



Central Coast Lodge # 237

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A Message From the East

February Lodge Events

6th	Dinner 6:00 PM Stated Meeting 7:00 PM
5th	Hesperian Lodge Dinner 6:00PM Stated Meeting 7:00 PM
13th	Officers Practice 2nd Degree 7:00 PM
20th	Temple Board Mtg 6:30 PM Officers Practice 2nd Degree 7:00 PM
27th	Executive Committee Meeting — 6:30 PM Officers Practice 2nd Degree 7:00 PM

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Greetings Brethren

Happy February, the month of Presidents and LOVE!

[This month we celebrate Valentines Day, President's Day and Bro. George Washington's Birthday \(1732.\)](#)

George Washington joined the Masonic Lodge in Fredericksburg, Virginia, at the age of twenty in 1752. During the War for Independence, General Washington attended Masonic celebrations and religious observances in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. He also supported Masonic lodges that formed within army regiments.

At his first inauguration on April 30, 1789, President Washington took his oath of office on a Bible from St. John's Lodge in New York. During his two terms, he received Masonic delegations from several states, and participated over the cornerstone-laying ceremony for the U.S. Capitol in 1793.

In retirement, Washington became charter Master of the newly chartered Alexandria Lodge № 22, sat for a portrait in his Masonic regalia, and in death, was buried with Masonic honors.

For more information on Presidents who were Masons see Bro. Murry's column in this issue.

Our Stated Meeting for February will be on February 6th. Dinner is served at 6:00 PM. Please join in for great food and conversation. Stated will be at 7:00 PM.

This year Central Coast Lodge #237 will celebrate our 150th Anniversary! The Anniversary Committee is planning several events to help celebrate and promote the Lodge and its history. To begin, we will have a 5-Cities Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting on Thursday, August 22nd at 1:00 PM. (I am hoping that as many brothers as possible can be present for a picture in front of our new sign.) Brother Maturrsa has designed a challenge coin to celebrate the occasion and there are plans for an open house and dinner with local dignitaries as well on Friday, October 11th. The committee would enjoy some help from anyone who can... please let me know if you have time to help.

Friday night "Cook Your-own and a Movie" will be Friday, February 16th. The fire will be ready by 6:00 PM and the movie will start at around 7:00 PM. I would very much appreciate a suggestion for a movie for January! Bring what you want to put on the grill and we do the rest!

The Mayor's Place in Nipomo is still where to be for breakfast. I invite everyone to join us at 8:30 AM on Thursday mornings for an absolutely terrific time enjoying food and fellowship with your Brothers.

* Again... PLEASE... It would be a great help to the Brothers in the kitchen, and Stefanie, if we could have a 'heads-up' on how many will attend the Stated Meeting dinner and the Cook Your-own and a Movie night. If you plan on attending the Stated Meeting dinner or "Cook Your-own and a Movie", PLEASE either email or call me a day or two before to let me know how many are coming. My contact information is below!

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From the West

February Birthdays
Happy Birthday to . .**Master**

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Greetings Brethren,

February the 19th is President's day, so I wanted to share a few fun facts about presidents that were Masons.

In 1789, George Washington took the oath of office of President the United States with an alter Bible borrowed from the St. John's Masonic lodge #1 in New York and after the oath was finished, he kissed the Bible afterwards. Washington took the first degree of Masonry in Fredicksburg, Virginia in 1752.

Harry S. Truman became a Mason in 1909. In 1940 he was elected Grand Master of Masons in Missouri , attained the 33rd Scottish Rite degree in 1945 and was a member of the Ararat Shrine.

Theodore Roosevelt became a Mason in New York in 1901. As president he broke ground for a Masonic temple in Spokane Washington in 1903 and he attended the masonic cornerstone laying of the House of Representatives building in 1906.

Franklin D. Roosevelt was initiated as a freemason on October 10,1911 and six weeks later was raised a Master Mason. As an active mason for many years, he petitioned the Ancient accepted Scottish rite in Albany consistory of New York in 1929 and received his 32nd degree. A year later , he became a Shriner in Albany New York's Cyrus temple.

Ronald Regan was presented with a certificate of honor from the Grand Lodge of Washington DC in the oval office of the White House in 1988. He was then made an honorary Scottish Rite Mason.

As a youth Bill Clinton was a member of the Order of DeMolay.

Fraternally,

David A. Murray, PM
Sr. Warden

- 8 Hess, Howard
8 Hobberlin, John
12 Sawyer, Lance
14 Anderson, Brad
24 Carranza, Scott
24 Holloway, Frank
25 Kears, Charles

Bold indicates Past Master

February Masonic Birthdays

- 9 Harris James
19 Todd, Dylan
20 Matsuura, Garret
23 Hess, Howard
25 Bettles, James
26 Ericson, Duane
28 Funkhouser, Steven



Masonic Family

Central Coast Star Chapter No. 97 Order of Eastern Star
 Meetings: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays
 7:30 PM
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SLO Chapter No. 62
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Five Cities Shrine Club
 Meetings: 1st Monday—6:00 PM
 Arroyo Masonic Center
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Santa Maria Shrine Club
 Meetings: 2nd Wednesday—7:00 PM
 Secretary:

Rainbow Assembly #92
 Meetings: 1st Wednesday in SLO
 3rd Wednesday in AG
 7:00 PM
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Santa Lucia Court # 143 Order of Amaranth
 Meetings: 3rd Friday, 7:30 PM

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From the South

Greetings Brethren

I would like to thank our treasurer Garret Matsuura for setting up our calendar so that it can be viewed on our website. This will help avoid conflicts involving use of the lodge. We haven't had any problems yet but have had some close calls. I also am asking all groups who use the lodge to send me a signed contract even if no rent is required. Please call with any questions. Thanks and have a good month.

Jeff Massingham
 Jr Warden

From the Secretary's Desk

Greetings Brethren

A reminder that we no longer mail out Dues Cards. They are available on Imember to print yourself or use the digital version. If you would like yours sent to you, let me know and I mail it to you.

I have received, to this date, all but 13 members dues. The dues for year 2024 are \$170.50. For those members who have yet to submit their dues, please do so as soon as possible. If you are unable to pay dues now, please contact The Master or one of the Wardens.

The first meeting of the new **Central Coast Shrine Club** will be held on February 24th at noon at the Mayor's Place Restaurant on East Tefft Street in Nipomo. All Shriners, current or otherwise are cordially invited to attend.

At the January 13th meeting, the following Shrine Club members were elected to serve as officers of the club for 2024: Scott Pace; President; Greg Schlitz, Vice President; Ron Ritter; Rusty Kern, Secretary.

Glenn Elliott, PM
 Secretary

Lodge Committees

Auditing
 Brad Anderson

Investments
 Cliff Dugger, PM
 David Murray, PM
 Tildon McGill, PM
 Fred Schulenburg PM
 Charlie Kears, PM Ex Official
 Garret Matsuura, Ex Official
 Glenn Elliott, PM Ex Official

Budget and Finance
 J Johnson
 David Murray, PM

Candidate's Coach
 Frank Luenser, PM

Charity
 Charlie Kears
 David Murray, PM
 Jeff Messingham

Delinquent Dues
 David Murray, PM
 Glenn Elliott, PM

Retention
 David Murray, PM
 Frank Luenser, PM

Masonic Widows Open

Masonic Youth Groups
 Frank Luenser, PM

Officers Coach
 Zack Braun



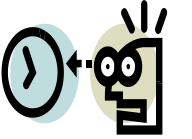
Sunshine
 All Officers

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[*The Winter Stated Meeting attire for the Officers will be coats and a tie until Spring!](#)

For the Officers, the 542nd District Officer's Association School of Instruction for February is Monday the 19th at 7:15 PM at Hesperian Masonic Center, Santa Maria.

I would like to thank all the Brothers of Central Coast Lodge #237 for their continued effort and support!

From the Eagles, "Hotel California" from the album 'Hotel California, the iconic title track from their fifth studio album released February 22, 1977.

Happy February!

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Fraternally,
Charlie Kears, Master

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