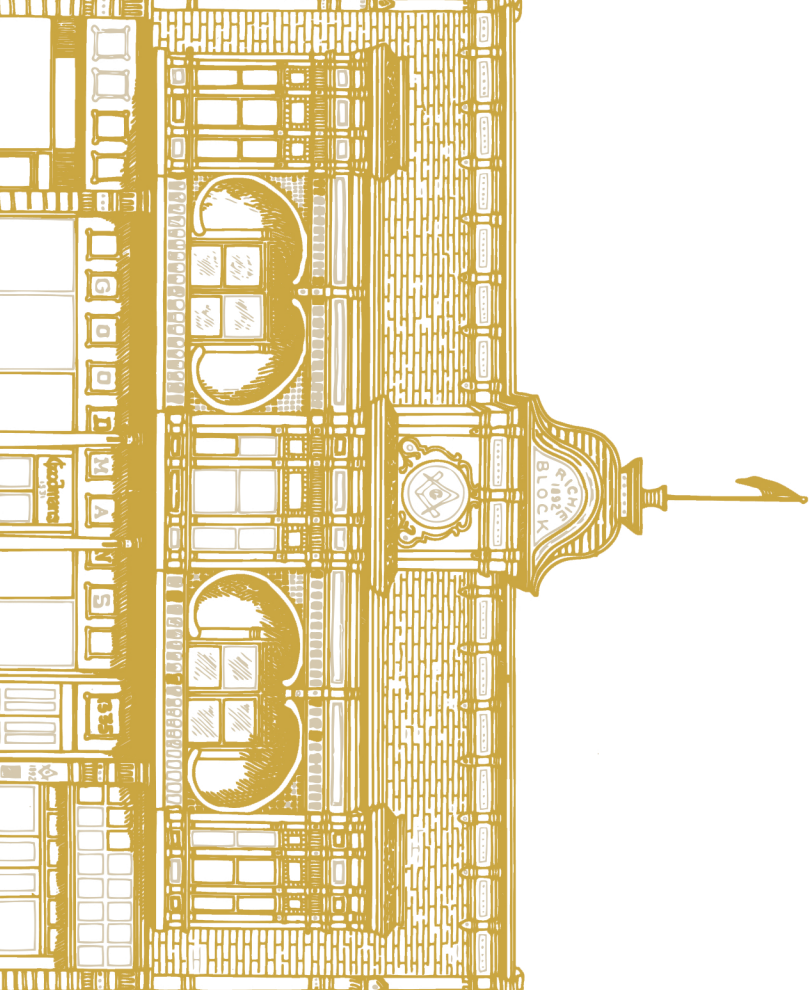




Napa Valley Lodge No. 93 F. & A.M.
1335 Main Street, #102
St. Helena, CA 94574-1940



FEBRUARY 2023



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SENIOR OUTREACH SERVICES

Masonic Senior Outreach Services (MSOS) connects senior Masonic family members with the resources they need to stay healthy and safe at home or in a retirement community in their local area.

Care management is provided to California Masons and their wives, widows, and mothers. There are no financial eligibility requirements to receive MSOS care management with a demonstrated need.

Financial support is need-based and offered to California Master Masons in good standing for five consecutive years, age 60 or older (55 or older, if permanently disabled) and to their wives, widows and mothers.

Services Include:

- Assistance reconnecting senior members to their Lodge
- Regular visits and/or telephone contact
- Help navigating health-related matters, financial situations, and care plans
- Information about local support services, public benefits, home care providers, and transportation agencies
- Support in selecting a retirement community



**TO ACCESS ALL MASONIC OUTREACH SERVICES
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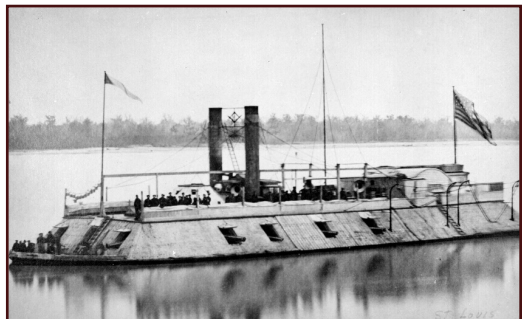
WORSHIPFUL MASTER

MIKAL LITZZA

My Brothers,

It is another Masonic year for Napa Valley Lodge. I want to thank all who came to my Installation last month. In my closing speech, I informed that I wanted to keep things low key this year. In that vein, looking to keep the Stated Meeting dress at Summer Dress for the year (Khakis, or dress pants, and a polo or nice button-down shirt.) I am hoping it will make things a bit more relaxed, and hopefully bring some brothers back to the Lodge. Looking to have a busy year this year with a bunch of degrees, so there will be suits involved. ☺

In the past, I have always spoken about our Youth Groups, and that is not changing anytime soon. They are in dire need of help. The membership of our groups are at an all time low. Please speak to your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers with kids. Our Youth Orders teach many great life lessons and give a good base on which to future their lives. Most groups will take them in as young as 8, with their Squires (DeMolay), JB to Be (Jobs Daughters), and Pledge (Rainbow). As many of you know, my kids grew up thru the Youth Orders, though not as Squires and Pledge, but as a DeMolay and a Rainbow Girl. I have gotten many compliments on how well turned out they both are. The Youth Groups were a big part of that. My son joined thanks to a DeMolay Game Night Flyer given to him by my grandfather. My daughter joined Rainbow thanks to a Rainbow girl talking to her while at a DeMolay meeting. Our youth are our future, we need to give them a good base to grow on.



Now for my bit of Trivia: Here is a picture of an old Ironclad – It is the The USS Baron DeKalb, a City class ironclad with the Union Navy. Look very closely at the smoke stacks. It is something of a masonic mystery, there being no record of why the civil war vessel would display the masonic square and compasses, although it is known that DeKalb had been a freemason, as was the ship's fifth and final captain, Lt. Commander (later Admiral) John Grimes Walker. (<https://freemasonry.bcy.ca/curiosities/index.html#:~:text=At%20least%20two%20ships%20have,Shipwrecks%20North%20of%20Boston%3A%20Vol.>)

Hope to see you all in Lodge.

Mikal Litzza PM
Master 2023

Hall Board Officers

President:	Hector Marroquin
Vice President:	Mikal Litzza
Secretary:	Allen Holland
Chief Financial Officer:	Sam Maffei





Napa Valley Lodge #93 F&AM

is proud to host the

Hiram Award Ceremony

honoring

2020 Recipient, Sean Harris PM

and

2021 Recipient, Hector Marroquin PM

February 11, 2023

Napa Valley Lodge #93 F&AM

1335 Main Street, St. Helena, CA

Hors d'oeuvre Reception 5:00 p.m.

Award Presentations 5:30 p.m.

Dinner, prepared by resident chef, Josh Wheeler 6:30 p.m.

Farrow & Citrus salad,

Beef bourguignon with mashed potatoes & green beans

Coffee & Dessert to follow

Casual Attire

Please RSVP

Hector Marroquin PM at administration@shmta.org

The Hiram Award is an award presented to a Master Mason who has served the Lodge and the Masonic Fraternity with devotion over and above the ordinary. It is the highest honor (other than being Master of the Lodge) that can be bestowed on a member of a Masonic Lodge. The Hiram Award is not given for service as Master or any elected or appointed office or committee. The recipient is recognized by his brethren in Masonry for his service to the fraternity, because of his efforts to support one or more Masons, a Lodge or Lodges, a District, the Grand Lodge or the fraternity as a whole. It is a singular distinction, and indicates the esteem, respect and admiration of the members. A Masonic Lodge may bestow a maximum of one Hiram Award each year but it is not required to do so.

FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
			 STATED Dinner 6: Meeting
5	6	7	
12 	13	14 	
19	20 	21	
26	27	28	

JANUARY 2023

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>1</div> <div>  </div> <div>MEETING</div> <div>30</div> <div>7:30</div>	<div>2</div> <div>  </div>	<div>3</div>	<div>4</div> <div>  </div>
<div>8</div>	<div>9</div>	<div>10</div>	<div>11</div> <div> SWEETHEART BRUNCH 9AM & MOVIE 11AM </div>
<div>15</div>	<div> Silverado Chapter 16 OES 7:30PM St. Helena </div> <div>  </div>	<div>17</div>	<div>18</div>
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NV Lodge #93 Secretary Message

Happy February my brothers,
I'd like to congratulate WB Mikal Litzza and all of the 2023 lodge officers. We have a dedicated group of masons that give generously of their time and energy. WB Mikal will kick this year off in grand style with our Sweetheart event on Feb 11. So please plan to come out for the Lodge brunch at our own historic building, and take your sweetheart to the classic Cameo Theatre across the street in downtown St Helena. It is one of the best events of the year.

Your 2023 Lodge officers are as follows:

Master - WB Mikal Litzza PM
Sr. Warden - WB Hector Marroquin PM
Jr. Warden - WB Ken Miller PM
Treasurer - Ron Werle PM
Secretary - Sean Harris PM
Assist Secretary - Alex Miller
Sr. Deacon - Jay Hutchison
Sr. Steward - Zack Schunk
Jr. Steward - Manny Rodrigues
Marshall - Jeremy Webb
Tiler - Michael Kmiec.

Inspector #129th Masonic District - John Wasson PM

The 2023 St Helena Masonic Hall Association Directors are:

WB Hector Marroquin PM
WB Sean Harris PM
WB Ken Miller PM
Eric Forrestall
Stan Wagonner Sr.
WB Al Holland PM
WB Mikal Litzza PM
WB Sam Maffei PM

The 2023 dues information:

The Grand Lodge approved raising the per-capita payment from \$57.50 to \$60.50 per year, per member.

As a result, the 2023 lodge dues are now **\$85.50** per year. (\$25+\$60.50) Our life membership is pro-rated based on age (which is good for older members). Those interested in a life membership should refer to the table below and contact me if you want to convert your membership to lifetime.

\$809.320. LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

A sum of money equal to the Lodge's annual dues at the time of purchase of the life membership multiplied by the factor indicated opposite the member's age in the following schedule:

Age 49 and under, a factor equal to or greater than 24 times annual dues; \$2052
50 to 54 inclusive, a factor equal to or greater than 20 times annual dues; \$1710
55 to 59 inclusive, a factor equal to or greater than 18 times annual dues; \$1539
60 to 64 inclusive, a factor equal to or greater than 16 times annual dues; \$1368
65 to 71 inclusive, a factor equal to or greater than 14 times annual dues; \$1197
and

Age 72 and over, a factor equal to or greater than 12 times annual dues. \$1026

2022 dues cards expired on Dec 31, 2022.

With iMember2.0, members can now pay their dues themselves with a credit card online

How to Pay Dues By Credit Card

This new, convenient way to pay dues has been in affect since last year. Here's how it works:

1. Log in to the Member Center at member.freemason.org and follow the prompts to "Pay Dues". If members haven't already logged in, **all they will need is their member number, lodge number, and email address.** The system takes VISA and Mastercard.
2. Once paid, the member will be able to download a new dues card immediately.

3. Secretaries will be able to see which members have made their payment on a special dues dashboard, which will automatically update Intacct as well, if the lodge is using Intacct.
4. Every month, secretaries will receive an itemized report for all of the monies collected. Please note that credit card processing fees are charged to the member.

If you want to send in check you can still do so. Please mail directly to the Secretary:

Lodge Secretary (Dues)
Napa Valley Lodge #93
4450 Mira Loma Drive
Pittsburg CA 94565

Please be patient if you sent your check to the lodge hall. I was out sick and only recently picked up the mail.

Fraternally,
Sean Harris PM
Secretary



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RELIEF FOR CALIFORNIA MASONS AND THEIR FAMILIES

- Information and referrals
- Senior communities in Covina and Union City
- Statewide Masonic Outreach Services for members of all ages and their families
- Transitions short-term care for neurological and post-surgical rehabilitation (Union City)
- The Masonic Center for Youth and Families in San Francisco and Covina—with telehealth services now available everywhere
- **NEW!** Shared housing for seniors in Covina

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mcyaf.org
(877) 488-6293 (San Francisco)
(626) 251-2300 (Covina)

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FEBRUARY

Birthdays

Donald Hudson	2/2
Wallace Gardner	2/3
Richard Ladd PM	2/3
Paul Abbott	2/5
James Mc Gee	2/7
Charles Cunningham Jr. PM	2/9
Jay Hutchison	2/11
Eugene Burtle	2/12
Scott Small PM	2/18
Donald Abernethy	2/22
Glenn Mefferd	2/26

HAPPY

3RD DEGREE

Anniversary

Peter Gray	2/11
James Whiteley PM	2/12
William Foreman	2/12
Mark Linder	2/22
Louis Carsner Jr. PM	2/22
Thomas Conwell PM	2/22
James Edginton Jr.	2/25
William Heller	2/25
Zachary Schunk	2/25
Mikal Litzza PM	2/25

COMPLIMENTARY CONSESSIONS

RSVP REQUESTED
rozlitzza@gmail.com 916.266.1322

BRUNCH WILL BE AT NAPA VALLEY LODGE IN ST. HELENA
THE MOVIE WILL BE HELD AT THE CAMEO ACROSS THE STREET

JIM HENSON, GEORGE LUCAS AND DAVID BOWIE
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