

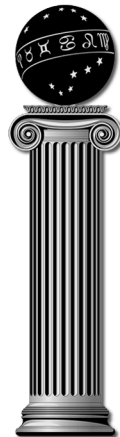
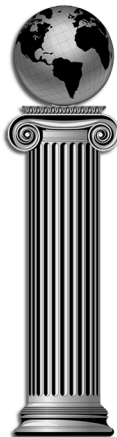
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Announcements



Our Esoterica Group
is a BIG HIT!

Burn's Night
went well and YES,
we paid the piper!



CONGRATULATIONS to our
NEWEST Entered Apprentices

After this period, degeneracy and decay of the Toltec race set in. The connection with the Occult Hierarchy was broken. The attainment of wealth and authority and the ruin of enemies became the objects towards which their occult powers were directed. They turned their occult powers from there lawful use, and practiced them in the use of black sorcery. No longer submitting to the wise rule of the Initiate emperors, the followers of the black arts rose in rebellion and set up a rival emperor who drove out the White Emperor from the City of the Golden Gates and put himself on the throne. The White Emperor, driven northward, re-established himself in a city now the seat of the tributary Toltec kings, who welcomed him. These events took place 50,000 years before the first great Calamity, where millions perished. The City of the Golden Gates was now a den of iniquity. The City's inhabitants were destroyed, and the continent decimated. Eventually, a Semite dynasty of sorcerers enthroned itself in the City of the Golden Gates, but no Toltec power rose to prominence during the second map period. On the Island of Ruta in the third map period, a Toltec dynasty rose to power that was addicted to the black arts, which became more prominent during the four map periods. The author then mentions the strange social experiment of the Turanian race, who being bested in wars by the Toltecs, passed laws by which every man was relieved from the burden of maintaining his family, having the State provide for the children. It increased the birth rate, but destroyed ties of family life and marriage. The scheme being a failure; was given up. The Semites, a marauding and energetic race, bent towards a patriarchal form of government and developed a considerable empire in the second map period. In the third map period, the Akkadians finally overthrew the Semite people. They were traders and sailors, and mimicked ancient Sparta with a duel system of two kings reigning in one city.

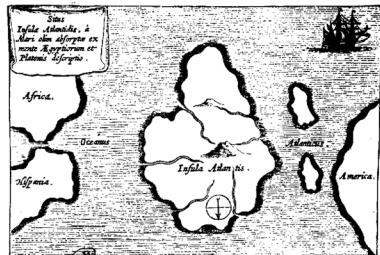
Emigrations are discussed next with the various root races branching out to all points on the earth. The Rmoahals went to the Greenland cape and the western shores of the Scandinavian Island. The Tlavatl people spread out to every point of the compass: California, Rio de Janeiro, and India where they mixed with the indigenous Lemurian population and formed the Dravidian race. The Toltecs emigrated to the North and South American Continents where they established the empires of Mexico and Peru. The first settlement of Egypt is from the Toltecs when the transfer took place 400,000 years ago from the White Lodge of initiates. This Occult lodge founded an empire: the first Divine Dynasty of Egypt and the two great Pyramids of Egypt. The Semites spread west to the lands of America and east to Europe, Africa and Asia. The first great Aryan kingdom was established in the southern shores of the Central Asian sea area. The Akkadians spread eastwards, occupying the Levant and reaching as far as Persia and Arabia, and peopled Egypt.

Stonehenge was founded in the early Akkadian days, 100,000 years ago by the colony of initiates as a protest in the simplicity of the rocks in contrast to the extravagant over-decoration of the existing temples of Atlantis. Other chapters deal with Architecture where buildings were massive structures. Education included every man knowing magnetic healing, chemistry, mathematics and astronomy. Agriculture which dealt with the crosses between wheat and wild grass gave oats and cereals and the banana. Air Ships were used as private yachts and in war replaced the ships at sea. Writing material consisted of thin sheets of metal. Weapons included poison gas bombs. Leather or metal tokens were used as money like promissory notes. Religion was taught by Adepts who recognized a Supreme Being whose symbol was the sun. Great monoliths were built on hilltops.

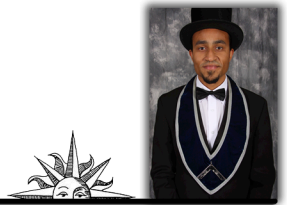
The book includes two maps of Atlantis at its prime from the world about 1 million years ago to the catastrophe of 800,000 years ago along with Atlantis in its decadence after this catastrophe to the one about 200,000 years ago. It is a fascinating study of an Ancient civilization that resonates in all ages. The next report will deal with the continent of Lemuria.

Fraternally,

Brother Rick Gorton
Culver City-Foshay Lodge



From the East



The Sacred Science of Geometry

We have continued to keep quite busy as we go further into 2014, Brethren. Eleven new Entered Apprentices in just the first two months of the year brings a smile to my lips and is a very good sign. I look forward to all those new EAs continuing with their studies and preparing to be Passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft in the upcoming months as well.

On that note, I'd like to offer a contemplation on one the lessons elaborated on in the 2nd Degree: a deeper appreciation for the noble science of Geometry. Our Degree states that through this noble science "we discover the power, wisdom, and goodness of the Great Artificer of the Universe, and view with delight the proportions which connect this vast machine." Not only does the natural world reveal an aesthetic expression of Deity, but it also alludes to the interconnectedness of the whole of creation. This "vast machine" does not only extend infinitely outward, but also infinitely inward and Geometry, in all it's expressions, is a bridge of sorts that links the macrocosm to the microcosm.

Since ancient times, artists have been attempting to share this insight. And the visionary art of our species is a history of these attempts.

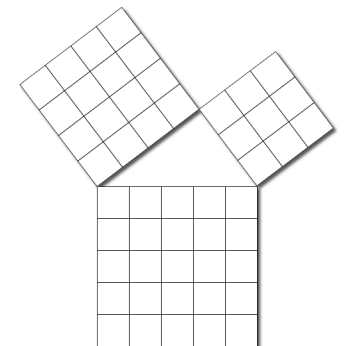
On Sunday March 9th, from 1-3pm, our Lodge will have a public screening of the movie, "CoSM: Chapel of Sacred Mirrors" highlighting the visionary art of Alex Grey, followed by a discussion on the topic of Sacred Geometry.

It's my intention, not only to inspire healthy contemplation of these topics, but also to invite potential candidates to explore if Freemasonry may be an optimal environment for their self-development and speculation.

See you all again soon, Brethren.

Fraternally,

K.L. Burgess II
Master





From the West



Keeping the Pillars Strong

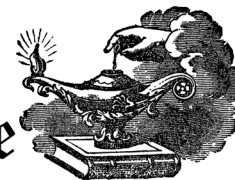
Spring is here and we are getting ready for another Master and Warden's retreat in April. This will be my second and Worshipful Kast's third such event. These events provide invaluable management courses that are not only useful in discharging our duties as lodge officers, but also in performing the daily obligations in our and professional lives outside the lodge. I know that what we learned at the last event has proven invaluable to us and has been employed on a daily basis. I am very eager to attend this year's event when we can get to know some of the officers from other lodges in the state and share with them some of our successes and challenges. One topic that was consistent among the officers present last year was how to keep candidates motivated and continuing to advance through their degrees. One part of this equation is to have the candidate working with a coach and setting goals. If you are a candidate pursuing your studies, please keep me informed of your progress and I will make sure that we have you scheduled for your degree. Allow me to assure the brethren of this lodge that their investment in these training programs is highly justified, according to the resulting benefit, which is the Strength of our Pillars.

Fraternally,

Adam Wolf
Senior Warden



From the Lamp of Knowledge



Legends of Atlantis and Lost Lemuria

W. Scott-Elliott

Based on the Clairvoyant Investigations of C.W. Leadbeater

Atlantis and Lemuria are the fabled Lost Continents described in this book. Whereas the story of Atlantis has existed for 2500 years, Lemuria was not hypothesized until around 1850, and was started as a Scientific Hypotheses.

In the Story of Atlantis, the legend comes from Plato's dialogs, The Timaeus and the Critias. The Timaeus follows another dialog, the Republic. Critias ultimate source is Solon, the great lawgiver who heard this from the Egyptian priests. It is about a war fought in primeval times between Athens and a mighty sea power known as Atlantis. Located by the Pillars of Hercules, it was settled by ten sons of Poseidon, the eldest being Atlas, from whom Atlantis was named. At first, the country was a rich and peaceful land, ruled by a divine dynasty. But over time the people deteriorated to a greedy, warlike one. They were defeated in their bid to conquer Europe and Asia by ancient Athens. After military defeat, earthquakes and floods sank the Island in a single day alleged to be 11,500 years ago.

Plato's students disagreed how to interpret the story. The four main views are the historical, allegorical, parabolical and mythical. In the first, Plato is believed to be recording actual history, which is not reconcilable with present day scientific knowledge. A modern view is that Plato was talking about the Minoan Crete Empire, which was destroyed by a volcano 900 years before his time. In allegory, Plato was actually creating an allegory about the political machinations and ideals of his own time, and how he thought Athens as an ideal state should function. He saw the dangers on the horizon, and felt that the physical destruction of Atlantis foretold the political destruction of Athens. In myth, which may be founded by historical fact, its importance is far greater than historical record. The story of Atlantis has become subliminally reverberated throughout the ages to all generations.

The author's investigations begin with the various root and sub races, the 5th or Ayran race composing the present day, with the 6th and 7th to follow.. The Rmoahal is the first that came into existence between 4 and 5 million years ago, at which large portions of Lemuria still existed. They had a height of 10-12 feet, a dark race. The eventually migrated to the south shores of Atlantis, and some of them reached Iceland. The Tlavatli Race were a mountain loving people. They started off an Island off the West Coast of Atlantis and spread into Atlantis proper. The Toltec, or 3rd sub-race ruled Atlantis for thousands of years. Their remote family races ruled as well in Mexico and Peru. The Turanian Race were colonists from the earliest days.

Scott-Elliott gives as evidence for the existence of Atlantis in 5 classes:

1. The testimony of deep-sea surroundings
2. The distribution of fauna and flora
3. The similarity of language and ethnological type
4. The similarity of religious belief, ritual and architecture
5. The Testimony of ancient writers and of archaic flood legends

It was the Toltec race who developed the highest civilization and organized the most powerful empire of any of the Atlantean societies, and it was then that the principal of heredity succession was for the first time established. The Toltecs were first divided into a number of independent kingdoms, at war with each other, and all at war with the Rmoahals of the south. These tribes were eventually reduced to slavery. Around one million years ago, these separate kingdoms united in a great federation with an Emperor at its head. This was inaugurated by great wars, but prosperity and peace was the eventual outcome, and a Golden age was maintained for 100,000 years.

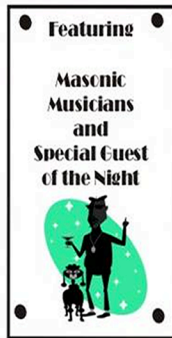
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FISH FRY

At Culver City-Foshay Lodge 467

March 29th

6PM to 10PM



Live Swing



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at
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GOING...
GOING...
Silent auction
to follow



From the South



Growth, Study and Fraternal Care

Fraternal greetings from the South, Brethren! The past two months, under the just leadership of Worshipful Burgess, have led to amazing growth in our lodge. In less than two months we have initiated eleven new brothers! I look forward to the advancement of these brothers and their contributions to the lodge.

Not only have we strengthened our numbers, but we have also bolstered our educational programs, available to the brethren. Our Esoterica Group has met twice so far this year, during both of which times, we have had a great turn out. Delving into the deeper meanings of Freemasonry seems to be very popular among the members of our lodge.

Currently, our brother Tiler, George Wollin, is recovering from knee surgery. It is hoped that he will make a speedy recovery and join us at the lodge soon. In the meantime, please send your warm wishes to George, reminding him that his service within the lodge is indispensable and that he is truly missed. While George is away, the lodge could use some help fulfilling some of his duties. If you would like to help please contact me or Worshipful Burgess to see how you may be able to contribute.

To our new Entered Apprentices: Welcome to our ancient and honorable fraternity! Feel free to contact me with any questions or for help with learning your obligation. I am always willing to help a brother.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Sam House,
Junior Warden



From a Brother



Moving Forward Progress through Masonry

As we emerge out of the month of February, African American History Month (not Black History-why because black is a hue, not an ethnicity!) I believe we should be celebrating our own personal accomplishment as a Lodge and as California Masons for having elected our first African American Worshipful Master at Culver City-Foshay Lodge, No. 467. Why do I say we should see that as a momentous occasion? It is simply due to the history of the whole lot of race relations in the United States, in California, in the City of Culver City and even in our Lodge. Our Lodge building was erected in 1928, seven years after the Free Masons of California were successful in pioneering the expulsion of the KKK from the fraternity in this state! Yet, Culver City itself remained a "sundown town" for decades after that. Not until the mid '80s did the dark shadow from the remnants of that history begin to dissipate as a whole in Culver City. Many of the old guard in the city's law enforcement community were still enforcing an unwritten code of "ethnic discretion" that was not consistent with the changing times. Most of that has since changed and even the department itself has, for the most part, discarded those practices. Our Lodge is right alongside their advancements, as is the City of Culver City. Making good man better is our deepest sentiment and, from the top all the way down, we as California Free Masons are exercising this in such a way that am I personally proud to be a Brother of the Fraternity as a whole!

To Kenneth L. Burges whom we affectionately call "Kast" – Congratulations! To our Lodge Brothers of our lodge who were the first to open the doors to people of Color – Thank you sincerely for exercising the best parts of our humanity. And to all our brothers today, from Grand lodge to our lodge, – We all salute you!

Progress is at times slow but reward is for the greater lot of the brethren and mankind. This tells me that we are advancing toward truly being a Universal people, and although all of America and Masonry may not share our celebration, we California Masons will continue to carry this torch until the dark of the minds of mankind is lit.

Simbawani Anad,
Master Mason



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Keith P. Montgomery	5th
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Marcus E. Harmon	11th
Michael J. Ulmer	11th
Patrick J. Kerwin	16th
Simbawani Anad	18th
Jewett G. Bates, PM	18th
William J. Register, Jr., PM	18th
Kenneth P. Dilley	22nd
Douglas K. Calhoun, PM	23rd
Todd M. Doty	25th
Sam House	28th



If you would like to contact one of these Brothers to wish them a Happy Birthday, you may retrieve their contact information from www.freemason.org

Chaplain's Prayer



In the Character of Masons

God of the Universe:
 As Masons, friends and acquaintances,
 gathered in Thy Name,
 May we rely upon each other for comfort, friendship,
 and encouragement to promote balance in our lives!
 May the joys we share be many and the sorrows, short lived!
 May family and friends be remembered in our daily activities!
 May our hopes and dreams become a reality!
 And may we treat each other with the respect and kindness, in the
 character of Masons!
 Amen.

Edward Calzaretto,
 Chaplain





Calendar

Meet the Masters & Candidate Education every Sunday 9AM - 2PM
The lodge is open to guests and men inquiring about Freemasonry.
Candidates may receive assistance with their Masonic Education.

March


2nd	GM Breakfast at LAX Hilton	7:00 AM
5th	Dinner & Stated meeting	6:30 PM
6th	Temple Board meeting	7:30 PM
9th	Esoterica Group DVD Screening & Discussion: Alex Grey's CoSM (Chapel of Sacred Mirrors)	1:00-3:00PM
12th	Third Degree	6:45 PM
19th	Second Degree	6:45 PM
26th	OSI at Oasis Lodge (2nd Degree)	7:00 PM
27th	Social Night (1 day before Bro Sam House's Birthday!)	7:00 PM
29th	Fish Fry & Live Jazz (with Silent Auction). \$21 Prepaid. RSVP with Clarence	6:00 PM

April


2nd	Dinner & Stated meeting	6:30 PM
3rd	Temple Board meeting	7:30 PM
9th	Degree or Practice	7:00 PM
13th	Esoterica Group (Book Study or Event....Masons Only)	1:00pm-3:00pm
16th	Degree or Practice	7:00 PM
23rd	OSI at Culver City-Foshay Lodge (3rd Degree)	7:00 PM
27th	Social Night	7:00 PM
30th	Walpurgisnacht (Culver City-Foshay Lodge will be Dark to allow for Field Trip)	
30th	Timothy Hogan Lecture on Sacred Geometry, followed by Dinner at Santa Monica-Palisades Lodge #307	

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