



Texas-46

*The most outstanding Masonic Lodge in
the California Republic. Period!*

January, 2026

Breakfast is served 9 am sharp on the second Saturday every month in the Ken Justus Cantina®. Donation proceeds benefit the Hall Restoration fund.

Please contact the Master or Secretary or Grand Lodge if you or your family are in distress.

Officers 2026

Wor. Master - Kevin Herrick, PM (909) 273-7816
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Organist --- Rob Wilson, PM
Tyler -- Scott Sorenson

FROM THE EAST:

Greetings, Brother Texan, and Happy New Year!

The St John Feast we held following the last Stated Meeting was a great success and *Thank you* to all those who helped in the kitchen and to the members who donated! We collected \$1400 in funds for the Texas Lodge budget, and had a great holiday meal in the process! Your generosity with your time and talent is what makes Texas great! This is your lodge, and this is your opportunity to weave her life and yours into an amazing story to be remembered and shared by the generations that follow. *What part of that story will you contribute this year?*

It is my great honor to serve you as Master of Texas Lodge for 2026. You have a strong line of officers and committed members, all dedicated to the continued success of Texas-46! Thank you for your support of the lodge's purpose and presence in San Juan. I look forward to seeing you soon at our activities and in lodge.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Worshipful Master

FROM THE TREASURER:

Dear Brethren,

2026 Dues are now due and are \$140 for the year (over half of which is taken by Grand Lodge as the Per Capita tax). You can pay your dues directly online at Freemason.org (a credit card fee is added) or pay by check directly to Texas Lodge #46, PO Box 553, San Juan Bautista, CA 95045. Cash is accepted in person in lodge by the Secretary.

Sincerely and fraternally,

John Densem, Treas.



UPCOMING TEXAS-46 EVENTS in January:

- **THUR Jan 8 @ 6 pm Family Event -- Parlor Poker Night.** Dress as a Gentleman Cowboy or a Victorian Lady and join us for a step back to a timeless age. \$20 donation to join the fundraiser poker game. Use real period coins and cards! Or donate \$10 to pull a bucket of buffalo nickels in the slot machine! If you haven't attended, you gotta make plans for this awesome night of friendship and fraternal association! Friends and family welcome. (No pets please.) *NOTE: No winnings are kept – All proceeds benefit Lodge Budge; not a gambling event.* Bring a friend and receive a bonus!

☞After the last event, Management has requested we please keep any future gunplay outside the parlour, off our new carpet, and in the street for easier bloodstain cleanup.

- **FRI Jan 9 @ 6 pm Masons only, Degree Practice.** Officers are requested to attend the practice to perfect their ritual for the following day's initiations.

- **SAT Jan 10 -- LODGE DAY!**

8AM– All Masons invited to Hall Association meeting to discuss the historic Texas Lodge building's needs and her continued plan of care.

9AM- Masons, Family and Friends invited to our Breakfast fundraiser to benefit the Hall Restoration Fund.

10AM- Masons Only: Stated meeting; Balloting of 2 applicants: Anthony Gonzales and Aaron Bartlett. Other business: report income; pay bills; and elect Hall Association officers.

11AM- Masons Only: A historic Initiation of 4 candidates by 4 Past Masters! I don't think this has ever been attempted in Texas' 172-year history! Come witness 4 Past Masters initiate 4 new candidates into Texas Lodge Masonry in one meeting! Come watch these "Ritual experts" give it their best to provide exemplary work. This

is an historic event not to be missed! Come welcome your new Brothers to the Craft and have a great day at Texas!

12 Noon- sandwiches provided for lunch

1PM - Masons Only: resume degree work and conclude by 3:00 PM

4PM- All Family and friends are invited to donate \$50 and attend the **Vietnamese fundraiser Spring roll cooking class** to be held in **San Benito Lodge dining room in Hollister**, taught by Teresa Herrick, *Fundraiser proceeds to benefit the following local nonprofits: VFW Post 6359, SJB Library Auxiliary, Little Tree Community, Emmaus House, Oriana Chorale, and Texas Lodge budget.*

- **TUE Jan 20 @ 6PM-9PM** Officer School of Instruction in Salinas.

- **SAT Jan 24 @ 7AM** Remote meeting of **Executive Committee**. Officers requested to attend; All other Masons invited.

- **Useful Links:**

- *Lodge webpage: <https://lodge46.freemason.org/>

- *Lodge calendar is available on the lodge webpage.

- *Here is the link to load the Texas Calendar into your smartphone calendar to receive up-to-the-minute calendar updates

- <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0?cid=c2FuanVhbmJhdXRpc3RhdHhsb2RnZTQ2QGdtYWlsLmNvbQ>