

MASTER'S TRESTLE BOARD



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Congratulations to Bro. Brian and Bro. Massimo on being passed to the degree of Fellowcraft!

Congratulations to Bro. Phideux and Bro. Michael on being raised to the degree of Mastermason!



Elysian Lodge 418



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GREETINGS FROM THE EAST



Brethren,

As we move into the heart of summer, the month of July naturally brings the concept of Liberty to the forefront of our minds. While we rightfully celebrate the political and civil freedoms of our nation, speculative Masonry asks us to look a layer deeper, toward the concept of spiritual and mental independence.

To a Mason, true liberty is not the freedom to do whatever we wish, but the mastery over our own passions and vices. A man enslaved by his prejudices or anger can never truly be free, no matter what flag flies above him.

This month, while traveling on the Level of time, let us use the Square of Virtue to check our own biases and the Plumb to ensure we are standing upright, independent of the negative influences of the world around us.

Originally, July was called Quintilis (meaning "fifth month" in the older Roman calendar). It was renamed "July" in 44 BCE in honor of Julius Caesar, who was born in this month. Caesar is historically famous for reforming the calendar (the Julian Calendar), transforming how humanity measured time.

In ancient Egypt and Rome, July marked the beginning of the "Dog Days" of summer (typically starting July 3rd), so named because the brightest star in the night sky, Sirius (the Dog Star), rose in conjunction with the sun. The ancient Egyptians watched this star closely because its rising predicted the annual flooding of the Nile River, which brought life and fertility back to the dry land.

Though the summer heat may invite us toward refreshment, the work of self improvement never takes a degree recess. I encourage you to check in on our older Brethren who may feel the strain of the summer weather, and to continue putting in practice all those valuable Masonic teachings in every aspect of your everyday life.

Happy 4th of July Brethren!!

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Marco Cerretelli
Worshipful Master

TIDINGS FROM THE WEST



Who Are You When No One Cares About You?

In a world driven by attention, validation, and constant connection, a quiet but powerful question emerges: who are you when no one cares about you? It is an uncomfortable thought, yet one that reveals the core of our identity.

When people care about us, they shape how we see ourselves. Compliments boost our confidence, criticism can weaken it, and attention often becomes a mirror we rely on. But when that mirror disappears when no one is watching, praising, or judging what remains?

At first, the absence of attention can feel like emptiness. It may create doubt, loneliness, or even a sense of invisibility. Many people define themselves through relationships, social roles, or external approval. Without these, they may struggle to answer a simple question: who am I, really? However, this space where no one is watching is also where authenticity begins. Without pressure to impress or conform, you are free to act, think, and feel without influence. Your choices become more honest. Your values become clearer. You are no longer performing for others; you are simply being.

In these moments, your true character shows. Do you continue to work hard when no one notices? Do you stay kind without recognition? Do you pursue your goals even without applause? These quiet decisions define you far more than any public success ever could.

Being “uncared for” does not mean being worthless. Instead, it can be an opportunity to build self worth that does not depend on others. It teaches resilience, independence, and inner confidence. When you learn to value yourself without external validation, you become stronger and more grounded.

Ultimately, who you are when no one cares is who you truly are. It is the version of you that exists without masks, expectations, or noise. And while it may feel lonely at times, it is also where real growth begins.

Fraternally - Giuseppe C. Ariola

MESSAGE FROM THE SOUTH



Brethren,

As we celebrate the Fourth of July, let us pause to reflect on the blessings of living in this great nation. The United States was built through the faith, sacrifice, and hard work of generations who came before us. To preserve these blessings, we too must do our part through our actions, our character, and our service. If we see something that has drifted away from those values, rather than choosing discouragement or complacency, let us choose to be part of the solution. As President JFK reminded us, "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country."

One of the greatest symbols that unites us is our American flag. Regardless of our beliefs, or differences, we all stand together beneath its stars and stripes. It reminds us that we are one nation, united by the ideals of liberty, justice, and hope. As Masons, we are especially proud of the important role our fraternity played in the founding of this remarkable country and the principles upon which it was established.

As the saying goes, "The price of freedom is eternal vigilance." Freedom is not something we inherit and forget; it is something we must preserve through our character, our service, and our commitment to one another.

As we enter July, we also reach the halfway point of our Masonic year. Looking back, we can be grateful for the progress we have made, the lessons we have learned, and the opportunities we have had to grow as men and as Masons. Let us carry that momentum into the months ahead and continue building upon it.

May we continue to grow together in harmony, peace, and Brotherly Love, remembering that our greatest strength lies not in what we receive, but in what we give to one another. Let us also continue learning from both our successes and our challenges, respecting our differences while strengthening the bonds that unite us.

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Majid Hashemi



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MASONIC EDUCATION
TEMPERANCE

BY BRO. ARMANDO GALLOWAY



THURSDAY, JULY 2ND
(DURING STATED MEETING)

ELYSIAN MASONIC CENTER
1900 N.VERMONT AVE. LOS ANGELES CA.

JUNE OVERVIEW

July 2026 – Calendar of Events

Please reserve Thursday evenings for Elysian Lodge.

Business casual attire is the minimum dress code.

Suits are required for all Degrees.

Thursday, July 2nd

Stated Meeting Dinner at 6:30, Lecture with
Bro. Armando Galloway
at 7:30pm

Thursday, July 9th

Temple Board & Degree Practice – 7:00 PM

Thursday, July 16th

Degree, TBD – 7:30 PM

Thursday, July 23rd

Social Event

7:30pm

Thursday, July 30th

Degree

7:30pm

2026 OSI SCHEDULE

DISTRICT # 713

2026 DOSI (District Officers' School of Instruction)

DATE	HOST LODGE / LOCATION	SUBJECT
1/28/26 – Wednesday 7:30 - 9:00pm	William Rhodes Hervey 767 2927 Rowena Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90039	Introductions, Schedule, Rules and Policies
2/19/26 – Thursday 7:30 - 9:00pm	Elysian Lodge #418 1900 N Vermont Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90027	1 st Degree
3/17/26 – Tuesday 7:30 - 9:00pm	Atwater Larchmont Tila Pass #614 2927 Rowena Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90039	2 nd Degree
4/22/26 – Wednesday 7:30 - 9:00pm	William Rhodes Hervey 767 2927 Rowena Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90039	3 rd Degree
5/28/26 – Thursday 7:30 - 9:00pm	Elysian Lodge #418 1900 N Vermont Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90027	Balloting, Elections, Masonic Education
June - Dark		
7/14/26 – Tuesday 7:30 - 9:00pm	Atwater Larchmont Tila Pass #614 2927 Rowena Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90039	1 st Degree
8/26/26 – Wednesday 7:30 - 9:00pm	William Rhodes Hervey 767 2927 Rowena Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90039	Administrative process updates from Inspector's Retreat
9/22/26 – Thursday 7:30 - 9:00pm	Elysian Lodge #418 1900 N Vermont Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90027	2 nd Degree
11/17/26 – Thursday 7:30 - 9:00pm	Atwater Larchmont Tila Pass #614 2927 Rowena Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90039	3 rd Degree
December - Dark		

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.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

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*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

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

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