

THE BULLETIN BOARD

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DO NOT MISS OUR NEXT BUREAU MEETING!

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Sunday, August 26, 2012
Pasadena Scottish Rite
150 North Madison Ave.
Meeting Starts at 10:00 A.M.
Coffee and Rolls at 9:15 A.M.

Program

Most Worshipful

R. Stephen Doan

Past Grand Master

2012 Grand Lodge

Legislation –

“The Doan

Commentaries”

Again we will have some important legislative decisions to be made at our Grand Lodge Sessions next month. Be prepared to discuss the eighteen new 2012 Resolutions, the eight Carryovers, and the Grand Master's Decision and Recommendation at your September Stated Meeting, before your officers vote in San Francisco. Any additional Grand Master Decisions/Recommendations will also be reviewed. All Lodge Brethren will benefit from the explanation of the legislation to be given by Most Worshipful Steve. NOTE: This meeting is for *Master Masons only*.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 8th Annual *Cigars under the Stars!* Fundraiser for *Al Malaikah Shrine* will be held this year on August 18th at 5 PM: \$30 Dinner; \$50 incl. 4 cigars. Call the Shrine 213/748-0173.

Southern California Demolay will be holding their *Legion of Honor Investiture Ceremonies* on August 19th at the Pasadena Scottish Rite. Congrats to our *Jr. Grand Warden Russ Charvonja* who is one of the honorees.



Curious About Traditional Observance Lodges?

The impressive building above is the Scottish Rite Cathedral in Oakland. It is hosting this month a series of meetings exploring an increasingly-popular model of Masonic Lodge formation – the Traditional Observance Lodge. The event is called *The 2012 Symposium of the Masonic Restoration Foundation*, an annual gathering of national Traditional Observance Lodges this year sponsored by California's *Academia Lodge No. 847*.

The Conference includes informative and educational presentations on the purpose and background of this classical form of lodge Masonic practice. It takes place August 23-26.

As part of the program, the Curator of the California Henry Wilson Coil Library and Museum of Freemasonry, *Bro. Adam Kendall*, will be reviewing the Initiatic Tradition and Masonic Material Culture.

There are presently 45 Traditional lodges in 25 Grand Lodges here in the United States, with four of these in California. For more info, you can access Academia Lodge's website.

ON LINE MASONRY

Freemasonry in California has really gone hi-tech in the last few years with their communications, both to members and the public. Check out the following varied web sites and “app's” offered by our Grand Lodge: *California Freemason App*; *California Freemason Online (with Web-extra content!)*; *California Masons Facebook*; *California Masonic Assistance Facebook*; *Twitter*; *YouTube*.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR TO SPEAK AT GRAND LODGE

We are proud to announce that our highly-honored English teacher at Luther Burbank Middle School in Burbank, Ms. Rebecca Mieliwocki, 2012 National Teacher of the Year, will be an honored guest at the upcoming 163rd Annual Communications in San Francisco and the featured speaker at the Grand Master's Banquet on September 22nd. She received the National Teacher of the Year Award during a White House ceremony in April.

Her presence and keynote address helps to focus California Masonry's major commitment to making a profound difference for public education in the State. Do your best to join your Brethren in San Francisco next month.

Lodge Member Assistance

It's all too easy for some Masons to withdraw from active membership in their Lodge, due to our hectic lives these days. But if you take time to ask why they stopped coming, you might just learn how to bring back your Lodge's inactive members. And you might also find that they need Masonic assistance, or at least remind them that they are still valued members.

Consider using the *Survey Form* available on the Grand Lodge Web Site, under “Member Center/ Member Resources/ Interactive Member Survey”.



Hope to see you at Grand Lodge!



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