



Blythe/Needles Lodge No. 473
Free & Accepted Masons of California
MASTER'S TRESTLEBOARD
October 2022



LODGE CALENDAR:

October 5th	7:30 pm	Temple Board Meeting
	8:00 Pm	Stated Meeting
October 15th	6:00pm	Hiram Award Presentation
October 18th	7:00pm	Officer School of instruction
October 26th	TBT	Officers Training for new officers



Brethren: Greetings from the East. I'll start this message by congratulating Brothers Steven Ryan and Jared Rusk on passing to the degree of Fellow Craft. Worshipful Ted Morris PM came down from his home in Lake Havasu to sit in the East during the entire degree. This allowed me to cover any chair that was vacant and also gave me the opportunity to do the Middle Chamber (Staircase) Lecture. Worshipful Fred Wolfe PM came over from Coachella Lodge No. 460 to present Fellowcraft pins from Grand Lodge. Your officers did a fine job of conferring these degrees and I couldn't be prouder of their performance.

We have two Entered Apprentices that need to give their proficiencies. Hopefully they will do so this month and we can then get ready to raise four new Master Masons next year.

Your officers are getting ready for their advancement to the next office/station. Our inspector, Wor. Stu Ryan, will be following the Grand Lodge guidelines in examining their proficiencies. Your officers are working diligently to pass this exam. Be assured your officers will be qualified to conduct the business of your lodge.

One thought, your lodge is only as good as it's general membership. If you have not been to lodge in a while and feel a little "rusty" in the secret work, that's okay. We're having a fellowship night on October 22, 2022. Come join us for fun, food (no charge) and fellowship. I'll be delighted to take you into the lodge room and "refresh" your memory. The point is, we want you to feel comfortable in your own lodge, and feel welcomed whenever you can attend.

I'll close by thanking Worshipful Ted Morris PM and Worshipful Fred Wolfe PM yet again for making our Fellowcraft degree so memorable.



Cable-tow

In its first and original application, the cable-tow seems to have been used as a physical means of controlling the candidate and such an interpretation is still put upon it in the entered Apprentice degree. But in the more recent times, more modern symbolism has been introduced, and is now supposed to symbolize the covenant by which all Masons are tied to us, reminding us of the passage in Hosea. “He drew them with the cords of a man, with bands of love.”

According to ancient laws of Masonry every brother was expected to attend his lodge if he was within the length of his cable-tow. The old writers defined the length of the cable-tow to be three miles for an Entered Apprentice, but that has been since defined as being “the reasonable scope of a man’s ability.”

Thus, this definition is ascribed not only as it applies to attending Lodge, but also in the performance of various duties necessary to the proper functioning of the lodge.

A brother is not asked to come any distance, however small, if in doing so it would work a hardship or unnecessarily inconvenience him, nor to perform any duty that was not reasonable within his ability to perform.

Stu Ryan PM / Hiram
Inspector
834th Masonic District of
The Grand Lodge of State California

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◆ Asking all Shriners and Scottish Rite Masons Near and Far to Blythe ◆
to join us for the Blue Lodge

Christmas Parade Friday Night Skeet Club BBQ, and 50/50 shoot



Friday, December 2nd

Skeet Club BBQ: 6 PM

50/50 shoot: 7 PM

Saturday, December 3rd

Golf Tournament: 8 AM - 12 PM

Lodge BBQ: 12 PM

Parade: 5 PM

Golf course contact for tee times: (760) 922-7272 (mention Shriners)

Friday Night Skeet Club, BBQ, and 50/50 shoot will be donated to the Scottish Rite Children's Language Center in Pam Springs

All donations for the golf tournament and lodge BBQ will be donated to Blythe-Needles Lodge #473 and Shriners Children Hospital

Rooms available at the following:

◆	Comfort Suites	(760) 921-2626	◆
	Hampton Inn	(760) 921-8000	
	Holiday Inn	(760) 921-1070	
	Emerald Inn	(760) 921-1041	

Those who wish to only shoot their personal firearms or receive instructions by licensed firearms instructors, contact: **Worshipful STU Ryan**

Personal Shoot times will be:

**Saturday and Sunday
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

(Supply your own ammo)

Any donations will be donated to Scottish Rite Care

RSVP to Stu as a group or individual at: (760) 272-5757

or Scan here to RSVP



Fun for all!



Officers for the Year 2022
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Worshipful Master Larry Wuertz, PM

Senior Warden Jeff Gatchell, PM

Junior Warden Kevin Currier

Treasurer James Ryan

Secretary Kevin Crain

Senior Deacon Bill Jarrard, PM

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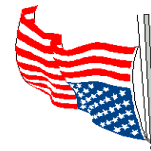
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If the person to whom this is addressed has moved, is in the hospital, a care facility, or incapacitated in any way, please notify the Secretary at the address listed above.
Thank you.



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