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The Lodge Room Over Simpkin's Store
by Bro. Lawrence N. Greenleaf

The plainest lodge room in the land was over Simpkin's store,
Where Friendship Lodge had met each month for fifty years or more.
When o'er the earth the moon, full-orbed, had cast her brightest beam
The brethren came from miles around on horseback and in team,
And Ah! what hearty grasp of hand, what welcome met them there,
As mingling with waiting groups they slowly mount the stair.
Exchanging fragmentary news or prophecies of crop,
Until they reach the Tiler's room and current topics drop,
To turn their thoughts to nobler themes they cherish and adore,
And which were heard on meeting night up over Simpkin's store.

To city eyes, a cheerless room, long usage had defaced
The tell-tale line of lath and beam on wall and ceiling traced,
The light from oil-fed lamps was dim and yellow in its hue,
The carpet once could pattern boast, though now 'twas lost to view;
The altar and the pedestals that marked the stations three,
The gate-post pillars topped with balls, the rude-craved Letter G.
Where villager joiner's clumsy work, with many things besides,
Where beauty's lines were all effaced and ornament denied,
There could be left no lingering doubt, if there was before,
The plainest lodge room in the land was over Simpkin's store.
While musing thus on outward form the meeting time drew near,
And we had a glimpse of inner life through watchful eyes and ear.
When lodge convened at gavel's sound with officers in place,
We looked for strange, conglomerate work, but could no errors trace.
The more we saw, the more we heard, the greater our amaze,
To find those country brethren there so skilled in Mason's ways.
But greater marvels were to come before the night was through,
Where unity was not mere name, but fell on earth like dew,
Where tenets had the mind imbued, and truths rich fruitage bore,
In the plainest lodge room in the land, up over Simpkin's store.

<p align="center"><i>San Bernardino Hi 12 Club No. 430</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Good Food!</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Meets Friday Noon</i></p> <p align="center"><i>For all Masons, their Spouses, their Widows and Friends</i></p>  <p align="center"><i>Good Fellowship</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Snowhead CC Parkside Drive.</i></p>	<p align="center"><i>In Memory of a Worthy Brother:</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Bro. Smith Marshall</i></p> <p align="center"><i>from a Friend & Brother Mason</i></p>
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SCOTTISH RITE BODIES VALLEY OF SAN BERNARDINO

4400 Varsity Avenue - San Bernardino, CA 92407 - (909) 887-4415

- December 8th - 6:00 P.M. - Building & Executive Board Meetings
- December 15th - 6:00 P.M. - Stated Meetings - AASR in Auditorium
& Women's Association in Conf. Room
- 6:30 P.M. - Dinner (Reservations required)
- 7:30 P.M. - Family Show



Gate City O.E.S. #212

December 11, 2015
7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting
"Merry Christmas"

Marilyn Mahaffey, W.M. - Chmn.

December 25, 2015
Dark



YORK RITE BODIES SAN BERNARDINO

2888 N. Arrowhead Ave. - San Bernardino, CA 92407 - (909) 883-2615



Keystone Chapter No. 56, R.A.M.

- December 2nd - 7:00 pm - Building Board Meeting
- December 2nd - 7:30 pm - Chapter Convocation
- December 27th - 8:30 - 11:00 am - York Rite Breakfast



Valley Council No. 27, C.M.

- December 2nd - 7:00 pm - Building Board Meeting
- December 9th - 7:30 pm - Stated Assembly
- December 27th - 6:30 am - 11:00 am - York Rite Breakfast



St. Bernard Commandery No. 23, K.T.

- December 2nd - 7:00 pm - Building Board Meeting
- December 16th - 7:30 pm - Stated Conclave
- December 19th - 8:30 am - Christmas Observ./Renewal of Vows
- December 27th - 6:30 am - 11:00 am - York Rite Breakfast



Greetings from the East!

My brothers, November was a great month! We provided 30 Thanksgiving dinners for needy families from Wilson Elementary, and had our 1st Annual Poinsettia Ball! Now, December is on our doorstep, and with it, my year as Master comes to an end. It has been a truly amazing year and I want to thank my officers line, for without them, our incredibly busy year would have very quickly become overwhelming! I have thrown many things their way, and at every turn they stepped up to the plate and shown what extraordinary friends and brothers they are. I know I said this at the beginning of the year, but I feel grateful every day that I have, hands down, the best officers line around! To Brent, I have no doubt in my mind that our Lodge will be well served by you as Master next year, and know we can expect great things!

We have a couple of important dates coming up:

December 3rd at 6:30 pm is our Stated Meeting.

December 12th at 7:00 pm is our Job's Daughters Installation of Officers (178th). Our Bethel has had a great term and they have been a tremendous help to our Lodge this year. Without their help, many of our events would not have been possible, so I hope you will join me in attending their Installation of Officers.

December 19th at 2:00 pm is our Annual Installation of Officers (151st). This event is open to the public, so if you have any friends who are interested in Masonry, this would be a good chance for them to see who we are and what we are about.

Sincerely,

Brother Thad Coffing, PM
Master - San Bernardino Lodge #178.



Greetings from the West

In this time of Thanksgiving and reflection, I'm thankful for many things. I'm thankful for my family and friends and their continued good health, my job, and my country.

I'm extremely honored and thankful to be the Master Elect for San Bernardino Masonic Lodge #178 for the 2016 Masonic Year. I thank you for your trust in me and my abilities and I'm excited to be in a position of leadership for our great institution and look forward to helping usher in the next 150 years of San Bernardino Lodge #178.

We, as brethren of the lodge are caretakers of what has gone before and we have the ability to shape and mold the future of the craft at San Bernardino Masonic Lodge #178. I have the deepest respect and I'm thankful for those who have come before me and laid the Superstructure of Freemasonry. I ask humbly for the support, experience, and wisdom, of those Brothers who have been around longer than I have.

San Bernardino Masonic Lodge #178 is not my Lodge, it is not your Lodge, it is Our Lodge, and I hope to continue and strengthen the spirit of our brotherhood.

In reading, the transcript of a presentation delivered by Russ Charvonia, Past Grandmaster of the Grand Lodge of California, presented at the Conference of Grand Masters of North America in Baltimore, Maryland, on February, 2014, I believe wholeheartedly on what said and envision the same.

The following is a portion of the speech delivered that day. The transcript of the entire presentation, Civility, may be found in the, [The Short Talk Bulletin, Volume 92, April 2014, Number 4](#), printed by The Masonic Service Association of North America:

"Together, as Masons, we can build a toolbox of resources that can be used by Lodges and Members throughout North America to engage in civil dialogue and create more effective communities. Think about how we might take the working tools of Freemasonry to fill the symbolic toolbox with implements that can be used to create and demonstrate civil behavior. How might we utilize the plumb, square, level, compasses, and even the trowel to illustrate and explain to our non-Mason friends how to deal with each other from a point of enlightenment?...

...Freemasonry provides the opportunity for ordinary men, who hold a

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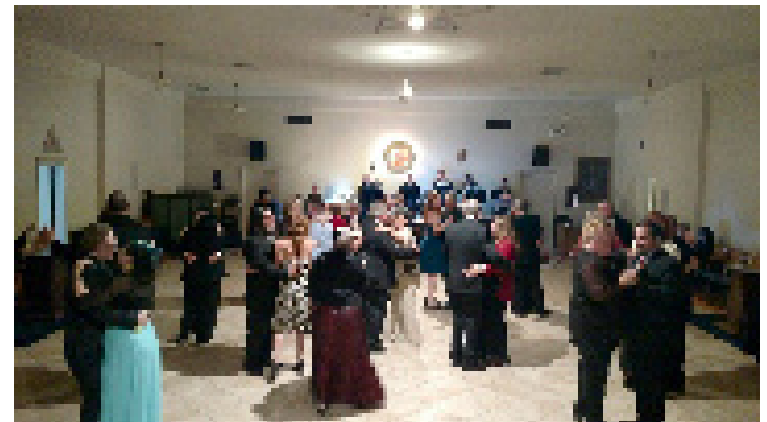
First Annual – Pointsettia Ball at Fontana Masonic Center November 21st, 2015



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Greetings from the South



Welcome to the next Masonic year. FAAAAAAAAwhoooooosh. We are ready to take on the next major challenge, bring members into our ancient craft. There are several schools of theory. One is that we need people who are genuinely interested in what they believe masonry has to offer to them. They seek some ideal which may be vacant from the mass of social concerns that they could join. I say welcome to that great concern that most have sought, Another is the ancient mysteries and doctrines which go back eons. Which have held the interest of people priests and poets. And I say let the tributes begin. We have a wonderful, if not slightly intangible product called Masonry. What do we call it? Why do we do, what we do, when we do it? Hard to pin point. The fact is Masonry can only be described by the person who has joined an esoteric cabal in terms which more then likely only they can relate to or interpret. Sure we can use components to describe and document and tabulate, but when it boils down, we end up with usually more questions than we started with. It does have on certain truth. We sought it for various reasons, but Masonry comes together in a mass effort for the benefit of one. The one who seeks more light. What we do with it after that point is of our volitions, We have an opportunity now to take Masonry and expand it to greater degree. Each using his gifts to expend beyond the walls or doors and reach in the mass of humanity. I hope that you will make an effort now more than ever to bring to lodge those things which you best have to offer. Welcome to the 21st century. We can preserve Masonry's past to ensure our future.

Robert Jacka, PM, Junior Warden
San Bernardino Lodge #178

(Senior Warden's Message continued)

shared set of morals and values, to do extraordinary things. And each of us has been honored with a very special opportunity. We must not let our brethren down, We cannot let society down."

Again, I thank you for this opportunity you have bestowed upon me, to be your Master Elect for San Bernardino Masonic Lodge #178. With great respect, I invite you to our Instillation of Officers for San Bernardino Masonic Lodge on Saturday, December 19, 2015 at 2pm. Dessert and refreshments will follow the Instillation.

I hope to see you at our Instillation of Officers and in and around the Lodge. I'm certainly looking forward to 2016!

May Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth Prevail.

Fraternally yours,

Brent Croyle, Senior Warden

From the Secretary's Desk



Hope you all have a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah or how ever you celebrate the holiday season.

If you have not received a dues notice yet please let me know. Make sure that you pay your dues as soon as possible. Remember to update our information when you send in your dues.

Thanks to all that have paid their dues already and have given me updated information especially e-mail addresses. The more information that we have the better we will be able to communicate in the future.

Richard Harlan, P.M., Secretary

San Bernardino Lodge



December 2015

Upcoming Events to Watch for:

December 3d - Stated Meeting
 December 12th - Job's Daughters Installation - 7:00pm
 December 19th - Installation of Officers - 2:00pm

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3  Dinner 6:30 P.M. Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M.	4  Hi-Twelve 11:30 A.M.	5  Job's Daughters
6	7	8  At Scottish Rite 6:00 pm - Building & Exe. Board Meetings	9	10  Practice 7:00 P.M.	11 <u>Hi-Twelve</u>  Gate City O.E.S. 7:30 Stated Meeting "Merry Christmas"	12  Job's Daughters Installation 7:00 P.M.
13	14	15  At Scottish Rite 6:00 pm - Stated Meetings 6:30 pm - Dinner Family Show	16	17  Practice 7:00 P.M.	18 <u>Hi-Twelve</u>	19  Installation of 2016 Officers 2:00 P.M.
20	21	22	23	24  Dark	25 <u>Hi-Twelve</u>  Gate City O.E.S. DARK <i>Christmas</i>	26
27	28	29	30	31  Dark <i>New Years Eve</i>		