# TRESTLEBOARD

**JANUARY 2025 ISSUE #2** 



#### GREETINGS FROM THE EAST





Worshipful Sirs & Brethren,

First, I would like to express special thanks to WB Lito Lopez & Sis Bell, along with our Junior Warden Tomas Lustina for hosting a very successful Christmas Party event. I also would like to welcome Brother Ryan Cabusao to our family as he has now become officially a member of SGTS #296 by affiliation last December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

As we begin the new year together, let us focus on building stronger bonds within our Lodge and continue to work towards the betterment of ourselves and those around us. As Masons, we are committed to making good men better, and this is a goal we must embrace every day. Let us strive to live by the principles of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth, ensuring that our actions reflect the values we hold dear.

Let us begin this year with a renewed sense of purpose and a commitment to excellence. Together, we will achieve great things and continue to build a Lodge that is both a beacon of light in our community and a source of strength for all who are part of it.

In this month's Stated Meeting, I will be presenting my agenda, planning events, committees, and initiatives. I encourage each of you to attend our January Stated Meeting's. I believe my agenda this

year will bring us closer together and help our Lodge

In addition, I respectfully seek your full support this year, as many of you are fully aware, our Lodge is facing a significant challenge with our building maintenance, repairs, and overall operations. We find ourselves in a position where significant funds may be needed to make our building solid and more marketable. I am asking each of you to support all of our upcoming fundraising events with the same spirit of generosity and commitment that has always defined us as Masons. I am confident that, with your support, we will rise to this challenge and ensure that our Lodge remains a beacon of light and charity in our community. Let us show that, no matter the circumstances, we are always ready to support one another and uphold the principles of our Craft.

I am filled with hope and anticipation for the year ahead. Our Lodge has accomplished much in the past year, and I know we will continue to grow stronger together as Brothers in the coming months. January is a time for reflection and new beginnings, and I once again encourage all of you to recommit yourselves to the Craft and to the values that bind us together.

We have an exciting year ahead with many opportunities to engage in Masonic education, fellowship, and charity. I look forward to working with each of you to make this a year of growth and brotherly love.

Wishing you and your families a prosperous and blessed New Year.

Fraternally yours, **Brother John Trias** Worshipful Master 2025

#### NGS FROM THE WEST



Worshipful Sirs & Brethren

I hope you and your family enjoyed a joyful and meaningful Christmas filled with

love, laughter, and cherished moments together. As we close the holiday season, I extend my heartfelt wishes for a Happy New Year and a prosperous 2025 for you and your loved ones.

Once again, I am deeply honored by your trust in me as Senior Warden for the Masonic Year 2025. With your understanding and unwavering support, I am confident this will be another successful and fulfilling year for our lodge. As the Senior Warden, I am entrusted with the important responsibility of assisting the Worshipful Master in all aspects of lodge governance. I will collaborate closely with our candidates to ensure that they acquire a thorough and meaningful understanding of Masonry. Furthermore, we will work diligently to support each candidate in making consistent and measurable progress toward attaining their Master Mason degree.

May the year ahead bring you good health, happiness, and countless opportunities for growth and success. Let us embrace the coming months with optimism and determination, carrying forward the spirit of unity and gratitude that the holidays inspire. Thank you for the support and camaraderie we've shared, and I look forward to continuing to work together in 2025. May it be a year of accomplishments, meaningful connections, and lasting memories for us all. Wishing you and your family all the best as we enter this new chapter.

On the Level Brother Reggie Corpuz Senior Warden 2025

## **GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTH**



#### Worshipful Sirs & Brethren,

First of all, I would like to thank the brethren who prepared and cooked the food that was served during our December Stated Meeting and also those that assisted in setting up, prepared, and ensured enough food were served during our Christmas party. We did not expect that many to show up, but nonetheless, everyone had their fill and enjoyed. Kudos to our youngest Past Mast, WB Lito Lopez and Sis Belle, and those that helped in decorating the hall in such festive and holiday appearance.

As we celebrate the coming of the New Year 2025, let us reflect upon the good deeds we did and the great things that occurred in our lives during the past year and with the guidance of the Great Architect of the Universe, we should endeavor to make this year happier, more prosperous, and more productive.

Lastly, I look forward in seeing more brethren to come, attend and support the events and ceremonies we have lined up in our lodge for this Masonic year.

By the Plumb

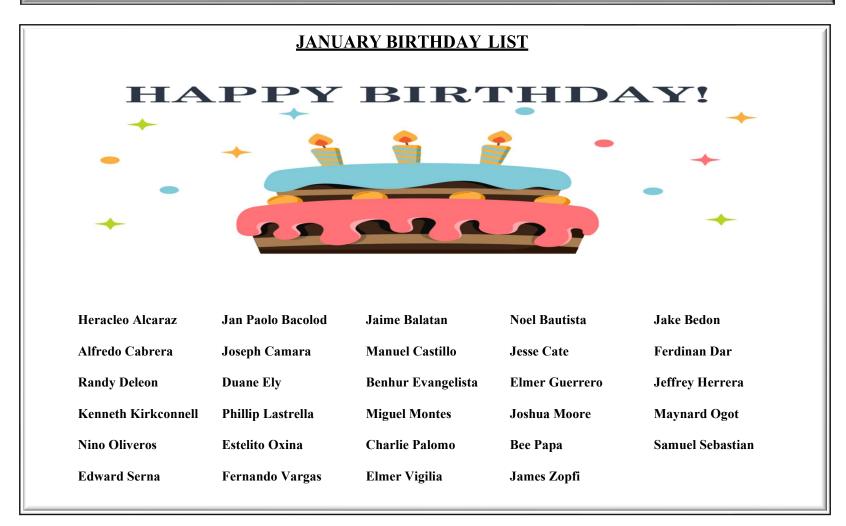
**Brother Tomas Lustina** 

Junior Warden 2025.

# STATED MEETING MENU

# JANUARY DINNER

Pork Ribs, Chicken BBQ, Salmon Misso Sinigang, Salad, Fruits, and Birthday Cake



January 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu 2	Fri	Sat 4
				2	*Stated Meeting	*
5	6	7 *OSI @ La Jolla 6:30 PM / Reception of GL Officers	<b>8</b> *Practice 6:30PM	9 *OSI @ La Jolla 6:30 PM / Reception of GL Officers	*Degree Conferral **Review of Records by the Inspector	11
12	13	14	15	16	<b>17</b> *Dark – MLK Holiday	18
19	20	21	22	23	<b>24</b> *Degree Conferral	25
26	27 *Temple Board Meeting	28	29	30	<b>31</b> *Degree Conferral	1



# Silver Gate Three Stars Lodge List of Officers Masonic Year 2025

Officers	Name	Spouse
Master	John Trias	Rachelle
Senior Warden	Reginald Corpuz	Kristine
Junior Warden	Tomas Lustina Jr.	Beth
Treasurer	Alfonso Farinas, PM	Rowena
Secretary	Jeff Tan, PM	Susana
Assistant Secretary	Phillip Lastrella	Alma
Chaplain	Val Bautista, PM	Tess
Senior Deacon	Robelle Manipon	Angelyn
Junior Deacon	Anthony Katimbang	Catherine
Marshall	Chito Biares	Marife
Senior Steward	Jan Paolo Bacolod	N/A
Junior Steward	Jonathan Lastrella	N/A
Tiler	Jose Quintua	Juliana
Organist	Rey Toledo, PM	Elsie
Officer's Coach	Arthur Coloma, PM	Annabelle
Officer's Coach	Mamerto Eclarinal, PM	Encar
Officer's Coach	Patrick Carreon, PM	Cathrine
925th Masonic District Inspector	Rod Cuevas, PM	Maria

# Silver Gate Three Stars Masonic Hall Association

Officers	Name			
President	Val Bautista, PM			
Vice Preseident	Danny Salcedo, PM			
Treasurer	Fidel Soriano, PM			
Secretary	Robelle Manipon			
Ex-Officio	John Trias			
Ex-Officio	Reggie Corpuz			
Member	Mario Soriano			
Member	Phillip Lastrella			
Member	Anthony Katimbang			
Member	Jonathan Lastrella			
Member	Jan Paolo Bacolod			
Facility Coordinator	Tony Bersamera			
Custodian	Eduardo Pasalagua			

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# **New Application Fees:**

Application fee for degree: \$354.00 includes other fees to Grand Lodge.

Application fee for Affiliation: Out of State: \$94.00

# From the Secretary's Table 2025 Dues Fee is \$147.00.

Kindly attend to your Dues as soon as you are able. You can pay online (processing fee applies) when you register on www.freemason.org, you will need to contact the Secretary for your member number. Once registered and dues paid you will be able to print your 2025 Dues Card.

#### MASONIC OUTREACH SERVICES

# Masonic Senior Outreach Services Provided

#### **Information & Referrals**

- Community Contact Information
- Offer Professional Guidance
- Eligibility
- No Masonic affiliation required.
- Simply call Masonic Assistance Line:

**1-(888) 466-3642** (social worker conducts interview)

### **Case Management**

- Help securing community resources.
- Need based, no time limits.
- Offer guidance & hands on assistance.

## Eligibility Must be:

• California Mason in good standing, his wife, widowerminor children.

## **Financial Case Management**

- Provide a care manager.
- Must meet financial criteria.

#### **Eligibility Must be:**

- California Mason of five (5) or more years in good standing, his wife, widow, or minor children.
- Demonstrate financial need (no minimum or maximum established). Have no more than \$2,000 (single) or \$3,500 (couple) in liquid assets.
- Not used to off debt.
- Last resort. Client already receiving all community, state, federal, and family support first.
- Does not require skilled nursing or 24 hr. home care. Repayment expected, if clients attain assets.

Please visit our website: <a href="https://www.silvergatethreestars.org">https://www.silvergatethreestars.org</a>



Silver Gate Three Stars Lodge No. 296

This week's Schedule.

December 13<sup>th</sup>, Friday, 6:00 pm Christmas Party Attire: Ugly Sweaters































































