



Glendora Masonic Lodge #404

F. & A.M.
Glendora, CA



December 2023

Friendly Lodge of the Foothills

Brethren: I hope this finds you all well and prepared for the holiday season. Thank you to all the officers that served during the year, not only for being officers but for all your time in supporting this Lodge. Congratulations to the elected and appointed officers selected to serve in 2024. Our Installation has not been scheduled; it will probably be in January. This Lodge cannot move forward without total support of all its members, from giving a part in a degree to sitting on a committee to planning special events or even attending events. Do not forget our 1st degree scheduled for Dec 14, our first, 1st degree in quite some time. I know it's the holiday season but our candidate is looking forward to his degree after being postponed. Come out and show our candidate our support.

Rick



The year has gone by so fast. I had an incredible Halloween, Thanksgiving was fun, and for Christmas my family and I will be at Disneyland. Making memories to me is more important than anything else in the world. Happy Holidays Everyone!

Elmen



Many men become interested in Masonry. For many personal, and some deeply personal reasons, you petition a Lodge for membership. Your application has been read in Lodge, you and your Family have been visited by those Lodge members, and you've been given a date for your first Degree in Masonry. It is with curiosity and anticipation you await the date to find out what Masonry is about...a veil of mystery is to be revealed.... Then, you receive notice from the Lodge's Secretary that your scheduled First Degree is being postponed, and will be rescheduled. You're not sure why, but you are disappointed, nonetheless...

Brethren, there have been a number of 1st Degree practices since September for Mr. Lopez, who was originally scheduled to receive his degree on October 26th. During these practices, two, three, perhaps on an extremely lucky evening...4 or 5 Brothers show up to practice. One of these is a young man, who is not a member of our Lodge, but willingly volunteers. The purpose of these practices is to put on the very best Degree for the Candidate.

It takes a minimum number of Lodge members to open a Lodge of Entered Apprentices. I won't go into how many here...you already know this. A Degree is like a play...There is a cast. There are both principal and supporting cast members. **ALL OF THEM** are needed to put on the play. Without all of the members showing up to rehearse, let alone perform during the performance, there can be no play.

It is understandable that pre-planned Family events, previously scheduled vacations...or working late interfere with attending practices. But to have at the most... 4 or 5 Brothers who have taken time away from their evenings to show up for practice....only to go home because the rest of the cast didn't show up, isn't respectful of the time of those Brothers...or the Candidate awaiting the delayed conferral of his Degree.

We could have been done with these ongoing practices, and Mr. Lopez could now be working on qualifying for his Fellowcraft Degree, if we all took the time to practice as a group.

With Brotherly Love, I hope to see you ALL at practice Tuesday evening at 7PM

Apologies to Wor. Rick for perhaps being out of line with this email....

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Miles



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Fred Bernhardt
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International Order for Rainbow Girls
Citrus Assembly #206

2nd & 4th Monday 7:00pm

Actual Birthday's

December



- Joshua Carr 1-Dec
- James Hubbard Jr. 9-Dec
- Kris Bryan 15-Dec
- Leonard Acevedo Jr. 17-Dec

Masonic Anniversary's

- Matthew Carroll 12/8
- Stephen Nall 12/8
- Diran Deukmajian 12/9
- Johnny Mallory Jr. 12/9
- Richard Amos 12/12
- Garret Baquet 12/12
- James Hubbard Jr. 12/13
- Andrew Mendez 12/13
- William Morales 12/16

Date	Title	Time	Comments
2-Dec	Lodge Rental		
4-Dec	Temple Bd	7:30p	at Lodge
7-Dec	Dinner Stated Meeting	6:30p 7:30p	
14-Dec	1st Degree	7:30p	Mr Lopez
18-Dec	OSI: San Dimas	7:30p	
25-Dec	Christmas Day		
27-Dec	Blood Drive		
	Rainbow Meet		1st & 3rd Monday
Proficiency Class every Monday @ 6p			
Practice Sessions as Called by the WM			

"Everybody matters or nobody matters."

**ANNOUNCING
GLENDDORA LODGE WEBSITE**

www.glendoramasons.com



December 7 Stated Meeting @ 6:30pm

Menu:

Sandwiches, sides and dessert

RSVP's REQUIRED, No RSVP, No DINNER 'Show ups' without RSVP will be served AFTER those with RSVP's, with what is left to serve...No Guarantees!

to Br. Fred Bernhardt @ 626 327-7757 Text Preferred

by no later than Monday Dec 4, 2023

Please help: setup, servers, cleanup, serving and clean up, volunteers greatly appreciated!

This Holiday Season let us pause and take a moment to be grateful for all our blessings: I want to express to you, our members, the gratitude and thanks for all that you have given and contributed to our lodge, the freedom which this great country provides, the opportunity for growth and achievement, good health and the confidence and trust you have given to me.

My warmest wishes to you and your family this season.

Just remember on Christmas day, let's express our gratitude to our belts, which are going to work extra hard for us this day to keep our pants up. And let's not forget to take a moment of silence for the belt's forgotten brother: the suspenders.



During the Lodges Installation, the elected officers of the Lodge receive their duties. Also included are duties to the members of Lodge as well! Here is just a portion for your edification.

Such is the nature of our Constitution, that as some must rule and teach, so must others of course, learn to submit and obey. Humility in both your officers and members is an essential duty. As the members of this Lodge are of too generous disposition to envy your Officers preferment. Therefore, I trust that you will have but one aim — to please one another and unite in the grand design of promoting happiness.

Sincerely and Fraternally
Alfonso Joseph Sanchez
Inspector 723 Masonic District

Attend Your Blue Lodge

"Ask not what your Lodge can do for you; ask what you can do for your Lodge."

Hello Brethren Please Read !

Instructions for paying 2024 Lodge dues are \$178



1. If you pay your Lodge dues on the Grand Lodge website (iMember 2.0) **ONLY** pay \$178.00 + fee

2. If You pay the Lodge by check or Cash **PREFERRED METHOD** \$178.00



check to: Glendora Lodge 404 and send to:
PO Box 636 Glendora, CA 91740-0636
And of course Cash is always accepted

3. If you pay by Credit Card (Square) \$ 178.00
Processing Fee \$ 5.00
Total: \$ 183.00



See Secretary for CC Payments

OR

(PayPal)
Log in to www.glendoramasons.com

CLICK THE "PayPal" Box in the upper Right corner On the left side click "annual dues" and follow instructions.

PayPal will be \$ 184.00

The dues of each member of this Lodge shall be the sum AMT of \$112 plus the Per Capita, \$65.50 (rounded up to the next \$1.00) sum approved by Grand Lodge at Annual Communication, payable in advance on the first day of January. (CMC Sect 802.020)

Please! WE Would like your email if you have one or your current address

How to Register for iMember 2.0

The First item is the addition of **iMember 2.0**, our Grand Lodge's database platform. For those who may be unfamiliar with the platform, it is where we are able to manage our member's records.

The following are quick steps for a member to register and gain access to their existing accounts and view their masonic records:

To Sign up (register) Go to freemason.org

On the top right corner of the main page click MEMBER Sign In button and it will redirect you to the sign-in page.

If this is your first time on freemason.org, on the top right of the sign-in page click the Member Registration tab and it will redirect you to the registration form. Complete the form by inputting the following:

- Your Lodge Number "404"
- Your Member ID (contact me for help if you do not know your ID number) found on your current dues card
- Your Last name

Then click Check Membership Status and continue to follow the final steps to verify your account.

You will also find a short video-guide available on the same page on how to register your account.

You will notice an APP tab at the top right corner of the Sign-in or Membership page. Click for instructions on how to add the iMember 2.0 App to your IOS device.

Once you are logged in, you will have access to your Masonic records.

Please take the time, when you are able, to explore your account and take advantage of all the resources and training tools available to you.

You will also have the capability to update your personal information such as (address, phone, email, etc.).

A few exciting features are your Virtual Dues Card, viewing your dues balances and transactions, and downloading or printing your Dues Card (PDF).