



MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren,

Congratulations to **Worshipful Brother Tom Traver** on being presented the Hiram Award at a banquet and ceremony attended by more than 75 relatives, friends and brethren on July 11th. It is a well deserved recognition of his many years of dedicated service to our Fraternity.

The Oceanside San Dieguito Lodge No. 381 ritual team comprised of team leader **Robert Hardaway**, and members **Don Jones** and **Sal Sibug, PM.**, competed in the ritual competition in the District, Divisional and State levels. **Bro Hardaway** performed the Perambulations in all 3 degrees and the charges in all 3 degrees. **Bro Jones** performed the Marshal's interrogation in the 1st degree and **WorBro Sibug** performed the Perambulations in all 3 degrees at the District competition only. The results of this intense competition are as follows:

- 2009 District Champions of District No. 901
- 2009 Division Champions of Division IX
- 2009 2nd place in California State Finals

A well deserved congratulation is in order for their ritual excellence.

It is my understanding that next years ritual competition will be the examiner and candidate proficiency in all 3 degrees. If anyone wants to participate you may want to start preparing now because there is a very strict observance of ritual and any required floor work in this state-wide competition. I will pass along any updates as I receive them and believe that we can perform at a high level of excellence.

I would like to welcome **Brothers Ryan McMurtrey** and **Derek Payne** who received their first degree in Masonry on July 13th. They have been assigned their coaches and

have begun their Masonic journey. There is always a need for coaches and if you are interested in helping contact our Senior Warden.

Thanks to **WorBro John Chapman** and **Bro Don Jones** the pictures of the San Dieguito Lodge Past Masters have finally been put on display in the Tiler's room.

The Masonic family was represented at the annual Freedom Day Parade held on June 27th. Thanks to the **Rainbow Girls, Brook Brown, Felicia Kennedy** and **Mrs. Sissy Pitts** and **DeMolay Boys, Connor Shinn, Mitchell Shinn, Max Shoemaker, Stefan Jovanovic, Charles Manimat** and **Dad Joe Valenzuela** for their participation. Without their presence our Fraternity would not have been represented.

A work party was held at the San Dieguito Lodge on July 9th to remove the old air blowers off of the roof in preparation for a new section of roof to be installed. Thanks to **Brothers Larry Kovar, Steve Cook, Dan Spalding, and Bob Gattinella** for their hard work and dedication.

If you see anything that needs to be changed mention it to someone and then volunteer to help bring about the change.

Fraternally,
John Brooks
Worshipful Master



History of Prince Hall Lodge

On March 6, 1775, an African American named Prince Hall was made a Master Mason in Irish Constitution Military Lodge No. 441, along with fourteen other African Americans All of whom apparently were free by birth. When the Military Lodge left the area, the African Americans were given the authority to

meet as a Lodge, form Processions on the days of the Saints John, and conduct Masonic funerals, but not to confer degrees nor to do other Masonic work. These individuals applied for and obtained a Warrant for Charter from the Grand Lodge of England in 1784 and formed African Lodge No. 459. Despite being stricken from the rolls (like all American Grand Lodges were after the 1813 merger of the Ancients and the Moderns), the Lodge restyled itself as African Lodge No. 1 (not to be confused with the various Grand Lodges on the Continent of Africa), and separated itself from United Grand Lodge of England-recognized Masonry. This led to a tradition of separate, predominantly African American jurisdictions in North America, which are known collectively as Prince Hall Freemasonry. Widespread racism and segregation in North America made it impossible for African Americans to join many mainstream lodges, and many mainstream Grand Lodges in North America refused to recognize as legitimate the Prince Hall Lodges and Prince Hall Masons in their territory. For many years both Prince Hall and "mainstream" Grand Lodges have had integrated membership. Today, Prince Hall Lodges are recognized by the Grand Lodge of England (UGLE) as well as the great majority of state Grand Lodges in the US and many international Grand Lodges. While no Grand Lodge of any kind is universally recognized, at present, Prince Hall Masonry is recognized by some UGLE-recognized Grand Lodges and not by others, but appears to be working its way toward further recognition. According to data compiled in 2008, 41 out of the 51 mainstream US Grand Lodges recognize Prince Hall Grand Lodges. Today California Grande Lodge recognizes The Prince Hall Lodge and The Prince Hall Lodge recognizes our Grand Lodge. Finally we can sit as brothers together in each others lodges glorifying the work.



FROM THE SECRETARY'S TABLE

Brethren,

Please do not stop reading when you get to the next sentence. Your assistance is really needed.

I have been doing a Masonic information night on the third Wednesday of each month. When I have several brothers helping everything goes smoothly and nobody needs to do any hard work. But, when I am by my self it requires that I apply more effort.

This program has been successful and has resulted in most of the applications that have been received by the Lodge. Would you like to talk with men you have expressed an interest in our craft, and help them understand what they need to do to become a Mason.

I know that many of you do not know any men you would like to see as a Freemason, after all they already are a Mason, they think that they are too old to join, or they just are not joiners.

The men that we meet with are interested in joining; they just need to know what they need to do. You can help them and our Lodge

Fraternally,
Roy Youngblood, PM
Lodge Secretary



Applications Read

An Application for the Degrees of Masonry was received from Mr. Gregory Scott Harris, and an application for Affiliation from Brother Jimmy Clarence Gregory, with our lodge were read at the July Stated Meeting. If the investigating committees return a favorable report, they will be voted on at the August Stated Meeting.

In Memoriam

HAROLD GOREWIT

Born: November 1, 1922

Raised: June 26, 1969

Entered into Rest: June 18, 2009

WILLIAM FRANK DUNKLE

Born: May 20, 1918

Raised: June 6, 1967

Entered into Rest: June 23, 2009

*Soft and safe be thy resting place!
Bright and glorious be thy rising from it!
Until then, dear brother, until then, farewell!*



Masonic Philanthropies

Donations to the Masonic Homes and/or the Masonic Foundation have been received from the following brothers:

Jack Headley
Glenn Jacobs
Tom Mullen
Richard Patrick

Rusty Sathrum
Bill Smith
Ronnie Speer
Dan Suklja



MASONIC EDUCATION

Gene Autry

September 29, 1907 - October 2, 1998

Singer, actor, producer and writer Orvon Gene Autry was the first of the singing cowboys in film and on radio, appearing in almost a hundred films and making over 600 recordings. He is also the only person to date to receive five stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame for contributions in all five possible categories. He started his career as a singer at local dances and then later enlisted in The United States Air Force. He also had a short career as a baseball player, but never made it to the big leagues. He did however own The Los Angeles Angels much later in life.

His most lasting legacy was for singing and may be for penning the perennial Christmas favorites, "Here Comes Santa Claus" (1947), "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" (1949) and "Frosty the Snow Man" (1950).

His gravestone records that he was a 33rd Degree Mason.

**Raised 1927 Catoosa Lodge No. 185,
Catoosa Oklahoma**

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Except holidays, then on the second Monday

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Subsequent Mondays at 7:00 PM

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