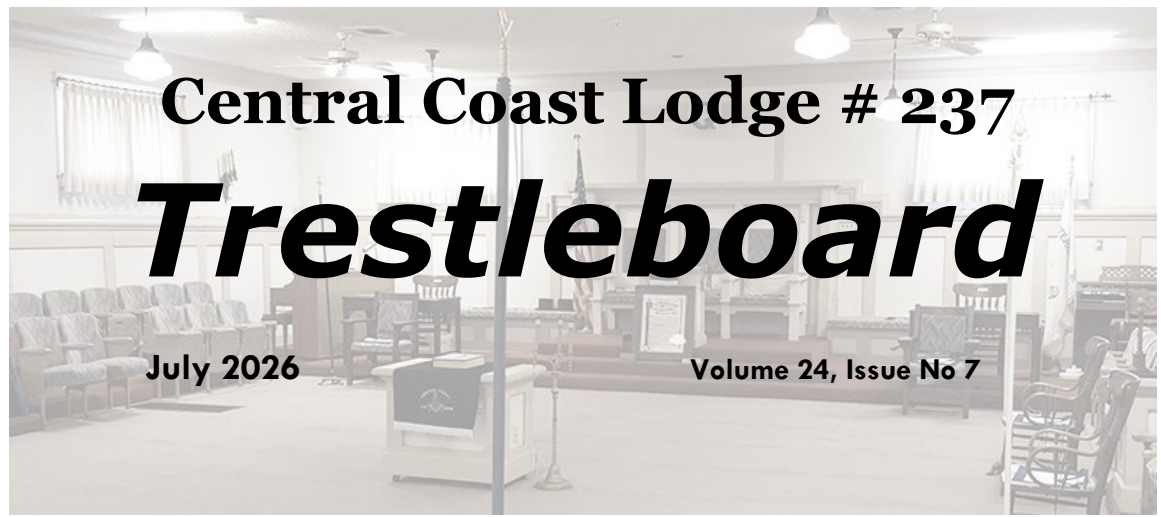




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A Message From the East

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Officer's Practice 7:00 PM	14th
Cook Y'er Own and A Movie 6:00 PM	17th
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Executive Board Meeting 6:30 PM Officers Practice	28th

Greetings from the East

Happy 250th Anniversary of America!

Happy July Fourth, it's time to BBQ some hamburgers and hotdogs and celebrate Americans 250th Birthday. Enjoy the day with your family and friends and to give thanks that we live in the greatest Nation on earth!

July is going to be a quiet month at the lodge, but we are working towards a Second Degree in the month of August.

Just a reminder that we meet every Tuesday evening. Doors open at 6:15PM, so come on down to the lodge for a cup of coffee and great Fellowship!

May God bless our beloved Fraternity, and may God bless America.

Fraternally,
Worp. Dave Murray, PM

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From the West

Greetings Brothers,

Trying very hard to come up with something constructive to write about this month, I came across an article from the Southern California Research Lodge and the use of rhetoric in Freemasonry. Excerpted here is part of an article written by Angel Miller from the September 2023 issue of the Fraternal Review. I hope you find it interesting.

EUPHEMISM:

In act III of Shakespeare's Hamlet, we find a phrase that appears in the Masonic Ritual: to that "undiscovered country from whose bourn no traveler returns." Hamlet's full statement is,

To grunt and sweat under a weary life,
But that the dread of something after death,
The undiscovered country from whose bourn
No traveler returns, puzzles the will,
And makes us rather bear those ills we have,
Than fly to others that we know not of?

Here, Shakespeare's protagonist contrasts life (which is characterized by weariness, toil, and suffering) with what lies beyond death, the exact nature of which is unknown to the living. The English playwright uses a euphemism for death or after death ("the undiscovered country") that does not allow us to think of the horrors of sickness, or of the corpse, etc.

We do not die; rather, we "travel" to the "undiscovered country." The phrase suggests that the afterlife is much like our own, populated not only by other people (whom we may be related to) though, in some way, better as well as mysterious.

Euphemisms remain an important part of rhetoric. Not exactly Shakespearean, we say someone "passed away" rather than "died." The killing of civilians in a military operation is "collateral damage" (a phrase that suggests only economic loss). And, of course, corporations never lose money; they merely experience periods of "negative growth."

Rhetoric is as important today as it was in Richard of Durham's time—perhaps, even more so. Understanding its techniques enables us to appreciate the beauty of language. It helps us to understand when someone is attempting to motivate us for our own good. And it should alert us to the manipulations of spin doctors, who do not have our interests at heart. As stonemasons and Freemasons have been encouraged for centuries, learn and use rhetoric.

Happy Birthday America,

Zack Braun PM Senior Warden

July Birthdays

Happy Birthday to . .

John Frederick Bewick, Jr.	1st
Jared Keaton Thinger	8th
Hardy Paul Hearn, Jr.	12th
James Edwin McGlothlin	16th
Frank Robert Luenser	17th
Ronald Jerry Coggeshall	26th
Steven Patrick Funkhouser	26th
Zachary Linn Braun	28th

Masonic Birthdays

John Wilfred Hobberlin.	11th
Vincent Thomas Martinez	19th

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7:30 PM

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Meetings: 1st Wednesday
6:00 PM

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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
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Central Coast Shrine Club

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

Secretary: Rusty Kern
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Central Coast Assembly IORG #92

Meets: 2nd & 4th Fridays 6:30p
SLO Masonic Center

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Santa Lucia Court # 143 Order of Amaranth

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7:30 PM

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Greetings Brethren

We are making steady progress on the Lodge room renovations. The new chairs have been assembled and are now in place. The old stadium chairs have been removed. The next project is the flooring. The temple board has voted to re-carpet the lodge. Estimates will be coming in soon.

The two Masonic symbols charts are being mounted and framed and should be ready in a couple of weeks..

A reminder that on Friday June 19 the parking lot will be resealed. The parking lot will be closed Friday thru Sunday.

The Lodge has a rental coming up on Friday, June 26.

That's all for now, Brothers.

Bro. Jeff Massingham
Jr. Warden & Lodge Manager .



From the Secretary's Desk

Brethren

A Happy 4th of July and 250th Anniversary to you and our Nation! Enjoy the Holiday and I have heard for the July 7th Stated Meeting we will have the appropriate All American dinner to celebrate.

One last mention of dues. If you haven't paid your dues, now is the time. If you need assistance, please contact me.

Charlie Kears PM
Secretary, Trestleboard Editor

Thursday morning breakfast is growing!



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Brethren

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. Thank you! Charlie Kears, PM Editor