

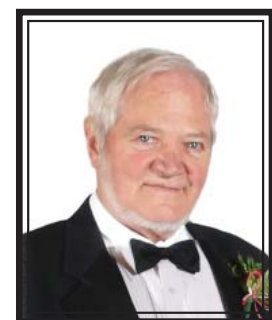
From the Master :

Brethren,

When you are looking at the date for the Stated Meeting it is not "A TYPO". The date has been changed to the Second Thursday of every month in the future, starting with June 11th. The Stated Meeting starting time remains the same, as well as the starting time for dinner.

There is plenty of work to be done in the coming months. In June and July we will have several Firsts and a Third Degree and others later in the year as candidates progress.

July 12th is our traditional yearly Ed Denton B.B.Q. "The Best B.B.Q. in the Southern California". It is our largest Lodge fund raiser so be sure to use your tickets



and feel free to bring friends and guests as there will be a humongous number of the tickets also available at the door.

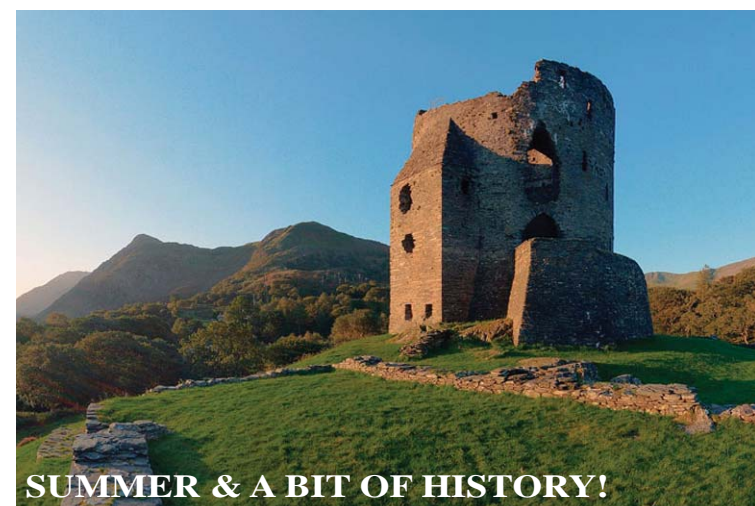
The two tickets mailed to you in the Trestleboard are just a tease, be sure to let the Lodge Officers how many more you need.

August, except for the Stated Meeting on the 13th will be dark. By the end of September there will be "Mason of the Year" and our brother David Chavez is nominated.

In October our Lodge will host "Masonic Information Night" for our wider community and we will also have a "Hiram Award" for our brother Jack Samford.

Brethren I would like to remind you that any program is just a piece of paper, not worth much, if you do not participate. Your attendance is what makes the Lodge alive. Your attendance and participation is what makes any of our events "A SUCCESS"

God Bless,
Mihailo O'Zdravkovic, P.M.
 Master 2009



SUMMER & A BIT OF HISTORY!



SPECIAL NOTES:

• **BY-LAWS CHANGE** ~ Brethren... as of May 18, 2009, Grand Lodge approved the change of our Stated Meeting Date from the First-Thursday to the Second-Thursday of each month. Please be aware of this change and know the change begins with this June 11, 2009 Stated Meeting. (See Events Calendar)

• **UNDER CONSTRUCTION** ~ AT&T has started construction at the Lodge facility and over the next 10 to 12 weeks will be trenching in the parking lot and running electrical and cell phone transmission lines. Please observe posted signs and drive more carefully during this time.

• **NEWLEADERSHIPCOURSEONLINE**~The Program Planning course, part of the five-course Lodge Management Certification Program, is now available online. This is the fourth program course available for online completion. Access leadership courses by clicking on the Member Center pull-down menu at the top of freemason.org, then selecting Leadership Development.

REMEMBER OUR SICK & DISTRESSED BRETHREN:

By: **WBro. Abel P. Parra, P.M., Senior Warden**

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EVENTS Calendar

Month	Events	Menu
June 2009	11 - Stated Meeting Dinner [6:15pm - 7:15pm]	MENU ROAST TRI-TIP BEEF, MAHI MAHI, MASHED POTATOES, GREEN BEANS, TOSSED GREEN CEASAR SALAD, APPLE PIE, COFFEE, [REG & DECAF], PUNCH, ASSORTED BREADS
	11 - Stated Meeting [7:30pm - 9:00pm]	
	16 - 1° Practice [7:00pm - 8:30pm]	
	18 - 3° Practice [7:00pm - 8:30pm]	
	25 - 1° Practice <i>TENATIVE</i> [7:00pm - 8:30pm]	
	29 - District School of Instruction... Location - SRC [6:30pm - 8:30pm]	
July 2009	9 - Stated Meeting Dinner [6:15pm - 7:15pm]	MENU STUFFED BELL PEPPERS, CHEESE ENCILADAS, RICE PILAF, BUTTERED CORN, SPRING MIX SALAD, BLEU CHEESE, ETC., ASSORTED JUMBO COOKIES, COFFEE, REG & DECAF, PUNCH, FLOUR TORTILLAS
	9 - Stated Meeting [7:30pm - 9:00pm]	
	12 - Annual Ed Denton Bar-B-Que [11:am - 3:00pm]	
	27 - District School of Instruction... Location - SRC [6:30pm - 8:30pm]	
August 2009	13 - Stated Meeting Dinner [6:15pm - 7:15pm]	MENU STUFFED BELL PEPPERS, CHEESE ENCILADAS, RICE PILAF, BUTTERED CORN, SPRING MIX SALAD, BLEU CHEESE, ETC., ASSORTED JUMBO COOKIES, COFFEE, REG & DECAF, PUNCH, FLOUR TORTILLAS
	13 - Stated Meeting [7:30pm - 9:00pm]	

MASONIC EDUCATION

A **CONCISE HISTORY OF FREEMASONRY: (...Continued) Box Club Charity Theory:** A more recent theory suggests modern Freemasonry developed from charitable beginnings. In the 1600s many trades operated what have become known as box clubs where their members would set aside earnings for the group or individual members to fall back on if they suffered hard times. Those without such assistance usually starved through lack of other reliable welfare support. Evidence indicates these box clubs began to admit members outside their trade and had many of the characteristics of early masonic lodges. Perhaps Freemasonry arose from an early and successful box club framework which was later taken over by the leading intellectual lights that emerged in the seventeenth century?

The Knights Templar: Masonic legend and some tradition is borrowed from the fanciful stories of the Knights Templar, an enigmatic and powerful military Order of fighting monks set up by Hugues de Payens in 1118. Their illustrious history has been the subject of numerous fascinating books and their effect upon the course of world history, religion and commerce is much greater than generally recognised. They were also responsible for the erection of many churches (eg Middle Temple on the Embankment in London shown on the left) and the assembly of numerous large estates and would themselves have employed a great many stone masons.

Although their effect upon Freemasonry is very uncertain, they had amassed considerable wealth and influence in London, Scotland and throughout the United Kingdom that cannot be overlooked. Most serious historians dismiss a direct link to the Knights Templars for lack of evidence. However, is it possible that the Knights Templars might have shared some of their knowledge and rituals with their more senior stone masons with whom they employed who later incorporated them into their own traditions?

The Knights Templars ostensible purpose was the protection of pilgrims on their journey from the coastal port of Jaffra to Jerusalem. Initially however, there were too few of them to be an effective escort. In any event, for the first nine years of their existence, they were far too busy purposefully digging under the ruins of King Solomons Temple to be offering any support to Pilgrims. It seems clear that during their excavations they discovered something of immense spiritual or material value for they swiftly became very rich and powerful and enjoyed this position for nearly two hundred years until the fall of the Holy Lands. Evidence of Templar excavations was found by Lieutenant Warren, Royal Engineers in 1867. (...**To Be Continued**)

*This is a "NO MYTHS ALLOWED" section (FORUM). The topics covered in this forum are to facilitate a better understanding of the history, obligations and responsibilities of and for every Master Mason. If there's a Masonic Educational message you believe serves this intent, please submit the information, in writing, to the **ESD Trestleboard** for listing consideration.*

RECEIPE OF THE MONTH

Mike Burgers

(to be mixed couple of hours before grilling)

Ingredients:

2 pounds of lean ground beef, 1 pound of ground pork and if available, one-half pound ground mutton/lamb. One red, one green and one jalapeño pepper, a single large onion, quarter pound crumbled Feta cheese, quarter pound of shredded Monterrey Jack cheese, one teaspoon mild paprika, half teaspoon of ground black pepper, one teaspoon kosher salt, half teaspoon of baking soda, and one teaspoon of olive oil and one egg.

Mix:

Cut onion and peppers into quarter inch squares (jalapeño smaller) and mix all ingredients thoroughly by hand, if possible, making compact mass and cool in the fridge for two hours.

Cooking: Before grilling, make burgers by creating tennis ball size rounds. Flatten to about a half inch or less thick (*thinner grills faster*) and grill on high both sides.

EAT & ENJOY.

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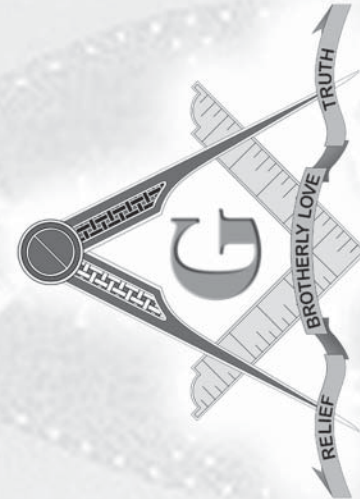
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