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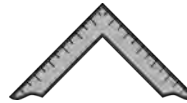
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From the East



The end of the Masonic year is coming up. The Lodge needs your support. We have several vacancies for the upcoming year. Please help the Lodge so we can keep our Lodge going.

Below is a note from an unknown author that I believe is harsh but true. So, no matter what degree of brother you are please read and contemplate on **"How To Kill Your Lodge"**

Fraternally,

Chris

How To Kill Your Lodge

Don't come: When you do come, come late.

Never accept an office: It's better to stay outside and criticize. The officers asked for the job, let them do all the work.

Never pay your dues in advance: Wait until you get your moneys worth and the wait a little longer.

It's good to tell your officers failing to visitors: They may not discover them on their own.

If there are a few zealous workers in the Lodge: Inform everyone the Lodge is run by a clique.

Disagree with established rules and regulations: Let people know you have a mind of your own.

Keep talking to the brother next to you in Lodge: It makes for good fellowship

If a brother has said or done something to you don't like: Be mad at the whole Lodge.

November Dinner

NO RESERVATION/NO DINNER

Menu: BBQ Steak

\$15.00/Person

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY

November 4th

For reservations: 256dinner@gmail.com

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Stated Meetings: First Thursday at 7:30 PM

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NOTICE: DECEMBER STATED MEETING CHANGE

Lodi Lodge #256 has received dispensation from Grand Lodge to change our December Stated Meeting: From **December 5th** to **December 12th** this year



SOFT AND SAFE TO THEE MY BROTHER BE YOUR RESTING PLACE

A Masonic memorial service was held October 5th at Woodbridge Lodge #131. The lodge room was packed with many friends, family and over 30 Masonic brethren to pay final respects to our brother.

Worshipful Vince was a Mason for almost 64 years. He was raised in Progressive Lodge #578 and served as Master in 1966. He was also a member and Past Master of Lodi Lodge #256 serving in 1993, 1999 and 2005. He also was a member of Woodbridge Lodge #131 and served as Master there in 2006 and 2023.

He received the Hiram Award from Lodi Lodge #256 in 1997 and Woodbridge Lodge #131 in 2009.

Worshipful Vince married his childhood sweetheart, Vicky, and they celebrated 71 years together and had three great kids, Charles, Russell and Loretta.

Vince served as law enforcement officer for 33 years retiring after 23 years as a Captain with the Lodi Police Department.

A story teller extraordinaire he will be missed. Farewell my Brother.

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



November Birthdays

	Brother	Date
	Park Johnson	10/1
	Francisco Mora Jr.	10/1
	Douglas Mason	10/2
	Clyde Ehrhardt	10/3
	James Sanborn PM	10/3
	Jonathan Tallerico	10/4
	Lance Kout	10/7
	Jerry Glenn	10/9
	George Lester PM	10/19
	Michael Sinclair	10/20



Traveling Brother's Adventures



Wor. Rick Wright enjoyed a visit to Monterey Lodge No. 217 on Monday, October 14th.



Hiram Award Ceremony

On September 28, 2024 Brother Bob Garcia was awarded the Hiram Award at Lodi Lodge #256. Master of Ceremony John Herrick PM gave an account of Brother Garcia's life, his family history in Masonry and his personal contributions to the Lodge and his community. At times it was humorous and times thought provoking. Making each attendee ponder "How can I be a better person".

It was a very moving and inspiring ceremony and I hope that more brothers will attend the next Hiram Award Ceremony.



Hiram Recipients in attendance L-R: Bill Beckman PM, John Herrick PM, Bill Schmer PM, Bob Garcia, Mike Sinclair, Charles Lewis PM, Tim Christensen, Will McVicker PM, Rich Wright, PM



Bro. Garcia's family in attendance L-R: Daughter Angela Garcia (OES), Son Chris Garcia, Daughter-in-Law Holly Garcia, Bob Garcia, Wife Karen Garcia, Grandson Kayden Garcia, Granddaughter Makenzie Garcia, Aunt Sue Lynn (Past Deputy Grand Matron), Sister Tina Pilara



Bro. Garcia and his wife Karen



What is the Hiram award?



I wondered what the Hiram Award was all about here is what I found...

The Hiram award is generally described as the ‘highest honor’ that can be presented by a Lodge.

We currently have sixteen Hiram Award Recipients in Lodi Lodge #256

Every year Blue Lodges across the state of California bestow an honor known as the Hiram award upon a single member of their individual Lodge. The award is generally described as the ‘highest honor’ which can be presented by a Lodge. This can be somewhat confusing, as Master of the Lodge is also described as the ‘highest honor’ that a Mason can achieve. Technically, both statements are true.

The name ‘Hiram’ itself is Hebrew and means “my brother is exalted,” or “my brother is most noble.” In Masonic Legend, there are two Hiram; Hiram, King of Tyre and Hiram Abiff, who was sent from King Hiram of Tyre to King Solomon (2 Chron 2:13). “Abiff” is an interesting word from the Bible, as it’s translated differently in the various versions: -ab, Abi- and Abi(f). Strong’s Concordance indicates that the word ‘Abif’ translates to “fatherless.”

The Hiram Abiff of Masonic Legend was the son of a widow from the tribe of Naphtali and lived in Tyre. The tribe of Naphtali was one of the northern Israelite tribes, that joined with David, who was to become the ruler of a unified Kingdom of Israel. The successor to David was Solomon, the King of Israel.

We read in the Bible (1 Kings Chapters 6-8) that King Solomon built the First Temple – also known as King Solomon’s Temple. King Solomon requested the aid of King Hiram of Tyre, who furnished Solomon with materials, workmen, and a particular craftsman skilled in stone, metal, wood, and fabric: Hiram Abiff. Hiram was not only a skilled craftsman, but he was known as a Master Architect and was renowned as a man who could get things done. A Biblical mover and shaker, as it were.

According to accounts, the First Temple took seven years to complete – even with over 150,000 masons employed at the building. These workmen – while provided with food, shelter, and a steady paycheck during the construction – worked under the premise that when the project was finished, they would then achieve the status of Master Mason.

Seven years is a long time. And some of the workmen were less patient than others. A few dissatisfied workers conspired to extort their promotions early from Hiram Abiff. They talked, cajoled, and finally hunted him down, found him alone, and threatened him. But Hiram refused their demands and did not yield to their threats. He reminded them of their duty to God and the conditions of their employment by King Solomon. Unfortunately, his discussions with the workmen failed, and three of them, in their anger, murdered Hiram Abiff in the unfinished Temple.

That, essentially, is the answer to the question of who Hiram Abiff is. He is a man of noble character, who remained true to his word, his nation, his community, his promise, and God even when confronted with certain death.

The Hiram Award is an honor that is bestowed only once a year by a Lodge. Unlike the office of Master of the Lodge which a Master Mason can hold more than once a Mason can only receive the Hiram Award one time in his life. And there’s no memorization or floor work required for the Hiram Award, which is a nice plus, too.

As far as eligibility requirements go, every Master Mason is eligible. The award is a recognition of a Brother by the Lodge for his service. It is a tribute to a Brother who has devoted themselves, their time, and their talent above and beyond the minimal requirements of Freemasonry to become a shining beacon to others both within the Fraternity and the community. It is a singular honor authorized by the Grand Lodge of California and presented by the Brethren of the Lodge to a member they feel is a credit to the Craft.



Health & Welfare

Tom Kellogg was a long-time member of Tokay Shrine Club and President in 2001. He and his wife moved to Florida several years ago.

Sharon Kellogg posted on Facebook "We made it." She and Tom suffered no damage to their house but a large tree fell on the neighbor's fence. Another neighbor did not "secure" their back yard and everything is gone. No power, T.V., cable, telephone or anything but they are O.K. They live in Brooksville just outside Tampa.



O.E.S. Happenings



Angela Garcia was initiated into the Order of Eastern Star Heritage Chapter No. 50 on October 10, 2024.



Masonic Charity and Donations



In October Lodi Lodge donated to several Firefighters Organizations

- ◆ Mokelumne Fire (Urban search and rescue)
- ◆ Clements Firefighters Association
- ◆ Liberty Firefighters Association

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2024 NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
27	28	29	30	31
03  DeMolay <i>Morning Star Lodge</i> 7:00PM	04  DeMolay <i>Morning Star Lodge</i> 7:00PM	 Woodbridge Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30PM Dinner 6:30PM Ben Ali Shrine 6:00PM	 Job's Daughters 6:00PM	 Lodi Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30PM Dinner 6:30PM
10  Cloud 7 Assembly <i>Woodbridge Lodge</i> 7:00PM	11  Cloud 7 Assembly <i>Woodbridge Lodge</i> 7:00PM	12  Tokay Shrine Richmaid on Cherokee Lane 5:30PM	13  Tokay Shrine Richmaid on Cherokee Lane 5:30PM	14  Eastern Star Heritage Chapter No. 50 7:00PM
17  DeMolay <i>Morning Star Lodge</i> 7:00PM	18  DeMolay <i>Morning Star Lodge</i> 7:00PM	19  Job's Daughters 6:00PM	20  Job's Daughters 6:00PM	21  Eastern Star Heritage Chapter No. 50 7:00PM

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UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Tuesday, November 5, 2024	Woodbridge Stated Meeting Dinner 6:30 PM	7:30 PM
Thursday, November 7, 2024	Lodi Lodge Stated Meeting Social 6:00 PM, Dinner 6:30 PM *** RSVP w/Secretary by November 2nd *** ANNUAL STEAK DINNER - NO RESERVATION/NO DINNER	7:30 PM

	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 Morning Star Lodge	First and third Mondays	7:00 p.m.