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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September

9/03: Thursday, Stated Meeting, 5:30 pm Social, 6:15 pm Dinner, 7:30 pm Opening. \$13/person, widows and guests are free.

9/08: Tuesday, School of Instruction at Acacia Lodge at 7:00 pm. First Degree Ritual.

9/10: Thursday, "Your American Freedoms: Protect Them, or Lose Them" Presentation by Fred La-Cosse. All families and youth are invited.—Constitutional Observance

9/12-13: Saturday & Sunday, CHILD ID at Castro Valley Fall Festival. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

9/17: Thursday, Third Degree Second Section Practice for the Acacia Team, 7:00 pm.

9/24: Thursday, Third Degree Conferral, 7:00 pm.

9/26: Joint Visitation with Mt View/DeAnza Lodge to Eureka Lodge #16 in Auburn, CA. A Third Degree will be conferred; Crow Canyon Lodge will perform the First Section.

October 2009

10/01: Thursday, October Stated Meeting, 5:30 pm Social, 6:15 pm Dinner, 7:30 pm Opening. \$13/person, widows and guests are free.

10/02-10/04: Friday-Sunday, Annual Communication at Grand Lodge, 11:30 am Lunch in San Francisco, 1:00 pm Opening of Communication.

10/08: Thursday, Third Degree Conferral, 7:00 pm.

10/13: Tuesday, School of Instruction at San Leandro Lodge at 7:00 pm. Second Degree and Middle Chamber Lecture.

10/15: Thursday, Ritual Practice as needed, 7:00 pm.

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10/29: Thursday, Potluck Dinner, 6:15 pm (A-L Dessert, M-Z Pasta or Veggies), Main dish provided by Lodge.

Castro Valley DeMolay meets 1st & 3rd Monday (7:30 PM)

Unity Rainbow meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday (7:00 PM)

Eastern Star meets 1st & 3rd Friday (8:00 PM)

Jobs Daughters Hayward meets 1st & 3rd Monday (7:00 PM) @ Acacia Lodge

Jobs Daughters Dublin meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday (7:00 PM) @ John Knox Church



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Brethren,

Our lodge will host a Celebration of the 222nd Anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States of America on Thursday, September 10 at 7:00pm. The presenter, Fred LaCosse, is a Bay Area television news anchor who has made numerous similar presentations to local civic organizations regarding how our Republic was formed. His "Your American Freedoms: Protect Them or Lose Them" talk is non-political and is geared towards our young American youth; educating the youth on how our Constitution came to be. It is a one man show and lasts about an hour. Light refreshments will be served after the presentation.

Several youth groups will be in attendance: Boy Scouts of America, DeMolay Chapters, Rainbow Assemblies, and Job's Daughters Bethels. We also expect local school children to attend. Come and support our lodge and youth of our community.

Our lodge and Mt View-DeAnza Lodge have been invited by Eureka Lodge #16 in downtown square Auburn, California, to confer a Third Degree at their lodge on Saturday, September 26, 2009 at 1:00 PM. Our lodge will present the First Section and Mt View-DeAnza will present the Second Section, for a Mt View-DeAnza candidate. Eureka Lodge was chartered in 1851 one year after California became a state, by miners seeking their fortunes.

Those staying the night should make a room reservation at either the

1. Quality Inn, 13490 Lincoln Way, Auburn, CA (877) 885-702-5865, \$74.99 for One King and \$79.99 for a Two Queen.
2. Holiday Inn, 120 Grass Valley Highway, Auburn, CA (800) 465-4329, \$119.99 for One King Smoking and \$123.99 for Two Double Beds Smoking, and \$119.99 for One King Handicapped.

Saturday night dinner will be at the Brookside Grill in old Auburn at 7:00pm. We will likely have the restaurant all to ourselves, if our group numbers over fifty people. Menu flyers will be handed out so you can make your dining selections before reaching the restaurant.

We should have a memorable visit to this historic lodge, and enjoy being taken back to the gold rush days which made for a booming California.

Gordon "Bud" Warder—Master - (925) 998-6603 bud@kioskamerica.com



From the West

Brethren and Ladies,

September is the time of year when I cook for the lodge again. I don't know about everyone else, but it makes me feel good inside. We will have Chicken Kiev and Cordon Bleu, potatoes, mixed vegetables, tossed salad and ice cream for dessert. Hope to see you there. Remember to call in your reservations early.

I have been thinking a lot about next year. There are many traditions that we have and we would like to continue them. When I call upon you for help, don't be upset, I will try and share all the work so that no one person has a lot to carry.

There is lots of time if you want to help with an event that you feel would be special. It is our duty to help others and I feel strongly about this. We help by giving of ourselves. It not only makes you feel good, but makes someone else feel special. Remember this when you are out in public a kind word, a helping hand, or just being nice to someone you don't know might just change your day.

When we practice those random acts of kindness, we touch others as well as help ourselves.

Fraternally, Roy Tamez, P.M.—(510) 537-1077



From The South

Bring your children, your grand children, your great grand children, your nieces, your nephews, and children of all ages to the Castro Valley Fall Festival, September 12 and 13th, 2009 in Downtown Castro Valley.

Our lodge will once again be running the Child ID booth. At the booth we provide parents with a handy sheet that includes a digital photograph, digital thumb prints, and a section to write down pertinent information about their child as well as attach some hair for DNA samples. On the back of the sheet is helpful information for children and parents to keep children safe.

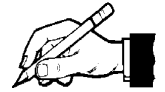
Last year we provided these sheets to over 200 children. We have been doing this awhile, so we are seeing some of the same families return year after year.

We are fortunate to have the assistance of the DeMolay, Rainbow and Jobs Daughters who often sit with the children and assist with the fingerprinting process. We hope you will come out and join us and maybe even learn how to operate the equipment.

Put on Your Dancing Shoes—Castro Valley DeMolay will be holding a very special dance-a-thon entitled Dancing Through the Decades. Beginning at 6pm on Friday, August 28 you can dance to music from the 40's, 50's, 60's and beyond. Just \$8/person, come and dance as long as you like (or as long as you can stand the music.) The dancing will continue until 6am on Saturday morning and end with breakfast for those who survived the whole night. Come join us.

**Ron Katz, Junior Warden (510) 375-3137
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From the Secretary's Desk
All Things Proper To Be Written



At present our Lodge has a population of 410 Master Masons. Our youngest member is 21.78 years old and the oldest has accomplished 102.45 years. The following is our population by age group:

Age Range	# MM's	%
20's	2	0.49%
30's	7	1.71%
40's	18	4.39%
50's	46	11.22%
60's	85	20.73%
70's	109	26.59%
80's	117	28.54%
90's	24	5.85%
100+	2	0.49%
Total	410	

The average age of our membership is 72.62 years old. Candidates file = 34. Widows = 238.

Brethren, the 160th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of California will be held October 2nd thru the 4th. Being a Friday, Grand Lodge begins promptly at 1:00 p.m. Any Master Mason who holds a current (2009) dues receipt may attend any session of Grand Lodge. Attire: Business Suit. Advance registration for credentials is not required. Credentials will be validated at the Registration Counter in the Exhibit Hall upon presentation of your 2009 dues receipt. If you need one, call me.

If you plan to attend let me know so we can all sit together. And on the first day of Grand Lodge we have a tradition of going to lunch together. We meet at the restaurant at 11:30 a.m. and then to Grand Lodge. Let me know if you want to attend the lunch. There is always interesting legislation going on - please make an effort to attend. The Grand Lodge has published the proposed legislation for 2009. If you would like a copy, e-mail me at crowcanyon551@sbcglobal.net and I will happy to e-mail all 15 pages to you. If you are a Past Master and have an opinion as to voting the P.M. ballot, contact me.

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Ladies and Friends
Play "White ELEPHANT" BINGO
First Thursday of EACH MONTH
During STATED MEETING

No cost to enter, just bring a white elephant gift worth \$10 or less

Call Sherry Hansen for details
(510) 537-0109

Joint Lodge Visitation to Auburn

Brethren, we have a restaurant reserved for the Saturday night banquet. We have a reservation set for 7:00 PM on Saturday, September 26, 2009 at the Brookside Grill which is in the old town of Auburn, CA. The restaurant has both indoor and outdoor patio dining and the outdoor setting is really lovely. Eureka Lodge#16 has been invited to join us and if we get up to or close to 50 people, Brookside Grill will close their restaurant to everyone except our party. This means that we will have the facility all to ourselves. We will have a flier prepared so you can make your dinner selection for the evening. I will be making an announcement at both stated meetings as to other restaurants for other meals that are on the suggestion list as well as an update on Hotel facilities. See you up at Auburn.

Lyman C. Penning, PM
Master of Mountain View-DeAnza Lodge#194 F & AM

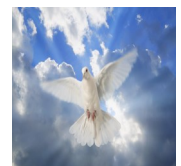


In Memoriam

Loren Leroy Rupnow 89 years, 9 months and 3 days
 Entered into rest July 12, 2009

*Almighty Father,
 Great Architect of the Universe,*

*Into thy hands we commend the
 soul of our dear departed brother*



3rd Degree Anniversaries

Akre, Ronald Alvin (30); **Allen**, Kurt Randolph [PM] (33); **Beaman**, Denis Harvey (29); **Bryant**, Billy Fred [PM] (50); **Castile**, Mark Leslie (22); **Cerates**, Sidney Hecker [PM] (26); **Christensen**, Gary Earl (26); **Dias**, Harold John (47); **Freestone**, John Eric George (39); **Gooch**, Donald Ray (48); **Jensen**, Donald Raymond (26); **Kemp**, Murle Doyal (48); **Kenyon**, Edwin Gordon (28); **Kinicki**, Andrew (50); **Laney**, Johnnie Eugene (38); **Larsen**, Ralph Donald (45); **Lee**, Robert (1); **Leite**, Mark James (22); **Luque**, James Manuel (37); **MacLaughlin**, Kenneth Herbert (12); **McCord**, Patrick Michael (30); **Middleton**, David Alan (14); **Rothlisberger**, Verl K. [PM] (23); **Russell**, Larry Gene (44); **Schulack**, Herman Israel (58); **Skewis**, Richard Clark (50); **Spence**, Henry Lewis (43); **Stevens**, Charles Dwayne (43); **Sullivan**, John Lawrence (14); **Sullivan**, Vernon Hastings (51); **Toy**, Russell Andrew (13); **Vorpahl**, Douglas Walter (46); **Walter**, Jerry Beaman (39); **Wilson**, Freddie Monroe [PM] (36); **Worley**, Carl Eugene (9); **Wright**, James Howard Jr. (7)

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Sunshine and Visiting

If you know of an ailing brother who needs some cheering up, don't keep it a secret.

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