Channel Islands Lodge No. 214
Free & Accepted Masons of California
482 E. Santa Clara St.
Ventura, CA 93001-2758

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Email Version

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

November 5 - Stated Meeting Dinner 6:30 PM
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November 14 - "A Rose on the Altar" 6:30 PM Dinner, 7:30 Showtime
November 21 - Hiram Award Ceremony 6:30 PM
November 26 - "Not Home Alone" Thanksgiving Dinner 2:00 PM

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Channel Islands Masonic Lodge No. 214 F&AM

Trestleboard

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In November, we take time to reflect on the things we're thankful for. Family, friends, and other blessings, both great and small, come to mind.

I, like many of you, am thankful for my family and friends. I'm thankful for my Masonic family, and for this Lodge. I'm thankful for the Brothers who contribute their time, talents, and energy to making Channel Islands Lodge what it is, and for the Officers who have worked so hard throughout the year to keep it running. I'm also thankful for the trust reposed in me to serve as a steward of this Lodge.



We've had a really good year. We've participated in service projects, performed degree work, traveled to other lodges, expressed gratitude to our spouses and significant others for their support, celebrated the 250th anniversary of American Independence, and enjoyed many opportunities for fellowship. We've seen Brothers overcome adversity and grow as men and as Masons. This month, we'll also have the privilege of presenting the Hiram Award, a fitting opportunity to recognize a Brother for his dedicated service to the Lodge.

It has been a pleasure to see how this Lodge works together in a spirit of unity and harmony. Even when life introduces dissonance, we work together to find resolution, resulting in a harmonious melody. That is something Masons do. That is something the Brothers of Channel Islands Lodge do. And that is something for which we can all be thankful.

May the Great Architect continue to bless us as we begin the next season. May we find joy in our fellowship and purpose in our service. May we always remember to be grateful.

Fraternally,
Jared Padgett
Worshipful Master

As November unfolds, we enter a month defined by gratitude, remembrance, and the quiet dignity of gathering together. The world slows, the air cools, and the year's labor draws toward its close. In this season, we are reminded that the work of a Mason is not only measured in the stones we set, but in the hearts we uplift and the blessings we acknowledge.

Thanksgiving offers us a moment to pause and reflect on the abundance, material and spiritual, that has been entrusted to us. In the Lodge, we speak often of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth. November invites us to practice these virtues with renewed sincerity. Gratitude is itself a form of Light: it softens the heart, sharpens our awareness of others, and strengthens the bonds that unite us as a Fraternity.



Let us give thanks for the Brothers who labor beside us, for the mentors who shaped our journey, and for the candidates who bring fresh energy and curiosity to our Craft. Let us also remember those who cannot be with us, whether by distance, duty, or circumstance, and extend to them the warmth of our thoughts and prayers.

As families gather around their tables, may we also gather around the trestleboard of our own lives, examining the designs we have drawn this year. Have we built with intention? Have we acted with charity? Have we offered relief where it was needed? The Thanksgiving season encourages us to recognize not only what we have received, but what we have given.

May this month inspire us to continue our work with humility, generosity, and steadfast purpose. And as the days grow shorter, may the Light we carry as Masons shine all the brighter.

Fraternally,
Jeffrey Malley
Junior Warden

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In Memoriam

It is with heavy hearts that we inform you that Worshipful Brother David A. Gomez PM, laid down his working tools on Sunday, October 11, 2026.

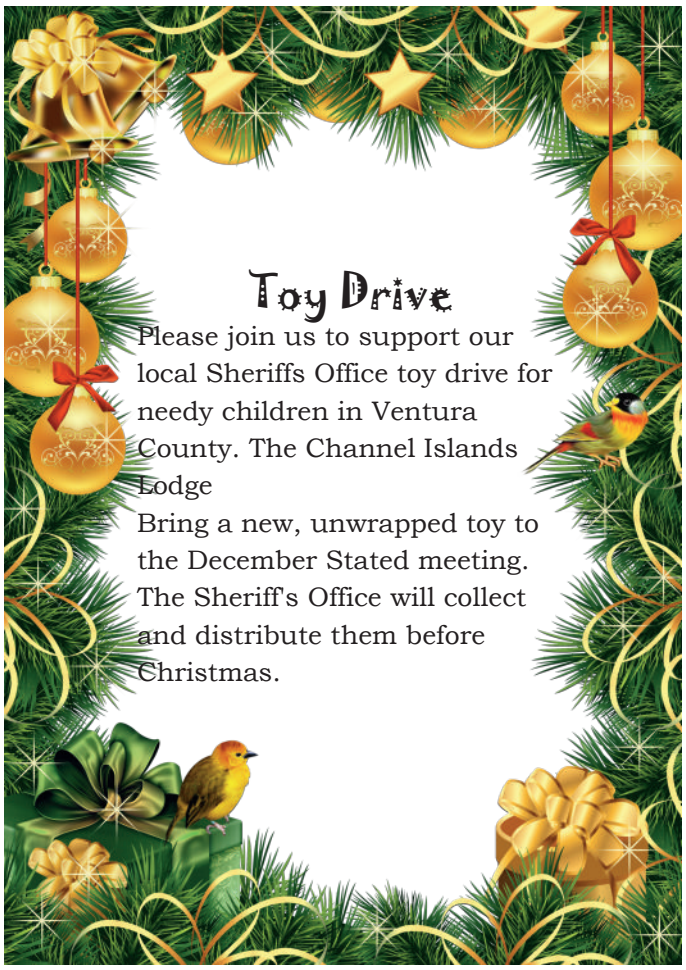
Worshipful Brother David A. Gomez PM was initiated into our fraternity in July 1990 and worked his way to the East serving our Lodge as Worshipful Master in 1995. Throughout his Masonic journey, he remained dedicated to the principles of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth. His commitment to Masonry extended beyond our Lodge through his active involvement in the York Rite and the Allied Masonic Degrees (AMD). Most recently, he returned to the Ventura Shrine Club, renewing his connection with the Brethren and the fellowship that has always been at the heart of our fraternity.

His years of service, dedication, and brotherhood have left a lasting mark on our Lodge and on the many Brethren who had the privilege of knowing him. Though he has laid down his working tools, the memories of his service and the bonds of brotherhood we shared with him will endure.

Our hearts go out to his beloved wife, Tina, and their entire family during this difficult time. We ask that you keep them in your thoughts and prayers, offering them the love, comfort, and support of their Masonic family as they navigate this profound loss.

Fraternally,
Nathaniel Beavers P.M.
Secretary





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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

Herbert Hal Rogers 63
Charles Eugene Schaef Jr. 62
Medford Leon Smith 57
Haskell Wayne Chandler 55
Henry Vann Chase 54
Robert Blaine Frost 54
Jerry Lee Jeffery 53
James William Rasey 51
Gary Lee Vess 51
William Walter Kirkland 46
Robert James Donaldson 46
Gary Martin Downard 46
Manuel Magundavao Oropesa 44
George Edward Morris 39
James Edwin Lotspeich 36
Alvis Jonas Karalius 36
Charles Arthur MacQuiddy 34
Robert Barnard Church 27
Jonathan Michael Adkins 23
Michael Dee Robertson 13
Ryan Andrew Phillips 13
Mario Urcia Aspacio Jr. 10
Timothy Lee Cook 9
Gerald Roy Price 8
Carrick Brendan Cheevers 5
Yousef Touni Asaad 2

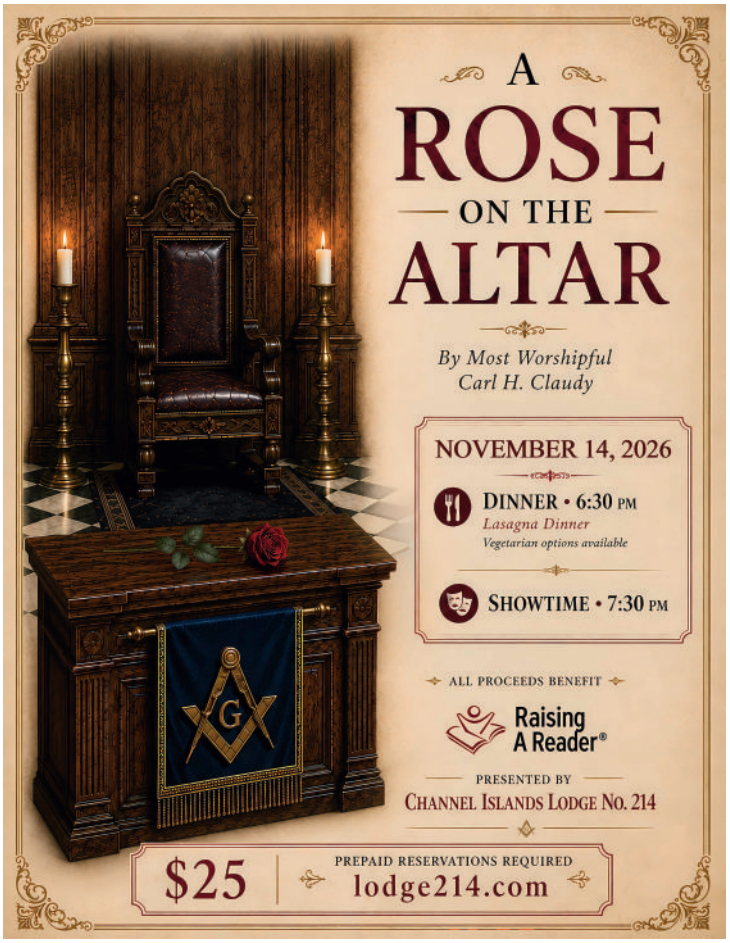
Birthdays this Month

Jay W. Reinhart 3
Troyce Lane Reynolds 3
Charles Eugene Schaef Jr. 4
Gary Evan Adkinson 6
John Vernon Helchowski 6
Victor Hugo Berber 6
Charles William Ruddy II 7
Arthur Cutcliffe Sullivan 9
Leon Dennis Zermeno 16
M. Roger Ferris 16
Edward Cleveland Jones Jr. 17
James Leon Hourigan 17
Herman Terrill Rounds 20
Shane Edmond Weaver 21
Lawrence Walker Young 22
Arthur Dudley Freel 23
Christopher Lee Carter 25
Doyle Lester Reynolds 25
Jared D Padgett 25
Dallas Michael Wolf 27
Brendan Jordan Barrett 30
Manuel Magundavao Oropesa 30

Entered into Rest



David Anthony Gomez PM 10/11/2026



Channel Islands Chapter No. 78
Order of the Eastern Star
invites you to the

"Unicorn Hopes and Butterfly Dreams"
144th Installation of Officers
on
November 14, 2026
11:00 am

Channel Islands Masonic Center
482 East Santa Clara Street • Ventura, CA 93001
Formal attire requested
Luncheon following the installation ceremony
RSVP by November 10 to Diane Lotspeich, PM
ci78oes@gmail.com or text (805) 816-0912

Ventura Masonic Family invites you to attend the

"NOT Home Alone"
Traditional Thanksgiving Dinner



Thursday, November 26, 2026 2:00 pm

Channel Islands Masonic Center
482 East Santa Clara Street • Ventura, CA 93001

$20 Adult with reservation $10 Child age 5-12

RSVP Deadline: Nov 22, 2026
For reservations call Diane Lotspeich, PM
(805) 647-7264 or email ci78oes@gmail.com
Casual Attire
RESERVATION ONLY THIS IS NOT A FUNDRAISER.