

On Wednesday night W B Paul Wainstein, W B Joe Blog and I travelled to San Diego to Install the new officers for Lodge Tzedek for a two-year term. We were met at the airport by W B Ian Garrun and had lunch overlooking the harbor of this magnificent city.

That evening, Bro Yoni Breziner was installed as President and Bro Joel Weissler was installed as Vice President. (See appendix below for a full list of the incoming Officers.) The installation went smoothly, and we added a candle lighting at the end due to the significant number of new initiates that were added at the recent Initiation carried out by W B Grand President Anton Tepper and W B Mario Oves so they could light a candle.

After the Installation we enjoyed a dinner. At the dinner, a certificate of appreciation was given to Bro Albert Schafer who had recently returned from a volunteer trip to Israel and has been very supportive of the Lodge. He addressed the group, giving an update of the situation in Israel and the need for more volunteers to support Israel. I gave an update on the activities of the Hebrew Order of David with emphasis on our recent accomplishments, specifically fundraising for Israel. Since 2023 when we launched the Birthright Israel campaign, we have raised over \$900,000 for Israel. (Two busloads of young people on the Birthright trip with \$390,000 collected, \$230,000 for United Hatzalah after the October 7th invasion and recently we have reached \$300,000 for the IDF Widows and Orphans Hebrew Order of David International Educational Endowment fund, with donations for this fund still coming in.) W B Paul Wainstein showed the very impressive video of Lodge activities and the story of the Widows and Orphans Fund. An extremely generous check for \$17,000 was presented for The Widows and Orphans fund from Lodge Tzedek. (See attached picture.) Although they are a relatively small Lodge, they set an example by organizing a casino evening to raise money for this worldwide HOD effort.

The recent history of Lodge Tzedek is really inspiring. The covid epidemic caused great difficulty and the Lodge struggled to function and grow. W B Paul Wainstein has worked with the leadership of the Lodge to help them make a

great comeback. Thanks to the tireless efforts of W B Ian Garrun and Yoni Breziner and others, they have managed to move forward, adding new members and coming up with a strong slate of officers that we were honored to install. W B Aubrey Meyerowitz continues to inspire the Lodge despite his health challenges and has also helped to get things back on track.

Thanks again to everyone involved in making this Installation so successful, and in particular to W B Paul and W B Joe for taking the time to travel to San Diego from Houston to make this installation possible.

Fraternally,

W B David Joss



A schnapps before Installation: WB Ian, WB Paul, WB David, WB Joe, Bro Yoni



After Lunch baywatch



Presentation of check to IDF WO Project

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