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The Master's Message

I hope everyone had a wonderful April and for those of you who had spring break, hope you had a great time! April was a great month! We continued our 3rd Degree Practices and we finally raised our first Master Mason in 3 years! Congratulations to Paul Chouinard on this auspicious occasion. He's been ready since February after completing his proficiency in the traditional form two weeks after being passed to the degree of Fellowcraft. Thank you for your patience, Brother Paul.

April brought in an addition to the Schoonover family. Congratulations, Brother Brandon on your newly born baby girl! We look forward to your 3rd Degree conferral in May. Another congratulations goes to DeAndre Simmons, who completed his 2nd Degree proficiency in the traditional form during our April Proficiency Night. Well done, Brother Simmons!

A huge thanks go to our 2022 officers; your time and dedication to the craft are greatly appreciated. We started out a bit rough trying to get back in the flow of things, but between January and April, we have conferred a total of 5 degrees (2 EAs, 2 FCs and 1 MM) and hopefully, between May and June we will have conferred an additional 7 degrees (3 MMs, 2 FCs and 2 EAs). Also, we have had 8 brothers deliver I hope everyone has a safe and their proficiencies (2 MMs, 5 FCs and 1 EA). I think we've had a great Our freedoms have a price. Let us



Jonathan Robles. Master

Rebuilding with Brotherly Love, Relief & Truth

and busy first 4 months of 2022. We also had our first Lodge Social of 2022. It was a nice change of pace to just show up, eat, hang out, and not have to worry about doing lodge work. Our next event will be at the gun range on May 14th. I hope to see you there.

Thank you to everyone who attended Worshipful Ted Jarrad's funeral. We had a great turn out and I am pleased that Karon and her family were given the love, support and respect they deserve. Thank you!

A few years ago, our lodge voted to support the "Let's Write the Future" campaign. We are hitting the end of that commitment and would like to encourage you to continue your support to raise the funds necessary to meet our goal. What's a charitable organization without charity? Checks can be sent to our Lodge Secretary. Please contact him for more information.

fantastic Memorial Dav weekend.

remember and honor our service members who fought and paid the ultimate price for our freedoms.

God Bless!

Jonathan Robles Master

From the West

I hope you are all wrapping up any spring cleaning you might have initiated over the past months because spring is nearly over. Although I feel like it has been quite a bit cooler than usual this past year, only time will tell how hot summer will be. Things have been pretty busy the last couple of months. The current Master and I attended the Master & Wardens retreat in Irvine where we met with many other southern California lodges. It seemed to me that the common theme with everyone is how the COVID-19 pandemic shook things up for, what sounds like, all lodges.

Like our lodge, many other lodges (large and small) have had to reach out to past masters for assistance filling gaps in their officer's line. Some lodges have partnered with other lodges or an affiliated body or two of our craft to get the message out that they need assistance. We heard several of the unique and creative plans lodges are employing (or have employed) to foster camaraderie, increase membership, and craft new and exciting programming for (Continued on page 2)

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Like I said, our lodge is not much different. We are continuing to bring in interested and new members, many of whom have exhibited a considerable degree of patience, dedication, and loyalty to our lodge. We have certainly had to reach out to our past masters and other lodges. We are continually thankful for the partnership and relationship with the Scottish Rite and York Rite: not to mention all the hard work and dedication of all the officers and members who show up regularly to help us with practices, degrees, events, and stated meetings. The lodge is truly grateful for your assistance.

Now, I could understand if the previously discussed points may seem like a lot, my brothers. It was merely a glimpse of what we have been doing. There is quite a bit more that is needed or will need doing in the coming months or even year that you can help with. Presently, one of the ways you can help the lodge (besides paying your dues) is by completing our lodge survey. We estimate it will only take about 10 or 15 minutes of your time to finish it and doing so not only helps us (the lodge executive committee) but also allows you to have your voice and opinion heard by the entire executive committee. Do not worry, the results are confidential; nobody will be able to link any of the information back to you, so please feel free to give us honest feedback.

In closing, brothers, I remind you AGAIN, it is no more my lodge than yours. It takes the lodge as a

whole to, as Worshipful Vassal said, "Accomplish Great Things." While Worshipful Robles is undoubtedly working to "Rebuild our lodge with brotherly love, relief, and truth," we would still like to see more participation from the membership. Thus, as has been my habit over the last year, I leave you with this quote.

"You are not here merely to make a living. You are here in order to enable the world to live more amply, with greater vision, with a finer spirit of hope and achievement. You are here to enrich the world, and you impoverish yourself if you forget the errand." (Woodrow Wilson, 1913, Address at Swarthmore College)

Gerry Craft Senior Warden

From the Secretary

May is here. Perhaps the days will become a little warmer and spring will bless us with more rain.

The Worshipful Master has been keeping us busy with degree and ritual practices. We are continuing to confer degrees and even raising new Master Masons. The new MMs are eager to join the officer line, which truly bodes well for the future of San Diego #35. Please check the lodge calendar and consider joining us for the degrees.

In March the lodge office received a request that was forwarded from the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, to conduct a masonic funeral for a

From the South

Well, here we are in May. Hard to believe the year is almost half over. I admit it has been interesting so far. There have been a few surprises but mostly it has been people working hard to bring the Lodge back to life after being dormant for so long.

It's exciting to see members and applicants, who have waited a long time, still motivated to go through the process of becoming Master Masons. At the moment, we have three Fellowcrafts in line to be raised in the next month and a half. Hopefully there will be more before the end of the year.

I recently had a conversation with Worshipful Mark Doubleday and he made an interesting observation that is worth mentioning. He said, in effect, "the patience these members have exhibited deserves recognition." I admit, I don't know if I would have the patience these men have shown. Kudos to you! Your patience will soon be rewarded; not with a banquet or a parade or any pompous activity that would bring attention to your achievement. Instead, you will be rewarded with a simple apron; a lambskin apron, one that you can *wear with pleasure* to yourself and honor to the fraternity.

Congratulations to all of you and welcome to the Family!

We look forward to seeing you in lodge.

Zeke Sanchez PM Junior Warden

To Families, Wives/Widows and Caregivers

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Should the person to whom this newsletter is addressed be ill or in some difficulty, please contact the Lodge Secretary at (619) 296-0660 or email him at: secretary@sandiego35.org

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Richard Bauerfeld Edward Bayes Don Heath B. M. 'Chik' Hylton



Raul Luna Ken McMillen Roberto Saucedo Michael Thomason

Contact the Secretary for addresses and phone numbers.

Our infirmed brethren don't care what we know if they don't know we care.

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very active Louisiana brother, Worshipful Paul Ozbun, PM. He passed away in January while here in San Diego visiting his daughters. After arrangements were finalized by the family, Worshipful Doug Richardson and I met early at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery on April 12th. Full Military honors were rendered by the Marine Corps Honor Guard, a eulogy was read by his son-in-law and a daughter read a poem. Worshipful Richardson and I were able to provide the Masonic Commitment at the end of our time there. We were both very honored to have a part in this Mason's service. The family was very appreciative and asked us to pass along their heartfelt thanks to the Lodge. The oldest daughter said that while her father was late coming to Masonry, it brought great joy and peace to the final years of his life.

I continue to recommend you sign up for iMember 2.0 soon. This will enable you to pay your dues, view your personal history and have access to your ELECTRONIC DUES CARD that you may download and even print. Please follow the included instructions. **No Dues Card will be mailed.** Email the office if you need assistance. Check out the instructions below.

- 1. Gather these items:
- your Lodge Number (35)
- current email
- your MEMBER NUMBER (back of your dues card)
- 2. Click this link: https://member.freemason.org/membership_registration

If you have any issues, you can contact Grand Lodge at this email address: memberservices@freemason.org

Richard Bullard, PM Secretary

May Birthdays

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ſ	3 Gregory Galloway	12 Edwin Reed	19	Edward Collins	25	Rawson Joshua - EA
	5 Sid Bandak	13 DeBel Monte Esq EA	21	Webb William	26	David Jacobson
	Carey Hawkins	15 Tudor Sabie		Frederick Gaston	27	Kenneth Hauner
	6 David Diaz	Antonio Romano, PM		Perrelli Jonathan - EA		Mark Doubleday, PM
	John Harris Jr.	16 Abelardo Parra, PM	23	Esequiel Sanchez, PM	28	William Day
	Sergio Garcia	17 Paul Reeb Jr.	24	Michael George		Sanders Joshua - FC
	8 Thomas Baransky	18 Gamrasni Andre - EA	25	James Prim	29	Kenneth McMillen, PM
	William Lopez	19 Banuet Falen		Rodney Hatley		Corlett Scott - EA
	10 William Cafcules	Gary Creason, PM		John Shewalter	30	Brandon Gilbow

MEMBERSHIP NEWS



San Diego Lodge #35 Supports Masons-4-Mitts

Every baseball season, the Masons of California partner with Angels Baseball, Los Angeles Dodgers, <u>San Diego</u> <u>Padres</u>, and San Francisco Giants Major League Baseball (MLB) teams to bring the fun and teambuilding skills of baseball to more California kids. MLB foundations in

each region are committed to serving the community and providing a positive outlet for children. Throughout the season, teams of Masonic lodges in each region face off in friendly competition to help the most kids they can, by purchasing baseball mitts for children who participate in programs through the MLB foundations. At the end of the campaign in the fall, our grand master will present a check to each of our four MLB partners.

San Diego Lodge #35 is part of the <u>Mid City Marauders</u>! Please help us raise funds for this worthy endeavor by clicking on the link below or by scanning the QR code on the right with your phone camera. Thank you very much!

https://masonicfoundation.org/masons-4-mitts/mid-city-marauders/



Give a mitt!



San Diego Lodge #35 Survey of Members

San Diego Lodge #35 F&AM of California would like your feedback. Please take a few minutes (12 to 15 minutes) to provide us with your opinions, and also share with us what you enjoy about our lodge via the survey link shown here (click on the link to start):

Please note that this survey must be completed before June 30, 2022.

We thank you for your time and participation!

Fraternally,

Gerry Craft Senior Warden

Our Lodge's Masonic Outreach

Some of you may know that the local San Diego Union-Tribune has occasionally been running articles on *caregiving*. Caregiving is one of the most important tasks that a spouse, mate, or friend can have. If you find yourself getting in that position, start asking for assistance EARLY. Please do not wait until you become frustrated with the task.

As the San Diego Lodge No. 35 outreach contact, please call me. I will find you help.

Dick Fisher Outreach Ambassador (619) 482-8681

ELECTRONIC SERVICE REQUESTED



Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth

2022 LODGE OFFICERS

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	Gerry Craft (Serene)				
	Zeke Sanchez, PM (Sheree)				
	Gary M. Creason, PM (Mia)				
	Richard Bullard, PM (Sharon)				
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Chaplain	Patrick Wohlrabe, PM (Barby)				
	. Christian Moreno				
Junior Deacon	Eric Fuller (Kelli)				
Marshal	John Goodloe, PM				
	. TBD				
	Mark Doubleday, PM (Kim)				
	. Quan Gu (Celeste)				
	. Chuck Makray (Carole)				
	r Richard A. Fisher (Connie)				
	r Jay Sener IV, PM (Cindy)				
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STATED MEETING and DINNER <u>May 6, 2022</u> **BUSINESS CASUAL** (Mexican themed attire)

Dinner at 6:00 pm By Reservation - \$20.00 Make or Cancel Reservation with Secretary by <u>Noon - May 4, 2022</u>

Entrees: Beef Fajitas & Chicken Enchiladas Fiesta Salad, Refried Beans Spanish Rice, Flan

Stated Meeting at 7:30 pm Dessert served following the Stated Meeting and the ladies' activity — TBD (approximately 8:45 pm).



Calendar Of Events May 2022 2nd 6:30 pm Officers' Practice - 3° Monday 6th Friday 6:00 pm Stated Meeting Dinner 7:30 pm Stated Meeting 9th 5:00 pm Exec. Comm. Meeting Monday Officers' Practice - 3° 6:30 pm 13th 3° Conferral — Schoonover Friday 6:00 pm 14th Saturday 8:00 am Day at the Range 16th Monday 6:30 pm Officers' Practice - 1° 17th Tuesday 6:30 pm 2° @ S.W. Hackett #574 Dark - Scottish Rite 20th Friday Spring Class 23rd 1° Conferral — TBD Monday 6:30 pm 27th Friday 6:30 pm Dark — for Memorial Day 30th Monday Dark — Memorial Day

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