

# Hanford Masonic Lodge

## No. 279



### TRESTLEBOARD

### May 2022

1885-2022  
137 Years of Brotherhood

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

# *Hanford Lodge*

## *Officers*

### *2022*



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



# From the East

Greetings to all the Brothers and their families, I hope all is well and everyone is safe!

As we slip into the month of May, lets not forget about Mother's Day coming up on Sunday the 8th of this month. We would like to congratulate our newly obligated Brother Robert Hicke, in receiving his First Degree in Masonry. We will be having our Stated Meeting on Wednesday the 4th at 7:30 pm and dinner will be served before the meeting at 6:30 pm, please RSVP to Brother Richard Vitz (559) 381-6431 for the dinner. There will be a 3rd Degree, 2nd Section practice on Wednesday the 11th at 7:00 pm, so we all are a little more familiar with our duties for the up and coming S.O.I. at Hanford Lodge on Wednesday the 18th of this month at 6:30 pm.

The Grand Master Jeffery M. Wilkins has proclaimed May 2022 as PUBLIC AWARENESS MONTH - Crafting Leadership

Whereas, Masonry has for far too long been subject to misconceptions that endure in popular culture, which hamper the positive change we hope to make in our communities; and Whereas , California Masons perform many admirable acts of charity and volunteerism in the communities they call home, providing much-needed leadership and support for all around us; and

Whereas, the evolution of Freemasonry is predicated on the growth and vitality of our fraternity;

As grand master, I therefore proclaim May 2022 to be Public Awareness Month in California.

An important aim of the 2025 Fraternity Plan is increasing awareness in our communities of the fraternity and the good work that Masons all over California do in their towns. Raising awareness of the fraternity means talking openly with friends, family and colleagues about what membership in Masonry means; countering negative assumptions about Masonry; and ensuring the continued relevance of our organizations. I encourage all members and lodges to consider ways that they can raise awareness of Freemasonry in their community - through open houses, tabling opportunities, and especially simple conversations with friends and family. Our fraternity is not a secret; it's important we share it with the world so that we can make an even bigger difference in our communities. California Masons have much to be proud of. It's time we share that pride with the outside world.

Fraternally,  
Cecil Roy Venturella II  
Worshipful Master

# Hanford Masonic Lodge

## 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.  
Jules Amores

### **Masonic Education**

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

### **Sickness & Visitation**

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

© = Chairman

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## 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

*We Masons are among the fortunate ones who are taught to meet together with others opposing convictions or competitive ideas and yet respect each other as Brothers.*

*- Albert Pike*

## **506th School of Instruction**

Wednesday, May 18th  
6:30 P.M. - Hanford Lodge

### **May Birthdays**

Skyler Summers  
Carlos Perez  
Jeremy Mellon  
Patrocinio Cerdenola, PM  
Timothy Machado  
Timothy Revious  
Dexter Natuel

### **Stated Meeting Dinner**

**Wednesday, May 4th @ 6:30 p.m.**

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

# Hanford Lodge Calendar

**May 4th at 6:30 p.m.**

Dinner

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

(559) 381-6431

**May 4th at 7:30 p.m.**

Stated Meeting

**May 11th at 7:00 p.m.**

Third Degree - Second Section Practice

**May 18th at 6:30 p.m.**

School of Instruction

*Third Degree - Second Section*

Hanford 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...

## MIDDLE AGES *(part one)* From 500 AD to 1389 AD

500. The theory has been advanced by Leader Scott (Mrs. Lucy Baxter) that upon the fall of Rome certain skilled workmen retired to the Isle of Como and preserved the Stone Masons' art; that they later emerged and came to the continent to erect the many cathedrals built in the middle ages. The theory was urged with great skill and energy for many years by Ravenscroft. It was accepted by many as the missing link between the associations of the ancient world and the modern world. It is a highly debatable subject.

926. In a number of ancient manuscripts is the legend that in this year Prince Edwin, son of King Athelstan, presided over a meeting of Masons at York.

1080. There existed in Germany about this time a group of stone masons known as the Steinmetzen. They were well organized operative workmen with rules, ceremonies, and titles that have caused some to claim that they are the ancestors of the Craft.

1136. Melrose Abbey Church being built. Traveling Masons placed their marks on some of the stones.

1147. Companies of Norman Masons emigrated to Chartres to help build the Cathedral there.

1187. Jerusalem falls to the Saracens. A formal separation came between the Order of Sion and the Knights Templar. This separation was marked by a ceremony at Gisors, France, referred to as the "cutting of the elm." Henceforth the Knights Templar operated autonomously.

1189. Following the death of his father Henry II, Richard Plantagenet (the Lionheart) was crowned King of England at Westminster Abbey in London on September 3. While King of England he spent the vast majority of his ten-year reign abroad, devoting himself to the Crusades. Richard's constant companions were knights from the Order of Knights Templar who participated in his Crusade to recover Jerusalem. The Knights Templar were formally under the control of the Order of Sion created a half century earlier by Godfroi de Bouillon. (Source: Holy Blood Holy Grail (Dell) )



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