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



## Calendar of Events

### JUNE

**June 5**—Stated Meeting—5:30 Social / 6:15 Dinner \$10/person. 7:30 PM Stated Meeting. Widows are guests of the lodge.

**June 10**—Officers School of Instruction—Joint DOSI between District 317 and District 319. Open to all Fellowcraft and Master Masons. Officers are required to attend. Surveyors are expected to attend. Topics: 2nd Degree and Middle Chamber Lecture. Other work to be determined. Arrive between 6 and 7 for a light meal compliments of Siminoff Lodge.

**June 12**—2nd Degree—7:00 PM—Bro. Nick Sears / Bro. Roger Accurso

**June 19**—Officer's Practice—Opening, Closing, Flag Presentation—Advanced Stations—7:00 PM

**June 21**—Feast of St. John—5:30 PM

**June 26**—Degree or Practice—7:00 PM

**June 28**—Double 3rd Degree—9:30 AM Bro. Eric Korbas/ 1:00 PM Bro. Eric Hoffman

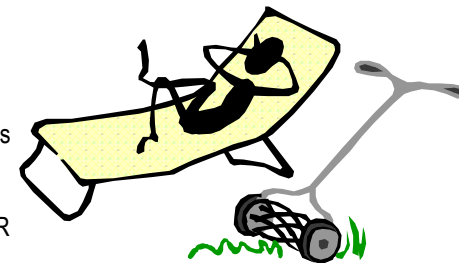
### JULY

**July 3**—Stated Meeting—5:30 Social / 6:15 Dinner \$10/person 7:30 PM Stated Meeting. Widows are guests of the lodge.

**July 27**—Strawberry Feed at the Masonic Home—10 AM setup and preparation at the Auditorium

**July 31**—Family Potluck—5:30 PM—Lodge to provide BBQ Chicken and drinks. A-L Dessert / M-R Salad Dish / S-Z Vegetable or Casserole Dish

*ENJOY YOUR TIME OFF!*



### Appendant Bodies Meeting Schedules

- ◆ Lake Chabot Chapter Eastern Star meets @ Castro Valley Masonic Center
- ◆ Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 261 Hayward meets 1st & 3rd Monday (7:00

ters and Wardens Retreat in Sacramento. Lots of good ideas were shared among those who attended and we had the opportunity to work with the top officers in Grand Lodge, and get a feel for those who will lead next year. There was excellent training on Masonic Outreach and on Charitable Giving.



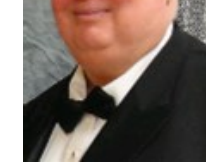
Under Charitable Giving, the basic concept this year that we are shooting for is 100% officer participation in Masonic giving. The idea behind it is, set the example and others will follow. So what is 100% officer participation? If you are an officer, it is expected that you will make some kind of donation to the Masonic Philanthropies. How much should you give? Give what you feel you can give comfortably. It is not the amount that is important, it is setting the habit of giving. I've made my donations already. Officers, can I get your 100% commitment on this?

The Sweetheart Event was very nice. Brunch and the play were very good. It would have been great to have more brethren and Sweethearts there, though. Hopefully next year we will be able to schedule it better, sooner and our chairman will stay in good health.

The Child ID program at Rowell Ranch was successful. Bro. David Allen and Bro. Roy Tamez did a great job of leading a team of very dedicated Masons over the course of the two days. The Child ID program provides parents with digital photos and digital thumb prints of their children along with great information about Child Safety. Crow Canyon Lodge has been running this program for several dozen years and we have made a name for ourselves in the community for it.

July we have Stated and the Strawberry Feed at the home. Outside of that, nothing. Enjoy your time off. Spend time with family. Serve in the community. Make a profound difference.

ing as a diligent son to his parents in San Diego. Bob will be back late in May and will have fresh thoughts to share with you in August.—Editor



## The Virtue of Justice

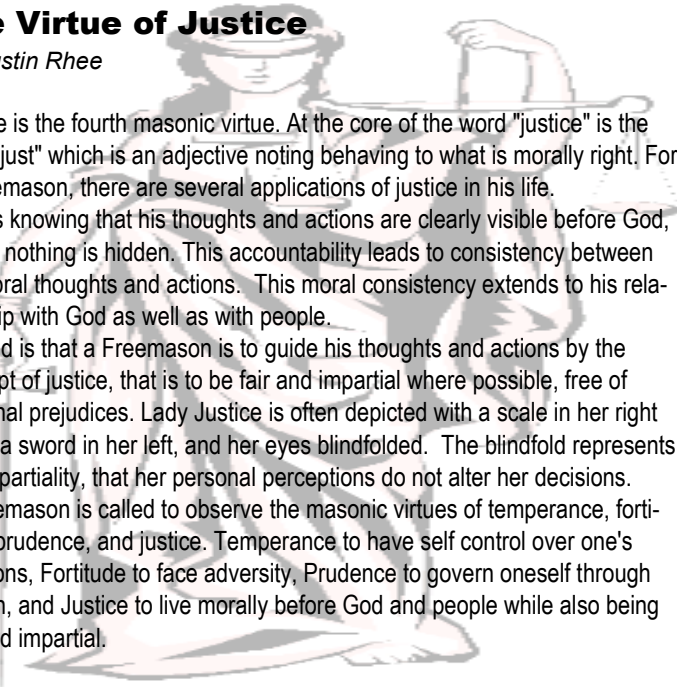
by Austin Rhee

Justice is the fourth masonic virtue. At the core of the word "justice" is the word "just" which is an adjective noting behaving to what is morally right. For a Freemason, there are several applications of justice in his life.

First is knowing that his thoughts and actions are clearly visible before God, where nothing is hidden. This accountability leads to consistency between his moral thoughts and actions. This moral consistency extends to his relationship with God as well as with people.

Second is that a Freemason is to guide his thoughts and actions by the concept of justice, that is to be fair and impartial where possible, free of personal prejudices. Lady Justice is often depicted with a scale in her right hand, a sword in her left, and her eyes blindfolded. The blindfold represents the impartiality, that her personal perceptions do not alter her decisions.

A Freemason is called to observe the masonic virtues of temperance, fortitude, prudence, and justice. Temperance to have self control over one's emotions, Fortitude to face adversity, Prudence to govern oneself through reason, and Justice to live morally before God and people while also being fair and impartial.



## Share America's pastime with California's future

The Junior Giants program uses baseball to help at-risk youth build confidence, character, and teamwork skills. It also helps them build healthy habits and keeps them off the streets.

Masons4Mitts is a fraternity-wide competition to donate mitts to youth in the program. We're about to begin a record-breaking season, and no matter where you're located in the state or which team you support, you're part of it.

More than 9,500 Junior Giants received their very first baseball mitt from us. There are thousands more who still need one.

Go to [masons4mitts.org](http://masons4mitts.org) to give them a mitt to call their own.



### VISION STATEMENT

*Through our acts of service, our dedication to high principles, and our quest for light, we are a vibrant, growing community, attracting men who want the best for their families and themselves.*

### MISSION STATEMENT

*Crow Canyon Lodge, #551, F&AM is a brotherhood of committed and dedicated men who believe in a better world through action, working shoulder to shoulder to improve our communities:*

- With a strong faith in the Supreme Being*
- With a deep love for our Country*
- With a high respect for women and family*
- With a thirst for knowledge and light which is unquenchable and inextinguishable*
- With an unwavering hope for our youth and our future through free Public Education*
- Who pour out blessings to the widows, orphans and aged among us*

## FOR EVERY CALIFORNIA MASONIC

The Masonic Center for Youth and Families is located in San Francisco, but serves Masonic families throughout the state.

Our comprehensive, integrated model of care for youth psychological services is unavailable anywhere else in the country. The center is an expansion of the Masons of California's commitment to serve children in a needed, meaningful, and innovative way.

breaded chicken, veggies, and all the fixings. As always, if you plan on bringing guests, please do contact our Secretary prior to place reservations. On Saturday June 21st at 5:30 pm, we will be observing a true ancient Masonic Landmark with our annual Feast of Saint John the Baptist. For those Brethren who have never attended, I strongly urge you to take part in the festivities. It is a true harkening to the days of old when Speculative Masons celebrated with feasts and toasts amidst the taverns and public houses of the United Kingdom and the Americas. As many of you know, in American Masonry we still venerate Saint John the Baptist and Saint John the Evangelist as a form of "Patron Saints" to the Craft. After the 1813 unionization between the "Modern" and "Antient" Grand Lodges all New Testament symbolism was abolished from their ritual practices, which ended in Moses and King Solomon replacing the "Saints John". For our evening of refreshment a 7-course meal accompanied by ample libations is served as we open on the Entered Apprentice Degree, where all Brethren in good standing are welcome to attend. Please do contact Charles Hintz or myself for further details. \$35 tickets for meal. Jacket and tie are the required attire for the evening. I hope to see many of you there, and also know that this event is open to Brothers from other Lodges, so please extend the invite and ticket / contact information if you know a Brother who would like to attend. As we will be dark for the month of July, I wish the Brethren and their family's safe travels and a happy month of relaxation.



## Masonic Family Corner

**Jobs Daughters, Bethel 1**—Two more meetings till the term is over, Brandy has done a great job during her term as Honored Queen! Lately the girls went to the drive in movies on May 3rd. Then on May 9th, we had our Spaghetti Feed and Silent Auction which went really well, we thank you for your support. We have Installation coming up on June 7th at the Castro Valley Masonic Temple, and we're excited for Molly's term! - Nicole Hoback, Marshal

May 2014 stated meeting. Apparently, there was a question regarding how our bills are presented to the Lodge. Changes will be made and the new procedures will follow the wishes of our Inspector and AGL.

The highlight of my two week trip out of the country was a visit to Chateau-Thierry, France, where I visited an American cemetery. What a beautiful place! This was not part of the itinerary. When I mentioned to our tour guide that I had belonged to a Masonic Lodge that was once named Chateau-Thierry, he changed directions! Voila! I found myself standing in front of the entrance pictured below: The final resting place for the American soldiers of the Great War 1917-1918.

I have sent out 80 second notices for dues. Many of you have said that they did not get a notice for their 2014 dues. Which were mailed October 10, 2013. The notice is a curiosity, CMC does not require notices be sent out. Dues have always been payable on the 1st of every year. This is another unnecessary expense to the lodge not including the time it takes to get the notices ready to mail. Have a safe and wonderful summer!



## Inspiring Words

By Irwin Fershleiser—Chaplain



*Many people will walk in and out of your life but only true friends will leave footprints in your heart.*

*To handle yourself use your head; to handle others, use your heart.*

*Anger is only one letter short of danger.*

*Great minds discuss ideas; average minds discuss events; small minds discuss people.*

*The tongue weighs practically nothing but so few people can hold it.*

*Beautiful young people are acts of nature, but beautiful old people are works of art.*

*God gives every bird his food; but he does not throw it into its nest.*

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## Get More Information Online

Members of Crow Canyon Lodge can: get **Sunshine** contact information; view the **Birthdays** of our members; and view **Third Degree Anniversaries** on the secured section of the Grand Lodge Website.

Go to <http://www.freemason.org> and log in as a member. Now go to [Member Center > Crow Canyon No. 551](#). Under *Lodge Fea-*

**Funeral**—Bob Pinkerton, Ron Katz, Kurt Allen, Bill Ferrell, Roy Tamez, Kay Dunn, Eugene Moore, Charles Hintz, David Allen, Kem Apak, Alex Van Stade

**Masonic Charity** - The Master and the Wardens

**Masonic Hall Association**—John Smith-President

**Masonic Homes Endowment**—Robert Logan

**Membership Retention** – Don Schauer, Sr.

**Sunshine**—Ernie Nidick / Les Blake

### Event Committees

**Kids ID (9/13-9/14/14)** - David Allen– Chairman / Sammy Tamez / Roy Tamez / Jerry Garcia

**Feast of St. John (6/21/14, 9/20/14)** - Michael Ramos / Charles Hintz / Stephen Kinsman

**Strawberry Feed (7/27/14)**—Brian Ross/ Jerry Garcia/ David Allen

**Visitation (8/22-8/24/14)**— Lyman Penning / Eugene Moore

### Masonic Youth Orders

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

**Unity Assembly No. 65, Rainbow for Girls**—Donna Allen 925.735.1233

**Jobs Daughters Hayward No. 261**—Laurel Manfredi 559.696.0746

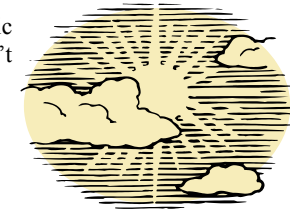
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## Sunshine and Visiting

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

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## June/July 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2		3	4	5 Stated Meeting— 7:30 PM	6	7
9		10 DOSI @ Masonic Home—7:00 PM	11	12 2nd Degree—Bro. Sears and Accurso —7:00 PM	13	14
16		17	18	19 Officer's Practice— Advanced Stations —7:00 PM	20	21 Feast of St.
23		24 DPMS—7:00 PM	25	26 Degree or Practice —7:00 PM	27	28 3rd Degree— Hoffman and Korbas—9:30
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