TRESTLEBOARD



Culver City Foshay Lodge No. 467 F. & A. M. http://www.calodges.org/no467/

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FROM THE EAST



Greetings from the East, This June is a special month. To begin with we will have our Stated Meeting on Wednesday the 6th which will have a few special announcements as well as our usual dinner and meeting. Next on the 13th on June please be sure to attend a very special Third Degree, this has been a long time coming but finally Rod Wollin , Senior Demolay , and son of George Wollin will be raised to the Sublime Degree. Many of Rods friends and former Demolays (now Master Masons) are expected to attend, please plan to be there to support Rod on this special evening. There may also be a few surprises.

Secondly, I have been looking over my Members information and I have found that there are a few birthdays in June . Happy Birthday Thomas O Fleming June 2nd Happy Birthday Todd F Langworthy June 3rd Happy Birthday Brian W Redfern June 4th Happy Birthday Jon D Hill June 10th Happy Birthday Edward Calzaretto June 19th Happy Birthday Nathan A Miller June 21st Happy Birthday Jon A Miller June 26th Happy Birthday Richard A Gonzalves June 27th

Since I found so many birthdays for this month I felt that I should include a special Happy Birthday Congratulations in this months letter. In addition to Happy Birthday Wishes to Brother Brian W Redfern, I would also like to add a special thank you to the man who makes this Trestle Board happen our Editor Brian Wendell Redfern. Next I have it on good information that we will soon be having our Masonic Formation meetings on Wednesday nights. More information about the dates and times will be given at the Stated Meeting.

Finally, I have had several requests about candidates and members receiving their Third Degree Trowels, I have received the Trowels and are now in the process of preparing them for presentation. More to come.

FROM THE WEST

I am going to make this article short and sweet this month because I have been busy celebrating my 33rd birthday, and as many of you know the number 33 is dear to me and important to masonry in general.

Reflecting upon the year that has passed and the year ahead, I must say that I feel truly blessed to belong to such an outstanding community of brethren, and I can think of no better time for myself to be journeying towards the oriental chair.

While attending the Senior Warden's retreat in early May, we learned that Freemasonry needs leaders more than anything else, and that the most important quality of a leader is the capacity to form strong vision of goals and agendas the ability to assemble and direct a team capable of manifesting that vision.

Throughout this year, and particularly this past month, I have noticed numerous newer brethren becoming more involved and working with the the established leaders of our lodge to become more active in our ritual, assist in cleaning up and organizing various aspects of the lodge that need repair and improvement, help out in managerial aspects of our buildings affairs, and contributing ideas and energy to establish more programs like masonic information nights and the chess club.

FROM THE SOUTH

"Whence came you?" When you think about it, this is an interesting query for a Mason to be making. We state unequivocally that we are not interested in a Brother's lineage or worldly honors, so what are we asking here? And when we ask ourselves or others this question, what are we contemplating? By the time we reach the first portal, that of asking a friend's recommendation, we have probably been through many of life's lessons and experiences. While men once joined Freemasonry at the earliest possible opportunity, today many men have already sown their wild oats, settled down to create their families, and matured in their businesses and professions before getting to see "the Light by which Masons work." The question "Whence came you?" evokes a review of the experiences that have brought us thus far and the lessons, gentle and otherwise, which we have learned along the way. It is said that a life not contemplated is a life not worth living. This is the perfect opportunity and time for that contemplation and for inventorying the lessons learned and the blessings enjoyed. Masonry allows one to take stock of one's mis-steps made along the way, learn from them, forgive oneself, and, as part of the initiatory process, start afresh with the wisdom gained from experience. The Answer to our question given during Ritual reveals an even deeper level of contemplation. A Lodge of the Holy Saints John at Jerusalem is a place of meditation on the celestial questions, a place of inner peace and growth, a fraternal family, and a sanctuary from the vicissitudes of the daily grind. If we can come from this place of harmony and fraternity in our daily lives, we can transform our conversations and relationships and create islands of peace and joy in our wake and in the world around us. Maybe just for a moment, but that small start ripples through society. The idea of sanctifying one day a week for rest and contemplation is wise in terms of personal health and might be even more socially important than it appears if contemplating the Deity and Its Great Works results in a few deeper and more heart warming conversations with family, friends, and business acquaintances over the ensuing week. So, let me ask you, my Brother, Whence came YOU? Masonic trivia question: In English Freemasonry, what is the difference between the "Ancients" and the "Moderns?" Email me at drblu427@aol.com or call me at (310) 649-6661 and let me know what you think.

Foshay Logo Polo Shirts!

Brother Fancis Taguchi has contacted a clothing service who will be creating Polo Shirts with our logo, so contact Bro. Taguchi at MFT218@msn.com to get one for yourself!

(From the West, Continued)

These are brethren with vision and a commitment to making our lodge the best lodge possible, and I thank them all from the bottom of my heart and encourage everyone to keep up the great work and join in if have yet to do so. My vision for our future entails continuing to uphold our our dedication to superb ritual, good fellowship, and charitable service while further cultivating enjoyable social and educational events that reflect the diverse and philosophical interests of our brethren. I am pleased to see to a strong team forming that supports this vision, and I could ask for no greater gift or blessing.

Fraternally, Christopher Sanders

EDITOR'S CORNER



Well, its better to be working hard than to be hardly working! However I'm hoping to be working more sane hours soon, so I can have a chance to actually get this 'board out on time!

As always you can email me at brianwredfern@gmail.com with submissions, questions or suggestions.

Fraternally, Brian Redfern, Trestleboard Editor



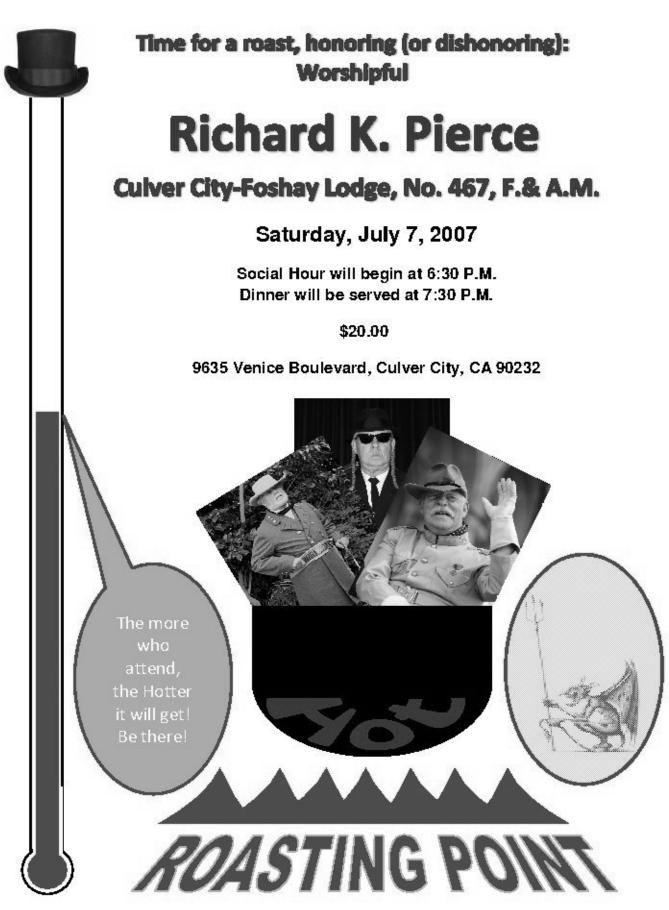
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6/6 Wednesday 6:30pm - Stated Meeting Dinner 7:30pm - Stated Meeting

6/12 Tuesday 7:30pm Building Assoc. Meeting

Fraternally, Jim Blumenthal Junior Warden

6/13 Wenesday 7:00pm 3rd Degree Rod Wollin



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