#### **TRESTLEBOARD**

## S. W. Hackett Masonic Lodge No. 574, F& AM Chartered October 11, 1923



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DECEMBER 2011							
<u>SUN</u>	<b>MON</b>	TUE	WED	THU	<u>FRI</u>	<b>SAT</b>	
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#### **DECEMBER EVENTS**

6	Stated Meeting & Dinner	6:30pm
10	Installation of Officers	-
13	Masonic Education	6:00pm
17	Gift & Meal Distribution	Noon
25	Christmas Day	
31	New Years Eve	

#### FROM THE PILLAR OF WISDOM

Greetings Brethren and Ladies:

In December we have two events to round out the year following our Stated Meeting and dinner.

Installation of elected and appointed Officers will take place December 10 at noon in the Heald Room. Bro. Dennis Stahr will be installed as Worshipful Master, together with the rest of the Officer's Line. Bro. Stahr has worked tirelessly with the younger Officers to help them qualify for their positions. He has been a true and trusty friend and my congratulations go out to him. I know he will bring further light to the lodge in the coming year.

December 17 is the date of the Sequoia Elementary Christmas dinner and gift delivery. See page three for details.

Over the past two months we raised three Brothers to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason and I congratulate Brothers Tex Perry, Eric Kurzenberger and Mark Bacaoco on continuing their journey. Kent Dau, PM has once again worked diligently to prepare our Brethren working toward advancement.

#### **2011 OFFICERS**

Lodge Office Telephone	619-295-4420
Master	. Steven E. Laurvick
Sr. Warden	. Dennis P. Stahr
Jr. Warden	. "JR" Knight, PM
Treasurer	
Secretary	. Dimiter Lyakov, PM
Asst. Secretary	
Chaplain	
Sr. Deacon	
Jr. Deacon	
Marshall	. Robert J. Scheeler
Sr. Steward	. John F. Fitch
Jr. Steward	. Michael T. Bryant
Organist	
Tiler	
Officer's Coach	. Robert Smith, PM
<b>Inspector</b> , 921 <sup>st</sup> . Masonic District	David A. Haslim, PM
Trestleboard Editor	

I have been incredibly lucky to have an excellent support system to help hold things together and build on our lodge events and traditions. It has truly been an honor to work with this fraternity and their families.

Dick Covert, PM stepped in to fill a void in preparing the Trestleboard. Kent Dau and Clint Black, PM's, worked to distribute it each month. Dimiter Lyakov, PM stepped in and made a smooth transition into the many duties of the lodge Secretary, taking over the role so ably filled for over five years by John Gamache, PM.

Several Officers stepped up to fill holes in the line, worked on building our communications apparatus, and diligently worked to make contact with all members of the lodge, their widows and orphans.

Thanks to all for allowing me the privilege of serving as Master for 2011.

Fraternally,

Steve Laurvick, Worshipful Master

#### FROM THE PILLAR OF STRENGTH

Brethren and Ladies;

First and foremost, I wish to express my deep appreciation to the Brothers of S. W. Hackett for honoring me with my election to serve as Master for 2012. I truly appreciate the opportunity to serve and will do my very best to do what is in the best interest of the Lodge and will rely on the wisdom of those who have gone before me for their input and suggestions.

We are headed into what is my favorite part of the year. I seem to enjoy the fourth quarter of each year starting with Halloween, then the fun of Thanksgiving and on to Christmas and New Years Eve. Wor. Steve has done a great job and I congratulate him on doing so much with the Lodge, in the Scottish Rite and with his new traveling between here and Las Vegas. A busy man for sure. We will have raised four Master masons this year and I hope that we can better that number in 2012. I will be asking our recent master Masons to call on all the Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts that have not made the move up, to encourage them to do so. Who better to relate the wonderful experience of being raised a Master Mason than those who have just been through that enlightening and awesome experience. This year we had one strong mentor in Bro. Jim Williams, and we will be looking to those whom will assist us in continuing this effort even stronger next year. We will continue the pre-practice Masonic Education and Personal Growth sessions from 6:00PM to 7:00PM each evening that we have practice. With only two sessions so far, the feedback has been excellent. Looking ahead, I am excited about the outlook for S. W. Hackett Lodge in 2012.

Also please remember to keep up to date with our website which has moved to a much better location, so find it, visit it often and bookmark it at:

http://www.swhackett574.sandiegofreemason.com.

Sincerely and Fraternally, Dennis Stahr, WM Elect

#### BIOGRAPHY Dennis Stahr, WM Elect

Dennis was born and raised in Wisconsin, the land of two seasons; winter is coming and winter is here. He served in the Air Force as a ground radar technician for four years, mostly stateside but with a one year assignment to Iceland, of all places. After the service he moved to Minneapolis and was employed as technician with Xerox. There he met Ingrid, his wife of 33 years. They relocated to San Diego due to a transfer with Xerox in 1974. Dennis earned his BA in business here in San Diego, and in 1980 became involved

#### **2011 COMMITTEES**

Audit			
Budget, Fin. Inv.	. Steve Laurvick, WM		
Cand. Coach			
Charity	. Steve Laurvick, WM		
Communication	. Bob Salini		
Del. Dues	. Dennis Stahr		
Funeral	. David Haslim, PM		
Hiram Award	. John Gamache, PM		
Honored Ladies	. Maebelle Haslim		
Life Member	. Jim Campbell, PM		
Maso Education	. James Achenbach, PM		
Masonic Youth	. Dennis Stahr		
Masonic Formtn	. Robert Smith, PM		
Masonic Outrch	. Ron Detzer, PM		
Member Retent	. Clint Black, PM		
Public Schools	. James Achenbach, PM		
Shrine Camp	. Clint Black, PM		
Social Media	. Jim Williams		
Trestleboard	. Dick Covert, PM		
Website Master	. Dennis Stahr		
GL Committeeman: Norm Hale, PM (Emeritus) Widows			



**DENNIS STAHR**WORSHIPFUL MASTER, ELECT

in the investment industry as a commodities broker. In 1983 he began teaching and doing compliance consulting in the investment industry. From 1995 to the end of this year he and his wife traveled on business every month of the year covering 43 states every year. Happy to be done with all that traveling, he is excited to serve his Lodge as Master in 2012.

Dennis joined masonry is June, 2006 and was raised in November, 2006. He joined the Officer line almost immediately and states that he is proud and honored to serve as Master of this great Lodge for 2012.

#### LODGE INSTALLATION DETAILS

The annual Installation of Officers for the 2012 Masonic Year will occur at NOON, December 10, 2011. Officers to be installed and their ladies should be at the lodge at 10:30 am for pictures and preparation.

Installation will be followed by a luncheon in the Doric/Ionic rooms.

#### **2012 ELECTIVE OFFICERS**

Dennis Stahr....Worshipful Master J.R. Knight, PM....Senior Warden Ryan Bacaoco....Junior Warden James Achenbach, PM....Treasurer Dimiter Lyakov, PM....Secretary

# ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER AND GIFT DISTRIBUTION

Immediately following our December Stated Meeting dinner, we will ask for volunteers for food and gift items to support our annual distribution of food and gifts to five families from Sequoia Elementary School. Actual distribution will occur Saturday, December 17. Members volunteering to bring gifts will need to gift wrap and identify the names of the children to whom the gifts are intended and bring them to the Shrine Temple on Clairemont Mesa Blvd. at noon. Those members donating food items will likewise need to deliver them to the Shrine Temple.

These Partnership in Education events have become the signature events for our charitable work. We will also need volunteers with vehicles large enough to make the deliveries.

# HELP US MAKE THE HOLIDAY SEASON BRIGHTER FOR THOSE LESS FORTUNATE THAN US!!!



#### LADIES CORNER

My daughter Andi, Sister Charlene and mother Elaine wish to extend their thanks to all the ladies who so thoughtfully helped with table decorations during the 2011 year Stated Meeting dinners. Thanks you all for your love and support. I have never known a kinder, gentler, more caring group of people than those in this organization.

Steve Laurvick, Worshipful Master

#### DECEMBER STATED MEETING DINNER MENU

Caesar Salad
Prime Beef
Chicken Parmesan
Potatoes au gratin
Green Beans Almandine
Assorted Hot & Cold Beverages
Assorted Rolls
Spice Cake

#### STATED DINNER DETAILS

If you are on the standing reservations list be sure to inform our Bro. Secretary if you are not able to attend Stated Meeting dinner at least the Friday prior to Stated Meeting. Likewise, if you are not on the standing list, let the Secretary know you will be attending dinner. Dinner cost is \$15.00 each. Our Bro. Secretary can be reached at 619-295-4420.



# **DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

# **ECHOES FROM THE PAST**

- 6 Richard Sabor
- 8 David Fox
- 9 R. B. Miller
- 12 Iain Mack
- 14 Clinton Black, PM
- 17 Robert Scheeler, Jr. Douglas Wilder
- 24 Luis Gallegos
- 27 Edward Deitzler, PM
- 28 William Greenlees

70 Years

Francis Minton MM 12/08/41

57 Years

Maurice Lowe MM 12/9/54

49 Years

Arthur Hannum, PM, MM 12/11/62

46 Years

John Czarnecki MM 12/02/65

42 Years

William Stanfield MM 12/9/69

40 Years

Donald Knoll MM 12/02/71