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# Trestleboard

February 2017  
Volume 13, Issue 2

**Crow Canyon Lodge**  
**No. 551**  
**F&AM of California**  
Chartered October 11, 1923



## Calendar of Events

### FEBRUARY

- 02/02 - Thursday** - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM
- 02/09 - Thursday** - Officer's Work Session - Open 7:00 PM
- 02/14 - Tuesday** - District Officer's School of Instruction (DOSI) at Mosaic No. 218 in Livermore- Dinner 6:00 PM / School 7:00 PM
- 02/16 - Thursday** - Practice - Open 7:00 PM
- 02/23 - Thursday** - Degree or Practice - Dinner - 6:30 PM / Open 7:30 PM
- 02/25 - Saturday** - Crab Feed - 5:00 PM - \$40/person for all-you-can-eat. \$15/person for no-crab (pasta) option.
- 02/28 - Tuesday** - Officer's Assembly - Meeting 7:00 PM \*Installed Officers only.

### MARCH

- 03/02 - Thursday** - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM
- 03/09 - Thursday** - Practice TBD
- 03/14 - Tuesday** - District Officer's School of Instruction (DOSI) at the Pleasanton - Dinner 6:00 PM / School 7:00 PM
- 03/16 - Thursday** - Practice TBD
- 03/23 - Thursday** - Practice TBD
- 03/30 - Thursday** - Potluck - 6:00 PM - (A-K Side Dish, L-Q Salad Dish R-Z Dessert)

### Appendant and Concordant Bodies

- ◆ Lake Chabot Chapter Eastern Star meets @ Castro Valley Masonic Center (CVMC) 1st & 3rd Friday (8:00 PM) <http://www.lakechabot103oes.org>
- ◆ San Lorenzo Chapter Eastern Star 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 Alex Von Stade—Worshipful Master

Brethren:

Welcome to the month of February 2017. During this month, we observe Valentine's Day on February 14th and President's Day on February 20th. I am pleased to say that after January's Stated Meeting, all of the Officers of Crow Canyon No. 551 have been installed in their respective places. I wish to thank Worshipful Gerald Woergoetter for helping me to install these individuals. Thanks to his help, as well as others, the installation process went well. As a result, we will begin resuming practices for up-and-coming degrees in the near future. Last month's Stated Meeting agenda was quite full and attendance was quite high; I hope that this trend will continue in the future. In addition, I would like to thank Brother Glen Barth for providing piano music prior to the January 2017 Stated Meeting. It was quite a treat for my first official Stated Meeting! In the near future we will be hosting Brother Barth's 75 year pin ceremony. Plans for that event are forthcoming.

As a reminder, all topics to be discussed at the Stated Meeting are to be listed on the agenda. Topics not on the agenda, unless of an emergency nature, will not be addressed. Using this format, the Stated Meetings will proceed in an orderly and timely fashion.

This month's District Officers School of Instruction (DOSI) will be held on February 14, 2017 at Mosaic Lodge No. 218 in Livermore.



Last month's school was held at our Lodge and I wish to thank Worshipful Roy Tamez and his group for providing the meal for this event. The officers of the two other Lodges in attendance (Mosaic and Pleasanton), offered many compliments to me on the food served.

This month we will be having the annual Crab Feed on February 25th at 5:00 PM. Tickets are limited, so please purchase your tickets early. This has always been a well attended event, so I am sure that seats will fill up fast! For those that do not wish to dine on crab, pasta will also be provided.

Until next month, have a pleasant February!

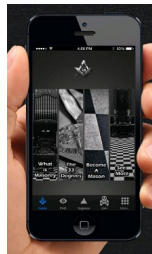


## From the West

By Robert Eckstein, PM—Senior Warden

Want to know what is happening with Crow Canyon Lodge right from your smartphone? Get the Crow Canyon Lodge App.

Give me a call at 510.744.1717 or send me an email at [rbeckstein@att.net](mailto:rbeckstein@att.net) and I will walk you through the process.



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## From the South

By Alvaro Reynoso, PM—Junior Warden

A new year and with that we have the first state meeting conducted by a new Master and we start the new year on the foundation of what we had experience in the old year. And like former administrations we disregard all those things that did not work and use our success of the past to build a better future.

However, our future is unknown and unpredictable. Every day is new to us. All we have is what we learned in the past year which we will use as a guide and support for the next year. And if I have learned anything from the past it is not to assume too much because assumptions have a way of failing before the assault of facts.

In conclusion, I think that only out of simple honest recognition can we achieve what each of us wants.

## From the Secretary's Table

By Don Schauer, Sr., H.A.

Happy Valentine's Day everyone.

January is now in the history books and am I ever glad. I ended up in the hospital. Had a pacemaker installed and two days after my release I was back in the hospital again this time with a very bad case of pneumonia. Eight days later I was sent home and as of this righting I am not over it yet, I need to get well, I am leaving the country on Feb 18 for Iceland. Will be returning just in time for the crab feed. I still have



plenty of tickets for that event. The cost is \$40.00 per person or \$15.00 for all you can eat of some of our famous cooks spaghetti and meat balls. If you are ordering tickets make your check out to Roy Tamez and mail it to me at 19797 Royal Ave Hayward, CA 94541. While I am out of the country, Worshipful Bill Ferrell will cover for me. If you need anything at all, Brother Bill with take care of your every need.

I am still collecting dues for 2017. \$107.00 will keep you in good standing. There are 66 members who have not paid for 2017 and 13 members who still owe for 2016. Those 13 members are coming very close to being suspended.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at our February stated meeting. Keep warm and stay dry.

## Sunshine and Visiting

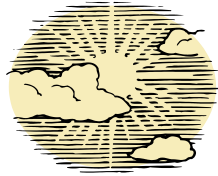
These Brothers would love a phone call or e-mail from you to help cheer them up:

Howard Marmor, Don Schauer

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.

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## February Birthdays

|                         |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Chris Boggess (02/03)   | Billy Mc Clary (02/13)  |
| John Smith (02/03)      | Frank Densmore (02/14)  |
| Anthony Lloyd (02/05)   | Fred Jonke (02/14)      |
| Joseph Pedroni (02/05)  | Mark Warzyniak (02/17)  |
| Alvin Rodes (02/05)     | John Groff (02/19)      |
| Harold Rubin (02/05)    | Ronald Selvey (02/19)   |
| Edward Auguadro (02/06) | Jack Fischer (02/23)    |
| Stephen Kinsman (02/07) | Alan West (02/26)       |
| Robert Steen (02/10)    | Sacco Lorenzini (02/29) |
| Irving Korr (02/12)     |                         |

*Congratulations*

## 3rd Degree Anniversaries

*The following brethren were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in the months of February*

|                      |                         |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Paul Amato (59)      | Anthony Lloyd (49)      |
| Glen Barth (74)      | Paul Makela (43)        |
| Ronald Bessette (25) | Howard Marmor (10)      |
| David Bode (32)      | Norvalle May (52)       |
| Harold Burk Jr. (25) | Billy Mc Clary (34)     |
| Ronnie Castia (26)   | Roger Moore (37)        |
| Kishore Gidvani (18) | Ronald Nobriga (20)     |
| Charles Goodwin (59) | Allen Weisser [PM] (53) |
| Jeffrey Hansen (20)  |                         |

## Hiram Award Recipients

Kurt Allen (2005)  
Gabriel Amaral (1996)  
Edward Barham (1994) \*  
James Basham (2001) \*  
Roger Beaman (1994) \*  
Floyd Beeman (1975) \*  
Mickey Benko (2009)  
William Biddell (2005)  
Charles Bishop (2003) \*  
William Blisard (1991) \*  
Phillip Busch (2015)  
Donald Castona (1990) \*  
Sidney Cerates (2011) \*  
Eugene Clough (1992) \*  
Gordon De Bruyn (1988) \*  
John De Poe (1993) \*  
William Ferrell (1999)  
Irwin Fershleiser (1990) \*  
Merle Fisher (1994) \*  
Billy Folck (1980) \*  
Gary Frisvold (1988)

Robert Gill (1982) \*  
Silvano Giovannelli (1985) \*  
Daniel Golden (1995) \*  
Lawrence Gotelli (1996) \*  
Andre Gravier (1991) \*  
Carson Haines (1995)  
Franklin Hanna (2004) \*  
Robert Hansen (2008) \*  
John Hansford (1990) \*  
Wallace Harrell (1988) \*  
Jose Hernandez (1997) \*  
Kurt Jaeckel (1993)  
Julius Kahn (1999)  
Harold Keller (1997) \*  
Edwin Kenyon (1987) \*  
Albert Keshishian (2007)  
Irving Ketels (1994) \*  
Everett Koontz (1981) \*  
Paul Krause (1993)  
Gorden Locklear (1988) \*  
Robert Logan (2006)

Anthony Manov (1974) \*  
Howard Marmor (2014)  
Billy Martens (2012)  
Edward Matraia (1984) \*  
Max Mc Guire (1993) \*  
Henry Miller (1992) \*  
Donald Morris (1990) \*  
James Mullins (1980) \*  
Emory Mumford (1988) \*  
Roy Nelson (1990) \*  
Ernest Nidick (2016)  
John Palmeri (2000) \*  
George Patterson (1986) \*  
Lyman Penning (2013)  
Arthur Perryman (1980) \*  
Robert Peters (1997)  
James Petersen (2002) \*  
Arthur Pinto (1996) \*  
Alvaro Reynoso (2012)  
Thomas Rowe (2002) \*  
Wayne Salomon (1989) \*

Chester Sanders (1979) \*  
Theodore Santel (1986)  
Donald Schauer (1990)  
John Smith (2010)  
Adrianus Sneep (1987) \*  
Prudencio Sotelo (1984) \*  
Russell Stedinger (1994) \*  
Roy Tamez (2007)  
Sammy Tamez (1999)  
Charles Tilden (1989) \*  
Jack Townsend (1989) \*  
Charles Tucker (1989) \*  
Ray Turpeinen (1990) \*  
Audus Watson (1998) \*  
Allen Weisser (1983)  
Robert Werner (2001) \*  
William Worthing (2000) \*  
Harry Yetter (1984) \*

\* indicates member is deceased.

## Masonic Family Corner

**Dublin Jobs Daughters** - Hello, my name is Ainsley and I'm the Senior Princess of Bethel No. 1 Dublin. We have been having a lot of fun! The first thing we did in January was to have a practice meeting *in our pajamas*. Then on January 21st we went to the Winchester Mystery House in San Jose, we had 14 girls go. We had a great time and that night we went to the Grand Guardian's Official Visit in San Jose.

On February 4th we are going to the Grand Bethel Junior Princess Reception at the San Leandro Masonic Center. We have a Bethel meeting on the 8th of February at John Knox Presbyterian Church in Dublin and on the 11th we are going to the Grand Bethel 3rd Messenger Reception in Santa Cruz. We have another Bethel meeting on the 22nd at John Knox, and last but not least on February 25th we are going to the snow.

**Learn more about Masonic Youth Orders**

### DeMolay

DeMolay International - [www.demolay.org](http://www.demolay.org)

Northern California DeMolay - [www.norcaldemolay.com](http://www.norcaldemolay.com)

### Job's Daughters

Job's Daughters International - [www.jobsdaughtersinternational.org](http://www.jobsdaughtersinternational.org)

International Order of Job's Daughters, California - [www.caijod.org](http://www.caijod.org)

### Rainbow for Girls

Rainbow for Girls Supreme Assembly - [www.gorainbow.org](http://www.gorainbow.org)

Rainbow for Girls California Grand Assembly - [www.caiorg.org](http://www.caiorg.org)



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## *Crow Canyon Lodge No. 551*

### *Annual Crab Feed*

*February 25, 2017 5:00 PM*

*4521 Crow Canyon Rd. Castro Valley*

*\$40.00 per person*

*For you non-crab eaters Pasta*

*\$15.00 per person*

*Tickets are available from the lodge secretary and limited to 150 guests.*

*Due to the high cost of crab, tickets must be purchased on or before Monday, February 20th. Tickets will not be available the door.*



## Welcome, prospects!

A prospect's first interactions with your lodge can determine not only whether he'll ask for an application, but what his expectations of the lodge and level of commitment will be for years to come. Here are tips for making a good impression, and ensuring that both prospects and existing members get the information, support, and connection they need.

- Be attentive. Respond to every prospect inquiry with a phone call or email within 48 hours. Consider delegating this task to one member or an entire Reception Committee.
- Make it personal. Arrange for each prospect to meet a Master Mason over coffee or lunch. It's a chance to discuss initial questions, and gives the prospect a familiar face at lodge events.
- Open up the lodge. Encourage prospects to come for a tour of the building or to your next stated meeting dinner.
- Put prospects at the top of the guest list. Community events are a great way for prospects to see the lodge in action, and even to help out. Invite them to Public Schools Night, an annual picnic, a service event, or something else.
- Host social gatherings. Create casual, comfortable settings for prospects to meet current brothers and their families.
- Share the lodge calendar. Make sure prospects know where to find your calendar. Label events clearly as open to the public or for Masons only.
- Form the habit. Ask each prospect to attend several lodge events before providing a petition.



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## 2017 Committees

### Appointments

**Executive Committee:** Alex Von Stade, Robert Eckstein, Alvaro Reynoso, Kurt Allen, Don Schauer, Sr.

**Masonic Charity:** Three Principle Officers

**Sunshine:** Ernie Nidick & Les Blake

**Masonic Hall Association:** Pat Quinn

**Masonic Homes Endowment:** Don Schauer Sr.

**Membership Retention:** Don Schauer Sr. & Alex Von Stade

**Audit:** Bob Pinkerton

**Masonic Funeral:** Kurt Allen, Bill Ferrell & All Officers

**Web Master:** Ron Katz

### Events

**White Table Night:** Alex Von Stade & Robert Eckstein

**Hiram Award Festivities:** Robert Eckstein & Alex Von Stade

**Festive Boards & Feasts:** Paul Rodriguez-O'Brian & Glenn Sears

**Crab & Pasta Feed:** Don Schauer & Roy Tamez

**Strawberry Feed:** Ron Katz

**Public Schools Night:** Eric Unti & Bill Ferrell

**Child ID:** David Allen & Roy Tamez

**Sweetheart Events:** Phil Busch & Kurt Allen

**Visitation:** Don Schauer, Kurt Allen & Robert Eckstein

**Masonic Formation and Education:** Robert Eckstein & Alex Von Stade

### Masonic Youth Orders

**Castro Valley DeMolay**—Pat Quinn—510.755.7891 [pdq551@att.net](mailto:pdq551@att.net)

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# Crow Canyon No. 551

# February 2017

| Sun | Mon | Tue  | Wed | Thu  | Fri | Sat  |
|-----|-----|--|-----|--|-----|--|
|     |     |  | 1   | 2<br><u>Stated Meeting</u><br>Dinner - 6:00 PM<br>Open - 7:30 PM                 | 3   | 4  |
| 5   | 6   | 7  | 8   | 9<br><u>Installed Officers' Work Session</u><br>Open 7:00 PM                     | 10  | 11   |
| 12  | 13  | 14<br><u>POSI @ CVMC</u><br>Dinner - 6:00 PM<br>School - 7:00 PM           | 15  | 16<br><u>Practice - Work TBD</u><br>Open - 7:00 PM                               | 17  | 18   |
| 19  | 20  | 21   | 22  | 23<br><u>Degree or Practice - Work TBD</u><br>Dinner - 6:30 PM<br>Open - 7:30 PM | 24  | 25<br><u>Crab Feed</u><br>Dinner - 5:00 PM |
| 26  | 27  | 28<br><u>Officers Assembly Meeting 7:00 pm</u><br>*installed officers only |     |  |     |  |