

# TRESTLE BOARD

JUNE 2024

## Ionic Composite Lodge No. 520

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Dear Brethren,

I am writing to you the morning after our 2024 Festive Board, which this year honored Cindi Tabrisky, the Grand Royal Matron of the California Order of the Amaranth (one of our appendants/concordant bodies), and her husband, Worshipful Joe Tabrisky. We had some 26 brethren, prospects, ladies, and friends in attendance, and a great time was had by all. Both Cindi and Joe especially thanked the lodge for choosing to honor individuals from an affiliated body, rather than selecting one of our own members to be honored, as it helps raise awareness of some of the perhaps less-well-known Masonic bodies in our Jurisdiction and generates interest and support. Events that cross the divides between different Masonic bodies strengthen the ties that bind us together as a single Masonic family.

This leads me to my next item, which is our next major upcoming event. **On July 21<sup>st</sup>, at 1:00pm**, we will be welcoming Most Worshipful G. Sean Metroka at our 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Reception of the Grand Master at Ionic Composite Lodge. Faith Gershbock, “First Mom” of the Lodge, will be catering the lunch (so you *know* the food will be great, as well as being Kosher if that happens to be a concern for you), and if that wasn’t reason enough to mark your calendars and plan on attending, we are going **BIG** with this event, and making it a *full-on family affair* with the full blessing of the Grand Master. Bring your wives, partners, significant others, children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, friends, prospects, and anyone else you think of, because we are pulling out all the stops. We will be having representatives from at least two of our three Youth Orders (DeMolay and Job’s Daughters for sure and I’m working on getting in touch with Rainbow, but there are no nearby Assemblies at this time, though hopefully that will change soon). There is talk of Tie-Dye fun or facepainting, there will be games and toys, and there will be, I sincerely hope, a full house with a true sense of community. Oh, and did I mention the homemade ice cream cake?

If you haven’t been to Lodge in a while, let this be the day you come back. Don’t remember your ritual? No problem! It’s an open program, and we’ll be in the dining room – no ritual involved or required! Just fun, fellowship, food, and family. My own brother and his two children will be visiting from Washington DC, and plan to be in attendance. Business casual attire for adults, casual for children.

Please RSVP for this amazing event ASAP! **Reservations can be made from the link on the front page of the website. \$25 per adult, and all children (under 18) are FREE,** so there’s no reason not to bring the whole family! I look forward to seeing you there, because when we come together, not only do we have a great time, the bonds of our community grow stronger – one and all – for the effort.

Fraternally,  
Jacob Gershbock, PM  
Master

# JUNE CALENDAR

## **Monday, June 3rd, 7pm: Stated Meeting**

RSVP to [ioniccomposite@gmail.com](mailto:ioniccomposite@gmail.com)

Green Goddess Salad  
Herb Crusted Flank Steak  
Honey Roasted Carrots  
Chocolate Blondie Brownies

**\$15/person**

Please make \$15 Stated Meeting dinner reservations with Secretary Michael Bear at [Michael.Bear@mac.com](mailto:Michael.Bear@mac.com) by Friday May 31<sup>st</sup>.

## **Monday, June 10th, 7:15pm 1st Degree Practice**

All Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts encouraged to attend.  
Sideliners and those wishing to brush up on ritual welcome!

## **Monday, June 17th, 7:15 pm 1st Degree for Ramiro Gonzalez**

Come support our newest brother as he is initiated!  
All Masons welcome!

## **Monday, June 24th, 7:15 pm, Masonic Information and Discussion Night**

Come to Lodge and discuss items and topics of mutual interest with the brethren.

*Open to Masons of all degrees.*

Light refreshments will be served.

## **Sunday, June 30th, 3-6pm Lunch Service at the LA Midnight Mission**

Come join the brethren in giving back to the community by serving a meal to those in need at the Midnight Mission.

Contact the Lodge Secretary if you are interested in joining us

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Our lodge has the volunteer opportunity to **serve dinner at the Midnight Mission** on Sunday, June 30th from 3-6pm. If you are interested or need details, please contact event chairman Steve Resnick PM at [steveresnickgroup@gmail.com](mailto:steveresnickgroup@gmail.com).

Save the date for Sunday, July 21st at 1pm for the **54th Annual Reception of the Grand Master MW G. Sean Metroka** at a family lunch catered by the First Mom of Ionic Composite.

**Bring friends, family, kids, and prospects.**

**Kids under 18 will eat free.**

**Representatives from DeMolay and Job's Daughters will also attend**

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**Masons4Mitts**  
**Masons Night at Dodger Stadium**  
**Dodgers vs San Diego Padres**  
**Thursday, September 26, 2024 7:10PM**  
**Reserved Level Seats - \$36 including service charge**

For reservations contact Bernie Morse PM at (310)704-2262 or [brnhrd18@yahoo.com](mailto:brnhrd18@yahoo.com). Please RSVP by June 15 so order can be finalized.



## **Batter Up!**

**Be a Supporter by Funding a Child's Mitt**  
**For the 2024 Masons4Mitts Fundraiser**  
**supporting the LA Dodgers Dream Team**  
**Program**

For each \$20 donation a quality baseball glove will be provided to a needy youth in the LA Dodgers Dream Team program. This program is more than just baseball and softball. Kids and parents attend programs about leadership, teamwork, health, safety, finances, and good citizenship.

Support your lodge's participation in this great program.

Go to [www.masons4mitts.org](http://www.masons4mitts.org)

Click LA Dodger Logo

Click Media Central Titans

Click Give a Mitt

Click Donate

Contact Bernie Morse at (310) 556-4463  
if you have any questions.

### **HOW TO GET YOUR DUES CARD**

With the installation of the iMember 2.0 online system a few years ago that all brothers can access upon registration, lodge secretaries no longer receive all the dues cards to mail out after payment.

The dues card is now online and can be printed or downloaded in an 8 ½ x 11 format which can be printed or downloaded to a phone.

There are 2 ways to get you dues card:

1. Login to [www.member.freemason.org](http://www.member.freemason.org), select Imposite Lodge bar, then select Virtual Card.
2. Send an email to our lodge Secretary Mike Bear PM ([michael.bear@mac.com](mailto:michael.bear@mac.com)) requesting that it be mailed to you.

If you need help registering for iMember contact the Secretary.

## **Think About It – Ron Koretz, P.M.**

### **Think About It**

**On May 21, 2021, Aiden Leos, a 6-year-old boy, was being driven to his school in Orange County by his mother, Joanna Cloonan. About 8 AM, the two of them were cut off on the freeway by a Volkswagen Golf Sportwagen, whose driver gave them the peace sign, which Cloonan interpreted as being less than respectful. A few miles later, Cloonan passed the Volkswagen and flashed her middle finger at the woman driving the Volkswagen, Wynne Lee, and her male companion, Marcus Eriz. Ms. Lee then drove her Volkswagen to a position behind the Cloonan vehicle and Eriz shot a bullet into it. Unfortunately, the bullet struck Aiden, killing him. A few days later, and after an intensive search that included a \$500,000 reward, Eriz and Wynne were arrested. Wynne was charged with being an accessory after-the-fact for failing to report the incident, a felony, and for carrying a concealed firearm in her vehicle, a misdemeanor. Instead of cooperating with the law, she apparently took steps to conceal the Volkswagen and tried to assist Eriz in avoiding arrest. Lee was place on home confinement with GPS monitoring (ankle monitoring) in June 2021 pending her trial.**

**In January, 2024, Eriz was found guilty of second-degree murder and, in mid-April, 2024, he was sentenced to 40 years to life for that crime. Two weeks later, Lee pleaded guilty**

for her part in the incident. The maximum sentence for her crime was 1460 days (4 years) in prison, which the Superior Court Judge, Richard King, imposed. However, Lee was given 2106 days of credit for her home confinement and good behavior, so she was viewed as having served all her time and was released. Thus, her real penalty was a fine for \$670 as well as some as yet undetermined amount of restitution.

If one does the math, no more than about 1065 days had passed between the time of her pre-trial confinement and her sentencing. During that time, I have no idea how many hours she was truly in her home, which was certainly more comfortable than a jail cell. Thus, it appears that her “good behavior” accounted for a significant reduction in her sentence. On the other hand, we do know exactly how much time Aiden spent confined to a structure much smaller than a jail cell, and his punishment will continue without end. The same can be said for the duration of the punishment for his mother, although she was not completely blameless for the shooting. Neither of them received any time off for good behavior.

The Orange County District Attorney, Todd Spitzer, was outraged by the sentence. However, it is hard for me to believe that he did not see this coming. I do not know if he could have found some tougher felony to use in charging Lee, but perhaps the awarding of time off for good behavior needs some revising.

Think about it...

**You and Your Family are Cordially Invited for an  
Afternoon of Food, Fun and Family at the  
54<sup>th</sup> Annual Reception of the Grand**

**Master**

By

Ionic Composite Lodge no. 520

On

Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, at 1 pm

Lunch catered by Faith Gershbock, “First Mom”  
of Ionic Composite Lodge.

Members of our Youth Orders will be in attendance to  
both care for and talk with the children. There will be  
games, toys, and fun activities.

Dress code is Business Casual for Adults, and casual for  
children.

Adults are \$25/person, payable by credit card online.  
All children (under 18) and active Youth Order Members  
are FREE!

We expect a large number of attendees, so RSVPs are a  
MUST! If you haven't been to Lodge in a while, this is the  
time to come. Bring the whole family!

**[Click HERE to RSVP Now!](#)**

## **CASTING CALL**

**Wannabe Actors, Thespians**

**And Those Who Want Great Ritual**

You can help enhance the Masonic degrees for our candidates by taking part in the ceremonies. We want to put together ritual teams in all three degrees that will create memorable experiences. Note that Entered Apprentices can take part in the 1<sup>st</sup> degree, Fellowcrafts in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> degrees, and Master Masons in all three.

We are also looking for Master Masons who want to be officers. We have openings for 2024. We want and need your involvement. If interested, please contact:

Bernie Morse, PM  
Officer's Coach  
(310)556-4463

## **BRETHREN AND FAMILY MEMBERS**

Sick and Visitation Committee Report

*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.*

Fraternally,  
Brother Stan

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## **BRETHREN BEWARE**

of scam / phishing emails asking for money or personal information. Scammers are pretending to be Masons, even the Worshipful Master!

We'll never ask you to send money or gift cards via email.

Reach out to Lodge Leadership directly or by phone.



## June Birthdays

Robert	Irwin	Abelson	1944-06-02
Robert	Maurice	Black, PM	1953-06-18
Lazlo	George	Borsai, Jr.	1968-06-12
Daryl		Bristol	1962-06-23
Ernest	Lesley	Dancy	1981-06-09
Axel	Balan	Del Cid	1982-06-15
Howard	David	Fabrick	1938-06-30
Norman	B.	Feinstein	1924-06-26
Fran		Fineman	1933-06-16
Aaron	M.	Ganz	1990-06-29
Jacob	Abraham	Gershbock, PM	1987-06-08
David	Jay	Golde	1940-06-02
Florence		Kaminsky	1924-06-08
Henry	Mandel	Koffman	1939-06-03
Justin	Darren	Koretz	1974-06-27
Yuriy		Kotlyar	1970-06-09
Martin	Neil	Levine	1937-06-18
Alvin	Jacob	Livingston	1929-06-12
<i>Sol</i>		<i>Marco, PM</i>	1923-06-22
Joseph		Mayesh	1926-06-14
Erica	Diane	Moshtahedian	1984-06-10
Trevor		Nathanial	1955-06-10
Lloyd	D.	Robinson	1942-06-24
Susan	Kay	Rumsey	1951-06-06
Robert	Edward	Thomason	1976-06-21
Don	Susil	Wijesinghe, PM	1968-06-18

**Special Birthday Congratulations to PM Sol Marco who turns 101 years old June 22nd 2024!**

**2024 OFFICERS**

Master – Jacob Gershbock	Marshal – *
Senior Warden – Jeffrey Bear, P.M. (Trisha)	Senior Steward – Kerin Surents, P.M. (Suzanna)
Junior Warden – Steve Resnick, P.M. (Sheelah)	Junior Steward – *
Senior Deacon – Chay Alexander Wright, P.M (Virian)	Inspector for the 626th Masonic District Gevork Asatryan P.M.
Junior Deacon – Luis Tananta (Maria)	Trestleboard Layout – Michael Mosbach
Treasurer – Bernie Morse, P.M. (Carolyn)	Piano –
Secretary – Michael Bear, P.M. (Debbie)	Tiler – Roy Steinfeld, P.M.
Assistant Secretary - Michael Mosbach	