

# Gardena Moneta Lodge 372



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### FROM THE EAST

Brethren:

Our "Canned Goods" campaign for the needy residents of the City of Gardena is continuing. I am happy to announce that several Brethren had already answered this charitable call and donated to this worthy cause. Let us support this activity for our downtrodden fellow creatures as our little way of sharing some of our blessings. You can send your donation to the Lodge at 1250 W. 155<sup>th</sup> Street, Gardena, CA 90247 c/o Dana L. Wyatt, PM.

As mandated by the Grand Master, Lodges should come-up with activities to promote and support our Youth Orders. Consistent with this pronouncement, our Lodge has donated \$500.00 to Bethel 2 of the International Order of the Job's Daughters to help defray their expenses for their Annual Communication. Also, in our Stated Meeting in May, Worshipful Justin Daza-Richie, Past Master of Liberal Arts Lodge in Los Angeles will visit our Lodge and provide insights and information on how to establish a DeMolay Chapter in our Lodge. Surely, the information he will provide will be an invaluable tool as we proceed on this undertaking of reviving De Molay Chapter in our Lodge.

Jose J. Bernabe, Jr., our Assistant Secretary and Chair of our Public School Committee is busy preparing our program for our recognition day on April 24, 2009 at 7:00 pm for the Outstanding Teacher of Gardena High School. Please attend this noble activity and join us in honoring the 2009 Outstanding Teacher of Gardena High School.

We raised Brothers Del Macapagal, Tony Halili and Jun Valencia on April 11, 2009. We were blessed with the support on this degree conferral of Brethren from West Covina 446, South Bay Lodge 421, Long Beach Lodge 327, and Angels Gate 198. Congratulations Brothers Macapagal Halili and Valencia on your raising to the sublime degree of Master Mason. We look forward to seeing you inside the Lodge in our Stated Meetings. Continue spreading the cement of brotherly love and affection.

I invite the Brethren to bring their ladies in our Stated Meeting dinners. As previously mentioned, we have repainted the Recreation Room. We have been using it already for our fellowships and refreshments. The Temple Board recently purchased a 52 inch LCDTV for the use and enjoyment in the Recreation Room. Our ladies can particularly use this while we conduct Stated Meetings or degrees. They can also watch DVD movies therein to make themselves occupied while we are inside the Lodge Room. We now have a complete set of sing - along equipment (speakers, 27 inch TV, amplifiers, magic microphone) which were all made possible thru donations from the Brethren.

It has surely been exciting times in the Lodge. A lot of other activities are forthcoming and we look forward to seeing you join us. Come and enjoy with your Brethren and feel the fellowship and Brotherly Love. I also reiterate my encouragement to the Brethren to send us anything about what is going on with your personal and professional activities and we will publish it in our Trestleboard.

Sincerely and Fraternally,  
Morel R. Callueng  
Worshipful Master

FROM THE WEST

Brethren:

I am pleased with the advancement your Lodge has made in the last four months. Your Officers are busy every week doing Degrees and the candidates are getting major help and returning their obligations in record time. Congrats to the candidates coaches, it shows a commitment to the Master and the Lodge.

The economic crisis of today has caused me to appoint an assistant Officers Coach, Worshipful Cris Araula. He is doing a great job with your Officers and their ritual. Check the Calendar on page four and plan to attend or assist in an upcoming degree, there is enough planned.

Worshipful Al Fowler is still waiting for the rest of the equipment for the Child ID Program to be delivered by the City of Carson, but as of now, we have had NO request to provide this important service. If your church or civic group could make use of this valuable service, please give Al or myself a call and we will gladly provide the service for you.

Please don't forget May 16th. Al gets the Hiram and it is well deserved.

Fraternally,  
Ken Martin PM  
Senior Warden

From the Secretary

Brethren:

We already mailed letters to Brethren who have been behind in their dues reminding them of the same and requested them to send checks or payments to cover the unpaid dues. If you are unable to pay your dues due to reasons beyond your control, please feel free to notify me or the three (3) lights immediately so that we can remit your dues. This will be confidential and only the three (3) lights and I would be the ones aware of this.

Also, we need to update our records on a constant basis. Hence, if you have moved or have new contact number or mailing address, please provide the new information forthwith. This is important so that we can update the records and report it to the Grand Lodge. This would ensure that you will continue to get our mailings. We have been consistently receiving undelivered mails due to the fact that the addresses we have on file are not updated.

Our Lodge continues to be on the upswing and ever so busy this Masonic year. The activities are combined with degree conferral, social and fellowship. We have been consistently getting support and help from other Brethren from several Lodges. Come and join us and personally witness how the Lodge is being used as a venue for brotherhood, fellowship and charitable activities.

Fraternally,  
Floro G. Luna, PM  
Secretary

Avery Brothers Committee

Richard Avery and Dimitri Avery, the two (2) boys we sponsored to be admitted to the Covina Masonic Homes, are still residing in the Homes. Richard is now on 9<sup>th</sup> Grade and attends Charter Oak High School in Covina. Dimitri on the other hand, is now on 7<sup>th</sup> Grade and attends Royal Oak Middle School, also in Covina. Per records of the Homes, both are excelling in school and their grades are very impressive.

Richard celebrated his 16<sup>th</sup> birthday on February 9; while Dimitri will celebrate his 12<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 15, 2009. Carlos McDonald, Family & Community Resource Coordinator of the Homes informed me that both kids are doing very well. He said they do not have any behavioral problems and dubbed them as the best kids they have in the Homes.

The Lodge approved a birthday gift budget of \$50.00 each and I intend to visit them in May to deliver the birthday gift of Richard.

Morel R. Callueng

Chairman, Avery Committee

# GARDENA-MONETA TEMPLE BOARD MINUTES

MEETING OF: March 27, 2009

## Reading Minutes of previous meeting:

A motion to dispense with reading the minutes of the previous meeting was made by Dana Wyatt PM, seconded by George Cronin. The vote was unanimous.

## Treasure Report

Beginning balance: 3/1/2009	<u>32,816.95</u>
Deposits:	<u>7,400.00</u>
Bills:	<u>7,944.40</u>
Ending balance:	<u>32,272.55</u>

Treasures report made Dana Wyatt PM, Treasure. Motion to accept Treasures report by Roger Garst PM, Seconded by George Cronin PM, Vote to accept was unanimous.

## Old Business

1. Discussed parking signs for drive way and parking lot. Motion was made to install signs. Fred Davis PM, President explained the motion was not necessary as the signs had been discussed and, motion made seconded, vote to accept was unanimous by board.
2. Discussion concerning the security gate being opened for parking lot use during Stated meetings.
3. Discussion concerning repairs of roof and structural repair of truss causing low area in roof surface. Bid was read, need two more bids for repair.
4. Discussed bid for Curtin/drape replacement in dinning room. Motion by George Cronin PM to accept bid, Seconded by Dana Wyatt PM, Vote to accept was unanimous.
5. Appraisal of lodge building cost for insurance purposes. Pending
6. Inventory of all items in building for insurance purposes. Pending
7. Discussion concerning church liability insurance, need answer by June.
8. Discussion of closet use for storing cleaning products and equipment. Pending.
9. Discussion concerning excess cash, Treasure informed there is none.
10. Security for hall rental paid by group renting hall discussed. Pending
11. Discussed use of second floor office for Treasure and building manager, Pending.

## New Business

1. Storage of cleaning equipment in closets, problem is circuit breakers are in the closet, this is the reason door cannot be locked. Pending
2. Discussed cleaning of kitchen. It was suggested getting a bid from Floyd. Pending.
3. Discussion concerning purchase of large screen TV for newly decorated second floor lounge room. A member in the television sales business offered to sell the TV to the lodge at a greatly reduced price. Motion to accept by Roger Garst PM, second by George Cronin, Motion carried unanimous.
4. Discussion concerning Cable or sati light service for TV. It was decided since the major benefit of the TV was for lodge purposes, the lodge should bear the expense of the service.

There being no more items of business, a motion to close the meeting was made by Roger Garst PM, seconded by Dana Wyatt. The meeting was closed at 7:20 PM by President Fred Davis PM.

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS

" I am please to announce that there will be a recognition for the most outstanding teacher from Gardena High School on April 24, 2009 at 6:30 pm at the Lodge.

All brethren are invited to attend. Dinner will be served and a short program to follow.

The occasion will be graced by the attendance of the awardee, DORA D' ASSUNCAO, and the Principal of Gardena High, Mr. Kevin Kennedy."

Fraternally  
Joes Bernabe  
Public School Chair

**Birthdays**

02 Robert Johnson  
 06 Mark M. Rangle  
 06 Ken Martin PM  
 07 Donald David  
 07 Al Habbal  
 11 R H Beadles  
 15 Manolito T. Moreno  
 18 Elmer N. Valdez  
 19 Earl D. Eason  
 19 Paul Youtsey Jr  
 22 George Froom Jr  
 22 Harol McConnell  
 24 James Kennedy  
 24 Leo T. De Guzman  
 28 Oscar P. Leus PM  
 30 Emmanuel A. Abellion

**May Calendar****April 24**

6:00 pm - Temple Board Meeting  
 7:00 pm - Public School Recognition Day

**May 1**

6:30 pm - 7:20 pm - Stated Meeting Dinner  
 7:30 pm - Stated Meeting

**May 9**

9:00 am - 3rd Degree Conferral

**May 16**

6:30 pm - Hiram Award for Alvin " AL"  
 Fowler, PM

**May 23**

9:00 am - 2nd Degree Conferral

**May 30**

9:00 am - 1st Degree Conferral

**2009 Committee Chairmen**

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**Stated Meetings**

First Wednesday @ 7:30  
 All Master Masons are welcome.

**2009 Lodge Officers****Master**

Morel Callueng

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Flor Cabanatan

**Treasurer**

Dana Wyatt PM

**Secretary**

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Jose Bernabe

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Cris Araula PM

**Senior Deacon**

Nathaniel Zipagan

**Junior Deacon**

Saturnino Duenas

**Marshal**

Lorenzo Castaneros

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