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AMITY LODGE #442

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF CALIFORNIA

cordially invites you to the
Third Annual Installation of Officers

Monday
December 7, 2009

7:30 p.m.

Scottish Rite Masonic Center
1895 Camino Del Rio South
San Diego, CA 92108

John McQuown, PM
Master - Elect

Mark Kaufman
Senior Warden - Elect

Gerald Del Mar
Junior Warden - Elect



Our new email address: AmityLodge442@gmail.com

VOTE AT DECEMBER STATED MEETING - PROPOSED BY-LAWS AMENDMENT

Brethren, be informed that a proposed amendment (addition) to the By-laws of Amity Lodge was properly moved and seconded at the November Stated Meeting of Amity Lodge.

The amendment (addition) seeks to make it more convenient for the members of Amity Lodge to purchase a life membership. The proposer notes that life memberships are a bargain for the younger member and a great way for our older members to support the continued vitality of our Lodge. Also, a strong life membership account is an important piece of the financial foundation for a successful lodge.

Proposed amendment to the By-laws of Amity Lodge #442.

Resolution: To amend the Life Membership Plan by making it possible to make monthly payments. The program will be conducted in the following manner:

- 1) All payments would be paid in a calendar year (i.e. January through December). Life membership should be purchased within that year (see #'s 4, 5, and 6 below).
 - 2) The initial payment must be, at a minimum, the amount equal to annual dues unless they have already been paid for the current year.
 - 3) The remaining payments would be divided by eleven assuming the plan starts in January. Otherwise the payments would be divided into the number of months remaining in the calendar year.
 - 4) If payments are not completed within the calendar year a payment equivalent to at least the next year's dues must be paid in January to keep current.
 - 5) The exact amount of the monthly payments would be determined by the member's age and multiplied by the appropriate multiplier for their age group as outlined in the CMC's following #3 above.
 - 6) If the payments are not completed within the calendar year and are carried over to the next year, when a higher dues structure is in place, the payments would be adjusted based on the higher dues structure. Also, if the person does not complete his payments within the year and the next year enters a lower bracket due to age the higher structure would remain as the contract price.
 - 7) A member would still have the option of purchasing a Life Membership in one payment.
- Respectfully submitted, John O. McQuown, P. M.



WORSHIPFUL GALEN UPDATE

Worshipful Brother Galen Niedenfuehr broke his hip and has had surgery for it. He is now in a skilled nursing rehab facility for the rehab process. Visitors are OK at Lighthouse 2828 Meadowlark Drive, San Diego, room 252.

Cards may be sent to the home address and will be delivered to him. That address is 4766 Loraine Drive, San Diego, CA

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PART 2 - BROTHER ADVANCES

From Neal Macurda

In Bishop, November 10, Winnedumah Lodge #287 raised Doug Macurda to the sublime degree of Master Mason as a courtesy to Amity Lodge. The Master, Ron Pierce, handled the obligation and the Inspector, Craig Sanborn, did the lecture and charge. The Master asked me to offer the congratulations to the candidate upon joining Amity. All of the stations were filled by brothers and I counted at least an additional ten brothers as sideliners. The Master invited Brother Macurda's

wife Stephanie to join the lodge in festivities after the degree where he presented her with a bouquet of roses. The Inspector presented Doug with a framed rendition of the story of Hiram. The lodge furnished a decorated cake. At the refreshment table an additional presentation was made inducting the candidate into what they called the half degree. He was invested with a special apron that was emblazoned with sheep and the word and sign of the "half" degree.

BIRTHDAYS FROM THE EAST - CHRISTIAN QUIMPO

Ricardo Victa	1-Dec
David Kahn	2-Dec
Richard Barrett, Jr.	4-Dec
Harold Overstreet	4-Dec
Raymond Tatum, PM	4-Dec
Galen Niedenfuehr, PM	5-Dec
Fidel Soriano	6-Dec
Jimmy Faddis	7-Dec
Darel Southward	7-Dec
Donald Lyles	12-Dec
Johnny Johnson	14-Dec
Richard Markson	14-Dec
Paul Young	15-Dec
Eugene Goldman, PM	16-Dec
David Nobles	16-Dec
Mario Doria	17-Dec
Michael Holibonich	17-Dec
Ralph Siegel	18-Dec
Todd Osborne	12-Dec
Florention Tique, Jr.	22-Dec
Leonard Freitag, PM	23-Dec
Travis Knowlton	24-Dec
Noel Almazan	25-Dec
Joseph Castille	25-Dec
Derrick Howard	25-Dec
Emjess Manlutuc	25-Dec
Marcelo Quintua	25-Dec
Earl Anderson	26-Dec
Byron Rose	26-Dec
Humberto Barron, Jr.	27-Dec
Ryan Griffin	27-Dec
Predrag Mitrovich	30-Dec
Bruce Rick	30-Dec
Paul Hodiak, PM	31-Dec

We have changed our source for birthday information. If you find an inaccurate or missing birthday, please contact Coren Andrews at ctandrews@ca.rr.com

This month's
Average age = 63.3 years
Oldest = 94 years old
Youngest = 26 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.

Congratulations to our newly obligated Entered Apprentice Mason, Brother Paul Hunt. The Brethren and I look forward to helping you along your Masonic career. Visiting San Diego Lodge #35 on November 16th along with Bro. San Agustin for two First Degrees was a great start. Also, a good number of Amity Lodge members visited Heartland Lodge #576 on November 12th. Our newly qualified Senior Deacon, Brother Andrew Davis, was able to attend as well, right after he qualified, with Brother Travis Knowlton our new Senior Steward by his side.

Worshipfuls Scotty Pearce P.M. and Galen Niedenfuehr, P.M. are recovering and mending and we wish them the best and speedy "get betters".

Being Master of Amity Lodge this year was such a joy for me and my family. I want to thank everyone for helping me enjoy this wonderful time in my life. Be sure to come to Installation Night on December 7th in support of your new officers.

There is one idea I would like to convey before I go. I would like to see our more "seasoned" Lodge members take some time to get to know our newer members better. There is a lot of knowledge to be passed back and forth between the generations. I'm sure that the "younger brothers" would appreciate your guidance and mentoring. Our new members are the future of Amity Lodge. There are stories, a history, to be passed down. Some of our members travel for a living and some are in the military. They don't have the opportunity to spend as much time with us as they would like. We can all make an effort to learn more about each other so everyone feels connected, even when we're away.

Let's make the upcoming Stated Meeting the starting place for more fraternal bonding. Take it upon yourself to start up a conversation with someone and let your brother know that we really do care about one another. Don't miss an opportunity to say, "Hello Brother. How are you?"

I would be very pleased to see more interaction amongst the brethren for the betterment of the Lodge in general. It makes our family—our brotherhood—stronger. I hope to see some of you joining me at other Lodge Installations in our district and around the County.

Happy Holidays to all from the Quimpo Family.

May the Great Architect of the universe bless and protect us.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Christian P. Quimpo, WM

FROM THE SECRETARY - ARNOLD KOREY

Brethren,

I would like to first wish all of you and your family a Happy Holidays and a Healthy and Happy New Year as we wind down the old and bring in the new. I congratulate the outgoing Officers on a great job this past year, and wish the new Officers a great year. I will be in the office most of the month working on year end reports and if I can

do anything for the members feel free to contact me. Remember that the first meeting in January 2010 dues are required so if you have not sent your dues in please do so.

The new corps of Officers is planning some new and exciting things for Amity Lodge so please plan on attending them.

I will be starting a new permanent Stated Meeting Din-

ner list so PLEASE contact me if you wish to be on it or be removed from the list. Remember, our Stated Meeting dinners are a great time to meet and greet new members and their families. Come to dinner. REMEMBER INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS DECEMBER 7 at 7:30pm

Fraternaly
Arnold L Korey, Secretary

DINE OUT NIGHTS

There will be no Dine Out Night in December. There will be plenty of partying during the month and more than enough food. Take time to reflect on all that we have and be thankful. Then, think about calling the Master and

volunteering to be the 2010 Dine Out Coordinator. The Brethren and Ladies would love to have this fun and fulfilling part of Amity Lodge continue. It doesn't take a lot of time and, just think, more food and more great fellow-

ship. A great way to catch up and make new friends.

Brother Harry, thank you for your years of service and we look forward to your continued service as our Assistant Secretary.

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DECEMBER 2009 CALENDAR

November

Mon 30th 6:45 p.m. Installation Practice

December

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. Coat and tie.

Mon 7th **7:30 INSTALLATION**

Tues 8th 10:00 a.m. J.L. Shell Installation
Fri 11th 7:00 p.m. San Diego Installation - Grand Master Installing
Sat 12th 12:00 p.m. S.W. Hackett Installation
Sun 13th 4:00 p.m. East San Diego Installation
 Installation information thanks to Worshipful Fred Kleyn.

Happy Holidays to all. Amity Lodge will be dark in December except for Stated Meeting and Installation.

January

Mon 4th TBA
Thurs 7th **STATED MEETING OF AMITY LODGE** at 7:30 p.m.
Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Make your reservations please call 619-291-0465.Coat and tie.

NOTE: Officers' attire: First and Second Degrees is coat and tie, Third Degrees it is TUXEDO.
 Stated meeting attire is back to Coat and Tie.

DECEMBER STATED MEETING DINNER MENU

- Beef Kabobs and Mahi Mahi
- Rice Pilaf and Zucchini & Squash
- Caesar Salad - Ice Cream & Toppings
- Beverages and Assorted Rolls



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