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## ***A Message From the East***

### **December Lodge Events**

Hesperian Lodge	1st
Dinner 6:30PM	
Stated Meeting 7:30 PM	
Central Coast Lodge	2nd
Dinner 6:00 PM	
Stated Meeting 7:00 PM	
Officer's Practice	9th
7:00 PM	
LODGE IS DARK	16th
1st Degree at San Luis Obispo Lodge	
LODGE IS DARK	23rd
Merry Christmas!	25th
LODGE IS DARK	30th
Happy New Year!	Jan. 1st

### *Greetings from the East*

**M**erry Christmas to all the Brothers and wishing you all joy and peace this holiday season.

I would like to congratulate Brother Harold Borgman on receiving his Fifty-year Award.

Our Annual Installation of Officers will be held at the Lodge on January 13th at 7:00 pm. Just a reminder it will be a tuxedo night for those of us being installed.

Fraternally,  
Worp. Dave Murray, PM

**S**aturday, November 9th Central Coast Lodge Bar-B-Q for the Arroyo Grande High School Robotics Team was a great success. Thank you to all the Brothers who helped with the 'Q's and the kitchen.

The usual cellphone huddle prior to starting the service line... 



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## From the West



**H**aving just returned from another annual communication with all the usual happenings I'm happy to report that something new was presented this year and I'm encouraged by the direction Grand Lodge is trying to go with its new initiative. I am in reference to the new plan that was announced by the incoming Grand Lodge officers, ***The Keystone Initiative***.

In the words of our leadership this is an initiative about people, our brothers, their families, and the communities we serve. It is designed in three parts; part one is the building of strong and confident leaders. Part two is working on ways to deepen the masonic experience and part three is working on ways to demonstrate our values in our communities. Over the next three months I would like to explore each of these areas and how Grand Lodge is looking to help us with this going forward.

This month I want to look at part one, the building of strong and confident leaders. The first part of this will be redefining and streamlining the officer's roles. Each of our officers will have their roles and responsibilities better defined to help bring more satisfaction to their jobs. There will be offered new resources to help us educate our potential officers in their duties through programs that will be available on iMember.

Part two is the encouraging of our knowledgeable brothers to become better mentors for new officers. By pairing potential officers with seasoned brothers, we will be able to let them know what to expect and better understand their potential roles in the Lodge. Support for this part of the initiative will come from a redevelopment of the Candidate Learning Center in iMember. This will hopefully make the potential officer feel more comfortable and supported in their role.

**J**oin us on the 3rd Friday of the month for 'Cook Yr' Own and a Movie!' Bring what you want to throw on the Bar-B-Q and we provide the sides!

The fire is ready by 6:00 PM and the movie starts at 7:00 PM. Bring your Lady, friends and adult beverages. It's all good!

## December Birthdays

### Happy Birthday to ..

Wayne Edward Trost	7th
J. Dean Johnson	10th
Alan Brian Aherne	11th
James Ernest Bevill	25th
Kelly James Keane	28th

## Masonic Birthdays

Alan Brian Aherne	18th
Walter Douglas Glover	26th

**Bold** indicates Past Master

Finally, a realignment of the officer qualification process to encourage potential leaders to step up. This part will be supported by online and in-person discussion forums and will make it easier for us to recruit strong new leaders.

This is a bold three-part plan, and I will go deeper into the other two parts in the coming months. Sincerely & fraternally,

Zack  
Senior Warden

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#### Order of Eastern Star

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7:30 PM

Santa Maria Masonic Ctr

Secretary: Tracy Lee

Ph: (805) 937-3280

### San Luis RAM Chapter No. 62 / SLO Cryptic Council #38

Meetings: 1st Wednesday

6:00 PM

Secretary: Christian Marano, PM

Ph: (805) 712-9212

### SLO Commandry No. 27

Meetings: 2nd Saturday

9:00 AM

Secretary: Christian Marano, PM

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### Santa Lucia chapter #95 OES

Meets: 2nd Monday 7p Stated mtg/ dinner 6p

4th Monday casual/potluck dinner 6p

Secretary: Cathy Veley

(805) 471-0183

### Central Coast Shrine Club

Meetings: Mayors Place, Nipomo 4th Saturday of the month.

Secretary: Rusty Kern

Ph: (805) 733-0483

### Central Coast Assembly IORG #92

Meets: 2nd & 4th Fridays 6:30p

SLO Masonic Center

Mother Advisor: Victoria Law

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### Santa Lucia Court # 143 Order of Amaranth

Meetings: 3rd Friday

7:30 PM

### Arroyo Masonic Temple Assn.

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday

Board Pres: Garret S. Matsuura

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## From the South



### Greetings Brethren

**H**ere are a few notes on events at the lodge.

We are considering re-keying the lodge door locks on the first floor. The kitchen outside door lock has been replaced and it is a big improvement. The office and closet doors are next. New keys will be issued if we decide on all new locks. Stay tuned.

We have rentals coming up. Scottish Rite rental is Thursday Dec. 18th. Two fraternity rentals are in January. One on Saturday Jan. 10th, 8am - 4pm and Sunday Jan. 18th, 8am - 4pm.

Wishing all of you a Happy Thanksgiving and a great time with friends and family.

Brother Jeff Massingham  
Jr. Warden & Lodge Manager .



## From the Secretary's Desk

### Brethren

**M**erry Christmas to all and your families and a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year!

Charlie Kears PM  
Secretary, Trestleboard Editor



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### Retention

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# December 2025

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

	1 <b>Hesperian Lodge</b> Dinner—6:30 PM <b>Stated Meeting</b> 7:30 PM	2 <b>Central Coast Lodge</b> Dinner—6:00 PM <b>Stated Meeting</b> 7:00 PM	3	4 <b>Breakfast at The Mayors Place</b> Nipomo 8:00 AM	5	6
7	8	9 Officer's Practice 7:00 PM	10	11 <b>Breakfast at The Mayors Place</b> Nipomo 8:00 AM	12	13
14	15   <b>Trestleboard Deadline</b>	16 <b>LODGE IS DARK</b> 1st Degree at San Luis Obispo Lodge	17	18 <b>Breakfast at The Mayors Place</b> Nipomo 8:00 AM	19	20
21	22	23 <b>LODGE IS DARK</b>	24	25 	26	27
28	29	30 <b>LODGE IS DARK</b>	31			

# MW Garrett Scott Chan Grand Master 2026

## Grand Master Chan's Theme



The Grand Master's vision for the 2025-2026 Masonic term, themed "Peace and Harmony," is a call to action for us to improve ourselves, our lodges, and our communities by living the principles of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth, and by being a force for good in the world.



## Grand Master Chan's Pin

- Perimeter Pattern: The intricate pattern encircling the pin symbolizes infinity, eternity, unity and the Interconnectedness of all things—including the winding paths of life.
- Red: In Chinese culture, red represents good fortune, happiness, and energy.
- Gold: Gold signifies wealth, prosperity, and success.
- Shield: The black Templar-style shield is a tribute to my time in DeMolay. That experience helped shape who I am today. It serves as a personal reminder to remain faithful to the teachings and vows I embraced as both a DeMolay and a Mason.
- Chinese Character: At the center is the Chinese character for Harmony—a guiding principle and the theme for the coming year.
- Square and Compass: Depicted in the Entered Apprentice configuration, the Square and Compass represents the universal journey of Masonry.
- This pin is intentionally designed to be inclusive, so that all Masons—regardless of degree—may wear it with pride.



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## **B**rethren

I am looking for help with pictures, articles or anything that might be of interest about Freemasonry and Central Coast Lodge in particular for our Trestleboard.

If you have something you think might be of interest to the Brothers please let me know. You can send articles and pictures to me at [cekears@gmail.com](mailto:cekears@gmail.com). Thank you! Charlie Kears, PM Editor