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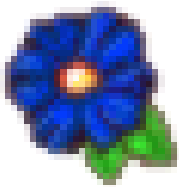
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# AMITY LODGE NO. 442

## FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF CALIFORNIA

Welcomes you to the  
Inaugural  
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS  
2008



Monday, December 17, 2007  
7:30 p.m.

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## WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU

A worldwide fraternity: There are Masonic brothers in almost every country on Earth, from every social, religious, economic, and ethnic background. There is prestige and honor in being a part of the biggest and the best society of gentlemen.

Centuries of tradition: The Masonic degree rituals connect you with 300 years of history; 1,100 years of tradition and 3,000 years of legend.

A network of mutual friendship and aid: Masons pledge to help, aid, and assist each other; in every walk of life.

Help for your community: The charities of Masonry are vast and can be as massive as the Shriners Hospital network, as local as a child identification program, or as simple as

shoveling snow from a lodge widow's sidewalk. It can mean the entire lodge raising money for a community cause, or one single Brother buying a winter coat for a poor child at the local school. It can mean money or time or the simple act of human kindness.

College scholarships: Many Grand Lodges, and some local lodges as well, offer scholarships for college students. Some of these scholarships are for the children and grandchildren of Masons, while others are offered to the community.

Retirement homes: One of the most extensive Grand Lodge charities and benefits is the Masonic retirement homes. These homes are designed for the members of the fraternity and their relatives. Many of

them provide everything from independent-living cottages to intensive-care nursing-home facilities.

Spiritual awareness: Masonry does not desire or attempt to replace a man's religious beliefs. On the contrary, it encourages him to study his own religion, and strengthen his own faith.

Every Grand Lodge jurisdiction is different and offers its own programs to its members. Most Grand Lodges publish a regular magazine to inform its members of news from around its region. These can often be found on line at the Grand Lodges' web sites.

from "Freemasonry for Dummies" by Christopher Hodapp



## GREETINGS FROM COLORADO

I am sorry to hear of the tragedy that has struck southern California. My cousin and her husband live near Escondido, so we are attuned to the severity of the fires.

Sean is doing well, going to school, working, and

truly embracing being a new father. Bella is now six months old, and starting to take on the shape of her grandfather. We are going out to visit next week to see the baby. Hope everyone is well, give my best to the brethren.

Tonight, we are passing two Entered Apprentices to the degree of a Fellowcraft.

I woke up Sunday morning to five inches of snow, so winter is officially here.  
Greg Keller

## REFLECTIONS - 50 YEARS A MASTER MASON

January 27, 1957 was the date I was raised a Master Mason in Blackmer Lodge. I was fortunate indeed to become a Master Mason at the then earliest possible age, which enabled me to lead my life to the up most of my abilities according to the three great principles of Masonry which we learn so early on, they are, BROTHERLY LOVE, RELIEF AND TRUTH.

I have seen many changes over the years, all for the betterment of Masonry in particular and our fellow man in general.

In these present troubling Times, our core belief in the Supreme Being gives us a source of comfort and hope for a brighter and more perfect world, one where "Nation shall not lift sword upon nation,

neither shall they wage war anymore."

I most humbly say that I am grateful for the past 50 years, the principles taught me and the lasting friendships acquired.

It is my fervent desire to live the rest of my life according to our teachings.  
Most Sincerely,  
Ernest J. Addleson

## BIRTHDAYS FROM THE EAST

Hasan Aker	12/01
Noel Almazan	12/25
Earl Anderson	12/26
Paul Athy	12/21
Richard Barrett, Jr.	12/04
Humberto Barron, Jr.	12/27
Casey Cannon, Jr.	12/16
Ben Carandang	12/14
Joseph Castille	12/25
Mario Doria	12/17
Jimmy Faddis	12/07
Leonard Fraitag, PM	12/23
Eugene Goldman, PM	12/16
William Greenman	12/27
Ryan Griffin	12/27
Paul Hodiak, PM	12/31
Michael Holibonich	12/17
Derrick Howard	12/25
Johnny Johnson	12/14
David Kahn	12/02
William Kuchenbuch	12/13
Donald Lyles	12/12
Emjess Manlutuc	12/25
Richard Markson	12/14
Jose Martinez	12/30
Predrag Mitrovich	12/30
Galen Niedenfuehr, PM	12/05
David Nobles	12/16
Todd Osborne	12/20
Harold Overstreet	12/04
Leslie Pond	12/26
Marcelo Quintua	12/25
Bruce Rick	12/30
Byron Rose	12/26
Manuel Saro	12/08
Ralph Siegel	12/18
Fidel Soriano	12/16
Darel Southward	12/07
Robert Summers	12/21
Raymond Tatum, PM	12/04
Florention Tique, Jr.	12/22
Ricarido Victa	12/01
Roland Victa	12/27
Rene Villaruel	12/07
Paul Young	12/15

Average age = 61.55 years old

Oldest = 92 years old

Youngest = 25 years old

Happy Birthday to these Brethren!  
We would like to wish you a happy birthday in person at the Stated Meeting dinner of your birth month. Please do join us and remember that your dinner is on the Lodge.



Welcome Brothers,

First impressions by a new Master Mason are some of the most powerful influences on his later Masonic life. First impressions when two lodges are combined are also most powerful. At the December meeting, stretch forth that hand and greet and welcome a new friend and brother to our new lodge. Nobody is a stranger; we are all brothers in Freemasonry. Sit by somebody you just met. Discuss ideas of where you want the lodge to go in the future. Get to know each other. It has been said before that the Master is a clearing-

## FROM THE SECRETARY

Brethren,

I would like to welcome all of you as new Members of Amity Lodge #442 and encourage everyone to participate in our new Lodge. It takes everyone to make us a strong and vibrant Lodge and I look forward to meeting my new Brethren and sharing with them.

With the beginning of our new Lodge, we will also begin a new Stated Meeting Dinner Reservation List. Being on this list will mean that you won't have to call in your reservation for the dinner. You will, however, be responsible for calling if you cannot make it or for paying for it if you do not show up for your reserved spot. The list will help me in maintaining the dinner count and affording the caterer as accurate counts as possible. If you are not on the permanent list, please call by the Monday

house for the lodge. Your ideas and concerns are what make the lodge stronger; bring them to the Master.

The list of officers as approved by the Grand Lodge will preside at the Stated Meeting in December, which will be the first meeting of Amity Lodge #442. We will have a formal installation of officers on December 17<sup>th</sup>. I look forward to seeing and meeting as many new brothers as I can. With a new lodge, we have the chance to write new history. There will be opportunities to break new ground with a new Masonic Education program, excellent Masonic

Ritual, and plenty of fellowship.

If you haven't attended lodge in a while, this is the time. We will all be getting to know each other all over again. Everybody will be welcomed with respect and friendship. Make a commitment to come to lodge once a month. Sideliners are always welcomed. Remember when you went through the degrees, sideliners were not strangers but new friends.

Your officers cannot do it alone, we need you to participate in and attend the lodge functions.  
Fraternally,  
Harold Thurber WM

before the dinner. The price of dinner is \$10 per person. Our Masonic Widows and the Lodge's Birthday boys eat free.

I wish to thank those who have sent in their dues and request that if you haven't yet done so, please send them in right away. Our new dues cards will arrive from Grand Lodge shortly and as soon as I get them I will start mailing out the new dues cards. If you have any questions please call me and I will try and answer it for you. Remember, I was elected to serve the Lodge and all its members so I am here to serve you so feel free to contact me at any time.

The consolidation committee worked hard on putting our new Lodge together so I request that if you can, please ATTEND the first stated meeting of Amity Lodge on December 6<sup>th</sup>. You will be part of

that historical inaugural meeting. Then, attend the inaugural Installation of YOUR LODGE OFFICERS on December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center.

Again, so I can have as accurate a count as possible, please call in your reservations for Stated Meeting Dinner to me as soon as possible at 619-291-0465.

Fraternally,  
ARNOLD L. KOREY

**SUPPORT YOUR  
LODGE AND ITS  
PROGRAMS.  
YOUR  
ATTENDANCE IS  
NEEDED AND  
ENCOURAGED!**

**PLEASE CHECK YOUR DUES CARD. IT SHOULD SAY "PAID THROUGH DECEMBER, 2007."**

Please be considerate and make your dinner reservations early. If you are going to come to one of our dinners, make reservations. Two days in advance is sufficient, but please reserve.

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**DECEMBER 2007 CALENDAR**

- December**
- Mon 3rd **Installation Practice - 7:00 p.m. - all officers and installing team**
  - Thurs 6th **STATED MEETING OF AMITY LODGE** at 7:30 p.m.  
 Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Make your reservations please call 619-291-0465.
  - Mon 10th Practice - First Degree, all officers including Secretary and Treasurer, 6:45 p.m.
  - Thurs 13th **Dark**
  - Mon 17th **INSTALLATION OF AMITY LODGE #442**  
**Dark the rest of the month**
- January**
- Thurs 3rd **STATED MEETING OF AMITY LODGE** at 7:30 p.m.  
 Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Make your reservations please call 619-291-0465.
  - Mon 7th **First Degree - Sean Mason 7:00 p.m.**

**DECEMBER STATED MEETING DINNER MENU**



- Sliced Roast Beef and Baked Snapper
- Rice Pilaf and Green Beans Almandine
- Tossed Green Salad and Assorted Rolls
- Black Forest Cake and Beverages



**You must call your reservations to Arnie at 619-291-0465**

## LAUGHTER - from "Old Tiler Talks" by Carl Claudy

IF I HAD my way about it," began the New Brother, sitting beside the Old Tiler, "I'd make it a Masonic offense to laugh in a lodge room. We are not as serious about our Masonry as we should be."

Someone laughed at you, or you are taking yourself very seriously!" Answered the Old Tiler.

"I am not!" Cried the New Brother. "I take Masonry seriously! What we do in tile lodge room has the sacredness of a religious ceremony. I can see no difference between the sacredness of the Altar of Masonry and the altar of a church, and when I go and see the beautiful windows, and hear the music and watch the choir boys come up the aisle, and hear the minister give out the solemn text – well, you know how inspiring it is. I feel the same way in lodge sometimes, during the more solemn parts of the degrees. But we have a business meeting first and someone cracks a joke and everyone laughs, and some brethren misinterpret and giggle sometimes in the degrees, and there is some ritual which isn't awe-inspiring and – and I think it should be changed!"

"Well, go ahead and change it!" Cried the

Old Tiler. "I don't believe that absence of solemnity is a Masonic landmark which can't be changed."

"Of course it isn't, but how can I change it?"

"That's your problem!" Smiled the Old Tiler. "You are the reformer, not I. But before I wasted much good gray matter, I'd ask myself a few questions. You seem to like things serious, so this should come easy to you. Then I'd talk to the Chaplain. David is young, but he has common sense.

"It would do you good to go to his church. You would find it as solemn and beautiful as any other during the service. But if you went to a vestry meeting you'd see David grin, and maybe someone would tell a ministerial joke. I can't imagine God being displeased about it. Seems to me if he hadn't wanted people to laugh he wouldn't have made so many brethren to laugh at!"

"Brother David would tell you that there was a time to be reverent and a time to be happy, and that a church in which people couldn't be happy wasn't much of a church. Ever go to a wedding? Ever see people grin and kiss the bride when it was over? Ever go to a church social? Ever go to the

boys' club in a red-blooded church?"

"It didn't hurt the church in your eyes, did it? Then why should it disconcert you to have a lodge room treated the same way? Get it out of your head that Masonry or religion is bound up in a room, or a building. It doesn't hurt so long as we don't laugh at the wrong time! It doesn't hurt the solemnity of the Masonic degree that our lodge room is first but a business meeting hall and afterwards maybe a dining room. It is the spirit in which we do our work which counts, not the letter; it is the temple in our hearts which must be kept sacred, not the mere physical confines of brick and stone in which we meet.

"There should be no cause for laughter during the degrees. But to say that we can't laugh in a lodge room is to get the dog by the wrong tail!"

"Masonry, my son, is joyful, not mournful. It should be filled with the laughter of little children, the happy smiles of contented women, the loveliness of faithful friendship, the joy of flowers and music and song. To make it too serious for smiles, too solemn for happiness, perverts it. If God made

sunshine and children and flowers, don't you suppose He wanted the one to dance with the other in the third? If He made happiness and human hearts, don't you suppose He wanted the one in the other?"

"Masonry is an attempt to live the brotherhood of man under the Fatherhood of God. The best of all human fathers can but touch the skirts of the Being who is the All Father. But did you ever see a human father worth his salt who didn't want his children laughing and happy?"

"There is a time for work and a time for play. There is a time for degrees and a time for refreshment. There is a time for business meetings and a time for ritual. There is a time for laughter and for joy as well as a time of solemnity and reverence. The one is as important as the other." "I wish just once," said the New Brother, "I could start something with you which I could finish!"

"Try offering me a cigar!" Suggested the Old Tiler.

