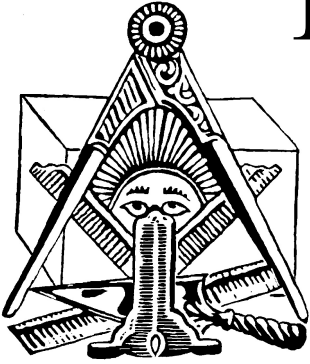


# TRESTLEBOARD



Culver City Foshay Lodge No. 467 F. & A. M.

<http://calodges.org/no467/>

January 2008

## FROM THE EAST



Greetings from the East!

I would like to wish everyone a very happy New Year, and I hope that your holidays were healthy and harmonious. Many thanks to everyone who helped in various ways to put on the Installation of Officers in late December. A festive and heartfelt evening was had by all, and I intend to continue in that manner for the coming year. My deepest gratitude to everyone for granting me the honor of serving as your Master.

Regarding the upcoming year, I would first like to alert the readers of the Trestleboard of some new developments in our format and announcements. Our Senior Warden will be announcing the dates for degrees and events in his 'From the West' article, and our Junior Warden shall present bios of our new Entered Apprentices in his 'From the South' column, so look for these items of information the respective sections from here on, in addition to the monthly calendar which will be listing important dates of events as well.

We also have a masonic profile available to be filled out on our website now, which allows the members to present their vital masonic qualities in a profile format and give everyone a more in-depth look at our diverse and talented membership. Please take some time to fill out the form, and I look forward to learning more about everyone.

I would also like to ask everyone to please help in updating our roster. If there is a new email, address, or phone number needed by which we may contact you, please provide us with the pertinent information so that we can improve our capacity for communication amongst the lodge members and their families.

Please also notify us if you only wish to receive the Trestleboard in an electronic format only. I look forward to seeing everyone at the January Stated Meeting on the 9th, in which I will present the lodge budget for the year and discuss committees.

The first meeting is an important one, so please attend and participate in the fraternal activities. At the Installation, I proposed that the most important things we can do as Freemasons are simply to attend lodge and practice the Craft, and I would again ask this of each of you, Brethren.

Come share in the wisdom, strength, and beauty to be found at lodge and enjoy all the blessings we receive as members of our Ancient and Honorable institution.

Profile:

[www.calodges.org/no467/MemberInfo.html](http://www.calodges.org/no467/MemberInfo.html)

Fraternally,  
Christopher Sanders

# FROM THE SOUTH



From the South:  
A Message for a New Year

The malls are still packed, people are still shopping, tuxedos have been worn and pins have been exchanged. What does this mean for the brethren of The Culver City Foshay Lodge #467?

It means the start of a new year with new hopes, goals and expectations. Above all, it means a chance for each and every one of us to build our ancient and honorable fraternity.

As we start this year, let us focus our thoughts on others and reflect on what it means to be a Mason. Let us find new ways to build Freemasonry back to the days when it was an honor just to know a Mason! There are so many opportunities each and every day for us to enlighten those around us on what it really means to be a Freemason. So, let's not be afraid and let's not be shy in the effort to do exactly that!

Also, there is no better way to teach than by action and action will be so simple for us to take. New social events are being planned and will be executed and new fresh members are petitioning for degrees and will be initiated. Step up to the plate and take a swing. Let's all work at becoming a pillar of light for the Lodge and if we can all work together, I am sure we will all feel the strength that will come as a result of our efforts. Let's not make the mistake of working independently and hoping it will all fall together. Above all, Invite, Invite, Invite! The more we invite others to share the friendships that we currently enjoy as well as the benefits of membership, the stronger our Lodge will grow and the more fun we will have within it. I wish each and every member of the Culver City Foshay Lodge #467 a Happy New Year and may all your dreams and wishes come true!

Fraternally,  
Jonathan P. Dilley, JW

Bio for Kenneth Dilley:

Ken was born, March 22nd 1947 in Norfolk, Virginia to his parents George and Edith Dilley and grew up in Salem, Oregon. He started High School in Fullerton, California, and has been in Southern California ever since. He Loves to fish, enjoys playing EverQuest online and is active in his community thru his Kiwanis Club & The Boy Scouts of America. His father, George B. Dilley, is also a Mason and life member of the Pearl Lodge in Oregon. Ken's current employment is with State Farm Insurance as an Agent.

He studied to be a Doctor, however, found business to be a lot more fun. He looks forward to full membership in the Lodge as well as the opportunity to get to meet and know all the Brethren. Let's all be sure to welcome him after his January 16th, 2008, initiation.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jonathan P. Dilley, JW

## LODGE CALENDAR



WEDNESDAY JANUARY 9  
7:30pm Stated Meeting (6:30pm Dinner)

TUESDAY JANUARY 15  
7:30pm Building Association Meeting

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 16  
7:00pm First Degrees

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 23  
7:00pm 2nd Degree Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 30  
7:00pm 3rd Degree or Rehearsal

MORALS and DOGMA by ALBERT PIKE  
Morals and Dogma of the Ancient and Accepted  
Scottish Rite of Freemasonry , prepared for the  
Supreme Council of the Thirty Third Degree for  
the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States:  
Charleston, 1871.  
1° - Apprentice

#### THE TWELVE-INCH RULE AND THE COMMON GAVEL.

FORCE, unregulated or ill-regulated, is not only  
wasted in the void, like that of gunpowder  
burned in the open air, and steam unconfined by  
science; but, striking in the dark, and its blows  
meeting only the air, they recoil and bruise  
itself. It is destruction and ruin. It is the volcano,  
the earthquake, the cyclone;-not growth and  
progress. It is Polyphemus blinded, striking at  
random, and falling headlong among the sharp  
rocks by the impetus of his own blows.

The blind Force of the people is a Force that  
must be economized, and also managed, as the  
blind Force of steam, lifting the ponderous iron  
arms and turning the large wheels, is made to  
bore and rifle the cannon and to weave the most  
delicate lace. It must be regulated by Intellect.  
Intellect is to the people and the people's Force,  
what the slender needle of the compass is to the  
ship--its soul, always counselling the huge mass  
of wood and iron, and always pointing to the  
north. To attack the citadels built up on all sides  
against the human race by superstitions,  
despotisms, and prejudices, the Force must have  
a brain and a law. Then its deeds of daring  
produce permanent results, and there is real  
progress. Then there are sublime conquests.  
Thought is a force, and philosophy should be an  
energy, finding its aim and its effects in the  
amelioration of mankind. The two great motors  
are Truth and Love. When all these Forces are  
combined, and guided by the Intellect, and  
regulated by the RULE of Right, and Justice,  
and of combined and systematic movement and  
effort, the great revolution prepared for by the  
ages will begin to march. The POWER of the  
Deity Himself is in equilibrium with His  
WISDOM. Hence the only results are  
HARMONY.

It is because Force is ill regulated, that revolutions  
prove failures. Therefore it is that so often  
insurrections, coming from those high mountains  
that domineer over the moral horizon, Justice,  
Wisdom, Reason, Right, built of the purest snow of  
the ideal after a long fall from rock to rock, after  
having reflected the sky in their transparency, and  
been swollen by a hundred affluents, in the majestic  
path of triumph, suddenly lose themselves in  
quagmires, like a California river in the sands.

The onward march of the human race requires that  
the heights around it should blaze with noble and  
enduring lessons of courage. Deeds of daring dazzle  
history, and form one class of the guiding lights of  
man. They are the stars and coruscations from that  
great sea of electricity, the Force inherent in the  
people. To strive, to brave all risks, to perish, to  
persevere, to be true to one's self, to grapple body to  
body with destiny, to surprise defeat by the little  
terror it inspires, now to confront unrighteous  
power, now to defy intoxicated triumph--these are  
the examples that the nations need and the light that  
electrifies them.

There are immense Forces in the great caverns of  
evil beneath society; in the hideous degradation,  
squalor, wretchedness and destitution, vices and  
crimes that reek and simmer in the darkness in that  
populace below the people, of great cities. There  
disinterestedness vanishes, every one howls,  
searches, gropes, and gnaws for himself. Ideas are  
ignored, and of progress there is no thought. This  
populace has two mothers, both of them  
stepmothers--Ignorance and Misery. Want is their  
only guide--for the appetite alone they crave  
satisfaction. Yet even these may be employed. The  
lowly sand we trample upon, cast into the furnace,  
melted, purified by fire, may become resplendent  
crystal. They have the brute force of the HAMMER,  
but their blows help on the great cause, when struck  
within the lines traced by the RULE held by wisdom  
and discretion.

Yet it is this very Force of the people, this Titanic  
power of the giants, that builds the fortifications of  
tyrants, and is embodied in their armies. Hence the  
possibility of such tyrannies as those of which it has  
been said, that "Rome smells worse under Vitellius  
than under Sulla. Under Claudius and under  
Domitian there is a deformity of baseness  
corresponding to the ugliness-of the tyranny.



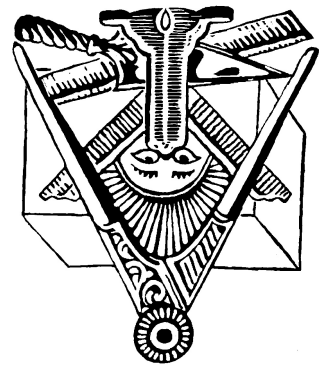
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