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Thoughts from the East

From the East:

As we come to the end of the month, several scheduled items have come and gone. The next Meeting for the Lodge is our Past Masters Night on October 24th. I hope to see a good attendance to honor our Past Masters who served their Lodge. We will be honored to have our M.:W.: Grand Master, Arthur Tunnell as Guest Speaker

WE hope to see some progress on our North Property within the next two weeks if the schedule holds, It will be a



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pleasant sight to see all the old houses disappear and make our property more presentable.

Hope to see you all in Lodge.

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Birthdays and Masonic Anniversaries

BIRTHDAY S

James P. Craig	11/25/1940	James M. Stevenson	11/24/1946
Wolf Fielenbach	11/07/1962	Wm. John Stone	11/9/1942
Frank A. Hegwer	11/23/1930	Rodney P. Toon	11/6/1932
Jerry R. Hilgeman	11/30/1941	Robert M. Tyrrell	11/30/1942
Thomas W. Ingram	11/12/1954	Matthew T. Zajac	11/17/1986
Randal J. Kiscadon	11/08/1959		
Mark Alan Law	11/30/1961		
Theodore R. Lewis	11/21/1929		
Frederick L. Martin	11/03/1947		
Emil L. McHenry	11/13/1931		
William McMichael	11/26/1946		
Shawn Durham Odum	11/30/1971		
Marcelo Paulik	11/03/1965		
William B. Pieper,	11/05/1918		
Richard C. Rahn	11/10/1926		
Harold K. Roberts	11/16/1928		

MASONIC ANNIVERSARIES

Alvin E. Brown	11/24/1950
Donald R. Carnahan	11/15/1976
Bobby H. Chapman	11/18/1967
James Edwin Heaton,	11/27/2000
Douglas L Holbert	11/06/1972
Harvey A. Lewis	11/28/1964
David W. Morgan	11/28/1977
Walter S. Mullins	11/21/1946
James William Peyton	11/16/1996
Delmar A. Sanders	11/26/1960
Darrell W. Sinclair	11/30/1956

Paul L. Stevens	11/12/1984
Ray M. Toon	11/27/1978

IN MEMORY OF OUR DEPARTED

Alfred W. Rodriguez 7/20/2007

The Lord bless thee and keep thee:
The Lord make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee:
The Lord lift upon thee the light of His countenance, and give thee peace.
Amen

White Sands Shrine Club

Again, we look forward to seeing all interested parties at our November dinner meeting. Remember, November 5th, 1:00 PM at the 19th hole.

At this meeting we will congratulate our newest Shriner, Noble Charles “Bud” Weidman. Bud took the cold sands ceremony after the one day Masonic class on October 13th in Albuquerque. (There were an even dozen new Shriners made at that Cold Sands Ceremony). Nobles, from the Masonic fold comes new Shriners, lets all get active in our respective lodges and promote Masonry in our everyday lives.

To date the White Sands Club has participated with the Ruidoso Shrine Club in two parades, in July at Capitan and in September in Ruidoso, at the Aspen fest, which is the Potentate visit to the Ruidoso Club. We had a great time, and the turnout was stupendous. For those who were not able to join us, there will be many more activities to come.

We are currently looking forward to our first fund raiser, a yard sale to be held in front of the Tularosa Lodge. The date is not yet died in wool, but it will be in the very near future.. If you have items to donate, please call Noble Bill Murphy @ 437-2169 or drop an email to Bill Murphy at murph@totacc.com. We will make arrangements to collect all donations.

See you at the meeting, bring your lady.

Bill Beckett, President

**Charles Biggs
Junior Warden
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THE GREATEST THREAT TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

With all the controversy going on in the country today, it is difficult to isolate political hatred and animosity from the symbol of our country. The American Flag represents “We the people of the United States of America.”

We as a united front should endeavor to hold the flag once again before the masses and remind them that this country is the greatest country in the world, in almost every respect. We are not perfect, but there is no other nation that has come close to our lofty ideals. We have helped more countries than any other and have turned the tide of ruthless despots time and time again.

Our country is us. “We the people” and the one symbol that identifies us above all others is our American Flag. If we are proud of our symbol then we must realize that we must hold it with reverence and show it the proper respect. Our flag is under constant attack just as is our Democracy.

We are one Nation under one Flag and under one God. There is no room for other flags in this land to represent “We the People”. If you have allegiance to another flag then you have allegiance to another country. Please take your flag and go to your home in the country of your choice, because “We the People” are taking America back.

I hope Masons all over the country lead the way to a revival of true patriotism in this country... God Bless our Flag and God Bless America.

Sarge

From the Secretary's Desk



Delmar Sanders
Secretary
Sacramento Lodge

Brethren,

This year has passed all too quickly and now it seems it is Dues time once again. Dues actually expire on December 31st, at 12:00 midnight, but they may be paid any time once the Dues cards are received by the Secretary. I hope that you will all give yourself a Thanksgiving or Christmas present and send your dues in right away. Remember that they are \$60.00 and should be sent to

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Brethren, our degree work is picking up, so if you are interested in helping to confer degrees, we practice each second and fourth Wednesday at 6:30 P.M. Our next degree will be a Fellowcraft so come on down

With the Holiday season fast approaching, we all need to make sure that we watch our calendars so we don't miss an important date. If you know of something that should be included in the calendar, call the Secretary and he will pass it on to our editor, M.:W.:B.: William T. Beckett.

In case I forget next month, I'll wish each of you a Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Your Secretary, *Delmar A. Sanders*

Freemasonry's Future

"Freemasonry is becoming extinct, our numbers are growing fewer and fewer. Everything changes and perhaps our time has come and gone." These were the words I heard on a lecture and tour at the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania last year. Certainly I've heard it repeated many times along with the many theories that accompany the decline. Society has changed, families have changed, too many demands on our brief and precious time and on and on.

Self-awareness, self-improvement, integrity, love of and commitment to our brethren and fellow human beings can't be passé.

I'm in my Masonic childhood if not infancy but it has been very clear to me this is a fraternity that is built on stability. As I study, I recognize words and phrases from ancient documents written almost a century ago, which have evolved into our modern constitutions and I am amazed by the stability. Yet, if there is any universal constant, it must be "CHANGE". So how do we balance our two vital needs: stability and change?

I often ask people to look into a mirror and say to themselves. "There is a problem, and the problem is ME". After all, the only thing we really have a hope of changing is ourselves. What am I doing, or not doing that is harmful in some way to my Masonic Fraternity? How am I maintaining stability and how can I embrace change? Recently I did this and it dawned on me that my role in the nurturance of my brothers who are Entered Apprentices and Fellowcraft is just almost nonexistent. Other than just a few, I don't even know who they are! do you? I may help a few learn some words for proficiency, but is that really helping them understand the rich, fascinating, amazing and truly wonderful way our Lodge has been and is involved with Ourselves and Mankind? Maybe this may be something I can do something about! I'll work on that. In the mean time, let me encourage you to look into that mirror (really, literally) and ask yourself the question.

Joe Glass, Senior Deacon Sacramento #24

11th New Mexico Masonic District
Sacramento #24, Carrizozo #41, Tularosa #49, Ruidoso #73, Mountain Top #81

November 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 6:30 PM Scottish Rite Club 6:30 PM Table Lodge @ Roswell	3 11:00 AM MTN Top 9:00 AM Grand Masters retreat @ Roswell
4 Daylight Sav- ings time ends George Washington Initiated 1752	5 7:30 pm Ruidoso #73 Stated Meeting	6 Election Day	7 1:00 PM White Sands Shrine Club 6:30 pm Tularosa Ritual Practice	8 7:30 PM Ruidoso O.E.S	9	10
11 Veterans Day	12 7:30 PM Tularosa #49 Stated Mtg Dinner @ 6:30	13 7:30 PM Alamo OES	14 6:30 PM Sac 24 Ritual Practice Carrizozo #41	15 7:30 PM Sacramento 24 Stated Meeting Dinner @ 6:30	16 Rocket Shrine Club	17 LC Scottish Rite
18	19 7:30 PM Tularosa OES Stated Mtg.	20 7:30 PM Amaranth Stated Mtg.	21 6:30 Tularosa Ritual Practice	22 Thanksgiving Day Rainbow Dark	23	24
25 United Grand Lodge of England Organized 1813	35	27	28 6:30 PM Sac 24 Ritual Practice	29 6:30 PM Fellowship Dinner @ Sacramento Pot Luck	30	