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### From the East



Brothers,

***"Waste no more time arguing what a good man should be. Be one."***

- Marcus Aurelius

As you walk in the front door of the Lodi Masonic Temple, you see marble stairs leading up to the second floor. These stairs are divided into 3, 5, and 7 steps. These steps are divided into a pleasing pattern and such a pattern is appropriate for a Masonic Temple.

As beautiful as these marble steps are, there are problems in Lodi Lodge. There are members of Lodi Lodge who expect perfection, if not the impossible from Lodge Officers. Recently, a member criticized me for not forcing more lodge members to come to Stated Meetings and degrees. He seemed to think I had some sort of "Goon Squad" who drives around and can merely throw members into a windowless van and have members appear at degrees and stated meetings. This statement in open lodge was from a newer and younger Mason, so we can chalk up such a ridiculous statement up to his youthful exuberance. However, even more recently, a senior member who used to be a Master of Lodi Lodge and also used to be an Officer's Coach, told our Senior Warden, Robert Ramos, that his performance at the first practice of the 3rd degree was so horrible he should not even deserve to be practicing.

Yes, a Past Master and past Officer's Coach told our Senior Warden (in front of all the other officers) that his memorization was so poor, he did not deserve to be in Lodge practicing degree work.

Can anyone of us now be surprised that Robert has said he will demit from Lodi Lodge and plans never to enter the building again?

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### Lodi Lodge #256 F. & A.M.

**Stated Meetings:** First Thursday at 7:30 PM

321 Pine Street

LODI CA 95240

Mailing Address: PO BOX 387 LODI CA 95241-0387

May Dinner Menu: TBD \$10.00/Person

**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY May 3rd**

For reservations: 256dinner@gmail.com

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Last month in our Trestle Board, I mentioned that there are holes in Lodi's officer line. Now the situation is even more dire. But a situation that is even worse is the lack of Brotherhood at Lodi.

Lodi Lodge survived Covid, but will it survive petty bickering? A Man can enter Lodi Masonic Temple and step up the marble staircase. But, can members of Lodi Lodge step up and be men, be brothers? Or will you choose to turn your back on Lodi Lodge and let it die from small mindedness?

***"Waste no more time arguing what a good man should be. Be one."*** - Marcus Aurelius



Your Worshipful Master,  
Scott Campbell

## Masonic Do's and Don'ts

### LODGE ROOM ETIQUETTE

- When addressing the Master in Lodge always rise, give the appropriate Masonic sign and say "Worshipful Master" before speaking.
- During open lodge, if it is necessary to walk to the East, never walk or cross between the altar and the Master's chair, always approach on either the North or South side of the Master.
- Cell phones should **NEVER** be used when lodge is open and should always be on silent mode. Use of a phone is distracting and disrespectful to the Master, Brethren and Candidate.



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# Masonic Lodge Officer Duties and Responsibilities



## Junior Deacon

Like his senior counterpart, the Senior Deacon, the Jewel of his office is the Square and Compass, however the Junior Deacon's **Square and Compass has a moon in the center** (rather than a sun), which signifies that he is **in the West**.

The Junior Deacon of a Masonic Lodge is an assistant officer of the Lodge. He sits to the lower right of the Senior Warden.

The Junior Deacon's principle roles are to assist the Senior Warden by carrying messages from the Senior Warden in the West to the Junior Warden in the South and to guard the inner door of the Lodge.

It is his duty to ascertain at all times whether the Tiler is guarding the door and only allowing visitors to enter after they have been properly vouched for. The Junior Deacon and the Tiler communicate with each other by knocking on the door (the Tiler from the outside...and the Junior Deacon from the inside).

The Junior Warden's position is similar to a **Manager**.



The Sacramento Scottish Rite honored all newly raised Master Masons from 2022.

Saturday, March 18th. Brothers Tim Reynolds and Hector Galvan were presented certificates from MW Randy Brill, Grand Master and Illustrious Mario Balbiani, 33rd Degree, Personal Representative SGIG in California.

Also attending wives Lorena Galvan , Jen Bryant Brothers Bill Beckman, Marvin Bryant, Rick Wright and Inspector Worshipful Scotty Christian.



Worshipful Brother Fred Donald, a member of Lodi Lodge, Woodbridge, Columbia Historic, and seven time Master of Lone 80 recently reached a goal he set for himself 46 years ago.

He has donated over 25 gallons/201 units of blood. He has donated 77 units to Shriners Hospital for Children, 38 units to the Red Cross "Heroes for Babies" and 86 units to the local community.

Congratulations and thank you Wor. Fred.

**What a wonderful accomplishment!**

**3rd Degree Practices**  
(Master Masons ONLY)

Tuesday, May 9 at 6:30 PM

Thursday, May 25 at 6:30 PM

Tuesday, June 6 at 6:30 PM



**3rd Degrees**

Thursday, June 29 at 7:00 PM Alex Terrill

Saturday, July 8 at 10:15 AM Josh Weigum

**May Birthdays**

Brother	Date
Steven Reiswig	5/3
Michael Knight	5/4
Shawn Mc Carty	5/6
Thomas Kellogg	5/16
Scott Campbell	5/19
James Casey	5/21
Michael Ibarra	5/22
James Gerard	5/28
Adam Barron	5/31



*Eastern Star Heritage Chapter  
Presents...  
Annual Mother's Day  
Breakfast*

*Lodi Lodge #256  
315 West Pine St., Lodi, CA*

*Price: TBD*

*Sunday, May 14th  
8:00 AM - Noon*

*Proceeds will be used for the chapter's fraternal expenses*



**SPECIAL  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES  
WORSHIPFUL BROTHER CHARLES A. LEWIS!**

Our most senior Past Master, Worshipful Charles A. Lewis is celebrated his 90th birthday on April 17th.

Charlie was raised a Master Mason with his brother, Ralph on November 12, 1959 and served as Master in 1967 and again in 1987.

He also served the Grand Lodge of California as Jr. Grand Deacon in 1968. Charlie was our officer's coach for about 30 years.



Check out our website at:

<https://lodge256.freemason.org/>

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**Because I have a Brother...  
 I always have a friend.**

Bro. James Willis



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 through the boundless realm of  
 eternity"**

*Richard O. Wright, PM*

  
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OF  
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Herrick**

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*SCOTT ANDERSON*

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	01  <b>DeMolay</b> Woodbridge Lodge 7:00PM	02  <b>Woodbridge Lodge</b> Stated Meeting 7:30PM Dinner 6:30PM <b>Ben Ali Shrine</b> 6:00PM	03  <b>Tokay Shrine</b> Richmaid on Cherokee Lane 5:30PM <b>Job's Daughters</b> 6:00PM	04  <b>Lodi Lodge</b> Stated Meeting 7:30PM Dinner 6:30PM	05	06
07  <b>Cloud 7 Assembly</b> Woodbridge Lodge 7:00PM	08  <b>Cloud 7 Assembly</b> 3rd Degree Practice 6:30 PM (Master Masons Only)	09	10	11	12	13
14  <b>Mother's Day Breakfast</b> 8:00 AM - Noon Hosted by: Eastern Star Heritage Chapter No. 50	15  <b>DeMolay</b> Woodbridge Lodge 7:00PM	16  <b>Job's Daughters</b> 6:00PM	17  <b>Job's Daughters</b> 6:00PM	18  <b>Grand Lodge School of Instruction</b> at Woodbridge Lodge 7:00PM <b>Host:</b> Lodi Lodge (All Masons) <b>Eastern Star</b> Heritage Chapter No. 50	19	20
21  <b>Cloud 7 Assembly</b> Woodbridge Lodge 7:00PM	22  <b>Cloud 7 Assembly</b> Woodbridge Lodge 7:00PM	23	24  <b>Lodi Lodge</b> 3rd Degree Practice 6:30 PM (Master Masons Only)	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	01	02	03
04	05	06	07	08	09	10

*All events at Lodi Lodge 321 Pine St. Lodi unless otherwise noted*

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## UP COMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME
May 2nd, Tuesday	<b>Woodbridge Lodge</b> Stated Meeting Dinner at 6:30 PM	7:30 PM
May 4th, Thursday	<b>Lodi Lodge</b> Stated Meeting Dinner at 6:30 PM	7:30 PM
May 18th, Thursday	<b>Grand Lodge School of Instruction</b> (All Masons) Woodbridge Lodge No. 131 1040 E Augusta St. Woodbridge, CA 95258 <b>Host:</b> Lodi Lodge	7:00 PM

### Youth Groups

Job's Daughters Meets at Lodi Lodge	First and Third Wednesdays	6:00 p.m.
Cloud 7 Assembly Meets at Woodbridge Lodge	Second and fourth Mondays	7:00 p.m.
DeMolay Meets at Woodbridge Lodge	First and third Mondays	7:00 p.m.