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Greetings From The East

Ronald J. Perez, Master

Brethren,

Elysian is officially back in business and we're hitting the ground running!

We will be swamped with business for the October Stated Meeting, so be prepared for a long one. The goal is to start off slow with some fellowship and practices and work our way to some degrees. Unfortunately, we do not have much time left in the year so we have to be conscious about how we spend it.

To our officers, please be ready for your next position. By now you should be well into knowing the work for your upcoming chairs. Attendance is of the utmost importance. Please take advantage of utilizing our Coach, Wor. Irving, he is a great asset to our lodge and our secret weapon towards qualifying.

Elections are officially around the corner! At the November 6th Stated Meeting, we will be nominating and electing our next officers and Temple Board Members. I trust we will make the best choices for Elysian's future.

Please stay tuned to your emails for the upcoming calendar as the executive committee is currently working on it. Here we will announce all the upcoming events and social meet ups.

Lastly, I want to encourage those members who we haven't seen in a while to join us back in person. I understand that it's easy to lose touch with the lodge if we haven't been actively meeting but now is the time to get back, and if you have been showing up, contact those guys that have not. Let's practice those great moral duties of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth

Journey Before Destination,

Wor. Ronald J Perez, 2025



Tidings From The West

Marco Cerretelli, SW

Brethren,

October is here, it's time to pick your spooky costume and decorate your house for the best holiday of the year!

Also you should know that while October is the tenth month in our calendar, it was the 8th month to appear on Roman calendars. This is where October gets its name, which translates as 'the eighth month' in Latin.

As we head into the last few months of the year, we should focus on what's left to do in this Masonic year and prepare for the next.



If you're interested in an Officer position, I want to remind you that next month we're having elections, so it's important that you qualify for your respective chair. Please contact our Inspector or our Officers coach to schedule your qualification. There are still a couple of positions that need to be filled, so please let me know if you'd like to join the line for 2026.

I also want to mention that October is breast cancer awareness month. It's a subject that touches me personally unfortunately.

Please support local businesses or initiatives that donate a portion of their proceeds to breast cancer charities.

Thank you

Fraternally,

Marco Cerretelli SW

Message From The South

Giuseppe C. Ariola, JW

Brethren,

Words influence our lives.

The less you speak based on your emotions, the more important your words will be.

If you let your emotions decide less, then your language will decide.

The less you argue, the more dignity you will maintain.

The less you react, the more control you will have.

The less you chase, the more you will attract.

The less you speak, the more respect and understanding you will gain from people.

The less noise you make, the more impact you will have.

The less you worry, the more you will take action.

The less you seek approval from others, the more authentic you will be.

The less you judge, the more you will understand others.

The less you complain, the more things you will solve.

The less you expect, the more you will appreciate, and above all, the more you will achieve.



Fraternally - Giuseppe C. Ariola JW

October Overview

Happy Birthday

Haruteun Kazakian
October 11

Jadidiah Ladores
October 17

William Lopez
October 29



October 2025

Calendar of Events

Please keep Thursday evenings for Elysian Lodge!
Business casual minimum dress code. Suits for Degrees.

Thursday, October 2nd

7:30pm Stated Meeting on the 1st Degree
6:30pm Dinner is open to invited guests and family

Thursday, October 9th

7:30pm Temple Board Meeting Followed by
Social Night

Thursday, October 16th

7:30pm Practice for 1st Degree (Subject to Change)

Saturday, October 18th

11:00am Sciots Pyramid 59 Installation
Order of the Eastern Star

Thursday, October 23rd

7:30pm Practice for 1st Degree or 1st Degree (Subject
to Change)

Thursday, October 30th

7:30pm 1st Degree or Halloween Social (Subject to
Change)

Meet The Prospects

Nemo Gray

Meet Nemo Gray, one of Elysian's prospects I had the chance to interview. Nemo has had a unique journey. He's a U.S. Air Force veteran who worked in cybersecurity for ten years before being medically retired. After that, instead of settling down right away, he spent seven years traveling the world on a motorcycle, where he explored art, theater, culture, and history. Now, he lives in Los Angeles with his wife, Anahit, who is an actress. Together, they're focused on building a life in LA, balancing family goals with creative projects and even a new business idea involving AI and Web3 technology.

Nemo's childhood was unique because he grew up between two very different households, one in Hawaii and the other in Alaska. Each side had its own values about money, spirituality, and community, which gave him a wide perspective on life. On top of that, his time in the military and the challenges he faced afterward taught him resilience, discipline, and empathy. Today, he says his main values are creativity, integrity, and service.



When I asked him what got him interested in Freemasonry, he said it started with curiosity.

While traveling, he noticed signs of Masonry in architecture and traditions around the world.

What stuck with him most was the idea of a brotherhood that's been focused on moral growth and service for centuries. After moving to Los Angeles, he kept passing by Elysian Lodge and eventually felt like it was a sign to reach out.

Nemo hopes Masonry will give him mentorship, friendship, and a space where he can combine discipline, learning, and creativity. To him, brotherhood means being there for each other, not just socially, but in hard times too. He's excited to contribute in any way he can, whether that's simply helping out or sharing bigger ideas for how the Lodge can grow in the future.

Looking ahead, Nemo hopes to build a live/work production studio in Los Angeles, raise a family, and continue making a positive impact in his community. In Masonry, he wants to grow as a brother, mentor others, and keep learning more about ritual and symbolism. Overall, Nemo's story shows how much he values growth, service, and lifting others, qualities that make him a strong fit for Freemasonry.

-Bro. Boris Calderon

Officers' Coach



Irving Rosenbloom P.M.

By providing instruction on ritualistic practices, procedural protocols, and the historical significance of various ceremonies, the officers coach helps maintain the lodge's standards And fosters a cohesive leadership team.

Moreover, the officers coach plays a crucial role in preserving the integrity of Masonic rituals and ceremonies, Freemasonry places significant emphasis on its rituals, which are rich in symbolism and tradition. All officers are to attend each practice and degree.

As The Officer's Coach I'm available at anytime for any officer to help them with their lines and the ritual work. I'm also available in the evenings over the phone at 7.30 PM, and in the Lodge when available.

Candidates' Coach



Wor. Jonathan Kanarek

I am available two times a month at the lodge prior to our meetings for in-house tutoring on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month.

I'm usually at lodge most weeks and typically arrive on site at 5:00PM. If I'm there, and have no prior commitments, walking-ins may be accommodated.

Appointments are required, with each session lasting 30 minutes or less, depending on the scope of work. I may also be available for phone sessions during the week, time permitting, provided all candidates are in a secure location and we have a confirmed appointment. My phone number is:
1+(323)823-0505.

Please note: leaving a text does not book a time. I will reply to your message to book an appointment.

I look forward to hearing from you and assisting you in your Masonic journey.

A New Friendship in Los Feliz



Something remarkable is happening in Los Feliz... a genuine spirit of friendship and cooperation is blossoming between Our Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Church (OMGC) and Elysian Lodge No. 418. Though Masonry and the Catholic Church have historically stood apart, our local story is proving that neighbors of goodwill can work together for the benefit of the whole community.

Since July, OMGC has welcomed a dynamic new Administrator, Father Max Villeneuve, OSA, whose energy and vision have already begun to brighten the neighborhood. A former Chicago seminary roommate of the future Pope Leo (during their student days), Father Max brings a rare combination of intellectual depth and approachable warmth. His mission is clear:

to strengthen ties among Los Feliz residents, local organizations, and businesses, and to make OMGC a vibrant hub for families and friends.

Elysian Lodge is honored to be part of this new chapter. Father Max has graciously included notices about our events in the OMGC parish bulletin, and together we are sharing ideas, supporting neighborhood projects, and even coordinating community gatherings such as the Friday Night Farmers Market and Saturday Flea Market. This partnership allows both our Lodge and the parish to welcome visitors, support local vendors, and create spaces where fellowship and friendship can flourish.

In a time when division often makes headlines, the quiet collaboration between OMGC and Elysian Lodge is a refreshing reminder that community is stronger than difference. Whether at a market table or a Lodge meeting, we are proving that good neighbors—working side by side—can build something enduring for all of Los Feliz.

-Frank Barbano P.M.

Make Fridays Your Market Day!

Support the Farmers Market at Elysian - Every Friday, 4-8 PM

The Los Feliz Farmers Market at Elysian Lodge is now in full swing, and each week our parking lot transforms into a lively neighborhood gathering place filled with the sights, sounds, and flavors of Los Feliz. Local growers and small vendors bring in fresh fruits, crisp vegetables, fragrant flowers, and hand-crafted goods—everything you need to stock your kitchen while supporting family farms and small businesses.

Brethren, this is our market. By making it part of your weekly shopping routine, you help strengthen both our Lodge and the local community. Instead of a quick grocery run on the way home, why not plan your Friday evening around the market? Pick up your produce, enjoy the music, grab a snack, and connect with neighbors... all right here at Elysian.



While you're here, spend a little time at our Masonic outreach booth, where we proudly represent Elysian Lodge, the Sciots, and Eastern Star. It's a perfect spot to share fellowship, answer questions about Masonry, and show visitors the welcoming spirit of our fraternity. Even an hour at the table makes a big difference.

Special thanks continue to go to Brother Tyler Sirovy, whose dedication keeps the booth running smoothly week after week. Let's support his efforts by showing up, shopping local, and lending a hand.

Join us every Friday from 4-8 PM.

Fresh food, friendly faces, and true fellowship await—right in our own backyard.

-Frank Barbano P.M.

The Living Constitution - A Night to Remember



On Saturday, September 27, 2025, the Pasadena Scottish Rite once again brought history to life with the live costumed play, “The Living Constitution”, and the evening could not have been more inspiring. Brethren, families, and friends gathered for a warm spaghetti dinner in the newly renovated Banquet Hall downstairs (pre-show), sharing fellowship that set the perfect tone for the night.

When the lights dimmed, we moved upstairs to the auditorium where the stage transported the audience to the summer of 1787, where the Founding Fathers debated, compromised, and ultimately forged the enduring document that continues to guide our nation. This year’s production introduced a new and memorable scene featuring sitting Master Ron Perez (Elysian Lodge) who played sitting Master Jacob Morton, of St. John’s Lodge #1 in NY, whose quick thinking provided the missing Bible for George Washington in the presidential inauguration. That Masonic bible was used for numerous Presidential ceremonies ever since and is well guarded and protected.

The Living Constitution - A Night to Remember

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Elysian Lodge was especially well represented in the play, with ten of our own members taking part in the cast and crew including: Wor Ron Perez, Wor. Haik Hairapetian, Charles D'Atri, Vatche Kiwanian, Majid Hashemi, Wor. Oliver Torrealba, Giuseppe Ariola, Troy Newham, Juanjo Garcia and myself. Their dedication and talent brought the story to life and filled the Pasadena Scottish Rite auditorium with pride. Guests applauded not only the stirring performances but also the spirit of unity that defines Masonry at its best.

The evening concluded with cake, coffee, and lively conversation as Brothers and guests reflected on the lessons of history and the enduring values of our Craft.

For all who attended, The Living Constitution was more than a play; it was a reminder that fellowship and civic virtue remain as vital today as they were in 1787.

- Frank Barbano P.M.



LA Sciots Pyramid 59 Installation Invitation

Join us in installing our recently elected Toparch, Guillermo Quezada, and officers of LA Sciots Pyramid 59.

Saturday, October 18
11:00am
1900 N Vermont Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90027



By the divine decree of the Great Architect, from the
banks of the eternal Nile and the shadow of the
everlasting pyramids, this summons is sent forth
to all Brethren, Prospects and Friends of
Elysian Lodge, do bid you attend
The Installation of Officers
of L.A. Pyramid 59
on 10.18.2025
11am

Announcements

**Ancient Egyptian
Order of Sciots**

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

**MUSIC
&
GAMES**

**LUNCH
&
DRINKS**

59

L.A.

HOLLYWOOD

Saturday, October 18, 2025
11 am Installation - 12 Noon Lunch

1900 N Vermont Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90027

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Free and Accepted
Masons of California



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YOUR SPOT!**
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176TH
ANNUAL
COMMUNI-
CATION **OCTOBER 24-26, 2025**
SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Announcements



Co-ed Masonic Group

INVITE TO ALL WOMEN of good character and also MEN (who are Master Masons) interested in being a founding member of this new club/ charter that's forming.

The Order of the Eastern Star is a Masonic organization (Founded in 1850) focusing on women. O.E.S. , recognized by Grand Lodge, implements innovative ideas, facilitating positive change and planning for the future, while working cohesively within our Masonic Family.

Now coming to Hollywood!



Call Frank or Kimberley for August organizational meeting details

(323) 394-2447

**Saturday,
October 18**



There's no charge for this event but all attendees must RSVP at:
barbano@mac.com
1900 N Vermont Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90027




Elysian Members Come Together To Rebuild Our Wall!!



During COVID 2020, several brothers got together to rebuild the crumbling block wall around our Lodge. Ultimately, we completed the wall, added ironwork to the top of it, automatic gates and poured a concrete apron on the Welch Ave. entrance.

Those that contributed included Worshipfuls Edward Sargsyan, Haik Hairapetian, Ron Perez and Frank Barbano.






OMGC

SCHOOL

FAITH AND CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

- Daily Prayers
- Weekly School Masses
- Altar Servers
- Student Choir
- Liturgical Music
- Sacramental Preparation
- Rosary, Stations of the Cross, May Crowning
- Monthly Priest Classroom visits
- Virtues in Practice Curriculum
- Diverse Student Body of Catholics & Non-Catholics
- Inspired by St. Augustine
- Community served by Augustinian Fathers since 1933







SCHOOL PROGRAMS

- Multitage (TK-5) and Departmentalized (6-8) classrooms
- 9-1 student to teacher ratio
- 1:1 student iPads
- Educational coaches to provide grade-level instruction
- Makerspace
- Library
- Math, English Language Arts, Science, Social studies, Religion
- Theater, Music, Health, PE
- Reading Intervention teacher / Title I math support
- CYO athletics (flag football, volleyball, basketball, cross country, track & field)
- Member of National Junior Honor Society and California Junior Scholarship Federation
- WASC/WCEA Accredited
- Preparation for advancement to Top Catholic High Schools, Immaculate Heart, Loyola, Providence, Mayfield, St. Monica, Notre Dame, St. Francis, Salesian, and Marymount

STEWARDSHIP

- STUDENT SERVICE LEARNING
- BEAUTIFICATION ACTIVITIES
- STUDENT CLUBS (READING, KNITTING, CHESS)
- SCHOOL BUDDIES ACTIVITIES
- VIRTUES IN PRACTICE MONTHLY RECOGNITION
- STUDENT LEARNING EXPECTATIONS (SLE) AWARDS
- STUDENT GOVERNMENT / STUDENT LEADERSHIP
- PARISH FESTIVAL
- READ-A-THON FUNDRAISER
- SEE'S CANDIES FUNDRAISER
- WALK-A-THON FUNDRAISER
- OUTREACH CONCERN COUNSELOR
- LIMITED SUPPORT FOR 504 PLANS AND IEPs
- SUPPORT TEAM EDUCATION PLAN (STEP)





PARTNERSHIP & COMMUNITY BUILDING

- PARENT BOARD AND ROOM PARENTS
- CULTURAL HERITAGE CELEBRATIONS
- HOLIDAY CLASSROOM PARTIES
- TALENT SHOW
- SCRIPPS SPELLING BEE
- RELIGION QUEST
- CHRISTMAS CONCERT
- SPRING SING PERFORMANCE
- FIELD DAY - GRIFFITH PARK
- DISNEYLAND TRIP - 8TH GRADE GRADUATION
- FALL AND SPRING MUSICAL/PLAY
- PARKER ANDERSON AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT
- HOT LUNCH - SCHOOL CATERY

OMGC School
4622 Ambrose Ave., Los Feliz, CA 90027
(323) 644-2131
www.OMGCSchool.org

Los Angeles Masonic Service Bureau Presents The Annual Clothing Drive for the Midnight Mission



November 16, 2025

START COLLECTING NOW for our NOVEMBER 16, 2025, ANNUAL CLOTHING DONATION TO THE MIDNIGHT MISSION.

(Clothing collection will start at 7:30 am, full buffet breakfast at 7:45 am, and Meeting at 9:00 AM.)

Every year Lodges that make up the Los Angeles Masonic Service Bureau (LAMSB) do their very best to fill a Midnight Mission truck with new and slightly used clothing, shoes and other personal items.

Did you know that the Midnight Mission was founded by a Freemason, Brother Tom Liddecoat, in 1914, and Freemasons continue to be involved with its leadership and support. The Midnight Mission, which provides aid to the homeless and those in need, is an example of Masonic relief in action.

Start collecting new and slightly used clothing now for our annual clothing donation to the Midnight Mission that will take place at our **November 16, 2025** meeting at the **Pasadena Scottish Rite, 150 N. Madison Ave, Pasadena.** ***A special full buffet breakfast is being offered by the Midnight Mission starting at 7:45 am as a thank-you for your Masonic support of the Mission and its services.*** All Masons and their adult guests are invited, with hope that they will contribute to the clothing drive, to demonstrate our concern and aid to this worthy organization.

The new items you buy, and/or the slightly used clothing you have outgrown or no longer desire, can warm the lives of those less fortunate. Let's make this year's donation the largest ever. In addition to used clothing, here is a list of items Lodge members might want to purchase and donate to the mission.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bath Towels & Wash Cloths • Deodorant (men & women) • Diapers (all sizes for men, women & children) • Disposable Razors (men & women) • Face Wipes • Feminine Soap & Spray • First Aid Kits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hygiene Kits (toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant, soap, etc.) • Socks & Underwear/Bras (NEW – men & women's) • Shaving Cream • Soap • Toilet Paper • Twin Size Bed Sheets (new or used, flat or fitted)
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At the meeting, we will hear from Brother David Prentice, President/CEO of the Mission, and will also be presenting him with a financial contribution in further support of their charitable work.

Your support will allow The Midnight Mission to provide a path to self-sufficiency to men, women and children who have lost direction.

All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the tax code. Midnight Mission staff can supply a receipt upon request (Federal Tax ID 95-1691293).



Since 1881
Masonic Service Bureau



We,

1. Properly relieve the distress of Sojourning Masons

2. Visit sick sojourning Masons

3. Provide funeral service assistance

4. Conduct investigations for other Grand Lodges

5. Provide a Clearing House of Degree applicants

6. Provide an annual:

- **Grand Master Breakfast Reception**
- **Deputy Grand Master Reception**
- **Discussion of Grand Lodge Resolutions**
- **Youth Order Leaders' Recognition Reception**
- **Clothing drive for the Midnight Mission**

https://youtu.be/WO_4WgAVo-s





ELYSIAN 418 BROTHERS CIGAR ROOM

Leave Your Legacy - One Plaque at a Time

MASONS. FELLOWSHIP. LEGACY.

DONATE \$100 or more to have your name engraved on a custom plaque that will proudly be honored in the Cigar Room. Each plaque honors the commitment, fellowship, and enduring spirit of our Masonic Brotherhond.

**YOUR NAME
HERE**



- ◆ Personalized brass plaque with your name
- ◆ Permanent placement in the Elysian 418 Cigar Room
- ◆ A lasting legacy for generations of Brothers to see

LIMITED PLAQUE SPACE AVAILABLE - ACT NOW!

*"To be a Mason is to build something
Let your name be part of it.*

— F&AM

ELYSIAN LODGE NO. 418





LOS FELIZ FARMERS MARKET

EVERY FRIDAY

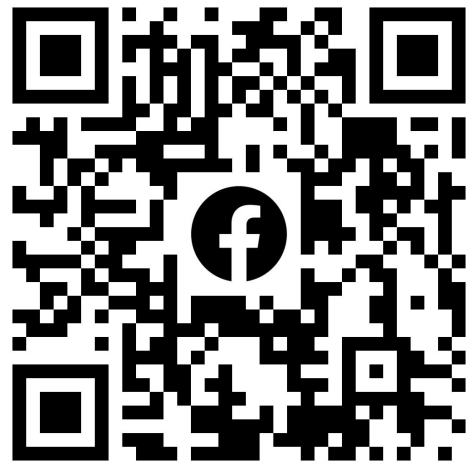
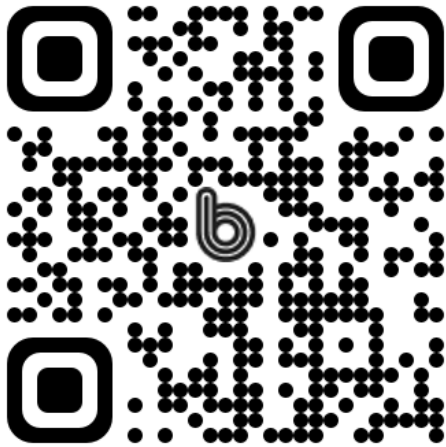
4:00pm to 8:00pm

vendor inquiries: www.losfelizfm@gmail.com

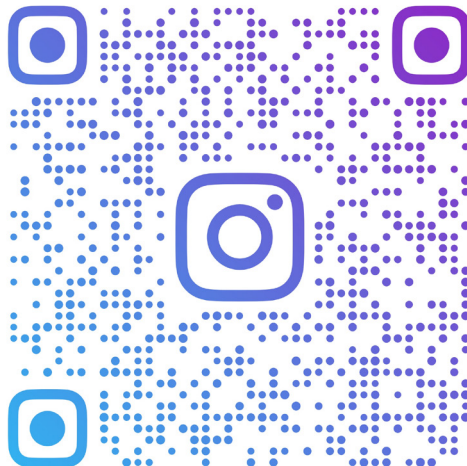
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Elysian Lodge Thanks Palermo Italian Restaurant For Years of Friendship and Generosity

PALE RMO
ITALIAN RESTAURANT

We are More Than Our World Famous Pizza's



Antipasto 'Sicilia'

Provolone, mortadella, capocollo, tomatoes, black olives and more! Served with garlic bread

Small **\$14.50** Large **\$20.10**



Caesar Salad

Served with garlic bread

Small **\$12.20** Large **\$17.70**



Spinach Salad

Spinach, tomatoes, red onions, mushrooms and lemon oil dressing. Served with garlic bread

\$14.65



Greek Salad

Romaine lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, calamata olives, pepperoncini, red onions, feta cheese, rice vinegar, olive oil dressing. Served with garlic bread

\$17.00



Meatball Sandwich

Large tender meatballs served with meat sauce.

\$14.05



Fresh Mozzarella Sandwich

Fresh mozzarella cheese, tomatoes and Italian dressing.

\$14.05



Turkey on Italian Roll

\$14.05



Submarine

Mortadella, provolone cheese, lettuce, tomato and Italian dressing served on fresh Italian roll.

\$14.05



Philadelphia Steak Sandwich

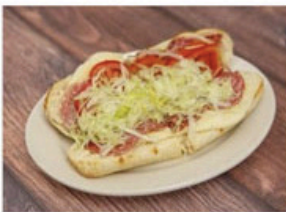
Onions and bell peppers

\$16.75



Prosciutto and Melon

\$16.45



Salami and Cheese

Genoa salami, provolone cheese, lettuce, tomato and Italian dressing served on



Chicken Parmigiana Sandwich

\$16.75