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Crow Canyon Lodge No. 551 F&AM of California

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Calendar of Events

MAY

05/03 - Thursday - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM

05/05 - Saturday - Rod & Gun Club 10:00 AM

05/08 - Tuesday - District Officers School of Instruction - CVMC - Dinner 6:00 PM / School 7:00 PM

05/10 - Thursday - 2nd Degree Practice - 7:00 PM

05/12 - Saturday - Rowell Ranch Rodeo Parade

05/17 - Thursday - 2nd Degree - Bro. Andrew Hawes - 7:00 PM

05/18 - Friday - Freemasonry & Rosicrusianism, Oakland Scottish Rite

05/19 - 05/20 - Saturday / Sunday - Child ID at Rowell Ranch Rodeo

05/24 - Thursday - 2nd Degree - Bro. Mick Bowers - 7:00 PM

05/31 - Thursday - Potluck - 6:15 PM (A-K = Desserts, L-S = Hot Meals, and T-Z = Cold Dishes)

06/07 - Thursday - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM

JUNE

06/09 - Saturday - Rod & Gun Club 10:00 AM

06/12 - Tuesday - District Officers School of Instruction - Siminoff-Dinner 6:00 PM / School 7:00 PM

06/14 - Thursday - 50 Year Pin - Leonard Ambrose, PM - 6:00 PM

06/21 - Thursday - Degree or Practice TBD - 7:00 PM

06/23 - Saturday - Feast of St. John the Baptist (Masons only) - 5:30 PM

06/26 - Tuesday - Hall Association - 6:30 PM

06/28 - Thursday - Degree or Practice TBD - 7:00 PM

Appendant and Concordant Bodies

- San Lorenzo Chapter Eastern Star No. 103 meets @ CVMC 2nd & 4th Monday (8:00 PM)
- ◆ Alchor White Shrine meets @ CVMC 2nd & 4th Friday (7:00 PM)
- ◆ Castro Valley DeMolay meets @ CVMC 1st & 3rd Monday (7:30 PM)
- Unity Assembly Rainbow No. 65 meets @ CVMC 1st & 3rd Tuesday (7:00 PM)
- Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 261 Hayward meets 1st & 3rd Monday (7:00 PM) @ Hayward Masonic Center
- Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 1 Dublin meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday (7:00 PM) @ John Knox Church

From the East

By Robert Eckstein, PM-Master

Brethren:

The month of May was named for Maia, the Greek goddess of fertility. On the other hand, according to the Roman poet Ovid: "Bad girls wed in May." And it was Julia



Ward Howe, the author of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic", who came up with the notion of a Mother's Day in 1870.

The Crow Canyon Rod and Gun Club is now formed and has a President, Bro. Phil Bush, and Secretary, Bro. Paul Rodriguez-OBrien. The Club is planning a Hunting and Gun Safety course in June and a deep sea fishing trip in July. Please see their message in this month's Trestleboard.

Thanks to Bro. Eric Unti for putting together an excellent Public Schools Night. We honored teachers: Krista Samboy, of Chabot Elementary, and Kelly Abbott, from Redwood High School, with a framed certificate of appreciation and a \$500.00 check. Our children are in good hands with such dedicated and caring teachers.

A big thank you to Bro. Perry Klahr for an excellent Sweethearts Brunch and Show event. During his work on the event Perry and his committee tried to follow up the written invitations with a phone call. They found many wrong numbers. If any of our Sweethearts did not receive a phone call, it means we don't have a working number for you. Please contact Secretary Schauer to make sure we know how to contact you by phone.

May is another busy month. We will confer the 2nd Degree upon Bro. Andrew Hawes on May the 17th and Bro. Mick Bowers on May 24th. On Saturday May 12th Crow Canyon Lodge will join our youth groups on a float in the Rowell Rodeo Parade in Castro Valley. Then the following weekend, May 19th & 20th, we will host the Child ID program at the Rowell Ranch Rodeo. And another Potluck will be enjoyed on the 31st.

I want all of you to be fully informed about what is happening at the Lodge. As events and dates may change after the Trestle-board is published you need to have the Crow Canyon Lodge App on your smart phone. Not only is the most current calendar of Lodge events there but also information and discussions of interest to Masonry in general. THEREFORE all members who show the Sr. Steward the Lodge app on their phone at May's Stated Meeting will receive a FREE dinner. If you don't have the App and would like some help installing it, we will have expert Brothers there to help with it's installation!

Come to Lodge and connect with your Brothers!

See the article "Install the Crow Canyon 551 Lodge App . . . Get a Free Dinner!" later in this issue!

From the West

By Frederick Kao, PM—Senior Warden-elect

This month I share this quote from US President & Brother William Howard Taft - "The secret of Masonry, like the secret of life, can be known only by those who seek it, serve it, live it. It cannot be uttered; it can only be felt



and acted. It is, in fact, an open secret, and each man knows it according to his quest and capacity. Like all things worth knowing, no one can know it for another and no man can know it alone."

Have you been "feeling" and "acting" your Masonry? Join us at lodge for a meeting, a degree, or a social event soon!

From the South

By Paul Rodriguez-Obrien-Junior Warden

Brethren and Families:

During our last Stated Meeting dinner, I had the honor, acting on behalf of the Worshipful Master, to call up two individuals to the front dining room podium to present them our Ma-



sonic "Application for Degrees". You have likely seen them recently attending our Stated Meeting dinners, getting to know the lodge members. Their names are Nicolas Nelson (A Chiropractor practicing in Hayward) and Tramaine Ellison (A Surveyor for ACPW).



In other news, the 'Rod and Gun Club' met on Saturday April 14th, and at that meeting we discussed ways in which we can improve and grow the group, such as:

- A Hunter Safety course at the Lodge that will be on June 9-10th from 9 AM – 2 PM. The cost will be \$20 per person. This event is open to lodge affiliated; Job's Daughters, De-Molay, and Boy Scouts.
- A Deep-Sea Fishing excursion out of Half Moon Bay and will run \$100 for the day, this will be scheduled for July.
- The group will be researching Fly Fishing at Knights Ferry (and River Rafting?); with possible lunch or joint venture with Oak Summit 112 Masonic lodge in that area.
- A meeting invitation will be sent to the Livermore Aahmes Rod and Gun Club.

Next meeting has been moved from May 12th, to May 5th due to the Rodeo Parade.

Rowell Ranch Rodeo Parade "We Ride Together" will be on May 12th, 2018 from 10 AM to High Noon. DeMolay is looking to enter the Masonic Home's float for this event. Hope to see them and some brothers there! Please contact me for more info.



Rowell Ranch Rodeo will be on May 19-20th. We will again have a booth for the "Child ID" event and can always use volunteers. Not only is it a great cause, but it is always a kick trying to get them to sit a spell for their pics and prints. Please contact me for more info.

With the month of May being one with five Thursdays, we can look forward to the return of the well-attended "Potluck" dinner on May 31. The type of dish to bring will depend on your last name and will be as follows: A-K = Desserts, L-S = Hot Meals, and T-Z = Cold Dishes. The Lodge will add Top Sirloin Roast Beef to the table. This is a fun event folks, so please plan on attending!

From the Secretary's Table

By Don Schauer, Sr., H.A.

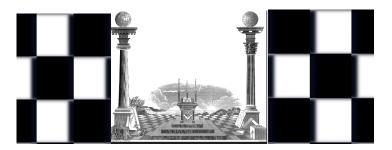
April has been a slow month We still have 28 members who have not paid their dues for 2018. Out of that same group, five have not paid their 2017 dues and certified letters with notice of suspension have been mailed to them. I dislike this part of being the lodge secretary. It is no fun suspending a member.



We read an application at the April Stated Meeting of a Mr. Tramaine Ellison. He resides in Tracy, CA and works with Bro. Gerald Woergoetter. The Master has sent the investigation forms out. We have several 2nd degrees planned along with a possible 1st Degree for Mr. Ellison. Check the bulletin and try to attend a degree. For some of you it has been a long time since you have attended a degree. The officers work very hard to do their work. Come and enjoy. For those of you who have asked the cost for a life membership it is:

Age	Factor * Annual Dues
<=49 years old	24 times
50-54 inclusive	20 times
55-59 inclusive	18 times
60-64 inclusive	16 times
65-71 inclusive	14 times
>=72 years	12 times

Remember, check your dues receipt and make sure is good through December 31, 2018 if not send a check made out to Crow Canyon Lodge in the amount of \$109.00. Stay safe!



3rd Degree Anniversaries

The following brethren were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in the month of May

Steven Aracne (12)
Daniel Baca (62)
Chris Bokamper (21)
Hedley Bourke (55)
George Christensen (45)
William Christensen (37)
Dewayne Clark (40)
Stanley Clifton [PM] (49)
Frank Densmore (32)
Jack Holt (50)
Donald Johnson (53)
Ronald Katz [PM] (34)
Adam Korbas (4)
Paul Krause (56)
Ronald Meissner (53)

Gregory Rapp [PM] (31)
Ronald Reynolds (33)
Howard Roberts (48)
Thomas Robertson (71)
Alvin Rodes (52)
Paul Rodriguez-Obrien (4)
Brian Ross (7)
Nicholas Sears (3)
Norman Shrader (53)
Robert Steen [PM] (48)
David Stephenson (20)
Le Roy Swanson (52)
Jack Tornio (37)
Lee White (55)



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May Birthdays

Robert Pinkerton (05/04)
Anthony Tancredi (05/04)
Myles Madlock (05/05)
Gregory Maier (05/06)
Jose Rodriguez Jr. (05/06)
John Hinkley (05/08)
Paul Krause (05/08)
David Wipf (05/09)
James Brown (05/12)
Leonard Ambrose (05/13)
Robert Keller (05/13)
James Stanford (05/13)

David Weaver (05/13) Edmund Hempel (05/15) Charles Cammerer (05/18) Douglas Mc Kay (05/18) Harold Lassle (05/24) Rex Toltschin Jr. (05/25) Robert Albritton (05/28) Gary Hughes (05/28) Lynn Reed (05/28) Frank Mitchell (05/29) Joseph Gottardi (05/30)







Crow Canyon Lodge Shirts Now Available for Order

Any color, Any size, up to XXL

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Small to XL	\$22.00
XXL to XXXL	\$23.10
Add your name	Add \$5.50

Our Sr. Steward will have a signup sheet at Stated Meeting or contact our Secretary.

Order early and don't miss out!!

Install the Crow Canyon 551 Lodge App . . . Get a Free Dinner!

Have you tried our Lodge App from Grand Lodge. With it you can do several things from your smart phone:

- Post and comment on messages and pictures in a Facebook-like news feed
- ⇒ View calendar information
- ⇒ Receive notifications of events directly to your smartphones
- ⇒ RSVP to events straight from your smartphone
- ⇒ Browse member contact information; email and call other members with ease.
- ⇒ Create smaller messaging groups on specific topics, or send a private message to a single person
- ⇒ Members with email addresses will all receive a digest of the news within the app every 3 weeks, so members without smart phones are able to see activity within the app
- ⇒ All activity is private to the members of the app only; message and post to

only members on the app

Installing the app on your smartphone is as easy as 1-2-3!

1. Enter this link in your web browser:

http://ourapp.link/crow-canyon

It will recognize your OS and present you with install instructions.

- 2. As this app is not coming from the Apple App Store or the Google Store you will need to tell the OS it is OK to accept the app. Those instructions are also shown on the download screen.
- 3. When you launch the app it will ask for your name and email address. That generates a request to the Lodge for access. Once we verify you are a valid Lodge member, you will be accepted and will receive an email granting access to the app. This may take a day or so after you make the request.



Install the app today and get a free Stated Meeting
Dinner!

As mentioned in the Master's Article, members who display the lodge app on their phone will receive a free dinner at the May Stated Meeting.

There has never been a better time to connect. Your stomach will thank you!

Sunshine and Visiting

These Brothers would love a phone call or e-mail from you to help cheer them up:

Mark Casperson, Charles Hintz, Howard Marmor, George Christensen, Corbit Ray

Please contact Secretary Don Schauer for their respective phone numbers.

If you know of a brother who is ill and could use some cheer please call Ernie or Les.

Ernie Nidick —Sunshine Chairman 925.828.6993 click to email Les Blake—Visiting Chairman 510.581.8497 click to email

Answers to Common Questions!

Q: I notice many of the email links in the publication say click to email but do not provide an email address, why is that and how do I reach these people if I am reading a paper copy of this?

A: Thank you for asking. We do not publish personal email addresses in the Trestleboard to prevent "web-crawlers" from harvesting the information and using it to spam our members and friends. Please email our Secretary, he will be happy to forward your email on to the desired person.

My Journey from JD-to-Bee to Job's Daughter By Lexi H. Dublin #1

When I was 9 years old, my grandfather asked me if I wanted to join a girls group called Job's Daughter. I said that I would go and see what it was like. I went to watch an installation and went on some trips to do fun things like the Winchester Mystery House and a Snow Trip. I got to attend an open meeting and was given my JD to Bee sash. As a bee, I was able to attend Grand Bethel in Visalia with another bee, it was hot, but I had a great time! After 1 event with the girls I knew I wanted to continue to become a true daughter and work my way up the line to become the Bethel's Honor Queen eventually.

When I turned 10, I wanted to be initiated right away, I wrote a letter to request to be initiated sooner. I would really like to thank my Bethel sisters for working hard on their new charges and initiation work. I was proud to be able to attend my first meeting, I was even able to complete my memory work in order to take an open spot as 3rd Messenger.

It has been fun to have my parents and grandparents share how many people that I am related to who have been in Masonic groups. I am excited to continue in the Masonic heritage that existed before me, and continue in my Bethel. I have made great friends whom I can call my sisters.

Learn more at Masons4Youth.org







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2018 Committees

2018 Appointments

Charity Committee: Master and Wardens Child ID: David Allen, and Perry Klahr Crab Feed: Don Schauer and Roy Tamez, PM

Executive Committee: Robert Eckstein, PM, Paul Rodriguez, Brian

Ross, Kurt Allen, PM, and Don Schauer

Hiram Award Selection: HA Committee (All HA recipients)

Lodge App: Robert Eckstein, PM

Masonic Education:

Masonic Funeral: Kurt Allen, PM, Bill Ferrell, PM

Masonic Hall Association: Pat Quinn Masonic Homes Endowment: Don Schauer

Masons for Mitts: Kurt Allen, PM

Membership Retention: Don Schauer & Robert B. Eckstein, PM

Picnic: Don Schauer and Roy Tamez, PM Printing and Mailings: Don Schauer

Strawberry Feed: Ron Katz, PM and Perry Klahr

Sunshine: Ernie Nidick & Les Blake

Sweethearts Committee: Glenn Sears, Guy Phillips, Perry Klahr Visitation / Traveling Degree: Kurt & Wynn Allen, and Don

Schauer

Website and Trestleboard: Ron Katz, PM

White Table Night: J Rafisura

Masonic Youth Orders

Castro Valley DeMolay—Steve Kolden—510.409.6118 click to email

Unity Assembly No. 65, Rainbow for Girls—Helen J. Zidek click to email

Jobs Daughters Hayward No. 261—Laurel M. 559.696.0746 click to email

Jobs Daughters Dublin No. 1—Jesica Keene 510.755.6312 click to email

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To Reserve the Building

Sorry the building is not currently available for rental.

Crow Canyon Lodge #551 May 2018

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