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From the East



Greetings brothers and friends:

On Saturday August 15 we had a Third Degree for Brother Massey. Everything went well and congratulations to our newest Master Mason.

I would like to thank Wors. Nelson Jones of Woodbridge for filing in as Senior Warden and Hiram of Tyre. We also had Wors Fred Donald, Wors Lloyd Roper and Wors. Doug Rader assisting with the degree and I appreciate all their help. If consolidation goes forward that may have been our last third degree in Lodi Lodge.

Which brings us to consolidation. After many travails it appears the appropriate forms are ready and being submitted, which would make the next step voting by the two Lodges.

If we do get there, we will be calling each and every brother master mason encouraging them to return their ballot. As stated before a non-returned ballot is counted as a "no" so we want to make sure everyone votes and inattentiveness not the deciding factor.

Not much else is on the horizon at this point. We intend to have a Hiram Award ceremony in the fall but there are no pending degrees.

I speak for all our active members in hoping that more of the inactive members can attend Stated Meetings and Stated Meeting dinners. Besides our regular donations to Masonic organizations and charities, in this fire season donations to the Red Cross are always appreciated and helpful.

JOHN HERRICK, Master

September Dinner

Menu: TBD

\$15.00/Person

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY
August 31st

For reservations: 256dinner@gmail.com

Lodi Lodge #256 F. & A.M.

Stated Meetings: First Thursday at 7:30 PM

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Congratulations to Brother Mark Butler 2026 Lodi Lodge Mason of The Year



Lodge Hats for Sale

We currently have Lodi Lodge hats for sale.

We have 7 **Trucker style**

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

They will be available for purchase at the
Stated Meetings

Trucker's

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September Birthdays

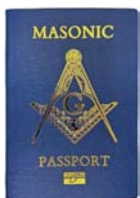
Brother	Date
Miguel Garza	9/6
James Dean	9/9
Mark Meehleis	9/15
Scott Anderson	9/18
Shawn Hayes	9/25
William Schmer PM	9/27
Christopher Keo	9/29
Aaron Short	9/29



Congratulations Bro. James Massey

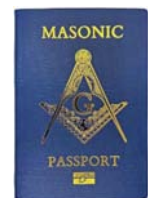


Bro. James Massey received his third degree in masonry on Saturday, August 15, 2026. The degree was performed by Lodi Lodge No. 256, with assistance from members of neighboring lodges.



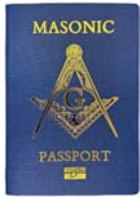
Traveling Brother's Adventures

Mount Moriah Lodge #292



Wor. Rick Wright reports a memorable visit to Mount Moriah Lodge #292 in Los Gatos, where he enjoyed a warm dinner and fellowship with the Brethren. The gathering capped his recent journey to tour all of California's oldest lodges - **completing visits from No. 1 through No. 300**. Looking ahead, Rick says he will keep traveling to visit other lodges, but won't concentrate on consecutive lodge numbers going forward.

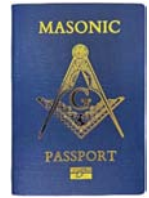




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Elk Grove Lodge #173

Rededication Ceremony



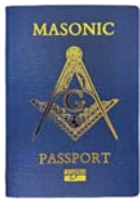
On Saturday, August 1, the Grand Lodge of California visited Elk Grove to rededicate Elk Grove Lodge No. 173 and to take part in the Cornerstone Ceremony for the lodge's new building. The day was one of meaning, pride, and fellowship, bringing together brethren near and far, along with ladies, friends, and youth groups, to celebrate a legacy that has endured for generations.

Chartered in 1864, Elk Grove Lodge No. 173 has a history of more than 150 years rooted in Masonry and service to the community. Over time, it has experienced change and growth while staying committed to its mission and values. The lodge has had four different home halls, each marking a new chapter in its ongoing effort to provide a place for members to meet, learn, and strengthen brotherhood.

The program offered an opportunity to honor that heritage and recognize the dedication required to sustain an institution. The rededication reaffirmed purpose—respecting the past while building for the future. Rather than replacing what came before, the ceremony emphasized continuing the lodge's work with renewed strength, unity, and vision.

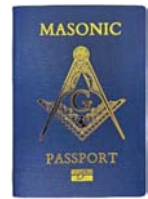
The highlight was the Cornerstone Ceremony, a rite symbolizing a foundation for both a building and the ideals that will guide the lodge forward. As the community gathered, the presence of regional brethren and the participation of ladies, friends, and youth groups reflected the broad support and fellowship that surround the lodge.

Elk Grove Lodge No. 173 now moves ahead in its new home, ready to continue learning, serving, and strengthening the bonds of brotherhood for generations to come.



Traveling Brother's Adventures

Laguna Lux UD



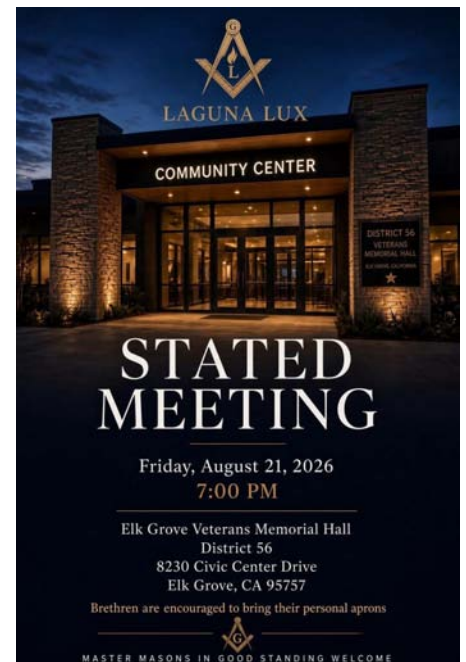
Wor. Rich Wright had the opportunity to visit with the Brothers of Laguna Lux UD the other night. It was a great visit and an interesting opportunity to see firsthand how these Brothers have created a unique and impressive Lodge experience.

One of the most interesting things about Laguna Lux UD is the way they transform their meeting space. These clever Brothers start with essentially a blank room, hanging black curtains to create the appearance and atmosphere of a Lodge room. They then bring in and arrange all of the furniture, furnishings, and Masonic paraphernalia needed for each quarterly meeting. Once everything is in place, they have a complete Lodge room ready for their meeting.

It was impressive to see the amount of effort, creativity, and dedication these Brothers put into making their Lodge work. Their resourcefulness is a great example of what can be accomplished when Brothers are committed to building and maintaining a Lodge together.

Laguna Lux UD is also approaching an exciting milestone. The Brothers are expecting to receive their Charter before the end of the year. Congratulations to the Brothers of Laguna Lux UD on their progress and hard work. I look forward to seeing them receive their Charter and become a fully chartered Lodge.

It was a pleasure visiting with these Brothers and seeing firsthand the enthusiasm they have for their Lodge and the Craft.





A Heads-Up Regarding the Proposed Consolidation

Brethren,

As many of you are aware, Lodi Lodge No. 256 and Woodbridge Lodge No. 131 are currently exploring the possibility of consolidating our two Lodges. While no final decision has been made, a formal vote of the membership is anticipated in the near future.

Because this decision will shape the future of our Lodge and its members for generations to come, it is important that every eligible Brother participate in the voting process.

To vote, you must be a **Master Mason in good standing** with Lodi Lodge No. 256.

A Member in Good Standing is a **Master Mason** who:

- Is a current member of Lodi Lodge No. 256.
- Is not suspended or expelled from the Fraternity.
- Is current on all dues and financial obligations to the Lodge, unless exempt under Lodge or Grand Lodge regulations.
- Possesses all rights and privileges of membership under the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge of California.

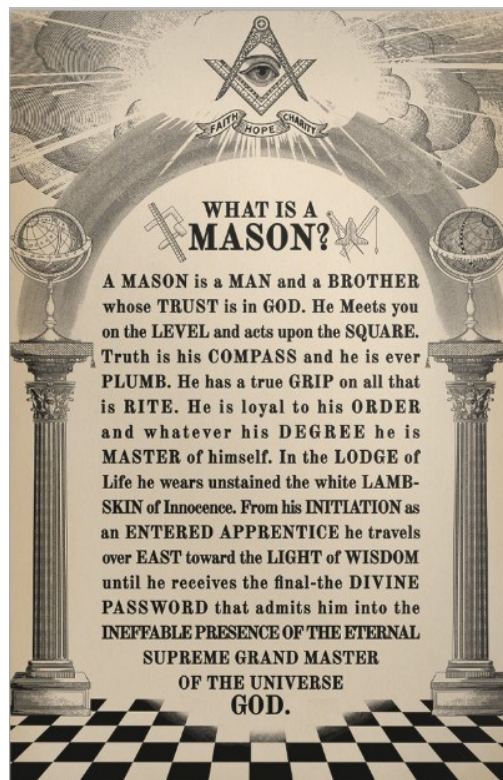
If you have not paid your dues, have questions regarding your membership status, or are uncertain whether you are eligible to vote, please contact the Lodge Secretary Will McVicker at lodilodge256@gmail.com as soon as possible. Taking care of these matters now will ensure that your voice can be heard when the ballot is distributed.

Additional information regarding the proposed consolidation, including the voting process and timeline, will be shared as it becomes available.

We encourage every Brother to stay informed, ask questions, and most importantly, ensure that he remains in good standing so he may exercise his right to vote on this important matter affecting the future of our Lodge.

Fraternally,

Bob Garcia
Consolidation Committee Chair
Lodi Lodge No. 256



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The Thornton Family

2026 SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31  Woodbridge Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30PM Dinner 6:30PM	01  Woodbridge Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30PM Dinner 6:30PM	02	03  Lodi Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30PM Dinner 6:30PM	04	05
06	07	08	09	10	11	12
13  Cloud 7 Assembly Woodbridge Lodge 7:00PM	14  Job's Daughters Morning Star Lodge Stockton 6:00PM	15  Job's Daughters Morning Star Lodge Stockton 6:00PM	16  DeMolay/Squires Tyrian Lodge, Manteca Squires: 6:30PM DeMolay: 7:00PM	17  Grand Lodge School of Instruction at: Woodbridge Lodge Host: Laguna Lux, UD (MMs Only) 7:00PM Eastern Star Heritage Chapter No. 50 7:00PM	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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04	05	06	07	08	09	10

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

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UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Tuesday, September 1, 2026	Woodbridge Lodge Stated Meeting Dinner 6:30 PM Stated Meeting: 7:30 PM	7:30PM
Thursday, September 3, 2026	Lodi Lodge Stated Meeting Social 6:00 PM, Dinner 6:30 PM *** RSVP w/Secretary by June 29th ***	7:30 PM
Thursday, September 17, 2026	School of Instruction @ Woodbridge Lodge Hosted by: Laguna Lux, UD (MMs ONLY)	7:00 PM

YOUTH GROUPS

	Rainbow Cloud 7 Assembly Meets at Woodbridge Lodge	Second and Fourth Mondays	7:00 p.m.
	Job's Daughters Meets at Morning Star Lodge	Second and Fourth Tuesdays	6:00 p.m.
	Squires Meets at Tyrian Lodge, Manteca	Second and Fourth Wednesday	6:30 p.m.
	DeMolay Meets at Tyrian Lodge, Manteca	Second and Fourth Wednesday	7:00 p.m.