

Hanford Masonic Lodge

No. 279



TRESTLEBOARD

April 2022

1885-2022
137 Years of Brotherhood

Stated Meeting
1st Wednesday of the Month
In Person Meeting @ 7:30 pm

Hanford Lodge

Officers

2022



Worshipful Master	Cecil Roy Venturella II	559-381-6235
	Spouse	Katherine
Senior Warden	Jules Amores	559-212-7849
	Spouse	Jennifer
Junior Warden	Richard Vitz	559-381-6431
	Spouse	Juliet
Treasurer	Peter Cunningham, P.M.	707-373-6489
	Spouse	Janet
Secretary	Mark Dawson, P.M.	559-643-1956
	Spouse	Sandra
Chaplin	Charles Dimaano, P.M.	559-530-7345
	Spouse	Elizabeth
Senior Deacon	Jared Johnson	559-904-0085
	Spouse	Lisa
Junior Deacon	Reece Sprague	989-387-0950
	Spouse	
Senior Steward	Skyler Summers, P.M.	559-707-4795
	Spouse	Kristyl
Junior Steward	Matthew Dawson, P.M.	559-904-1021
	Spouse	Brooke
Marshal	Rupert Beckford	559-904-5576
	Spouse	Maria
Tiler	D.W. Venturella, P.M.	559-380-5486
	Spouse	Linda



From the East

Greetings Brothers,

Hope you and your families are well and safe!

Congratulations to Jeffrey Scott Porterfield and Daniel McWells for being initiated as Entered Apprentice Masons! We look forward to working with them on their journey through Masonry.

It was good to see all the brothers at the Sanger SOI in March, let's keep up the good attendance.

Fraternally,
Cecil Roy Venturella II
Worshipful Master

Food for Thought

“Many writers and thinkers have tried to define Freemasonry but it really defeats definition. It is too complex, too profound in conception, to easily expressed in words. Perhaps the simplest and best definition of all is the phrase ‘the brotherhood of man under the fatherhood of God.’ Our Masonic forefathers had an understanding of human needs and human aspirations. They may never have dreamed of the mindless computer which governs our lives, or the fission of matter which threatens our lives, but they understood human nature and what motivates the spirit of man. Thus from a simple process of using stone and mortar for building they progressed to the most important of life’s functions, the building of character.” – Louis L. Williams

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Committees for 2022

Audit

Jules Amores ©
Jared Johnson
Richard Vitz

Charity

Richard Vitz ©
Cecil Venturella II
Jules Amores

Christmas Party

Matthew Dawson, P.M. ©
Jules Amores
Jared Johnson
Rupert Beckford

Constitutional Observance

Richard Vitz ©
Peter Cunningham, P.M.
Reece Sprague

Membership Retention

Skyler Summers, P.M. ©
Mark Dawson, P.M.
Matthew Dawson, P.M.
Cecil Venturella II

Hiram Award

D.W. Venturella, P.M. ©
Peter Cunningham, P.M.
Jules Amores
Rupert Beckford

Past Master's Night

Skyler Summers P.M. ©
Matthew Dawson, P.M.
Jules Amores

Family Picnic

Matthew Dawson, P.M. ©
Richard Vitz
Reece Sprague
Rupert Beckford

Public Schools Recognition

Glenn Estes, P.M. ©
Skyler Summers, P.M.
Jared Johnson

Scholarships

Jared Johnson ©
Glenn Estes, P.M.
Skyler Summers, P.M.
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Masonic Education

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Rupert Beckford

Sickness & Visitation

Peter Cunningham, P.M. ©
Glenn Estes, P.M.
Mark Dawson, P.M.
Matthew Dawson, P.M.

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Hanford Masonic Lodge Committees for 2022

Lodge Sweethearts

Larry McKillip, P.M. ©
Mark Dawson, P.M.
Skyler Summers, P.M.
Matthew Dawson, P.M.

Funeral

Charles Dimaano, P.M. (c)
DW Venturella, P.M.
Skyler Summers, P.M.

Membership Development

Mark Dawson, P.M. ©
Skyler Summers, P.M.
Jared Johnson

Finance Committee

Peter Cunningham, P.M. (c)
Jared Johnson
Jules Amores
Skyler Summers, P.M.
Richard Vitz

Temple Board

Skyler Summers
Cecil Venturella
Matt Dawson
Peter Cunnigham
Richard Vitz
Jared Johnson
Mark Grijalva
Richard Braswell

“Freemasonry is ‘veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols’ because these are the surest way by which moral and ethical truths may be taught. It is not only with the brain and with the mind that the initiate must take Freemasonry but also with the heart.”

– C. H. Claudy

506th School of Instruction

Wednesday, April 20th
7:00 P.M. - Selma Lodge

March Birthdays

Christopher Liles

Mark Bennet

Ronald Yang

Paul Estes

Stated Meeting Dinner

Wednesday, April 6th @ 6:30 p.m.

*Temple Board Meeting
& Finance Committee Meeting
Following Each Stated Meeting*

Hanford Lodge Calendar

April 6th at 6:30 p.m.

Dinner

**** RSVP to Richard Vitz ****

April 6th at 7:30 p.m.

Stated Meeting

April 13th at 7:00 p.m.

Second Degree Practice

April 20th at 7:00 p.m.

School of Instruction

Selma Lodge



Meetings:
2nd and 4th Sunday of each month.
Time: 2:30 P.M.
Location:
Mineral King Masonic Center
128 E. Mineral King,
Visalia, CA 93291
Mother ADV: Jana Ferguson

Meetings:
1st and 3rd Monday of each month.
Time: 7:00 P.M.
Location:
Lemoore Masonic Center
647 W. Bush St.
Lemoore, CA 93245
Bethel Guardian: Raisa Beckford



Lemoore Chapter



Meetings:
Chapter not currently active.
Time: TBD
Location:
Lemoore Masonic Center
647 W. Bush St.
Lemoore, CA 93245

Meetings:
2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.
Time: 7:00 P.M.
Location:
Lemoore Masonic Center
647 W. Bush St.
Lemoore, CA 93245
*NOTE: Dark 4th Tuesday in November,
December, July and August.



YORK RITE

Royal Arch Mason

Hanford Chapter No. 74



Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of each Month
7:30 p.m. (except July and August).

Dinner: 6:30 p.m. Wives and Widows
are welcome as our guests for our
monthly dinners.

High Priest	Mark Stroup, PHP	(559) 892-5988
King	Andrew Miller, PHP	(559) 723-3347
Scribe	Open	
Treasurer	P. Cunningham, PHP	(559) 584-0550
Secretary	Allan Miller, PHP	(559) 688-0938
Captain of the Host	William Arent	(805) 287-0435
Chaplain	Open	
Principal Sojourner	Open	
Royal Arch Captain	Open	
Master of Third Veil	Open	
Master of Second Veil	Open	
Master of First Veil	Open	
Sentinel	Open	
Inspector	Robert L. Ludy, PHP	(760) 446-4331

Knights Templar

Hanford Commandery

No. 46



*Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of each Month
7:30 p.m. (except July and August).*

Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

*Wives and Widows are welcome as
our guests for our monthly dinners.*

Commander	William Ryan Arent	(540) 376-2915
Generalissimo	Marc Stroup	(559) 892-5988
Captain General	Andrew A, Miller	(559) 723-3347
Senior Warden	Open	
Junior Warden	Open	
Treasurer	Pete Cunningham, PC	(707) 373-6489
Recorder	Allan Miller, PC	(559) 688-0938
Prelate	Open	
Standard Bearer	Open	
Sword Bearer	Open	
Warder	Open	
Sentinel	Open	
Inspector	Pete Cunningham, PC	(559) 584-0550
Officer's Coach	Pete Cunningham, PC	(707) 373-6489

A little Masonic History...

ANCIENT TIMES

From 715 BC to 1 BC

715 BC - Numa Pompilius organized Roman workers into various Collegia; he attached one to each legion of the army so that the Roman arms and arts went hand in hand into the outlying parts of the empire. The stone workers or masons were the most numerous and became very powerful. There were some similarities between these groups and a modern lodge. Each Collegia was required to have at least three members; the head was called the Magister or Master; they used their tools as symbols; and they looked after the widows and orphans of the members.

587 BC - King Solomon's Temple destroyed.

582 BC - Pythagoras, character in Master Mason degree born

THE CHRISTIAN ERA

From 1 AD to 499 AD

1 AD - As the time to Christ there existed in Palestine three religious sects: The Essenes, the Pharisees, and the Sadducees. The Essenes were the strictest group with a high moral code, a secret ceremony. It is sometimes urged that Jesus Christ was a member because he was not on the scene from childhood until manhood. He spoke against the other two sects but never against the Essenes, he was celibate (as they were), and he lived a pure and spotless life (as they urged).

290 AD - On November 8, the Emperor Diocletian executed Claudius Castorius, Sempronianus, and Nicostratus, Sempronianus, for refusing to carve a statue to the god Aesculapius. Their names were forgotten for a time. Several years later, Severus, Severianus, Carpophorus, and Victorinus, (Christians), were executed for refusing to pay homage to the same pagan god. They were later honored as the Four Crowned Martyrs. When the names of the other five were discovered they were added to the list. So that now the nine Martyrs are honored under the term "Four Crowned Martyrs."



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