#### JANUARY 2019

## TRESTLE BOARD

Ionic Composite Lodge No. 520

### FROM THE EAST

Brothers, ladies and friends;

This is my first writing as Master and is pretty exciting. I must say, that in my opinion, the Installation of Officers on Saturday, December 8, 2018 was an awesome event. Special thanks to the installing team of Most Worshipful Larry Adamson as Installing Officer, Worshipful Nick Mitchell as Master of Ceremonies, and Worshipful Bob Sills as Installing Chaplain. An all-star cast, if I ever saw one.

I also need to say, that the last two years of Lodge activity would not have been possible without Worshipful Mike Bear leading us. Mike has now completed his fifth year in this position and the entire Lodge owes him their sincerest appreciation for his commitment.

I am very excited about the upcoming year, as we are anticipating a full calendar of events. This would include the old standbys, as well as some very exciting additions. Besides this, through a combination of our new members and some exciting prospects, am looking forward to expanded Lodge attendance.

We are also anticipated to have the pleasure of bestowing a 75-year Diamond Jubilee award on Brother Leonard J Kanner. Hopefully, he can make it to Lodge and that way we would also most likely have the pleasure of seeing Most Worshipful Stu Wright in Lodge as well. These awards don't come around too often and it should be very meaningful to see one awarded. I last observed a Diamond Jubilee award a few years ago, and it was indeed a very moving and memorable experience.

Oh, and in case your worried about your new Master, just remember that both Worshipful Jeff Bear and Worshipful Bernie Morse will be on our Executive Committee as Senior Warden and Treasurer. With these two on board, you can put your minds at ease.

So now that we have moved through the Holidays and are not into a new year, let's all recommit to increasing our Lodge attendance and enjoying all the upcoming events!!!!!

Fraternally,

Steve Resnick

Master

#### JANUARY EVENTS

#### Monday, January 7

Stated Meeting.

6:30pm - Open Lodge, Dinner

7:15pm - Open and Tiled portion to follow.

#### Monday, January 14

7:15pm - 1st Degree Practice

#### Monday, January 21

7:15pm - 1st Degree for Kyle Ware

#### Monday, January 28

7:15pm - 3rd Degree Practice



#### **Amazing Laguna Art Festival**

**Pageant of the Masters** 

Where Art Comes to Life

"The Time Machine"

Sunday, August 4

8:30PM-10:30PM

We have purchased 16 tickets

\$52/person

Attending the Pageant of the Masters should be on everyone's bucket list

For information and reservations please contact Bernie Morse PM at (310)556-4463 or email brnhrd18@yahoo.com.

## IONIC COMPOSITE LODGE No. 520

1122 South La Cienega Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90035



The Master, Officers and Brethren Invite You To Attend Our Lodge's 49th Consecutive Reception Of The Grand Master of Masons.

#### Stuart A. Wright, Grand Master of Masons

March 4, 2019

Lodge Opens: 5:00 pm Social: 5:30pm Dinner: 6:00pm Reception 7:30pm

Menu is choice of Tri Tip or Sea Bass and includes our famous Sundae Bar

Welcome: All Masons and Non-Masons, families and friends

Attire: Grand Lodge & Lodge Officers: Tuxedo.
Other men: Dark suit and tie

\$45.00 per person

Reservations Required RSVP by February 22, 2019

Tim Shiner, P.M., Secretary 310-657-2628 ioniccomposite@gmail.com



## STATED MEETING



#### Monday January 7

Open Lodge: 6:30 p.m. | Dinner: 7:15 p.m. W.M. Steve Resnick presiding

Dinner is \$20.00



#### RESERVATIONS ARE MANDATORY

RSVP by Wednesday of the prior week and invite a friend.

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Reservations must be made on sign-up sheet, or (310) 657-2628, or ioniccomposite@gmail.com, and may be made and paid for on the lodge website: <a href="https://ioniccomposite.com">https://ioniccomposite.com</a>

If you do not make a reservation extra meals will not be available. Brothers, if you make a reservation and don't cancel by the date specified, you will be billed.

\* Guests of the Master, and widows of Ionic Composite Lodge, who have not remarried, are free. Menu is Subject to Change.

## Get Social!



Get online and get social with our Social Media Apps!







Up to date information, Calendar, Pegrees, Activities. Need help?--call or email: ioniccomposite@gmail.com





## SUPER BOWL PARTY



Sunday, Feb 3, 2019 3:00 PM

Pizza and all the other normal Super Bowl food and snacks.

Bring a drink or two of your choice to share with your friends!



## FROM THE WEST

I am writing this shortly after my installation, once again, as Senior Warden of Ionic Composite Lodge. As many of you know, I am fascinated by the long and rich history of Masonic jurisprudence. While I have discussed this with many of you over the years, the nature of Masonic jurisprudence is little known by most Masons and bears repeating here.

Masonic law is of three characters: The Ancient Landmarks, the General Regulations of Freemasonry and the written Constitutions.

By the way, does anyone really know the definition of "Ancient Landmarks" or, for that matter, "the General Regulations of Freemasonry? A hint—Every Master Mason was given a copy of both of them.

The Ancient Landmarks are the unwritten law of Freemasonry. While different sources refer to different Landmarks, or at least word them differently, our Grand Lodge recognizes the twenty-five Ancient Landmarks set forth by Albert G. Mackey in his seminal work "Jurisprudence of Freemasonry". The term is best summarized as being those characteristics without which Freemasonry would not be Freemasonry.

The General Regulations are the written laws of Freemasonry as it existed prior to 1721 and includes The Old York Constitutions of 926, the Constitutions

of Edward III, the Regulations of 1663, the Ancient Installation Charges, the Ancient Charges At Makings and the Regulations of 1703, 1717 and 1720.

Where can you find these writings? Master Masons: Check out the "Constitution And By-Laws" you received when you were Raised. Everyone else can find Mackey's book or just look them up on line.

Next, a plug. On March 4, our Lodge will be honored to host its 49th consecutive Reception Of The Grand Master Of Masons In California. In case you are unaware, this is a big deal. Most Lodges in the State have never hosted a Grand Master's Reception. There are just too many lodges for him to visit. Why have we been so honored? Well, we serve great food with our famous ice cream sundae bar and have our very own unauthorized style of welcoming our Grand Master, his First Lady and the Grand Lodge officers. In short, it's great fun and you really need to attend. Mark your calendars and make your reservations NOW as this event is always a sellout.

As always, we look forward to seeing you in Lodge: Not just at stated meetings and degrees, but at all our social and educational events.

Fraternally, Jeff Bear Senior Warden

A FUN Lodge Event for Native and Non-Native Angelenos

"See LA like you have never seen it before " in a Starline LA City and Celebrity Home Tour With your tour guide Roy Steinfeld PM Only 25 seats available

> Sunday February 17, 9:30 am Meet at the Lodge

The standard \$79 tour price has been slashed Our Price \$45

To reserve your place, contact Bernie Morse (310) 556-4463



### THINK ABOUT IT

Those of you who follow baseball, and probably many of you who do not, will recognize the name of Pete Rose. A former DeMolay, he played in the major leagues for 24 seasons, including two when he was also the manager of the Cincinnati Reds. During that time, he had more base hits than anybody else who has ever played the game, namely 4256. He also played in more games than any other player, 3563, and was at bat over 14,000 times. He was named to the All Star team in 17 different years, was the Rookie of the Year in his first year, was voted the National League Most Valuable Player once, awarded two Gold Gloves, and won three league batting titles. Early in his career he was dubbed "Charlie Hustle" because of his tenacious style of play, in particular running out every ball he hit, chasing every ball hit near him when he was in the field, and aggressively running the bases.

Under almost any other circumstance, he would have been a shoo-in to be voted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York by the Baseball Writers of America. However, in 1989 he was permanently banned from baseball for betting on games, a charge that Mr. Rose did ultimately acknowledge. One of the consequences of being on the permanently banned list is a loss of eligibility for the Hall of Fame. Mr. Rose has made a number of appeals

to Major League Baseball, or MLB, to be reinstated, but has failed every time. Although he has denied ever betting against his own team, those who have supported the decision not to allow him entry into the Hall of Fame argue that, as a player or manager, he could exert some control over the course of the game.

It would appear that MLB takes gambling very seriously and wants to avoid any shadow of impropriety to be cast over the game. Or does it? Recently MLB officials issued a joint announcement with MGM Resorts International (a company that runs casinos in Las Vegas and elsewhere) that the two entities have entered into a multiyear gaming partnership. As part of this partnership, MGM Resorts International will have access to statistics (including exclusive access to "enhanced" ones), the use of baseball intellectual property for advertising purposes, and a presence at the All Star Game and World Series. It is hard to interpret all of these activities in any other way except that MLB may be providing a small advantage to the house while encouraging betting on its games by every member of the public. Except, of course, by Pete Rose.

Ron Koretz, P.M.

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# JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



Dennis Goldberg	02	Phillip Kash	12	Bernard Kentor	17
William Weiss	05	Andre Richardson	12	Donald Gordon	19
Jay Markoff	07	Kerin Surents	13	Nazareth Guluzian	20
S Samuels	07	Steven Kierman	14	Jonathan Rackman	25
Richard Friedman	09	Mario Sherman	16	Stuart Horwitz	27
David Green	11	Edwin Siegel	16	Bradley Zalben	29
Ronald Koretz	11	Vrej Eskandarian	17		



### BRETHREN AND FAMILY MEMBERS

Sick and Visitation Committee Report

#### We Wish Everyone a Full and Complete Recovery

Len Cohen ... Home with several medical problems

Ruth Davis. . . Recovering from hip fracture

Geri Edelman...Home with a variety of medical problems

Joseph Fisch...Home with multiple medical problems

Irv Kierman ..... Home recovering from surgery

Jay Richards...At home with multiple problems

Bruce Shaphran..... Recovering from knee surgery

Brethren Please, a Telephone call from you could brighten their day. To get the contact information of those listed please contact the lodge Secretary or Master. If you know of a Brother or a member of a Brother's family who is ill, please contact the Lodge Office.

Funeral Telephone list: Any brother who would like to be placed on the funeral notification call list, your presence would be deeply appreciated. Lodge Office telephone: 310. 657.2628

	Master – Steve Resnick (Sheelah)	Marshal – Yuriy Kotlyar
	Senior Warden – Jeffrey Bear, P.M. (Trisha)	Senior Steward – Roy Steinfeld, P.M.
20	Junior Warden –	Junior Steward – Renato Garcia (Minerva)
2019 OFFICERS	Treasurer – Bernie Morse, P.M. (Carolyn)	Tiler – Evan Weiss, P.M.
)FFI	Secretary – Tim Shiner	Officers' Coach – Bernie Morse, P.M. (Carolyn)
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