



MENIFEE VALLEY TRESTLEBOARD

March 2010



Master's Message

W. Frank Postmus, PM, Master

My Brethren:

As the song of the 1960s said, "And the beat goes on, and the beat goes on!" This month we will be conferring 2 more Entered Apprentice Degrees followed by a third one in April. In addition, we are in the midst of conferring a spate of 2nd and 3rd Degrees as well. We are faced with a situation that has not occurred since the 1960s, the officers are so busy conferring degrees that they don't have time to practice. What a wonderful dilemma!

I hope to see very many of you at the annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner and program. As usual, we will dine on Chef Conrad's delicious corned beef and cabbage or a chicken dish if you so desire. Please show your Irish side by a wearin' o' the green. You never know but a leprechaun or two might show up.

Brethren, I called a brother recently whom the Secretary indicated was 2 years behind in his dues. When I called him, he said that he had paid his dues and that it wasn't too long before that he had received his dues receipt. He found it in his wallet and it said that his dues were paid through December 31, 2008! He was astounded! Brethren, it is easy to let these things get away from us. Check your dues receipt right now! If the date of expiration is anything other than December 31, 2010, you are in arrears. 'Nuff said!

Fraternally,
Frank

"Life is short but the influences of what we do or say is immortal. There needs to be much more of the spirit of fellowship among us and more forgiveness. The power of gentleness is little seen in the world."

Brother Walter Breuning, from a speech he gave
at the celebration of his 113th birthday.

IN MEMORIAM

Brother Earl Kazmier
Born August 17, 1919
Died January 13, 2010
Age 90 years, 4 months, 26 days

Brother Stephen Warneke
Born May 31, 1950
Died October 27, 2009
Age 59 years, 4 months, 27 days



FROM THE WEST

Phil Mooney, PM,
Senior Warden

Brethren,

Traditions in Masonry are formed from our History. The history of the Craft dates back to our Founding Fathers. One in particular is, of course, Brother George Washington, PM, who always believed in the ideals of Masonry.

As we study our past, we learn about what Masons have done throughout history to contribute to society.

Our Master has recently appointed Brother Tom Dawson, our Tiler, to research the past achievements of Perris Lodge No. 411 and Elsinore Lodge No. 289. The histories of those lodges will then become part of the traditions of Menifee Valley Lodge No. 289.

How exciting to see what we might learn! See you in Lodge!

Fraternally,
Phil

Universal Laws

When you try to prove to someone that something won't work, it will.

As soon as you find a product that you really like, they will stop making it.

THE LODGE CALENDAR FOR MARCH 2010

4TH-----Stated Meeting, 7:00pm; Building Association, 5:30pm
7th-----St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner and Program, 2:00pm
11th-----3rd Degree, Brother Ianollo, 7:00pm
15rd -----O. S. I., Temecula Catalina Island No. 524, Host, 7:00pm
18th-----3rd Degree, Brother Freeman, 7:00pm
23rd-----Job's Daughters, 7:00pm
25th-----2 First Degrees, Messrs. Vazquez and Uriarte, 7:00pm

OTHER BODIES

Bethel No. 165, Job's Daughters
Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings, 7:00pm
Ms Laura Reguero, Bethel Guardian
Bro. Jacob Wheeler, Associate Bethel Guardian

Vallecitos Court Order of Amaranth
Meets 4th Mondays at 7:00pm
Jackie Barnofski, Royal Matron
Al Asevido, Royal Patron

Elsinore/Sun City Shrine Club meets for lunch at
12noon on 2nd Weds. at the Sizzler in Lake Elsinore.
Bro. George PUNCHARD, President

FROM THE SOUTH

Harold Whitford, PM,
Junior Warden

Brethren,

Everyone who attended the Valentine's Day dinner in February can attest to the success of the Sunday afternoon functions. We served approximately 90 meals to our members, their wives and our special guests, our Masonic widows. A few other guests were with us, one of whom presented his petition and check for initiation.

We've been talking with Wor. 'Scotty' Bowman, PM, and it appears that we will shoot for a Saturday in June for the lodge golf tournament. In order to get sponsors involved and the discounted use of a golf course, the tournament may be designated as a charity event for the community rather than a Lodge fund raiser. This is really a great idea to get Masonry exposed to the general public in our area. Another way is to keep bringing those cans and boxes of food and other satples to the lodge for the Menifee Community Cupboard Drive.

Fraternally,
Harold

**A fine is tax for doing something wrong.
A tax is a fine for doing something well.**

Menifee Valley Chapter No. 243
Order of Eastern Star
Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 7:00pm.
Liz Moffat, Worthy Matron
Bob Moffat, Worthy Patron

Sun City Masonic Club
meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 8:00am for
breakfast and interesting programs.
Bro. Pete Monsen, President

2010 Lodge Officers

Master	Frank Postmus, PM	756-6966
Sr. Warden	Phil Mooney, PM	678-5963
Jr. Warden	Harold Whitford, PM	246-2111
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Let The Sun Shine

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Harold Brandman
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Mike Carmichael
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Tim Findlay

Lester Gremard
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Paul Hudson
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Gerd Krause
Frank Lovell, PM
Ed Marshall, PM
Jerry Mattson

Bill Miller, PM
Clyde Moore
Charlie Oostdyk
Macey Rosenthal
Bud Smith
Bill Victor
Tom Wilkes, PM
Dean Young
Richard Zavetz, Sr.

They don't care that we know, if they don't know that we care. Thanks to those of you who took the names of 3 brethren to call. Gary Garrison, Sunshine Chairman

COMMITTEES FOR 2010

Audit

Phil Mooney, PM, SW
Jacob Wheeler
Dick Staley, PM

Finance

George Punchard
Claude Bealer, PM
Bill Barker, PM

Social Events

Thomas Freeman
Tim Findlay
Harold Whitford, PM

Charity

Frank Postmus, PM, WM
Phil Mooney, PM, SW
Harold Whitford, PM, JW

Head Candidates Coach
Phil Mooney, PM, SW

Widows

Gary Garrison
Frank Postmus, PM, WM
Harold Whitford, PM, JW

Sickness and Distress

Gary Garrison
Sidney Lee, PM
Frank Postmus, PM, WM

Member Retention

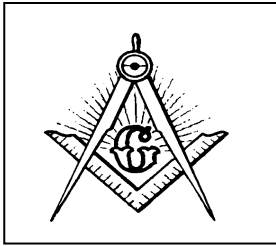
Bill Barker, PM
Steve Rellias
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Masonic Education

Vick Knight, Ed. D.
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Sidney Lee, PM
Bill Barker, PM



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**For The
St. Patrick's Day Dinner
March 7, 2010**

**Corned Beef, Cabbage,
potatoes, carrots, salad
and dessert. As is our
custom, a chicken dish
will also be available.**

**And, as usual, our
price is the best in
town - \$8. Call Wor.
Harold Whitford, PM,
for reservations by
Mar. 1st at 246-2111.**



FROM THE SECRETARY'S TABLE

Brethren:

**We still have 29 members who are late in
paying their dues for 2010. If the economy is
causing a financial hardship, please drop me or
the Master a note and we can help. Do not let
your membership expire.**

**For those who did not attend the
Sweetheart's Dinner on February 14th, you
missed a fantastic meal. Compliments to the
Chef!**

**Fraternally,
Bill Barker, PM, Secretary**