Master, can accommodate us if we approach them. Second issue, I would like to point out that I would like for you to make a list of five reasons “why I don’t, shouldn’t and haven’t attended lodge in the past”. If you are not satisfied with the answer you have given and it doesn’t agree with the values that you have set for yourself, see if you could make an additional effort to become active in the Fraternity that we all love.

Again I have no doubt that there are occasion that we have to do other business, chores, etc. that are beyond our control but, (you know the rest ).....

Fraternally,  
Bro Ramon Ancheta  
SWSGTS#296

## **October Birthdays**

First Name	Last Name	First Name	Last Name
Jesus	Arroyo	George	Kanoff
Edgardo	Atangan	Ronald	Laganzon
Gideon	Barrera	Juan	Lanuzga
Gregory	Berry	Rodolfo	Nazareno
Elias	Bolina	Sonny	Queja
Don	Bulin	George	Rains
Rafael	Bumbasi	Reynaldo	Recafrente
Allen	Culuris	Rodolfo	Recaido
Mark	Dela Cruz	Randy	Rojas
Ramon	Duplon	Abelardo	Roxas
Harvey	Goerlitz	Alberto	Siapno III
Phillip	Guillermo	Peter	Simpson



## **From the South:**

Change, like “the return of seasons and the variety of scenes which each season displays to the discerning eye”, masonry is also about changing. Masons change from first to second and to third degree, and if you join the Scottish Rite, you can change all the way to 32nd degree. Let us look at this time of the year to think about what we most need to change in ourselves for the good of the craft and become a better person. Don’t be afraid to embrace change for it is part of life.

Quote: “When you're finished changing, you're finished.” - **Benjamin Franklin**

Our last potluck stated dinner was again a success. Thanks to all brethren and sisters who brought and shared their favorite dishes. The lodge always benefits when we do this type of event.

By the Plumb,  
Bro. Fred Marty  
JW2011

### **DINNER MENU FOR OCTOBER STATED DINNER**

SALISBURY STEAKS  
BUTTERED GREEN BABY PEAS  
SNOW FLAKES POTATOES  
GARDEN FRESH SALAD AND DRESSINGS  
STEAMED RICE  
DINNER ROLLS  
COOKIES AND ICE CREAM  
COFFEE, SODA AND WATER  
And  
ANNIVERSARY CAKE

"Now is the time to think about becoming a Life Member. Purchasing Life Membership is beneficial to both the member and the Lodge for several reasons: First, the member doesn't have to worry about the increases in the future years, the Lodge benefits from the interests of the membership fee for ever and several others more. Contact the Secretary about Life Membership".



~ October 2011 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Masonic Hall Association Meeting 6:00PM	4	5	6	7 Stated Meeting (Attire Dark Suits) 7:30PM	8
9	10	11	12 Officers Degree Practice/Candidates Examination 6:30PM	13	14 Hiram Award Dinner 6:30	15
16	17 District Officers Instruction, 7:00PM (location SGTS Lodge)	18	19 Officers Degree Practice/Candidates Examination 6:30PM	20	21 Degree Conferral TBD 6:45PM	22
23	24	25	26 Officers Degree Practice/Candidates Examination 6:30PM Masonic Education 7:00 PM	27	28 Degree Conferral TBD 6:45PM	29
30	31 Masonic Hall Association Meeting 6:00PM	<b>Notes:</b>				

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](mailto:wfgraham@cox.net). You will be put in a mail group to receive your Trestleboard via e-mail.

**Join us on Facebook at the group Silver Gate Three Stars #296, Free and Accepted Masons!!!**



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**§809.310. DUES.**

A Lodge's dues shall be established in its Bylaws. The minimum annual dues shall be \$12. The Lodge Secretary shall issue to each member paying his dues a receipt using, without change, the uniform receipt for dues available from the Grand Secretary.

Dues shall commence with the first day of the month next following the conferring of the Master Mason Degree or as provided in Section 804.740 of this Code for members joining the Lodge by affiliation.

If a Lodge increases its dues, the increase shall become effective upon the start of fiscal year of the Lodge following the Grand Master's approval of the increase. Members who have paid their dues in advance for such fiscal year must pay the increase.

[Amended: 2010.] [Source: Sections 27010, 27040 and 27090 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]

**§809.370. SUSPENSION FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.**

If a member has not paid his dues during a period of 12 months, the Secretary shall notify him that he will be suspended for non-payment of dues unless at the Lodge's next Stated Meeting either his dues have been paid or sickness or inability to pay is shown as the cause for the failure to pay. The notice shall be given either by certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, addressed to his last known address, or by actual service of notice, duly certified by the Tiler. If all dues due and payable have not been paid by the time of the Lodge's next Stated Meeting, he shall be declared suspended by the Master, unless for special reasons shown the Lodge shall remit his dues or grant him further time for payment. No worthy brother who is unable to pay his dues shall be suspended for non-payment of dues.

No member who has attained the age of 80 years or who has attained an aggregate number of years in age and years as a Master Mason in good standing equaling 120 or more shall be suspended for non-payment of dues without a written report to the Lodge from the Member Retention Committee evidencing when and where the committee interviewed the delinquent member, why the delinquent member has not paid his dues and whether the delinquent member has the ability to pay his dues. A copy of this report shall be provided to the Grand Secretary at least thirty days before the vote may be taken on the suspension. A member shall not be expelled from Masonry for non-payment of dues.

[Amended: 2010.] [Source: Section 27070 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]

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