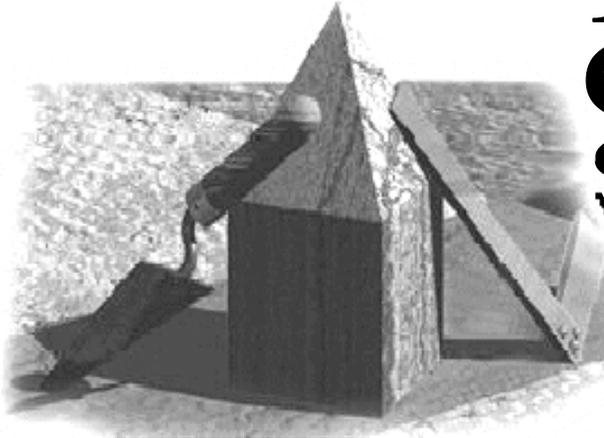


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Happy Holidays to all.

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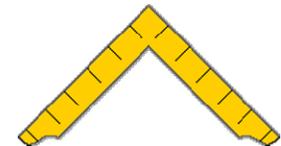
Worshipful Master

Brethren,

I am truly honored to be given the opportunity to lead this great lodge into another year of the unwritten future. This year we will continue to work long and hard, chipping away at the stone, conferring degrees and expanding our membership. In unison we will not just make a difference, we will be the difference.

I first knocked on the door of Freemasonry at the age of 26; I am now 31 and have learned a lot these last few years. Upon becoming an entered apprentice in this lodge, I immediately felt and experienced the positive influence and support of my brethren. That, along with the teachings of our ancient craft caused a great awakening and transformation in my mind. I know feel a great connection with the past and its history and also a connection with the future and its endless possibilities. On becoming a Master Mason, I learned that time, patience and perseverance will accomplish all things. Provided that we think within Earthly reason, nothing is impossible and each one of us can be the difference. Thank you.

Fraternally,  
Jose Mercado  
Worshipful Master





# From the West

Brethren:

As the installation is now in the past, and if you missed it, you missed a great event. The installing team was outstanding, followed by great food and wonderful fellowship.

I hope your holidays were festive and enjoyable, safe and relaxing. The Great Creator has blessed all of us.

The New Year looks bright, and the newly installed officers have a lot of work to do. Please try to attend one or two of the degrees planned and support our new brethren and officers.

Several events have been planned this year, and should be an interest to all of us. I am following up on a Masonic Discussion Group, and will plan our first in February. The date will be announced next month, and will be geared to the youngest Entered Apprentice to the most seasoned Master Mason. All Masons are invited. Refreshments will be provided.

Lastly, let us keep all of our family, friends, brethren, & Lodge sweethearts in your prayers. Support the principal's taught to each and every one of us – Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth.

Looking forward to seeing you!

Phill E. Mossey PM  
Sr. Warden



# From the Secretary's Table

Brethren:

Our first event of the New Year is our Ethnic Potluck dinner on Wednesday January 21st. The idea behind this potluck is to have people bring an entrée or dessert that are of an ethnic origin. We are not ruling out American dishes at all but if you have a special recipe for a dish that is of foreign origin, bring it on. In past years we have food prepared from recipes from Italy, Sweden, Mexico, England, Lebanon, Scotland and elsewhere. There is always plenty of food and it is what might be called a culinary adventure. The Lodge will provide the salad and drinks. We hope you will be able to participate in this unique event.

I would also like to remind you of our Stated Meeting dinners served the first Wednesday of each month, except July and August. The meals are delicious, the fellowship is great and the price, \$5.00, is a real bargain. If you plan on coming why not bring someone with you.

Other coming events are the Sweethearts Dinner on February 4<sup>th</sup>. The Past Master's Night dinner on Wednesday April 15<sup>th</sup> and the Scholarship Award Recognition dinner and program on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will keep you posted on other events as they are scheduled.

Following are the officers who were installed in their respective offices on December 5<sup>th</sup>:

- Jose Mercado, Worshipful Master
- Phill Mossey, Senior Warden
- William D. Johnson, Treasurer
- Lee Strong, Secretary
- Jerry Laiblin, Chaplain
- David Rubin, Senior Deacon
- David Enos, Marshal
- Charles Trent, Senior Steward
- Jack Haller, Junior Steward
- Jerre Morris, Tiler

The Junior Warden and Junior Deacon will be installed in January.  
Lee Strong, PM Secretary

# January Birthdays

Jack E. Killian	1-4
Jackson R. Haller	1-8
Ronald W. Jackson	1-10
Donald E. Wood	1-10
John R. Fewel	1-11
Jack W. Mires	1-11
John S. Turner, Jr.	1-13
Robert I. Abdayem	1-13
Gary N. Gardner	1-13
Robert F. Huie, Jr.	1-14
Earl C. Pittman	1-14
Norman F. Dalke	1-15
Robert H. Arends	1-19
Marvin D. Marker	1-20
David L. Reed	1-22
Ervin W. Houghland	1-23
Stanley R. Hodgkins	1-26
Norman G. Lauricella	1-30
Rex M. De Costa	1-31

Members who have birthdays in January will be entitled to a free dinner at the January Stated Meeting.

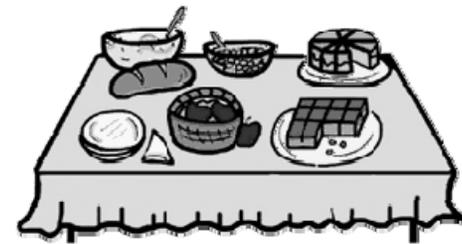
## *Stated Meeting Dinner Menu*

January 7, 2009 – 6:30 pm

Caesar Salad  
Chicken Artichoke Pasta  
(Grilled Chicken and Artichoke Hearts  
In a Wonderfully Seasoned Sauce)  
Green Beans Almandine  
Rolls & Butter  
Double Chocolate Cake

## Don't Forget! Ethnic Potluck Dinner

Wednesday January 21st  
at 6:30 pm



Bring your best dish to share.  
Come out and bring your family and friends  
for a great time.