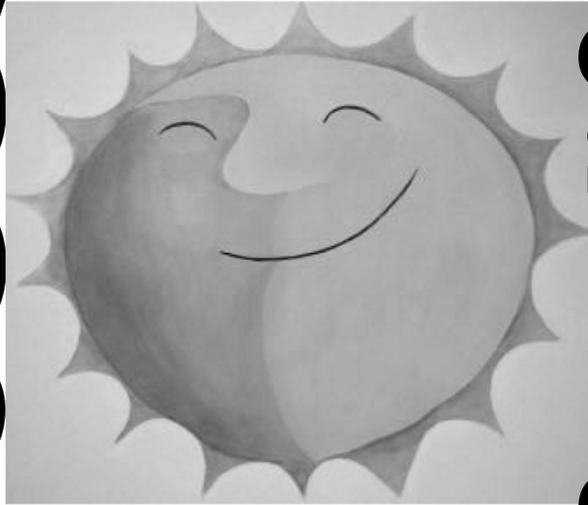


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June



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Worshipful Master

Brethren:

Thank you brethren. For making the events of last month great! Although we have been very busy at lodge and our personal lives, somehow we have managed to be present and are continuing to make the difference. Last month saw us going together to the Masonic symposium, which was a remarkable experience for all in attendance. A lot of things were said, which was great food for discussion when returning to lodge. We also took a trip to Anaheim to check out the new Tom Hanks movie: Angels and Demons. 22 were present for this excursion. I must apologize for my own absence to movie night, but as we say in Masonry, family, work then lodge. In this case, I had to finish some work.

We are planning a Masonic round table discussion for sometime in the near future. We will be discussing a wide range of topics as they relate to Masonry and our place in this world. The reason I bring it up now is because by the time we are ready to start, all of us should be aware of the upcoming opportunity to have a forum to speak and ask the questions that have been dwelling in the cyclone of our minds. Many of our Past Masters will be in attendance, which gives us younger members a great chance to not only learn but get a real sense of the common experience and also the not so known areas of our ancient craft. We all have questions, and as I have learned, there are no stupid questions! So, come ready to speak and also come ready to receive more raw materials for that Masonic edifice that you are in the now process of building.

Fraternally,
Jose Mercado
Worshipful Master



From the West

Brethren:

The month of June is Scholarship celebration month. This year, the Arnold Wilmott Scholarship Foundation, in which our Lodge administers, has the privilege of awarding two scholarships in the amount of \$ 10,000.00 each to deserving High School graduating seniors. They are chosen out of many applications, from local Whittier area Schools and are reviewed by our Scholarship committee. The student is scored by grade point scores, SAT test scores, financial need, as well as a written essay about themselves. It has been a tradition to invite these students, and families to join us at our June Stated Meeting. Please plan to attend to meet and learn how these Scholarships affect the outcome of future leaders of our community.

On a positive note, I would also like to remind all members that our Lodge is continuing to receive applications for degrees. That means that we are busy conferring degrees. I know that there is scheduled several 2nd and 3rd degrees in the coming months. Please plan on attending, and help welcome and support the new brothers and they journey through the degrees of Masonry.

On a parting note, Garrison Lodge # 45 – of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Lodge is being contacted to ask if we can visit and attend one of their degrees on the near future. If you are interested, please contact me, and I will make arraignments with them so they will know we are coming.

Have a safe and great summer!!

Fraternally,

Phill E. Mossey
Senior Warden



From the Secretary's Table

Brethren:

In the December Trestle Board I wrote the following about our incoming Worshipful Master, Jose Mercado. “When Jose joined the Lodge he listed his occupation as Musician, Song Writer, Teacher. He is still all of these but he is now using his talents as Director of Music Programs in the After-School All- Stars, Los Angeles. This is a program designed to bring effective and innovative after school education programs to young people throughout Los Angeles. His “All Stars of Rock” music program began in East Los Angeles Middle School and has now expanded to more than 16 middle schools in the Los Angeles area. The program is geared to teach classical music, mariachi, and jazz and its success has attracted interest in other parts of the state and country”.

We are pleased to report that Jose Mercado and the All-Stars of Rock music program will be featured in the Next issue, June/July, of the California Freemason. To quote from a letter to Jose from Laura Normand, Senior Writer/Editor Masons of California; “*We’re really excited about the example you and the program set for other Masons, and would love to make this a feature story for the next issue. We think you’ll be a great spokesperson for why public school support is so important, and the innovative program represents an innovative way to do just that*”. We understand that the story will feature pictures, interviews and testimonials from participants in the program. We are all very proud of our Worshipful Master and are really looking forward to the next issue of the California Freemason.

An old saying that is certainly true is the one that says; “Time flies”. Another one that is equally true is the one that says; “When you get older, time flies faster”. Anyway, the purpose of all this is to note that we have already reached June and the officers are getting ready for next year. Additionally we are working on next year’s program and budget. And if you have not paid your dues for 2009 you are now officially in arrears. In regard to that, if the economy is creating a problem for anyone in regard to paying their dues, please let us know and we will be ready and willing to offer our assistance.

Lee Strong, Secretary, PM

June Birthdays

Oswaldo C. Martinez	6/1
Arthur W. Zuhlke	6/1
William A. Hodges	6/3
William H. Mc Donald	6/4
Phillip S. Loveridge	6/4
Melvin D. Mc Mullen	6/5
Carlton L. Way	6/10
Daniel J. Lopez	6/11
Joshua D. Duke	6/11
Robert W. Grebel	6/12
Eddie Y. Sakashita	6/17
Christopher G. Russell	6/17
Clarence M. Pearson	6/17
Ernie A. Quiroz	6/17
Milo L. Curtis	6/19
Lewie B. Craig	6/20
Floyd M. Mintun	6/20
Donald E. Killie	6/20
James L. Zachry	6/23
Jason J. Bateman	6/23
Hector J. Mekia	6/23
James L. Fain	6/24
David C. Hobbs	6/26
Robert F. Fear	6/28
Donald K. Keller, P.M.	6/30
Ferrell R. Parton	6/30



These members are entitled to a free Dinner at the June Stated Meeting.

Raised to the Celestial Lodge Above

Harry Edgar Raymond, Sr.

Initiated – February 18, 1976

Passed – June 16, 1976

Raised – November 17, 1976

Entered into Rest – December 8, 2008

Age – 87 Years, 6 Months, 1 Day

Earl Baker Myer

Initiated – March 13, 1951

Passed – July 10, 1951

Raised – October 23, 1951

Received Golden Veterans Award – June 26, 2002

Entered into Rest – April 14, 2009

Age – 91 Years, 7 Months, 18 Days

Until then dear Brother, until then farewell.”