

Channel Islands Lodge No. 214
Free & Accepted Masons of California
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dinners, practices, and degree work**

- Dinners are \$15 each for reservations and prepaid accounts. **Dinners without a reservation are \$20.** Use the Lodge web site or call (805) 641-0214.
- Please make all checks payable to **Free & Accepted Masons Channel Islands No 214**
- Please see the Lodge calendar for the latest information: **<https://channelislandslodge214.org>**

Schedule of Events

- March 2** - Royal Arch Mark Master Degree 10:00AM Ventura Masonic Center
- March 3** - Ventura Royal Arch Masons Stated Convocation 6:00 PM
- March 6** - Stated Meeting Dinner 6:30 PM
- March 6** - Stated Meeting 7:30 PM
- March 8** - Annual Blood Drive 10:30 - 2:00 PM Ventura Masonic Center
- March 13** - Annual Roll Call 6:30 PM

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Greetings From the East:

Spring symbolizes renewal, a theme deeply woven into a Freemason's journey. Just as nature awakens from winter's grasp, so too does the Mason continually seek enlightenment, shedding the past and embracing new wisdom. Initiation marks the first bloom, where the candidate steps into the light, leaving behind ignorance in pursuit of knowledge. As he advances, each degree becomes a season of growth, mirroring the rebirth of thought and philosophy. The lessons of morality, brotherhood, and self-improvement realign his focus on life's greater purpose. He learns to temper ambition with humility, to balance work with reflection, and to refine his character as nature perfects its form with each passing spring. Freemasonry encourages a perpetual renewal of the mind and spirit. Just as springtime urges the world to refresh and flourish, the Mason is called to refocus on the grand designs of his duty to self,



to others, and to the divine. The symbolism of the compass and square reminds him to measure his actions wisely, ensuring his life's work aligns with virtue and wisdom.

Ultimately, the Masonic path is a cycle of awakening, where each new spring, whether literal or philosophical, brings an opportunity to renew, grow, and refine the soul's journey.

Our Southern California paradise has come under devastating events lately which shake our very souls and well-being. Spring brings us an opportunity to view the big picture and renew our energies to move forward again. If you have missed our stated meeting dinners lately, it is time return to your lodge for a good home cooked meal. Visit and catch up with friends and enjoy the moment. You will be warmly welcomed. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Fraternally,
Nick Luizzi, PM
Worshipful Master

Greetings from the West:

As Masons, we are part of a worldwide fraternity made up of men from various backgrounds, each with unique skills and talents. Some abilities are well known, while others remain hidden or unspoken. Every Brother has something valuable to offer, yet these contributions sometimes go unnoticed. This can lead to discontent and dissent in a lodge. Some will feel overlooked, not being included in committees or other roles. Others may feel they are among the few willing to take on responsibilities. Meanwhile, some have dedicated years of service and now enjoy a well-earned rest. One Volume of the Sacred Law describes a body with many parts, each serving a role—the eyes, the feet, the mouth, and so forth. Likewise, our



fraternity thrives when all parts contribute, rejoicing in successes and supporting each other through setbacks. In this analogy, communication is the nervous system that allows us to work in harmony. When signals are lost, dissent grows.

If you have a talent you haven't shared or feel is overlooked, I encourage you to do so. If you are weary and need some rest, I also encourage you to speak up. Communication strengthens our bonds and allows us to share light in our communities. Let us work together in harmony to keep our masonic body healthy and thriving.

Fraternally,
Jared Padgett
Senior Warden

154 years of Freemasonry in Ventura

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Greetings from the South,

It is an honor to serve the lodge as Junior Warden. Last month we enjoyed a Valentine's dinner of pasta and vegetables prepared by Alexa Aguilar, with assistance from Julia Malley, and served by the Rainbow Girls. We also dined at one large table, rather than a few round tables, in hopes of sharing a more intimate experience together. Feel free to let me know your thoughts and/or preferences between table arrangements and we will be happy to consider them.

In March, we will be having corned beef and cabbage, also prepared by Alexa Aguilar, in celebration of St. Patrick's Day. Feel free to wear something green to our March Stated Meeting to share in the festivities.

There are a number of events in March so please

keep an eye on the lodge calendar to stay informed. However, I would like to highlight that we will be hosting a Blood Drive on Saturday, March 8th from 10:30 AM to 2:00 PM. If you have not already made an appointment to donate please connect with me and I'll be happy to set one up for you.

The Channel Islands Masonic Lodge **Annual Roll Call dinner** will be held on March 13 in the Lodge dining room with the roll call to follow in the Lodge room. All Masons are welcome to attend but only Master Masons will take part in the Roll Call.

Dinner will be \$15 and reservations are required.

Fraternally,
Carrick Cheevers
Junior Warden



Ventura York Rite Events

Sunday, March 2

Mark Master Degree (Ventura Royal Arch Masons)

11:00 AM – Registration

12:00 PM – Degree Begins

Monday, March 3

Ventura Royal Arch Masons

Stated Convocation

6:00 PM – Dinner

7:00 PM – Meeting

Spring 2025 York Rite Degrees

Location:

San Fernando Lodge No. 343

1112 N. Maclay Avenue

San Fernando, CA 91304

Capitular Degrees

Saturday, March 15, at 8:00 AM

Cryptic Degrees

Monday, March 24, at 7:30 PM

Chivalric Orders

Saturday, April 5, at 8:00 AM



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482 East Santa Clara Street Ventura CA 93003

Saturday, March 8

10:30-2:00



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Golden Veterans

Gary Lee Vess 2025

James William Rasey PM 2025

Hubert Thomas Curnett 2025

Kenneth Glen Miller 2025

David Levell Knutson 2024

Paul Efraim Lovemark 2024

Michael Paul Blackmer PM 2024

William Noel Scruggs 2024

Donald Phillip Meyer 2024

Steven Alan Weiss 2024

Jerry Lee Jeffery 2023

William Robert Kavanaugh PM 2023

Jeffrey Kosowitz 2023

Robert Blaine Frost 2022

Henry Vann Chase 2022

David Bruce Gillette PM 2022

Steven William Scott 2022

J. Chandler Davis Jr. 2022

Haskell Wayne Chandler 2022

3° Service Years

Carl Edward Burson Jr. 71

Harry Harrland Hunt Jr. 63

Robert Edward Farish 62

Donald Clyde Williams 60

Josh Edcker Kirby Jr. PM 56

Walter Thomas Hahn 54

Hubert Thomas Curnett 50

Paul Arthur MacQuiddy 48

Gary Evan Adkinson PM 42

Ricky Lee Fuehrer 41

William Michael Coe 39

Arturo Valencia Padua 34

William James Roberts Jr. 28

Robert Paul MacQuiddy PM 26

Kirtley Frederick Wilson PM 21

Marvin Lee Kruse Jr. 18

Mark Steven Coker 18

William Eric Cornell 15

David Campbell Thomas 14

Roger Allan Mohan 13

Rene Cenicerros 10

Javier Hernandez 8

Jerry Jacob Lodl 2

Birthdays this Month

James Patrick Brady 2

John David Robles PM 3

Horace Holmes Leard 4

Kirtley Frederick Wilson PM 4

Michael Dee Robertson 4

Russell Eric Charvonja PGM 4

Alvis Jonas Karalius 7

Charles Lovell Halm 7

Mark Steven Coker 7

Scott Brian Neace 8

David Frank Contreras 9

William Fletcher Campbell Jr. PM 13

Christian Charles Sorensen 14

Jackie Lee Hock PM 15

Eric Andrew Lyke Sr. 16

Charles Augustus Rodey II PM 18

Timothy Lee Cook 18

William Robert Kavanaugh PM 18

Robert Blaine Frost 20

James Richard Burgess 21

Neal Lauren Glisson Jr. 21

Robert Paul MacQuiddy PM 23

Harry Harrland Hunt Jr. 27

Jesse Wayne Allee 27

James Grant Fulgham 28

John W.S. Acheson IV 29

Woody Rush French 30

Bruce Arthur Woodling 31

Entered into Rest

Robert Edward Smith PM 1/24/2025