

HOME by William R. Fischer

The Lodge where you are a member is your home lodge. This should be the most familiar of all places for the relief of the day to day stress that one faces in the world.

The attendance and participation of each member shows the new and uninformed member how important it is to be a faithful and worthy brother. To be faithful, you must attend, and to be worthy, you must practice what you have learned in the Lodge. The burden of teaching is on every member, and not the sole duty of the Lodge Education Officer.

To learn the history of the Lodge, so you can pass it on to visiting brothers, is not only a matter of pride but one of honor. If you encourage a visiting brother to tell you of the history of his lodge, you will give him a chance to make a connection with all the brothers of both lodges. As you want to know them, they want to know you.

Practicing what you learn in the Lodge is important. Through the practice of the principles of Masonry you become a better person. You also show the world that masonry works for the good of all and not just for its members.

When you visit another lodge, the usual questions are:

- What Lodge are you from?
- How old is your Lodge?
- Who is the Worshipful Master?
- How many members attend a meeting?
- How many members do you have?
- When do you meet?
- Do you do much work?

Answer these questions, and then let them know, with dignity, how your Lodge is moving forward. While you visit other lodges, be a frequent attender to your own, because, "you must know home to be a traveler."

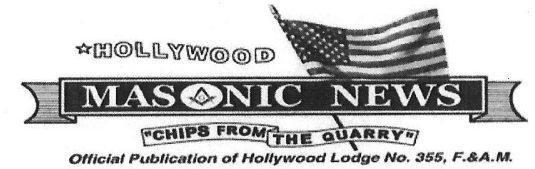


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Upcoming Lodge Events

Hollywood Lodge Installation of Officers

On Saturday, January 7, 2012 at 6:00 p.m., the Hollywood Lodge of Freemasons, #355, will install its 2012 Worshipful Master, along with his officers. Immediately following the installation there will be light refreshments and entertainment in the Social Hall. You don't want to miss Wor. Russell become Master for the second time!

Day at the Races

Keep Saturday, January 28 open because we're going to play the ponies. Yes, the flag is up and Hollywood Lodge is going to Santa Anita for a day of food, gambling and fun. We will be meeting at Santa Anita at 10:30 a.m. and staying until 6:30 p.m. The cost will be about \$34 and includes clubhouse admission, daily racing program, theater-style seats and buffet lunch. Get your check to Bro. Spyros ASAP to attend this great annual event.

Trip to the Ronald Reagan Library

Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 24, 2012 and join us as we spend the day at the Ronald Reagan Library in Simi Valley. The Lodge will meet at the library at 10:30 a.m. sharp, and the trip includes a tour of the facilities and lunch. The cost for admission and lunch is \$26.50 per person and reservations need to be in to Bro. Spyros by March 15. Contact Bro. Spyros if you have questions.



Trestle Board for December, 2011

November 30 — Stated Meeting Set-up/Ex. Meeting
 December 1 — December Dinner and Stated Meeting
 December 3—Jobs Daughters Installation
 December 8—Second Degree
 December 19 — Officer School of Instruction
 December 22—Lodge is Dark
 December 29—Lodge is Dark
 January 4 — Stated Meeting Set-up/Exec. Meeting
 January 5 — November Stated Dinner Meeting
 January 17—Temple Board Meeting

RSVP For the December Stated Meeting

Call to reserve your spot at the December Stated Dinner Meeting on December 1. \$15/person. Widows and first-time guests are free. Call Sheldon at 562/882-5253 or e-mail: jr.warden.355@gmail.com

New Mason Proficiency Training

Every Tuesday and Thursday evening starting at 6:00 p.m. or so in the Lodge Library. There are usually several candidates coaches available for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree proficiencies and to discuss Masonic education. No appointment is necessary; just show up! If you have questions, call Stan Higgins, PM at 818/892-5100 or 818/438-5758

2011 Hollywood Lodge Officers

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From the East...

Greetings Brethren, Ladies and Friends!



As 2012 quickly approaches and my year as Master draws to a close - it is time for some solemn reflection and some heartfelt gratitude.

While the Lodge has seen far too many brothers and beloved family members pass this year - the hardest for me was the passing of Wo. Norman Hoffman. I know I am not alone in thinking that I shared a special relationship with Norm - he made every brother who has ever sat nervously in the tilers' room awaiting their degrees feel special and invested with that secret knowledge only a member of Norm's tenure could impart. Upon our raising, we all heard about the "fourth degree" or "the university of Masonry" and for those of us that sought that further light - we once again saw Norm in a wonderful light. The lodge will miss you, Norman, and the shoes of the Seafaring man will never be filled quite the same again.

On a brighter note - I am proud to say that the temple was rebuilt and it has never looked better. I am especially thankful to Brother Haig who spent countless hours working on that project. Thank you, Haig. As always, there are far too many people to thank for all their hard work throughout the year, but one project does deserve special thanks - that project being the awarding of long overdue 50 year pins. Whereas I would like to take credit for this, it was Bro. Spyros who presented me with the idea and the plan to make it happen - and how wonderful it was to see our 50 year brethren receiving their well deserved pins - thank you Brother Spyros. Continued well wishes, Steve, WM

Masonic Mottoes
Virtus junxit, mors non separabit
 (Virtue has united, death shall not separate) -
Scottish Rite, 14°, 1855

Chips Update

If you would like to receive monthly Lodge updates via e-mail, please visit www.hollywoodlodge.org/about/ subscribe/ to register for the Lodge's e-mail list.

December Birthdays

12/3-	Vince Winters	12/18-	Allen R. Hecht
12/6-	Edgar L. Daic	12/19-	Roger Albright
12/6-	George Reeves	12/19-	George T. Atwell
12/7-	Charley Cohen	12/20-	George A. Fayle
12/7-	Steven Kavitzky	12/20-	Brian T. Potra, Sr.
12/7-	T.J. Oliva	12/22-	Roger Koeninger
	Ronald	12/22-	Samuel J. Young
12/8-	Bernheim	12/23-	Sol D. Doten
12/8-	Kenneth Rose	12/23-	John Simmons
12/9-	Donn Warshow	12/24-	Donald Foster
12/10-	Ronald Beldner	12/24-	Richard J. Wood
12/10-	Aaron J. Cohen	12/27-	Paul Kayne
12/12-	Bryan K. Allen	12/29-	Gary R. Peacock
	Joseph Choate,	12/30-	Ira D. Karbeling
12/13-	Jr.	12/31-	Carl L. Jackson
	James A.	12/31-	Bill H. Slattery
12/14-	Howard		
	Charles		
12/15-	Curcuruto, PM		
12/17-	Scott A. Ponder		
12/17-	Joseph Teague		

Called From Labor

Norman Hoffman, PM
Dick Mainwarring

Soft and Safe Be Thy Resting Place
Bright and Glorious Be Thy Rising From It

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