

Channel Islands Lodge No. 214  
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**Channel Islands Masonic Lodge 214 is open for Stated meetings,  
dinners, practices, and degree work**

- Dinners are \$15 each for reservations and prepaid accounts. **Dinners without a reservation are \$20.** Use the Lodge web site or call (805) 641-0214.
- Please make all checks payable to **Free & Accepted Masons Channel Islands No 214**
- Please see the Lodge calendar for the latest information: **<https://channelislandslodge214.org>**

**Schedule of Events**

- April 2** - Stated Meeting Dinner 6:30 PM
- April 2** - Stated meeting 7:30 PM
- April 17** - Movie Night Fundraiser 6:30 PM (see SW article)
- April 30** - Pot Luck & Fellowship Night 6:30 PM

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## Trestleboard



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At this time of year, I am frequently awakened before sunrise by the chirping of newly hatched chicks in a nearby tree. This chirping will consistently awaken me for the next few months. This is one of the signs that Spring is upon us. The time of year where the world awakens from winter, and it is time for new growth. This cycle continues each year, and nature follows its due course, as if inevitable.

Human nature, too, is seemingly inevitable. We fall into habits, and ways of living that quickly set in and are hard to break. Unlike the rest of the natural world, we humans have the power to overcome these habits and allow for new growth within ourselves. This is the very reason many of us join Masonry. We work to overcome selfishness, complacency, aggression, or any number of other vices that have no place in



civil society. Even Masons can fall back into these habits, though. It is then that we must renew our efforts and seek help from our brothers when needed. It is then that we remember our obligations and resume work on the rough ashlar of our lives and work toward harmony.

This Spring, I encourage everyone to evaluate the progress they've made in their Masonic journey. Celebrate your successes. Identify your areas for growth. Remember that while this is a personal journey, you are not alone. Your brothers are here to help.

Fraternally,  
Jared Padgett  
Worshipful Master

Greetings from the West:

In the month of April we have a couple of exciting events planned.

Friday, April 17th, 2026 is a Movie Night Fundraiser through Pizza Man Dan's. Pizza Man Dan's was selected by the Charity Committee, and particularly Bro. Mondo, because it's so close to the lodge and should be convenient. For those who can attend, the idea will be to purchase food at Pizza Man Dan's and then bring it to the lodge to watch a movie together. We will be watching National Treasure and plan to start the movie at, or close to, 6:30 PM. The fundraiser will not be limited to only people that can attend physically. Anyone that is interested will be

able to purchase food from Pizza Man Dan's in-person, online, or by phone on April 17th and the proceeds will go to the lodge. More details to follow so please keep an eye out for an email from the secretary when the flyer is available.

Thursday, April 30th, 2026 is a Potluck & Fellowship Night. Potlucks are an opportunity to bring the brethren, friends, and family together for some good eats and great fellowship. We hope to see you there!



Fraternally,  
Carrick Cheevers  
Senior Warden

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Greetings from the South,

April has a way of reminding us why charity sits at the heart of who we are. Something about the longer days and the world waking back up makes it easier to notice where kindness is needed and where a small act can make a real difference. The month's holidays point us in that direction too. April Fool's Day may be lighthearted, but it nudges us to be gentle with each other, to choose humor that lifts rather than stings. Easter brings themes of renewal, compassion, and second chances. All these ideas can be put to work by giving our time, our patience, or our resources to those in need. And lastly Earth Day which broadens the idea of



charity beyond people, reminding us all to be zealous in caring for our planet. This is its own form of service, one that will benefit generations to come. For us as Masons, April becomes a kind of seasonal checkpoint, a moment to look around and ask where we can help, even in small, everyday ways. Checking in on a Brother, supporting a local cause, volunteering for a cleanup, or simply offering a kind word these are the quiet acts that keep our principles alive. April just makes it easier to lean into them.

Fraternally,  
Jeff Malley  
Junior Warden



Masonic Brothers participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Ventura, CA



Members of the Lodge enjoy an outing at Golf-N'-Stuff



Wor. Jared & Wor. Garrick

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## Golden Veterans

**Mark Allan Vest 2026**

**Gregory Malcolm Fowler 2026**

**Richard Lewis Myatt 2026**

Gary Lee Vess 2025

James William Rasey PM 2025

Hubert Thomas Curnett 2025

Kenneth Glen Miller 2025

David Levell Knutson 2024

Paul Efraim Lovemark 2024

Michael Paul Blackmer PM 2024

William Noel Scruggs 2024

Donald Phillip Meyer 2024

Steven Alan Weiss 2024

Jerry Lee Jeffery 2023

William Robert Kavanaugh PM 2023

Jeffrey Kosowitz 2023

## 3° Service Years

Roy Wayne Younger 68

William Noel Scruggs 52

Raymond Adrain Broomfield PM 45

Lawrence Walker Young 36

John David Robles PM 29

Michael Lawrence Richards 23

Scott Brian Neace 18

Max Thomas Sanford 16

Robert Dean Le Maire 16

John Vernon Helchowski 7

Jason Cory Clay 7

## Birthdays this Month

Robert George Grahovac 1

Jeffrey Allen Hager PM 3

Geoffrey Alan Horsey 4

Brandt Allen Hammer 5

George Henry Rose 5

Samuel Lee Hill PM 5

Robert Dean Pritchett 6

Michael Brian Morlan 8

Thomas J. Phillips II PM 11

Ethan Thomas Mitchell 12

Thomas Michael Ecklund 12

Eric Lee Kienitz 16

John Curtis 16

Alan Roy Riecki PM 19

Gary Lee Vess 22

Jeff W Shirley 22

Bruno Valdivino De Carvalho 24

Donald Lewis Rowell 25

James Vernon Wyman 25

Sos Sam Arutyunyan 25

Richard M Depalma II 26

William James Roberts Jr. 27

Dennis Dean Behrens 29

Kenneth Lloyd Brown 29

Georgios Nikolas Ioannidis 30

Patrick David Barros 30

Steven William Scott 30

## Entered into Rest

Al E. Fox 2/10/2026

David Alan Kaiser 3/14/2026