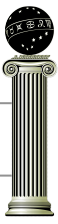


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“Our cause is noble; it is the cause of mankind!” - Wor. Bro. George Washington P.:M.:

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Stated Meeting

First Thursday of the month at 7:30PM at Heartland Lodge, 695 Ballantyne Street, El Cajon, CA. 92021

Dec. SM Dinner



Sliced Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Spinach Salad Shallot Vinaigrette, Bread Pudding, Coffee & Tea. Only \$15. Please RSVP to Secretary by Thursday Before Std Mtg.

Dine Out



No Dine out for December

Resources

Grand Lodge of California freemason.org

Masonic Outreach Services masonichome.org

Heartland Hall Assoc. elcajonevents.org



LaFrance L. Bragg P.:M.:
Worshipful Master

From the East

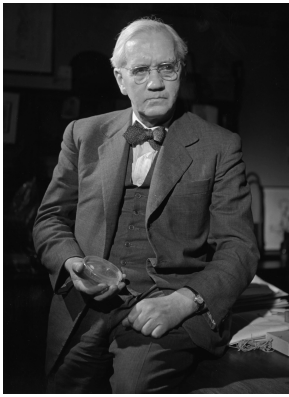
Brethren,

December is here and the elections are over. We will be holding the Installation of Officers on 11 Jan, 2025 @ 2 pm. Our attendance has been low since COVID and loss of members, etc. We accomplished a lot for the lodge, but we missed many of you at the important events and degrees! The lodge membership is growing and the new Brothers are working hard and are eager to learn. Lets all be there to share and enjoy the 2025 upcoming events. Stated meetings and dinners are great fellowship times for the members and families. This year we have a new, younger group of officers who need your support. Many are new Master Masons within the last couple of years. They are eager to learn our craft and contribute to the Lodge.

WB Thompson is planning to have more events for the members and families to enjoy. There will be two 3rd degrees in December, 16th for Brother Kenny Villasenor and 19th for Brother Bryant Tuck. Both wanting to work in the line. Give them your support and attend their degrees. **Check the calendar and the website for details.** The annual Christmas party and gift exchange will be on Saturday the 14th. Please **RSVP to the Secretary by 12/9/2024.** Enjoy the Christmas and New Year's Holidays, be safe and healthy!

LaFrance Bragg, P.:M.: Worshipful Master



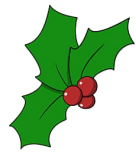


Remembering Sir Alexander Fleming

- Born 8/6/1881 in Scotland, Died 3/11/1955 in London
- Physician & Microbiologist , Capt. in Royal Army Medical Corps.
- Discovered penicillin and lysozyme
- Nobel Prize in Medicine in 1945. Knighted by King George VI,. U.S. Medal of Merit, Time Mag. 100 most important people of the 20th century in 1999. Among many other international honors.
- Initiated in 1909 at Sancta Maria Lodge 2682 (London) S.W. in 1922, Master in 1924. Member of 2 other lodges, London Grand Rank, S. Grand Deacon, Past S. Grand Warden

December Masonic Anniversaries

- Angel Salazar - 19yrs
- Brian Cowan - 28yrs
- Donald Morse - 33yrs
- George Edwards - 51yrs
- Mark Durell - 39yrs
- Jason Lampley - 20yrs



From the West



Greetings from the west for the month of December,

That joyous time of year when we all celebrate the holidays with friends and loved ones. It's hard to believe that we are at the end of the year already. This is my final article as Senior Warden, and I look forward to the new year with excitement and anticipation. As I reflect on this year, it's been a busy one for our lodge. We have conferred several degrees, with many more to come. Degree conferrals are a great thing because it means our lodge, and our beloved fraternity as a whole, is growing.

As noted in a previous article, next year's officer's line includes several of our newer brothers, all of which are under 40 years old. This hopefully means that our officer's line, looking to the future, will be solid. That being said, for 2025, we will not have an installed Senior Warden. Rest assured that we have a plan in place to make sure that the line for 2026 is complete. As we look forward to the coming year, it is my hope that our lodge will continue to grow and thrive. Although we all love doing degree work, I know that this means a lot of practicing, but I don't want anyone getting burned out. Therefore I hope to have other activities during the year that can bring us all together in fellowship and fun. I would like to have activities that can include our loved ones as well.

In conclusion, I hope that everyone is healthy and happy. I know that I've said this so many times that I probably sound like a broken record, but I will say it again, because it is so true. "You get out of Masonry what you put into Masonry"! I encourage you to come to lodge and get involved. You won't regret it. Lastly, I want to thank you all for putting your trust in me by electing me to be our Master for 2025. See you in lodge!

Steve Thompson P.:M.: Senior Warden



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Scottish Rite
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Order of the Eastern Star
oescal.org

Youth Orders

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International
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931st District

La Mesa Lodge 407
lodge407.freemason.org

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Grand Lodge has sent out dues notices for **2025 of \$262**

We have set up a Venmo account on our website so that you may pay your dues directly to Heartland Lodge, this will save you a fee. **You may go online to the Heartland 576 website, click on the link and Pay your dues via Venmo, "Bryan Meyer-88", without paying a fee, or on iMember 2.0 and pay your dues with a credit card via Grand Lodge. There is a fee using the Grand Lodge site.**

Go to Grand Lodge website ([http://imember.freemason.org/users/sign in](http://imember.freemason.org/users/sign_in)) Click on sign in, Check membership status, Enter your E-mail Address. Or Your member ID number (which can be found on your dues card or above your name on your issue of California Freemason Magazine), which can be used to sign for the first time.. Enter a password, confirm password, complete form. Go to IMember 2.0 and log in. Use the dashboard to select the different sections/ this will put you into your personal data file. You will be able to change your information only. You will not be able change anyone else's information. There will be certain reports that you may view but not change. **The new program has no provision for printing batches of dues cards. Dues cards will not mailed.** You will be able to print out your dues card by accessing iMember 2.0. Also by selecting the tab for virtual dues card, this Grand Lodge app can be downloaded to a smart phone for a "virtual dues card" when visiting other lodges. This app has a 5 minute window to show the Tiler. Call us if you need assistance to log-in. Be Sure to check our website every month the calendar and updates, also special events. **The secretary's email has changed. It is now secretaryheartlandlodge@gmail.com. The assistant secretary email is now asstsecretary576@gmail.com**



Fraternally, Bryan Meyer P.:M.: Secretary



Logic



Logic (the last of the trivium) is the study of how to use reason to determine if a conclusion is true or false, as well as the study of the rules and tests of sound reasoning. It's also the study of the laws of thought or correct reasoning. Logic uses given information to create an inference. There are two main types of logic: formal and informal. Formal logic is the formal study of logic, and is often taught in math, philosophy, and computer science.

Learning logic can help you develop critical thinking skills, which can be applied to many areas of life, such as Identifying truth: You'll learn to distinguish truth from falsehood in arguments, speeches, news articles, and more. Making good decisions: Logical thinking can help you avoid mistakes when making important decisions. Communicating effectively: You'll learn how to craft compelling arguments in speech and writing. Analyzing situations: You'll be able to better understand the causes of problems and develop solutions. Foster teamwork: Logic-based results can help create a team environment where emotions and egos don't influence outcomes. Protecting yourself from deception: Logic can help you spot weak arguments and fallacies. And you can apply logic to many fields: Logic is foundational to many fields, including mathematics, computer science, and philosophy. It can also be useful in business communications, product management, business intelligence, project management, and business analysis. The benefits of honing your skills in logic are endless.

Here are some links to get you started on your study of logic.

[Logic 101 \(#1\): Introduction](#) [Fundamentals of Logic](#) [Basic Concepts of Logic](#)

[Introduction to Logic \(Udemy\)](#) [edX Learn Logic](#) [The invention of logic](#)

[The whole Labyrinths Trivium series](#) [Professor Dave Explains Philosophy/Logic](#)

Editorial

Greetings Brethren,

I hope you are all doing well. Well, for me there has been a change of plans. Last month I said I was preparing to be your S. Warden, which I was, however after evaluating the needs of the Lodge with the pillars and some fellow PM's, I decided that it would be best for me to remain in my current position(s), and I feel I can actually do more for Heartland this way as well. So, now that I dodged that bullet, I am ready for the ensuing Masonic year.

I am looking forward to the progress the Hall Association is making. We now have the ability to make online purchases with out the need to reimburse someone. We will join the 21st Century if it is the last thing I do. Soon you will have nice brand new chairs in the hall.

I hope you have been getting something out of the 7 liberal arts & sciences series so far. There is so much information out there, but I hope it is illustrating just how much Masonry has contributed to making good men better. This is all information worth studying. Next month we begin with the first of the quadrivium, astronomy.

And lastly, I hope that the spotlight on St. John the Evangelist was informative. There is a lot more that could be said on the Holy Saints John, but that will have to wait for another time. I just wanted to highlight him since his feast day is this month, and to show that it does have great importance in Masonry. Sadly that has slowly been forgotten as we have tried to separate the Lodge from religion (Christianity). Which in my humble opinion is not necessary. It is fine to acknowledge and celebrate the roots and foundation of this great fraternity even if you, yourself are not a Christian. I also find it ironic that we have been slapped with a reputation of the opposite out of ignorance and fear of the unknown. I hope you all have a wonderful and safe Holiday Season. Till next Month. Merry Christmas!

Sincerely & Fraternally, Jason Lampley P.:M.:





Joe Shell Daylight Lodge



Joseph L. Shell

Is working at night stopping you from attending lodge? Do you have difficulty driving at night? If you answered yes, then a daylight Lodge might be the perfect fit for you.

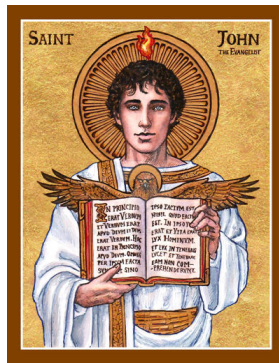
Joseph L. Shell Daylight Lodge is the only Lodge in San Diego County who meets during the day and is a great alternative for those who can not meet in the evening.

Come visit us at the new beautiful Scottish Rite in Mission Vally! Even if it's just your day off, we always welcome your fellowship. If you know any prospective Masons who can not meet at night, please let them know that they can still participate in Masonry with us. We look forward to seeing you!

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St. John the Evangelist



The two patron saints of Freemasonry as you should know, are the Holy Saints John. Which are Saint John the Baptist and Saint John the Evangelist. The feast day of the latter, St. John the Evangelist is on December 27th. Mostly celebrated by Christians, it has also been celebrated by Masons dating back to the 18th century when the Feast Day was used for the installation of Grand Masters.

Who is St. John the Evangelist? Within Christendom, he is also identified as John the Apostle, John of Patmos and John the Presbyter and is considered the author of the Gospel of John, the Epistles of John and the book of Revelation. Christian tradition says that John, Peter and James the Just were the three pillars (sound familiar?) of the Jerusalem church after Jesus' death.

Masonic scholars claim that the one reason why he is one of our Patron Saints, came from the practice of new Masons taking their obligations on a Bible opened to the first chapter of the Gospel of John. The "John" who was the supposed author of that gospel was, of course, John the Evangelist.

On December 27th 1717, the first, official Grand Lodge of Freemasons was formed in London, England, known as the Premier Grand Lodge of England. It was later unified with the Antients Grand Lodge in 1813 to become the United Grand Lodge of England.

Heartland Lodge

CHRISTMAS PARTY



Where: Heartland Lodge
When: Dec. 14th 5PM
Dinner



Main course provided
Potluck sides and desserts
& White Elephant Gift
Exchange

Gifts should be no more
than \$25

Please mark the gift for
Man, Woman or Child
All Mason's and their
families are welcome!



December

2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Executive Meeting 6PM 3rd Degree Practice 7PM	J. Shell SM 10AM Hall Assoc. 6PM		Dinner 6:30PM Stated Meeting 7:30PM		La Mesa Lodge Installation 12PM
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	3rd Degree Practice 7PM		Eastern Star 7PM	3rd Degree Practice 7PM		Lemon Grove Instal.2PM Christmas Party 5PM
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
E. San Diego Lodge Installation 6PM	3rd Degree for Bro. Villasenor		Shaaru Ct. 7PM	3rd Degree for Bro. Tuck		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Dark all Week		Merry Christmas	Happy Hanukkah	St. John the Evangelist Day	
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
	Exec. Meeting 6PM	New Year's Eve				

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