

# EVERGREEN LODGE No. 259 F. & A. M.



March 2021

A Welcome Awaits You



**Bro. William "Bill" Roland**  
**03/08/1932 - 02/20/2021**

**Past Potentate El Bekal Shrine - 2008**  
**Member of Evergreen Lodge #259**  
**San Bernardino Scottish Rite, KCCH**



# From the East

## Dues

We are still dealing with dues payments not getting processed correctly, please bear with us. However, if you have paid your dues but it is still not being recorded by Grand Lodge, or you are experiencing some difficulties in getting your payments processed, please let us know ASAP. As still have a couple of brothers experiencing issues with their payments not being processed. But please contact me so we can get the ball rolling and get it resolved.

While we are still in the middle of this pandemic, I do see some light at the end of the tunnel, but must still remain vigilant. However, even with the vaccines that are available, we still need to continue to do our part in containing this virus that has taken so many away.

## Bill Roland

It is with great sadness that our beloved Brother Bill Roland passed away on February 20. He was 88.

If any of you knew Bill, you knew him as a kind and caring man, and sharp as a tack all the way to the end. While my time with Bill was brief, I came to know him as someone who was very wise and always willing to stretch forth a helping hand. Be it from the working parties at the lodge, him serving as a door greeter for our installations, to his work on our Temple Board. Bill was always there for us. To myself and many of the brothers at Evergreen he was not just a brother Mason, but he was our friend. Bill, you will be missed, my friend.

## COVID-19

As the numbers of infections continue to go down and the numbers of those being vaccinated go up, it brings us closer to be able to meet again in person. As information becomes available I will continue to push updates out via email with regards to vaccines. As it stands 9.5 Million Californians have been vaccinated, with 512,000 of those in Riverside County alone.

I have been able to find several resources for being able to get a vaccine. Click on any of the three links below for more information:

[My Turn CA](#)

[Curative](#)

[Riverside University Health System](#)

1-800-720-9553

Fraternally,  
Tom Philp  
Worshipful Master  
Evergreen Lodge #259

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Brethren, Family and Friends,

Greetings from the East.

This Wednesday, March 3rd is our Stated Meeting. Brethren, please join us for fellowship and the all important paying of the bills. This month I will be passing down some information from Grand Lodge. So don't miss out.

As a reminder, we do all our meetings via Zoom. The schedule is as follows:

### Stated Meetings

(1st Wednesday)

Zoom is opened at 7pm

Business portion at 7:30pm

### Weekly Meetings

(All other Wednesdays)

Zoom is opened at 6pm

Meeting starts at 6:30pm

**Meeting ID:** 965 4628 4093

**Password:** EVERGREEN

To access our Zoom meetings, please click the button below:

**Evergreen  
ZOOM MEETING**



## From the West

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Encouraging brothers and

appreciating the craft, silently serving and humbly helping, discipline and attendance is beyond what I've witnessed in him, rest in peace my elderly brother Bill Roland, you will be missed dearly.

Will encourage our broth-

ers to attend our weekly zoom meetings specially the ones who moved to another states, will be a joy to see you all and chat.

Be safe and stay healthy my brothers wherever you are until we meet again back in the lodge.



**Scott Bennett**  
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Happy March everyone. My goodness, it's officially been one year since lockdown be-

## From the South

gan. Time sure flies when you're having fun (sarcasm)! Unfortunately, we are still unable to meet in person as a Lodge. That means that we are not able to keep up with our ritual as a team. Instead, we are limited to one-on-one discussions about our ritual. If anyone is needing assistance with their memory work, or

even just a sounding board, please feel free to reach out to me. I am happy to assist. Also, the goal is to be qualified by July for next year's positions. It'll be here before we know it.

Cheers my Brothers!

## The Rough and Perfect Ashlars

In the days of old, quarried stones that could easily be shaped into the required configurations were called 'freestone.' Examples of freestone are sandstone and limestone. These rough stones must be refined and smoothed before they could be used.

In the Fellowcraft degree, the

## For the good of the Craft

Rough Ashlar represents the unrefined state of a man and the need for the man to be improved. The unrefined man learns that he could become a better man through better conduct and better spirituality of thought. He is charged to become a better person through obligations, expectations and duties.

A Freemason continually smoothens his external and internal rough edges to become a better man and a better Freemason.

Once a man has smoothed his ashlar to his best, he starts to help his Brothers to become better people and better Freemasons.



## Happy Birthday to our March Celebrants

**Juan Gonzalez ~ Clair Meske ~ Fred Sitka**

**Manny Blanco ~ John Channon ~ Norris El-Hiraki ~ Bruce Mills  
Trevor Munkers ~ Drew Gilkey ~ John Burnard ~ Rodney Hoopai**

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### March 2021 Calendar - Evergreen Masonic Center

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	1	2 EMTA	3 <a href="#">Stated Meeting</a> @ 7:00pm	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 <a href="#">Lodge Zoom</a> @ 6pm	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 <a href="#">Lodge Zoom</a> @ 6pm	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 <a href="#">Lodge Zoom</a> @ 6pm	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 <a href="#">Lodge Zoom</a> @ 6pm	1	2	3