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From the East



Many thanks to Wor Scotty J. Christian and Wor Mario Balbiani for serving as Installing Officer and Master of Ceremonies and installing our Tiler, Jr. Warden, Sr. Warden and Master prior to our June Stated Meeting.

WB Scotty is, of course, our Inspector but he is also the Asst. Grand Tiler for the Grand Lodge of Calif. I've known him since he was dating his wife, Elizabeth, when she was a Rainbow Girl (WOW is HE old). WB Mario, 33 Degree, is a past master of Union Kit Carson Lodge and the Personal Representative to the Sovereign Grand Inspector General of Scottish Rite in Calif. Mario hangs his hat in the Sacramento Valley of Scottish Rite. I was pleased to take a small part when he was raised to Master Mason Degree 23 years ago.

WB John Herrick provided us with a yummy Chinese dinner and the Cloud 7 Rainbow Girls served the meal including set-up and clean-up. Thanks team!

Bro Marvin Bryant gave us a brief recap of lessons learned at the recent Officers/Wardens Retreat in Tahoe. The retreats are expensive but provide extremely valuable training for the next leaders of our lodge. Money well spent.

FREE DINNER FOR TWO!

Find your name in this trestle board, come to the next Stated Meeting and Rick will buy your dinner. Your guest may be your lady, a friend, a prospect or a brother. Just call Rick 209-369-6530 and tell him you're coming. **NOT SO FAST** – only the name (and guest) appearing after "Here's looking at you, Bro" gets the freebie.

Fraternal Cheers,
Rick

July Dinner Menu: TBD
\$10.00/Person

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY July 3rd

Lodi Lodge #256 F. & A.M.

Stated Meetings: First Thursday at 7:30 PM

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COMING SOON! THIRD DEGREE!

Bro Alex Terrill is scheduled to be raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on **Thursday, July 13 at 7:00 PM**. When's the last time you saw a Third Degree? Please put it on your calendar now, we would love to have 100 side-liners. And, Papa Kevin will be there to help raise his son.



Get Your Tickets Now for Masons Night in San Francisco!



Scan Here!

September 26, at 6:45 PM—This is the 15th season that Calif Masons have sponsored the Jr. Giants program to provide mitts and other equipment to youngsters so they can play ball. Here's looking at you, Bro – Bryan Beckler.

Tickets are available for the game @ Masons4Mitts and several Brothers are already making plans. Bill and Donna Beckman will be traveling via the Vallejo ferry; Tim and Mikayla Reynolds and friends are driving; our co-captain Hector Galvan with lady Lorena will be there also. Give 'em a call and perhaps carpool. Calif Masons will be recognized at the game when another huge check is presented – over \$1,000,000 so far!

Also, Russ Lake, commissioner of the Junior Giants in Lodi and son of Wor Vince Lake, invited Lodges #256 and #131 to opening day ceremonies of June 10th. Attending: Wor Vince and Vicky, Mike Sinclair, Marvin Bryant, Tim Reynolds, Rick and Vicki and Josh Weigum on the field as a coach and Hector Galvan made a great presentation as co-captain of Mason4Mitts.



HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS

You may have read about the unfortunate disaster that struck the Lodi Woman's Club next door. On March 26 the roof of their building collapsed under the weight of accumulated rain water when downspout drains became clogged.

Lodi Lodge stepped forward and is now assisting our friends by making our temple available for their meetings. This, my Brothers, is just one of the things Masons do!



Masonic Homes of California **JUNE IS MASONIC HOMES MONTH**

Did you know that when you first made application to your Calif lodge to become a Mason that part of your fee was to the Masonic Homes of Calif? We should all endeavor to continue that charitable practice – You can give now – Go to Freemason.org, Charities or send a check to 1111 California St, S.F. 94108.

If all the officers contribute, Lodi #256 will again be added to the honor roll of 100% Officer Giving. Will we make it? – only the Shadow knows! (young guys ask old guys what that means).

Congrats, Congrats, Congrats!



Brother Tim Reynolds will be recognized as the Mason of the Year on August 5, 6:00 PM at the Stockton Masonic Center. Bro Tim is one of those quiet fellows that is always doing things behind the scenes to help your lodge and Freemasonry including serving as our Jr. Steward and President of the Building Association.



Wor Bro. George Lester has been named as the 2023 Hiram Award recipient for Lodi Lodge. Dinner and program will be September 9, 7:00 PM in Lodi Lodge. George has given numerous hours coaching the officers and candidates, serving as our Treasurer and assisting on more committees than I can count.



Brother Tim Christensen will have reached the honored distinction of 50 years in Masonry this year and will be presented with the Golden Veteran Award on October 14th, 7:00 PM. He comes from a long line of distinguished Master Masons in his family and his biography will knock you out! This is truly a high-



REMEMBER YOUR BROTHERS

WB Steve Fowler is now at the Lodi Commons, 115 Louie Ave. Bro Steve had a serious stroke several years ago and has difficulty getting out.

If you know of other Brothers who need a kind word give them a call or stop by to see them and please inform the Master and other officers.



Wor Rick O. Wright PM with his Colonial Black Tricorn Hat when he was master in 1976



Special thanks to Wor Rick O. Wright PM for finding it within his cable tow to serve once again as Master of Lodi Lodge #256 .



The 150th year apron of the California Masonry when he was Master in 2000

- Bro Hector Galvan and your Master traveled to San Benito Lodge 211 in Hollister to attend a First Degree on May 26. A beautiful building, wonderful degree, great Brethren AND a steak dinner!
- Bro Shawn McCarty will be traveling to Cuba this summer. Maybe he'll bring us some cigars.
- Semi-Annual reports from the Secretary, Treasurer, and Building Association are due August 3rd.



Ponderings of a Steward

Bro. Tim Reynolds



The Three Great Pillars Part III: Beauty

“Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as elaborate hairstyles and the wearing of gold jewelry or fine clothes. Rather, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God’s sight.” – 1 Peter 3:3-4

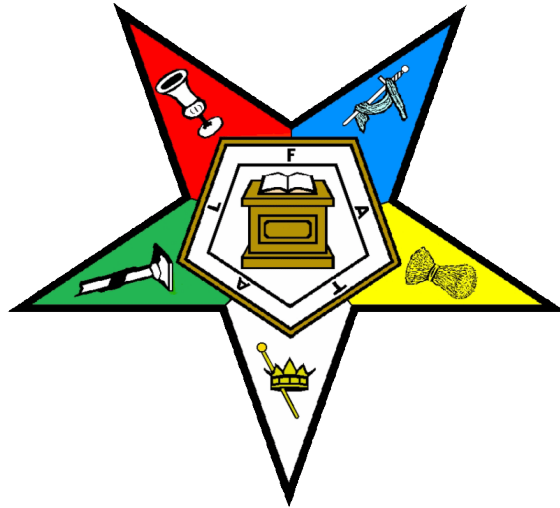
Beauty is a multifaceted concept that can be interpreted in various ways, depending on cultural, personal, and philosophical perspectives. Here are several definitions of beauty:

1. **Aesthetic Pleasure:** Beauty is often associated with aesthetic pleasure, where something is visually appealing or pleasing to the senses. This definition emphasizes the harmony, proportion, and attractiveness of an object or person.
2. **Symmetry and Proportion:** Beauty can be defined as the presence of symmetry and proportion. Symmetry refers to a balanced arrangement of parts, while proportion relates to the relationship between those parts. These qualities are often seen as attractive and harmonious.
3. **Inner Radiance:** Beauty is not solely about external appearances. Some definitions emphasize inner qualities, such as kindness, compassion, intelligence, and charisma. Inner beauty can shine through and enhance a person's overall attractiveness.
4. **Subjective Perception:** Beauty is subjective and varies from person to person. It is often said that beauty lies in the eye of the beholder, suggesting that individuals have different preferences and interpretations of what they find beautiful.
5. **Uniqueness and Individuality:** Beauty can be found in uniqueness and individuality. It celebrates the distinct characteristics and features that make someone or something stand out from the crowd. Embracing diversity and appreciating differences contribute to the concept of beauty.
6. **Emotional Resonance:** Beauty can evoke emotional responses such as joy, awe, or a sense of transcendence. It can move us on a deep emotional level, whether through art, nature, or human experiences.
7. **Timeless and Eternal:** Some definitions of beauty transcend time and culture. They suggest that beauty possesses a timeless quality that persists across generations, appealing to fundamental human sensibilities and values.

From the above list, Number 3 is the most relevant to our Pillar of Beauty. The Pillar of Beauty is a symbol of an inward loveliness, a beauty of the mind and heart, a beauty of the spirit. The sun at meridian height is the illumination by which life is made beautiful.

For a real Mason beauty is much a lamp to live by as are wisdom and strength. He finds beauty in his fellow man because his inner self is beautiful. His house not made with hands is made of stones that can stand before the Great Architect: unselfishness, kindness, consideration, charity, and a giving spirit; of genuine brotherhood because it comes from the heart.

Join Eastern Star
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At a Stockton Ports Game
August 11th 2023
At 7:05PM



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for tickets



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Recently, One of our brothers found the elevator unlocked.

The elevator was “up stairs”. Upon investigation they found a person the lodge balcony.

It appeared they spent the night, when asked, they left without incident.

We were fortunate (this time) that they didn’t have nefarious intentions.

As a reminder...

If you are the last one in the building...

- Walk through the building and make sure no one else is in the building
- Make sure the elevator is locked out
- Make sure **ALL** of the doors are closed and locked

Lodge Hats for Sale

We currently have Lodi Lodge hats for sale.

We have 7 **Trucker style**

And

2 **Flex-fit**

2-S Flex-fit (6 3/4 to 7 1/4)

Both styles are \$13.00 each.
(exact change appreciated)

They will be available for purchase at the
Stated Meetings



July Birthdays

Brother	Date
Robert Fuller	7/2
Charles Canada, PM	7/7
Christopher Ross, PM	7/7
Lee Boyer	7/10
Daniel Cole	7/14
Edward Fitzpatrick	7/29
Timothy Christensen	7/30

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Bro. James Willis



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Or if your name is incorrect

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OF

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"Bob"
Herrick**



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2023 JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	01
02	03	04	05	06	07	08
	 DeMolay Woodbridge Lodge 7:00PM			 Lodi Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30PM Dinner 6:30PM		
09	10	11	12	13	14	15
	 Cloud 7 Assembly Woodbridge Lodge 7:00PM	 Woodbridge Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30PM Dinner 6:30PM  Ben Ali Shrine 6:00PM	 Tokay Shrine Richmaid on Cherokee Lane 5:30PM  Job's Daughters 6:00PM	 Third Degree Bro. Alex Terrill 7:00PM		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	 DeMolay Woodbridge Lodge 7:00PM			 Grand Lodge School of Instruction - DARK  Eastern Star Heritage Chapter No. 50 7:00PM		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	 Cloud 7 Assembly Woodbridge Lodge 7:00PM		 Job's Daughters 6:00PM	 2nd Degree Practice 6:30 PM (Fellowcraft and Master Masons Only)		
30	31	01	02	03	04	05

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

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UP COMING EVENTS		
DATE	EVENT	TIME
June 22nd, Thursday	Officer's Practice for 3rd Degree	6:30 PM
June 29th, Thursday	Officer's Practice for 3rd Degree	6:30 PM
July 6th, Thursday	Lodi Lodge Stated Meeting Dinner at 6:30 PM	7:30 PM
July 11th, Tuesday	Woodbridge Lodge Stated Meeting Dinner at 6:30 PM	7:30 PM
July 13th, Thursday	Third Degree	7:00 PM
July 20th, Thursday	Inspector's SOI— DARK FOR SUMMER	6:30 PM
July 27th, Thursday	Officer's Practice 2nd Degree	6:30 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.