

CALENDAR

MARCH

- Tue 6 STATED MEETING.....7:30 PM
Inspector's Official Visit
Dinner.....6:30 PM
- Tue 13 DISTRICT OSI.....7:30 PM
At Sunset Lodge
Officer attendance mandatory
- Tue 20 DEGREE or PRACTICE.....7:00 PM
- Tue 27 DEGREE or PRACTICE.....7:00 PM

APRIL PREVIEW

- Tue 3 STATED MEETING.....7:30 PM
Western Night
Dinner.....6:30 PM

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Marvin P. Seidman | 15 Joseph Eshagian |
| 1 George Laskey | 16 Edward C. Allen |
| 2 Andre Harrell | 17 Harold Diner |
| 3 Hector L. De La Torre | 21 Michael D. Leebove |
| 3 Lawrence H. Burks | 21 Richard W. Sharpe |
| 6 Scott R. Devore | 22 Ralph Simon Kassian |
| 7 Norm Schultz | 24 Elliott M. Robbins |
| 8 William Robert Gillow | 26 Robert C. Lesser |
| 8 David Wilstein | 30 William W. Goldstein |
| 9 Michael Tamburo | 30 Jay S. Mangel |
| 13 Barry F. Silverman | 31 Matthew D. Cohn |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DELINQUENT DUES NOTICE

If you have not yet paid your 2007 dues they are delinquent – it is imperative that you send your check for \$65 to the Secretary immediately to avoid suspension.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

At our February Stated Meeting, a resolution was introduced to consider offering Life Memberships. A vote on this resolution will occur at our April Stated Meeting. The full text of the resolution is posted on our web site, www.last42.org.

A NIGHT AT THE OPERA

Join us for an exciting night at the Los Angeles Opera on Saturday, May 12, for a performance of Franz Lehar's world-renowned operetta The Merry Widow. The performance begins at 7:30 PM at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion and will be sung in English. Tickets are \$47 and can be reserved through our web site or by contacting Ron Hopkins. The deadline for making your reservation is April 15.

ARCHEOLOGY PROJECT

Our lodge has been contacted by an archeologist researching the history of the old Fort Moore Hill cemetery, which was located near the intersection of N. Hill Street and Cesar Chavez Avenue and in use from 1853 to 1879. It was the first non-Catholic cemetery in Los Angeles and many of our founding brethren were buried there. If anyone has any information about LA 42's involvement with this cemetery, please contact Ron Hopkins.

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Do you have something you would like to see in the Trestleboard? Do you have insights about Masonry you would like to share with your brethren? Send your articles, announcements, ideas, and comments to TRESTLEBOARD, 926 Santa Monica Blvd. #7, Santa Monica, CA, 90401, or send an e-mail to master@la42.org.

IN MEMORIAM


Brother Norman Leib entered into rest on November 9, 2006. He was initiated an Entered Apprentice Mason on May 8, 1955, passed to the degree of Fellowcraft on October 24, 1955, and raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on March 19, 1956. He was a member in good standing of our lodge for over 50 years.

*"Soft and safe to thee, my Brother, be they resting place!
Bright and glorious be thy rising from it!"*

TRESTLEBOARD

Fiat Lux


March 2007



LOS ANGELES - SILVER TROWEL
LODGE No. 42 F.&A.M.

OUR 154TH YEAR
A.L. 5853-6007

FROM THE EAST
EQUINOCTIAL
LIGHT



PLUS
From The West
From The South
A Night At The Opera

Stated Meeting Every First Tuesday

at the Santa Monica Masonic Center
926 Santa Monica Boulevard, Santa Monica

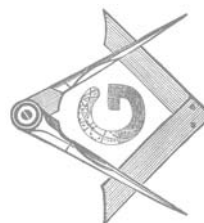
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2007 OFFICERS

MASTER

Ronald G. Hopkins

SENIOR WARDEN

Norm Schultz, P.M.(Geri)

JUNIOR WARDEN

André D. Harrell (September)

TREASURER

Wesley G. Pitts, P.M.

SECRETARY

Barry A. Goss, P.M. (Elaine)

CHAPLAIN

Gordon L. Freeman, P.M. (Eileen)

SENIOR DEACON

James A. Graziano

JUNIOR DEACON

Emilio Reyes (Mara)

MARSHAL

Seth S. Sobotka (Pamela)

JUNIOR STEWARD

Richard "Happy" Hall

ORGANIST

Andras Maxim (Judit)

TILER

Ed Parrott

OFFICERS' COACH

Wesley G. Pitts, P.M.

CANDIDATES' COACH

Michael M. Marsellos, P.M.

INSPECTOR

A. Sherman Ostrom, P.M. (Mary Ann)

FROM THE EAST EQUINOCTIAL LIGHT



AS WE TRANSITION FROM THE RAIN AND chill of February into March, the days and nights come into balance, as the sun passes through the Spring Equinox. So it is in our Lodge, as we balance our duties and responsibilities.

At our March Stated Meeting we will have the official visitation of our Inspector, the Wor. A. Sherman Ostrom. I encourage you to come to Lodge and give him a hearty welcome.

It is hoped that we will have one or more Fellowcraft degrees in March – check the web site for the latest news. We may also have an Entered Apprentice degree, depending on the action of the Lodge at the March Stated Meeting.

The theme of our April Stated Meeting will be "Western Night". You are encouraged to come dressed in your best western-style clothing and enjoy a BBQ dinner. Also at the April Stated Meeting we will vote on the resolution to offer Life Memberships.

Reservations are now being accepted for our "Night at the Opera" in May – see the Announcements for more information. We are also planning a trip to the Magic Castle in August.

I want to thank Wor. Wes Pitts for his help in the recovery of a filing cabinet containing Lodge records that had been stored by Beverly Hills Lodge.

I look forward to seeing you at Lodge.

RONALD G. HOPKINS, Master

FROM THE WEST

MY FIRST THOUGHT ON ASKED to become Los Angeles Silver Trowel Masonic Lodge and be a candidate for the office of Senior Warden was one of surprise. The surprise came from the thought that any organization would entrust such an important responsibility to a relative unknown. However on reflection my sense of surprise turned to one of pride. Pride not in myself but in our fraternity and the trust each one of us places in the other members of the craft. It not a quality that exists in all walks of life. But it does in Masonry.

Where else would the members on any organization elect an individual to the position of second in command who had been a member of that group for just one month? That act speaks volumes. Not about me but about the quality of our fraternity. I am in awe and greatly humbled. In awe of the trust each one of us is able to place in each other and humbled that this honor you have chosen to bestow on me. I will do my utmost not to give any reason to question your decision. I am honored by you, my brothers, and by just being a member of such an organization.

NORMAN M. SCHULTZ, Senior Warden

FROM THE SOUTH

SOME OF OUR LONG-TIME members love to boast about the abundance of membership attendance years ago in LA Silver Trowels' heyday. Not yet a member of this Lodge for a year, I humbly excepted the nomination to be this year's Junior Warden. Worshipful Carl Lau poked at me by saying it took him 19 years to become Junior Warden. I pondered that statement and it worried me because we have over 300 brothers in our Lodge, yet we struggle mightily with having enough bodies just to practice and confer degrees. One of California's oldest lodges with over 150 years of existence, is rich with history and tradition. It is vital that we ALL recognize that we have a serious problem and I, for one, am ready to do what is necessary not to see this lodge fall or worse, consolidate.

We have several young members as well as a bunch of new candidates desiring admission. It is up to us to show, through examples, the benefits of Masonry and why it's a great honor to be a mason. We need to be active in moving our candidates from Entered Apprentice to Master Mason and keep them interested and actively involved. To our younger masons who are not as involved or who aren't involved at all, why not take more advantage of being a fellowship, enlightenment and self-improvement by participating actively in the lodge?

Brethern, owe this to ourselves, our Lodge and our older and deceased brethren who dedicated themselves to making this Lodge what it was. More importantly, we owe it to freemasonry!

Pick up the trowel and join with me brethren to restore Los Angeles Silver Trowel back to its former glory.

ANDRÉ D. HARRELL, Junior Warden

PAST MASTERS

(LIVING)

1963 Phillip L. Goldstein	1989 Max C. Livingston
1965 Murray Jackson	1989 Gordon L. Freeman
1969 Ezra Levy	1989 Donald L. Holcomb
1970 Daniel A. Redholtz	1990 George Leimberg
1972 Carl C. Lau	1990 Max C. Livingston
1974 Paul H. Steinberg	1991 Terence F. W. Hall
1975 Salvador Gonzalez	1991 Richard R. Robinson
1977 Morton D. Leaderman	1992 Cornelius I. Enache
1978 Montie P. Mazo	1993 Sidney R. Goldstein
1980 Harvey Malin	1993 Harvey B. Lyman
1981 Morton D. Leaderman	1994 Luz R. Briseno
1982 Alfred W. Omansky	1995 Andrew Rosenbaum
1983 Arthur M. Serma	1996 Avi Grigorescu
1983 Ronald L. Singer	1997 Jordan L. Mehlinger
1983 Karl F. Berger	1998 Jordan L. Mehlinger
1984 Robert L. Amstadter	1999 Barry A. Goss
1984 Michael M. Marsellos	2000 Sidney R. Goldstein
1985 Jerome Gould	2001 Rafi Kureghian
1986 Richard G. Robbins	2002 Barry A. Goss
1987 Fred J. West	2003 Michael M. Marsellos
1987 Thomas J. Hargaden	2004 Michael M. Marsellos
1988 Thomas J. Hargaden	2005 Rafi Kureghian
1988 Jack C. Levy	2006 Wesley G. Pitts
1988 Harold R. Ravain, Jr.	



HIRAM AWARD RECIPIENTS

(LIVING)

1987 Morris I. Lazar	1995 Charles E. Campbell
1989 Anthony Sammartano, Sr.	1996 Eugene B. Levey
1990 Thomas J. Hargaden, P.M.	1999 Sam Slavin
1994 Gordon L. Freeman, P.M.	2000 Ernest F. Dynda
1995 Richard R. Robinson, P.M.	2002 Richard "Happy" Hall
1995 Luz R. Briseno, P.M.	2006 Michael M. Marsellos, P.M.