

Gardena Moneta Lodge 372



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FROM THE EAST

Brethren:

Congratulations to Brother Crisogono G. Bayani, III on his raising to the sublime degree of Master Mason. We are looking forward to seeing you in the Lodge for all our activities for this year and the years to come. Masonry is a continuing journey and always remember the injunction you received from the Worshipful Master to be ever guarded and watchful of all your words, thoughts and actions and convince the world that on becoming a Master Mason you have become a better man.

I have already appointed the Brethren who will serve as Chapter Advisors for our DeMolay. I will coordinate with Worshipful Justin Daza- Ritchie so that we can schedule a training, seminar, or orientation for these Brothers regarding their duties and responsibilities as Chapter Advisers. In relation to this, we have an ongoing Basketball Tournament in Carson where we have entered two (2) teams composed of prospective members of our DeMolay Chapter. Some of the players in the other team are already DeMolay who will form the core of our DeMolay Chapter. Let us support this undertaking.

I continue to encourage all of you to write us anything what's going on in your life so that we can publish it in our Trestleboard. This is one way of communicating with your Brothers so that they would be updated on your personal and professional activities. Let us continue to reconnect with one another and share our experiences as we continue with our journey in life.

As an update to my previous message about our Treasurer, Worshipful Dana L. Wyatt, I am relieved to inform you that his by-pass operation was very successful. He is up and running again. In fact, he already attended our Hiram Award on May 16 and our Stated Meeting on June 5. Let us pray together that his recovery will continue to be stable and without any setback.

Our monthly calendar continues to be full with degree and social activities. On July 19, 2009, we will have our Summer Dance party. Please bring your ladies and friends and join us for a night of partying and fellowship. **I am happy to note that not a single penny from the Lodge will be spent for this activity.**

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Morel R. Callueng
Worshipful Master

FROM THE SOUTH

Brethren,

Gardena Moneta Lodge is fraternally alive and doing well. Our last stated meeting was attended by over 40 brothers including our long missed brothers Aris Reyes and Charlie Ponce. Grandmaster Larry Adamson has finally lifted their ban and allows them to come back to our lodge. This is of course through the help of our Inspector Charles Cross, Worshipful Fred Davis and our Worshipful Master Morell Callueng. Welcome home my brothers!

Our lodge is now doing well in conferring degrees. The officers has given their time and effort in giving every degree conferral their best performance. I commend the officers and guest Brethren for giving such a good degree conferral to our newly obligated Master Mason brother Chris Bayani. Congratulations brother Chris!

Brethren, we are in the process of bringing DeMolay Chapter back in our Lodge. We have already passed the resolution to sponsor a DeMolay Chapter and the next step is the appointment of Advisors. And in our last stated meeting , our Worshipful Master has named the appointed Advisors to our DeMolay Chapter. These are the following Brethren:

Morell Callueng	Charlie Bautista
Chris Araula	Chris Cabanatan
Flor Cabanatan	Del Macapagal
Nathan Sipagan	Dan Ibanez
Jun Bernabe	Rene Esmane
Gerry Ramos	Tony Halili
JV Villanueva	Edgar De Leon
Ben Ponce	

The next step now is for the advisors to attend the training or seminar for Chapter advisors. Brethren , this is indeed a significant step for our Lodge to support the Masonic program of the Grand Lodge. Our Advisors effort will be directed with special emphasis to the youth of our communities. And to this I would like to share with you the following message:

“Masonry is the world’s largest fraternal organization. It is a body of knowledge and a system of ethics based on the belief that each man has a responsibility to improve himself while being devoted to his family, faith, country and fraternity . Each Mason not only strive to be a better spouse, parent and family member, but is also committed to protecting the well-being of other members and their families, especially when they are in need. In the course of his ritualistic obligations, each Mason promises to protect the wives, daughters, mothers, sisters and widows of any Master Masons.”

Through charity we support our communities, and through Masonry, we support each other.

Fraternally,
Flor Cabanatan
Jr. Warden

FROM THE WEST

Brethren:

I can not believe the half the year is already gone. I guess time really flies when you are having fun.

The Lodge is going strong and your Master is doing a great job juggling his calendar, seems like he has something planned every night (or day) with degrees or social functions going all the time. Well done Morel.

Worshipful Al Fowler informed me that the City of Carson contacted him the other day with the rest of their Child ID equipment and we now have four complete operational Child ID kits and are looking forward to putting them to use at the upcoming Constitutional Observance celebration in El Segundo and have been asked to do some Park and Rec. baseball teams later this year. We are still in need of brothers to be trained to run the systems and assist at the upcoming events. If you are interested, please contact Worshipful Al or myself for assistance.

Fraternally,
Ken Martin PM
Senior Warden

**CONSTITUTIONAL
OBSERVANCE**

In our June Stated Meeting, our Worshipful Master, decided that we will join El Segundo Lodge and Beach Cities Lodge in the celebration of the U. S. Constitution.

We will coordinate with the Chairperson of this event regarding tasking and costs associated with holding this event.

We were informed that the event will be held on September 19, 2009 at Library Park in El Segundo.

Worshipful Richard Pierce has accepted the invitation to be the Main Speaker for this event.

Come and join your Mason Brothers and Civic leaders of El Segundo in honoring the most important document of our nation.

**Constitutional Observance
COMMITTEE****UPCOMING SPORTS
EVENTS**

Our billiard table is scheduled to be repaired on June 20, 2009. After the table is repaired, we will schedule a fellowship billiard's tournament among the Brethren. This is geared towards continuing the fellowship and bond among the Brethren. Let us thank Brothers Arnold Infante and Jun Valencia for initiating this activity.

Also, due to popular clamor, the Junior Warden has been designated to scout for a venue for our Bowling Event. This tournament will be a family affair where the Brethren, their ladies and children will gather together for a one day event and enjoy each other's company. I was informed that our ladies are eagerly awaiting this event. Again, please support this activity.

**SPORTS ORGANIZING
COMMITTEE**

While visiting a newly initiated brother at home one day, the new brother's wife took me to one side and said her husband had started behaving very strange since joining the lodge.

I asked in what way? She said that he locks himself in the toilet for hours on end mumbling to himself with his little blue book.

Later that evening I turned the talk to lodge, and asked him how he was getting on? Oh fine was his reply.

I asked him about his behavior in the bathroom and if there was anything wrong. No, he replied. So why read the book there? Well he said "It's the only TILED room in the house".

Birthdays

01 Daniel P. Valdez
 01 Lester J. Ioerger
 04 Rudy P. De Vera
 05 Frank Abrosion
 06 Leslie Slye
 07 James Smith Jr
 08 Robert T. Limpus
 08 Michael V. Paysan
 09 Elmor L. Villanueva
 09 Kenneth Levitt Jr
 10 Caesar Flores
 10 Howard Neill
 10 Beryl J. Howard
 11 Robert Winfield
 14 Cosimo Cataldi
 15 Paul Widrig PM
 16 George Mayner PM
 16 James Rothenberger
 16 Jeffrey Fox
 19 Ira Waterman PM
 19 Javier M. Villanueva
 20 Owen E. Strand
 21 William M. Fisher Jr
 22 James W. Dougherty
 24 Armand H. Vilain
 25 Manuel Benedicto
 28 Harold H. Hoffman
 29 George Bell
 29 Paul M. Rodriguez
 30 Dana Wyatt PM

JULY CALENDAR**July 3**

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

July 8 - 7:00 pm

OSI - 1st Degree Complete –
 Gardena Moneta 372
 to exemplify

July 17 – 7:00 pm

1st Degree - Mr. Manuel Dela
 Roca and Mr. Noel Nodalo

July 19 – 4:00 pm

Summer Dance Party

July 24 – 7:00 pm

2nd Degree –Lee Razalan and
 Noe Rubio

July 31 – 6:00pm

Temple Board Meeting

July 31 – 6:30 pm

3rd degree – Jigs Dejese

2009 Committee Chairmen

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Stated Meetings

First Friday @ 7:30

Dinner @ 6:30

All Master Masons are welcome.

2009 Lodge Officers**Master**

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Junior Warden

Flor Cabanatan

Treasurer

Dana Wyatt PM

Secretary

Floro Luna

Assistant Secretary

Jose Bernabe

Chaplain

Cris Araula PM

Senior Deacon

Nathaniel Zipagan

Junior Deacon

Saturnino Duenas

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