

# MASTER'S TRESTLE BOARD



## OFFICERS

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Congratulations to Bro. Norman Woods on being Initiated as an Entered Apprentice!



Elysian Lodge 418



# GREETINGS FROM THE EAST



Brethren,

June gets its name from Juno, the Roman goddess of marriage and childbirth, and wife of Jupiter. In the ancient Roman calendar, it was originally the fourth month, before Julius Caesar reformed the calendar in 46 BC to make it the sixth month.

As we approach the Summer Solstice (June 21st), we find ourselves at the physical and symbolic "High Noon" of the year.

In the northern hemisphere, the sun reaches its highest point in the heavens, casting the shortest shadows and bathing our labors in the greatest possible light.

As the sun pauses at its solstitial point, we are reminded to pause in our own lives to ensure our passions are properly circumscribed.

- The Vertical Reach: Just as the sun hits its zenith, we should ask: Is my character at its highest point? Am I living up to the stature of a Mason?

- The Lesson of Balance: The Solstice is a moment of stillness before the days begin to shorten. It teaches us that even in our moments of greatest success, we must prepare for the seasons of introspection and decline.

The Mason is a builder of the Temple of the Soul. Like the ancient operative masons who used the peak summer light to complete their most intricate carvings, we must use this season of 'Greater Light' to examine the rough edges of our own conduct.

Let us continue to improve ourselves in Masonry, remembering that the Light we seek is not found in the sky, but in the heart and the mind.

In our ritual, we frequently reference the Saints John, the Baptist and the Evangelist.

June brings us the Feast of St. John the Baptist (June 24th).

While one John represents the "burning and shining light" of zeal, the other represents the "still, small voice" of esoteric wisdom.

June is a month of graduations, weddings, and the beginning of summer travels.

We also celebrate Father's Day, Pride month and Juneteenth.

As the heat of the summer approaches, our pace may change, but our commitment to the Craft remains steadfast.

Enjoy the sunshine, Brethren, you have earned the refreshment.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Marco Cerretelli  
Worshipful Master

# TIDINGS FROM THE WEST



## Before You Accuse: The Three Fingers Pointing Back

In a world where opinions travel faster than truth, it has become increasingly easy to accuse others without pause, reflection, or evidence. A rumor, a misunderstanding, or even a moment of frustration can quickly turn into judgment. Yet, in our haste to point fingers outward, we often forget a simple and powerful truth: when we point one finger at someone else, three fingers point back at us.

This gesture, so ordinary and often unnoticed, carries a profound lesson about accountability and self-awareness. It reminds us that before we accuse others, we should examine our own actions, intentions, and imperfections. No one is free from error. We all carry flaws, make mistakes, and at times fail to meet the standards we expect from others.

Accusing someone without understanding the full story not only harms them, but also diminishes our own integrity. It reveals more about our impatience, our biases, and sometimes our unwillingness to reflect inward. In many cases, what we criticize in others mirrors something unresolved within ourselves.

True strength does not lie in judgment, but in restraint. It takes courage to pause, to question our assumptions, and to seek truth instead of reacting impulsively. It requires humility to admit that we might be wrong, and wisdom to approach others with fairness rather than condemnation.

This does not mean we should ignore wrongdoing or avoid holding others accountable. Justice and responsibility are essential in any society. But there is a difference between seeking truth with fairness and rushing to accuse without understanding. One builds trust; the other destroys it.

Before we point the finger, we should ask ourselves: Have I fully understood the situation? Am I being fair? Could I be mistaken? And most importantly, what does this say about me?

If we learn to reflect before we accuse, we create a culture of respect, patience, and integrity. We become not only better judges of others, but better individuals ourselves.

Because in the end, every accusation is not just a statement about someone else—it is also a reflection of who we are.

# MESSAGE FROM THE SOUTH



Brethren,

Since the first day I walked into Elysian Lodge, I noticed something remarkable about the brethren who are truly thriving in life. They are men of service. They give their time, their care, and their attention to others. Many of them are the busiest among us, yet they still make room to help a brother, encourage a friend, and serve God through their actions.

Life is often divided into two parts: one spent hoping for the future, and the other regretting the past. Yet Masonry teaches us something greater to live meaningfully in the present through service, brotherhood, and love.

Our great Masonic principles Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth cannot exist in isolation. They are lived through our relationships with one another.

So today, I make a promise to myself: to reach out to at least one brother every day. Not for my own benefit, but simply to ask, "How are you doing? Is there anything I can do for you?"

I believe this is one of the true secrets of thriving as a Mason: shifting our focus from receiving to giving. When we practice kindness, service, and genuine care for others, we do not only uplift our brethren we transform our own lives with greater purpose, happiness, and light.

S&F

Majid Hashemi

Elysian Lodge



No. 418 F.&A.M

presents

Masonic Education

# FORTITUDE

and the path towards becoming better men

By Wor. Marco Cerretelli

Thursday

June 4<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm

During Stated Meeting

(Masons only)

Dress code for Members and Guests is business



Elysian Masonic Center  
1900 N.Vermont ave. Los Angeles CA. 90027

# JUNE OVERVIEW

## **June 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, June 4th**

Stated Meeting Dinner at 6:30, Lecture with  
Wor. Marco Cerretelli  
at 7:30pm

### **Thursday, June 11th**

Temple Board & Degree Practice – 7:00 PM

### **Thursday, June 18th**

Degree or Practice, TBD – 7:30 PM

### **Thursday, June 25th**

Degree TBD  
7:30–9:30pm

# 2026 OSI SCHEDULE

## DISTRICT # 713

2026 DOSI (District Officers' School of Instruction)

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

# 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



**ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**  
CALIFORNIA

## 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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