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From the desk of the
WORSHIPFUL MASTER

BY: WM ANGELO ALANO



Greetings from the East!

As we enter this new year, I extend a warm and fraternal greetings to each of you. We have an exciting year ahead with many opportunities for fellowship, education, and charity. January presents a wonderful opportunity to set the tone for the year ahead, and I encourage each of you to take an active role in our lodge's activities. Whether you are assisting with degree work, participating in charity drives, or simply attending meetings, your involvement strengthens the bond of brotherhood within our lodge.

We also welcome suggestions on how to improve our lodge operations and activities. If you have ideas or thoughts, please share them with me or the officers.

Vision for 2025:

"Strengthen our lodge to achieve greater self-sufficiency, while actively promoting Masonic principles and making positive impact on our community."

Mission for 2025:

"Gat Jose Rizal Lodge 882 is dedicated to hosting a variety of engaging fundraising events and expanding our membership base to sustain our annual budget. Through these efforts, we aim to enhance our influence within the community, fostering a supportive and active environment that reflects our commitment to growth and service."

This month will include important work for the Lodge, and I look forward to your attendance and participation.

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Stated Meeting

Every 3rd Friday of the Month at 7:00pm

150 Laursen St, Hemet, CA 92543

Upcoming Events and Important Dates:

January 3rd:

- We will have a Special Meeting on this day to practice the Second Degree Conferral. Your participation is key to the success of these important events.
- We will discuss the calendar for the year and ensure alignment with our vision and mission.
- We will discuss the upcoming Sweetheart's Night 2025 Fundraising.
- Dues reminder (\$279)

January 4th:

- Fellowcraft Degree Conferral

January 15th:

- Officer's School of Instruction (OSI)
 - Attendees: All Masons
 - Balloting; definitions; candidate interrogation, Stewards presenting candidate at preparation room

January 16th:

- Executive Committee Meeting
 - Discuss Stated Meeting Agenda
 - Discuss Leadership Retreat dates and registration

January 17th:

- Stated Meeting Agenda:
 - Lodge Reports and Updates
 - Balloting
 - Adoption of 2025 Budget
 - Present Committee List
 - Vote for \$350 budget for ISI
 - WB Dan Macaraeg's 25th Year Masonic Anniversary

January 18th:

- Inspector's School of Instruction (ISI)

January 25th:

- Road cleanup

Brothers, 2025 holds great promise for our Lodge. Together, we will continue to work towards making this a year of growth, brotherhood, and charitable giving. I am excited for the opportunities that lie ahead and look forward to seeing all of you in Lodge.

Fraternally,
WBro. Angelo M. Alano
Worshipful Master
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From the desk of the
SENIOR WARDEN

BY: VONN DEGUZMAN

Greetings from the West!

Greetings from the West! First, I want to extend my warmest congratulations to all elected and appointed officers for the Masonic Year 2025, including the outgoing officers and our brethren, who have done an exceptional job leading to another successful year. I sincerely thank the brethren and Atengs for the support they provided to keep the kitchen running, especially our prospects, Entered Apprentices, Fellow Crafts, and a handful of Master Masons who continue to labor in the kitchen to ensure the lodge is well-fed and happy during all meetings and degree conferrals. Please continue to support the kitchen under Bro. Joe Quimson's leadership, our new Junior Warden.

I am honored to have been voted again to serve the lodge, this time as the Senior Warden. I express my sincere gratitude for your unwavering trust and support. Your encouragement and faith mean a great deal to me and our officers. As your Senior Warden, I want to make sure that the programs initiated by our newly elected Master are fully supported, and we will continue to identify and mentor lodge members who can carry the torch of lodge leadership in the lodge. I promise to continue to uphold the core values of our fraternity and to keep the light of the lodge alive. With your assistance, we will continue to shape our lodge according to the culture and direction we aspire to achieve.

Bro. Vonn Deguzman
Senior Warden



From the desk of the
SECRETARY

BY: DEXTER DALUPAN

Fraternal greetings Brethren, and Family!

I am truly honored to be your 2025 GJRL Secretary. I look forward to assisting everyone throughout the year. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns and I will do my best to get you the answers you need.

As the new year is upon us, it is highly recommended to pay your annual dues through Zeffy (link shown below). As a friendly reminder, dues are \$279. If a printed dues card is needed please let me know.

For financial auditing purposes, please submit any remaining receipts for reimbursement from the previous year to ensure they are accounted for.

Lastly, please update your iMember profiles to include the most up-to-date contact information and profile picture.

Zeffy: <https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/66883c37-b9c1-4a68-ae32-495c3db941c9>

Fraternally,
Bro. Dexter Dalupan
Secretary



A Harmonious Holiday Tradition

By: Bro Martin Carongcong

For the last three years, Gat Jose Rizal Lodge No. 882, has been spreading Christmas cheer through a heartwarming tradition: caroling at assisted living facilities in Menifee, Murrieta, Temecula, and Masonic Home at Covina.

Lodge members, their families, and even children gather during the holiday season to fill these facilities with the joyful sounds of Christmas carols. Many of the residents, primarily seniors, face health challenges such as memory loss, and our goal is to brighten their holiday with music and a sense of community.

While our caroling isn't about fundraising, it's a meaningful act of service that has a profound impact on the residents. Their reactions are heartwarming, as their initially somber expressions transform into smiles and laughter as we begin to sing. Some even join in, their voices adding to the festive atmosphere.

Preparing for this annual event requires dedication and commitment from everyone involved. We begin rehearsals in August, ensuring that work and family schedules can be accommodated. The effort put into practicing our songs is a testament to the importance we place on this tradition.

As we conclude our third year of caroling, we are reminded of the power of music to bring people together and spread joy, especially during the holiday season. Gat Jose Rizal Lodge No. 882, is excited to continue this heartwarming tradition and make a positive impact on the lives of our community members for many more years to come.



CALENDAR OUTLOOK

JANUARY

- 3 Jan: 2° Practice
 4 Jan: 2° Conferral - Bro Julio Adam Flores @ 1700 in Hemet
 11 Jan: Wreath Cleanup @ 0700 in Riverside National Cemetery
 15 Jan: OSI @ 1900 in Menifee (All Masons)
 16 Jan: Executive Committee Meeting
 17 Jan: Stated Meeting @ 1900
Dinner Sponsors: JW will publish
 18 Jan: Inspector's School of Instruction (ISI) @ 0900 in TEMCAT
 25 Jan: Road Cleanup (Corner of Antelope Rd & Garbani Rd in Menifee)



January

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FEBRUARY

- 15 Feb: Sweethearts Night -- 1800 @ Awakening Event Center
 19 Feb: OSI @ 1900 in Menifee (FCs and MMs)
 21 Feb: Stated Meeting @ 1900

MARCH

- 19 Mar: OSI @ 1900 in Menifee
 21 Mar: Stated Meeting @ 1900

April

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HAPPY
BIRTHDAY



JANUARY BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS

- 3 - Sis Mitch
 6 - WBro Angelo
 15 - Bro Ron
 20 - Bro Jess
 21 - Bro Bong Dar

