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Silver Gate Three Stars Lodge No. 296

GREETINGS FROM THE EAST



Worshipful Sirs & Brethren,

I like to first congratulate our SGTS officers and sisters led by the first lady sis Rachelle for spearheading a very successful Valentines Party. In addition, big kudos to our kitchen crew headed by our Junior Warden Bro Tomas Lustina and Bro Joseph Sedeno for serving a delicious dinner. To summarize the event, see the pictures taken during the party which speaks for the good times we had.

As we move into the month of March, we find ourselves with a great opportunity for reflection, growth, and service. With the promise of spring ahead, let us embrace the renewal of our Masonic journey and the continued pursuit of knowledge, virtue, and brotherly love.

- Proficiency Degree: We are looking forward to Brother Anthony Katimbang and Brother Marco Soriano's 3rd Degree Proficiency on March 5th, 2025. In addition, our Junior Warden is set and ready for his Senior Warden qualification on March 12th, 2025. I encourage all members to participate and witness the exemplary proficiency of our brothers mentioned above.
- Community Outreach and Charity: As always, the Lodge is committed to helping those in need. On April 17th, we will give our 100 percent effort to participate in the Grand Master's Proclamation of Day of Service to the community. Brother Phil Lastrella who is leading this outreach project had coordinated with Father's Joe Village to allow the members of SGTS to serve our homeless community. I encourage every member to get involved. Please reach out to Brother Phil if you are interested. Let us lead by example in our

GREETINGS FROM THE WEST



Worshipful Sirs & Brethren,

As we all know, February is the month of love—a time to spread kindness, gratitude, and

appreciation for the many blessings in our lives. This month also brought us the excitement of the Super Bowl, and I hope everyone enjoyed the game between the Chiefs and the Eagles. One of the highlights of our month was our **Valentine's Dinner**, a joyous event filled with laughter, camaraderie, and heartfelt moments. It was a simple yet meaningful celebration, honoring our cherished traditions and the loved ones who support us. A sincere thank you to all who contributed to making this event a great success.

Looking ahead, March brings more opportunities for us to come together. Our next stated meeting will be followed by our breakfast fundraising event on March 23rd. To ensure its success, we need the full support of our brethren. Fundraising is not just an obligation-it is a vital part of sustaining our lodge and the work we do. Moreover, our lodge thrives when we actively participate. It is not just the responsibility of the officers but of every brother to care for our home. Your presence is invaluable; together, we can continue building a strong and harmonious lodge. While we understand that unforeseen events may arise, I encourage you to attend when your cable tow allows. Let us strengthen our bonds and ensure our lodge remains a place of fellowship, growth, and tradition. Thank you all again, my brothers, for your dedication and support. I look forward to seeing you in lodge and working together for the benefit of our fraternity.

March Meeting Highlights:

Stated Communication: Our monthly Stated Communication will be held on March 5th, 2025. The Stated Meeting will start with a dinner which will start at 6:30 PM. Followed by the Official Stated Meeting at 7:30 PM. During this meeting, we will discuss upcoming events, new business, and the progress of our Lodge's ongoing projects.

• **Degree Work:** We are excited to do the 2nd Degree Conferral upon Bro Marfa on March 12th, and to initiate Mr. Andres Covarrubias on March 28th, if voted upon this March stated meeting. Please attend & show your support to our newest brothers as they begin and continue their journey in Freemasonry community, showing the world the true meaning of fraternity.

As we continue to work towards fulfilling our Lodge's mission and supporting the community, we are also very excited about our upcoming Breakfast Fundraising Event on March 23rd, 2025 (Sunday) at SGTS #296. This event is critical to funding our Lodge's needs, charitable activities, and programs that benefit both our brothers and those in need within our community. Let us spread the word to our families & friends to support this special event.

As your Worshipful Master, I am truly grateful for your continued dedication to our Lodge. Let us continue to move forward in harmony, striving to live up to the ideals of our ancient and honorable institution.

Fraternally yours,

Brother John Trias Worshipful Master 2025

On the Level

Brother Reggie Corpuz Senior Warden 2025

GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTH



Worshipful Sirs & Brethren,

Congratulations to Brother Jack Canavan for being the youngest Entered Apprentice in the Lodge. You received an outstanding degree conferral; the officers that performed in the ceremony were flawless and inspiring with special mention to the first-time performers; Brother Joel Apides , MWJHL442 as Junior Deacon and Brother Marvin Marfa, SGTSL296 as Junior Steward. Also, congratulations to Brothers Jojo Ragasa and Marvin Marfa for successfully passing their Entered Apprentice proficiency examination. Both of you are now ready to be passed to the Fellow Craft Degree. Shout-out to Sis Rachelle Trias and all the other Sisters for setting-up the well-attended Valentines Party, from the beautiful and heartwarming decors to the delicious and mouthwatering desserts and drinks. Everyone enjoyed the dancing and the different contests. Also, thanks to Brother Joseph Sedeno and the rest of the kitchen crew for preparing the sumptuous Italian food. On Sunday, March 23, 2025 we will be having our Breakfast Fundraising, so I ask for the assistance and support of all the worshipful sirs/brethren of Silver Gate Three Stars to make this event a successful and memorable one. If you have not yet made a pledge to donate for this cause, I now strongly encourage everyone to do so as soon as possible, either monetary, in kind, or both.

Brother Tomas Lustina Junior Warden 2025

STATED MEETING MENU

MARCH DINNER

Pork & Tofu w/bean sprouts, Chicken w/Mushrooms, Steamed Rice, Macaroni Soup and Birthday Cake



Feb 2025			March 2025	larch 2025		
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3	4	5 Proficiency and Degree Practice	6	7 Stated Meeting	8
9	10	11	12 Degree Conferral	13	14 DOSI ::296	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 Lodge Preparation for Breakfast Fundraiser	22 Lodge Preparation for Breakfast Fundraiser
23 Breakfast Fundraiser	24	25	26 Proficiency and Degree Practice	27	28 Degree Conferral	29
30	31 Temple Board Mee	ting				



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	Carlos Robert "Bob"	

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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

New Application Fees:

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

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

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: https://www.silvergatethreestars.org



Worshipful sirs and Brethren, Save the date, your support is very much appreciated.

SILVER GATE THREE STARS LODGE 3795 Utah Street, San Diego, California 92104



Breakfast Fundraiser Sunday, March 23rd, 2025 8:00 am to Noon Cost: \$15.00 ***Children under 5 yrs old eat for FREE

Net proceeds will be allocated to support the operational expenses for Leadership Retreats of Silver Gate Three Stars Lodge.

Your support is very much appreciated.













FRIDAY @ 6:00PM

3795 UTAH STREET SAN DIEGO, CA. 92104

ATTIRE: COUPLES MATCHING OUTFIT





























































































