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Our Vision

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, their communities, and themselves.

Our Mission

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 an unquenchable thirst for knowledge and Light; With an unwavering hope for our youth and our future through free Public Education; Who pour out blessings to the widowed, orphaned and aged among us;

Together, one body, diverse in our nature, yet united in spirit, we are changing the world: one man, one family, at a time.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 2011:

- 1/5—Wednesday—Officers/Surveyors Practice—7:00 PM
- 1/6—Thursday—Stated Meeting / 5:30 Social / 6:30 Dinner/ 7:30 Opening—\$13/person—Lodge Sweethearts and prospective members are guests of the lodge—*Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, Bread, Salad and Dessert.*
- 1/11—Tuesday—District Officers School of Instruction—Island City Lodge—2313 Alameda Avenue, Alameda—6:00 PM Free Dinner / 7:00 PM Opening—All Lodge Officers and Surveyors required—All Master Masons welcome.
- 1/13—Thursday—Officer's practice—7:00 PM—1st Degree Practice
- 1/20—Thursday—First Degree—7:00 PM—Mr. Arnold Sidun and Mr. Sorrell Shiflett
- 1/27—Thursday—Officer's practice—7:00 PM
- 1/28—Friday—Masonic Family Pizza Night at Crow Canyon Lodge—6:00 PM

February 2011:

- 2/3—Thursday—Stated Meeting / 5:30 Social / 6:30 Dinner/ 7:30 Opening—\$13/person—Lodge Sweethearts and prospective members are guests of the lodge—*Coming Home Event!*
- 2/6—Sunday—Super Bowl Party at Oakland Scottish Rite—1 PM
- 2/8—Tuesday—District Officers School of Instruction—Location to be announced—6:00 PM Free Dinner / 7:00 PM Opening—All Lodge Officers and Surveyors required—All Master Masons welcome.
- 2/10—Thursday—Officer's practice—7:00 PM
- 2/17—Thursday—Officer's practice or degree—7:00 PM
- 2/19—Saturday—Annual Crab Feed—6:00 PM—Presale tickets available from Secretary or Henry Miller
- 2/24—Thursday—Officer's practice or degree—7:00 PM

Castro Valley DeMolay meets 1st & 3rd Monday (7:30 PM)
Unity Assembly Rainbow No. 65 meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday (7:00 PM)
Lake Chabot Chapter Eastern Star meets 1st & 3rd Friday (8:00 PM)
Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 261, Hayward meets 1st & 3rd Monday (7:00 PM) @ Acacia Lodge
Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 1, Dublin meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday (7:00 PM) @ John Knox Church

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From the East



Brethren and Ladies,

I am so excited to have the opportunity to serve the Lodge again as Master. Thank you for your vote of confidence. Thank you to the officers and Surveyors who stepped forward, as well as for all of our great volunteers and active sideliners.

Your officers have met, and we have a plan in place for a super year. This is your lodge, your home. Make sure and be more than just a dues-paying member—be a do's playing member. Come on out to the Castro Valley Masonic Center (CVMC) on Friday, January 28th at 6:00 P.M. for our annual **Pizza Feast**. It's the Lodge's treat, and the whole Masonic Family (DeMolay, Jobs, Rainbow, Star, Sweethearts) are invited to come. Do you need an injection of Masonic Ritual? Join us for a **double First Degree** on January 20th at 7:00 P.M. as we welcome Mr. Arnold Sidun and Mr. Sorrell Shiflett into the Fraternity.

Our February Stated Meeting will be our **Coming Home Event**. Expect a phone call from our Surveyors or the Master inviting you to attend. Even if you haven't been to a meeting in 15 years or since our last Coming Home Event, we want you to join us on February 3rd. The meal will be a healthy, healthy meal with delicious anti-carcinogenic pasta dinner in recognition of the Grand Master's **By-Your-Side** project and **Cancer Prevention Month**. Is your trowel a little rusty? Not to worry, we have plenty of elbow-grease to get it sparkling like new. (We will show you everything you need to know before the meeting starts).

Need more seafood in your diet? Our **Annual Crab Feed** will be on February 19th at 6:00 PM. Tickets are available at the January and February Stated Meetings or from the Secretary right now.

Looking into March, I see two more opportunities to get the Masonic Family together again. Do you like to sing or play board games? Just like to watch? Come to the CVMC for our **Masonic Family Karaoke and Game Night** at 6:00 PM on March 6th. Finally on March 31st at 5:30 PM we will enjoy BBQ Chicken at our **5th Thursday Potluck**. Mmmmm mmmmm good!

Still have some free time? Check out our Masonic Family Corner for more opportunities to be involved.

Please feel free to call me or send me a message if there is anything I can do for you.

Ron Katz, PM (510) 375-3137 rstephen94545@yahoo.com

From the West



Brethren and Ladies,

2010 was a good year for Crow Canyon Lodge and I look forward to 2011 to be even better. As Wor. Ron Katz is well known for pulling together some interesting programs for the Lodge I expect your attendance and participation often. It is difficult to achieve great goals without your help and input.

I would like to thank Wor. Roy Tamez, Wor. Kurt Allen, Gary Frisvold and the Surveyors who have volunteered to be part of the growth of our Lodge. Also I would like to say that I hope you and your family had a happy holiday season and the best of new years. I leave you with these thoughts from Wor. Carl H Claudy:

"It is merely an accident of the English language that geometry and G-d begin with the same letter; no matter what the language or the ritual, the initial of the ineffable name and that of the first and noblest of sciences are masonically the same.

The petitioner knows it before he signs his application. He must answer "Do you believe in G-d?", before his petition can be accepted. He must declare his faith in a Supreme Being before he may be initiated. But note that he is not required to say, then or ever, what god. He may name Him as he will, think of Him as he pleases, make Him impersonal law or personal and anthropomorphic; Freemasonry cares not.

Freemasonry's own special name for Deity is the Great Architect of the Universe. She speaks of G-d rarely as if she felt the sacredness of the simply Jewish symbol—the yod—which stood for JHVH, that unpronounceable name we think may have been Jehovah. But G-d, the Great Architect of the Universe, Allah, Buddha, Brahma, Vishnu, Shiva or Great Geometer is a symbol of the conception that shines in the East of every American Masonic Lodge, as in the center of the canopy of every English Lodge.

All the world may know that the symbol of the Deity shines in the East of a Masonic lodge; only the true Freemason, who is actually a Mason in his heart as well as in his mind, may know just how and in what way the Great Architect is the very essence and substance of the ancient Craft."

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Grand Master's Project 2010-11

BY YOUR SIDE, the Grand Master's Project for 2010-2011, seeks to bring the best nursing care to cancer patients and families in California. We'll do it by putting more oncology certified nurses by their side.

BY YOUR SIDE answers a critical need for these nurses in California. The project will establish a permanent fund to cover the cost of oncology certification for 12 to 15 nurses every year.

Oncology certified nurses have an overall mastery of cancer. They have attained the highest standards of experience, knowledge, and skills. Their professionalism and know-how is a source of hope and support. They make a difference in every aspect of a patient's treatment: pain management, discussing results and expectations, counseling loved ones.

A single oncology certified nurse reaches hundreds of patients and their families. By putting more oncology certified nurses in hospitals, clinics, and medical centers throughout the state, we will provide comfort and hope for thousands of patients and their loved ones. Go to <http://www.freemason.org/byyourside/donate.htm> to become a part of this exciting project.

When you take a 360-degree view of a young person,
you can't help but see the potential.



If you know a young person who struggles with behavioral, learning, and psychological problems, talk to The Masonic Center for Youth and Families. We take a new approach to psychological services for youth ages 4 to 17 that can lead to a whole new future. Learn more at mcyaf.org, or contact us at inquiries@mcyaf.org or 877-488-6293.



6 Funston Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94129 | Opening late 2010

From the South

Editor's Note: Congratulations to Kjell for qualifying to sit as Junior Warden this year. He is buried in a court case this week so he was unable to submit an article. We look forward to hearing from him next month. He wanted you to know that the Stated Meeting Dinner is Meat-loaf and that the Pizza Party is at the CVMC on Friday, January 28th at 6:00 PM. Invite the whole Masonic family.



Masonic Senior Outreach

Masonic Senior Outreach, a program of the Masonic Homes of California, provides the senior members of our fraternal family access to the services and resources they need to stay healthy and safe in their homes or in retirement facilities in their home communities.

These services include:

- Information and referrals to community-based senior providers throughout California
- Ongoing care management at no cost
- Financial support

Masonic Senior Outreach also provides interim financial and care support to those who are on the waiting list for the Masonic Homes of California. Contact us at 888/466-3642 or masonicassistance@mhccuc.org.

Masonic Family Outreach

Masonic Family Outreach support services are available to California Masons and their families who need help dealing with today's complex issues, such as the impact of divorce, the stresses of a special needs child, job loss, and other significant life challenges. Our case management services are broad, flexible, and able to serve families in their own communities throughout the state. If you are in need of support or know of a family in distress, contact us at 888/466-3642 or masonicassistance@mhccuc.org.



MASONIC ASSISTANCE

FRATERNAL CARE BASED ON MASONIC VALUES

- We support and serve the whole family
- Masonic Homes of California
 - Masonic Senior Outreach
 - Masonic Family Outreach

Call 888/466-3642 for information and support



Trustees and Board Members

We are grateful for the hard work and dedication of all of our volunteers, but wanted to take a moment to thank our Trustees and Hall Association Board Members. The Trustees watch over the investments of the Lodge and insure that we remain financially sound. The Hall Association maintains and improves our building, which is the home of our Lodge.

Trustees

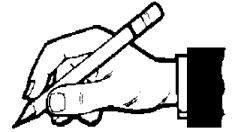
- Arnie Weinstein
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- Kurt Jaeckel, P.M.
- Robert Logan, P.M., H.A.
- Kay Dunn
- Robert Hanson, P.M., H.A.

Board Members

- Kurt Allen, P.M. H.A.
- John Smith, H.A.
- Gerald Woergoetter, P.M.
- Ernie Nidick
- Robert Lee
- Henry Andreotti

From the Secretary's Desk

All Things Proper to be Written



Brethren.

Some of you who have not paid the annual dues of \$94.00. After January 1st, you are considered delinquent. Please let the Master or me know if you are not able to pay. There are provisions in the CMC that may apply to your situation. Requests are kept in the strictest of confidence. WE DO NOT WANT TO LOSE YOU. The average age of our lodge is 72.66 years. We are all proud to be members of this lodge, where many fine friendships have been formed. If you haven't attended Lodge for a while please make a "New Years resolution" to attend at least one stated meeting or better yet one of the degrees. Worshipful Ron Katz has planned a very full year of activities to encourage fellowship, Ladies included. Remember our stated meeting dinners, as always, widows eat free. Many of you were willing to give your e-mail addresses. Having the e-mail addresses allows your lodge officers to communicate information quickly. If you are not receiving e-mail notices from Crow-Canyon551@sbcglobal.net and would like to, please e-mail me at that address and I will add you to the list.

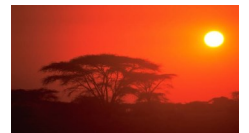
Looks like a busy year ahead for our lodge, you might not want to miss the fun. If you are beyond the cable tow, remember there may be a lodge close to you and believe me the Brethren in those lodges would like for you to attend. If you are not sure where a local lodge is, contact me and I will put you in touch with those Brethren. If you are an Entered Apprentice or Fellowcraft and haven't been working on the proficiency, its 2011 already, let's get going!. Suitable assistance will be furnished to help you with the proficiency. If anyone tells you that stated meetings are boring, they haven't attended a Crow Canyon business meeting. Ask anyone who is a regular attendee. See you soon.

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In Memoriam

Roy Donald Burt	83 years, 2 months and 26 days
Entered into Rest	October 31, 2010
Max Floyd McGuire	90 years, 11 months and 6 days
Entered into Rest	December 4, 2010
Roger Leroy Beaman	88 years, 3 months and 10 days
Entered into Rest	December 12, 2010

*Almighty Father,
Great Architect of the Universe,
Into thy hands we commend the souls
of our dear departed brethren*



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 \$5 or less**



Call Sherry Hansen for details (510) 537-0109

3rd Degree Anniversaries

Amato, Peter (52) ; **Bitter Jr.**, Henry (47) ; **Cole**, Clement [PM] (55) ; **Erman**, John (21) ; **Ferrell**, William [PM] (29) ; **Field**, Marshall (45) ; **George**, Craig (29) ; **Gottardi**, Joseph (46) ; **Hamilton**, Roger (34) ; **Hansen**, Howard (62) ; **Hibbs**, Forrest [PM] (58) ; **Hinds**, Arthur (14) ; **Jaekel**, Kurt [PM] (51) ; **Lambrech**t, Ernest (57) ; **Newman**, Raymond (20) ; **Orr**, Gary (25) ; **Orzell**, Alfred (56) ; **Parinas**, Mark (1) ; **Pickering**, Richard (37) ; **Rodger**, David [PM] (61) ; **Russell Jr.**, Frank (29) ; **Samelson**, Jerome (24) ; **Smith Jr.**, Charles (57) ; **Smith**, John (8) ; **Tamez**, Sammy [PM] (30) ; **Teixeira**, John (11) ; **Zamora**, Jose [PM] (34)

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Sunshine and Visiting

Please keep the following brothers in your prayers: Walter Beck, Bob Brooks, Roy Nelson, Tom Rowe, James Wright



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

Ernie Nidick, Committee Chairman (925) 828-6993

2011 Committees

Lodge Appointments

- **Audit** – Kay Dunn, Bob Logan, Arnie Weinstein
- **Funeral** – Kurt Allen, Kjell Bomark-Noel, Kay Dunn, Bill Ferrell, Roy Tamez
- **Hiram Award Selection** – John Smith, Roy Tamez, Robert Logan
- **Masonic Charity** - The Master and the Wardens
- **Masonic Hall Association**—Kurt R. Allen
- **Masonic Homes Endowment**—Robert Logan—(925) 737-0430/rlogan8198@cs.com
- **Membership Retention** – Bill Ferrell
- **Sunshine**—Ernie Nidick—(925) 828-6993

Lodge Events

- **Anniversary Dinner/Dance**—Rod Hamilton, Kanti Patel, George Christensen, Howard Marmar
- **Crab Feed**—Henry Miller, Dale Reynolds
- **Constitutional Observance**—Gene Moore, Ernie Nidick
- **Feast of Saints John** – Kjell Bomark-Noel, Charles Hintz
- **Kid's ID**—Roy Nelson, Roy Tamez, Sammy Tamez
- **Masonic Family Game / Karaoke Night**—Jack Allen, Phil Busch, Bill Ferrell, Ron Katz, Pat Quinn
- **Pizza Night**—Kjell Bomark-Noel
- **Public Schools**—Eric Unti— (510) 537-1530/erunti@earthlink.net
- **Reno Trip**—Ron Katz, Jennifer Katz
- **Strawberry Feed**—Ernie Nidick, Mark Parinas, Gerald Woergoeter
- **Sweethearts Brunch/Theatre**—Phillip Busch—(925)292-8018/teresa.busch@kp.org
- **Visitation to Carmel**—Kurt Allen, Lyman Penning

Masonic Family

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Read the Trestleboard online first at <http://www.calodges.org/no551/news.htm>

Masonic Family Corner

Unity Rainbow—We have two great events coming up. We invite you to help us celebrate our two Grand Officers at their reception on Sunday, January 9th at 2:00 PM. Kelsey Piaz is Grand Worthy Assoc. Advisor & Melanie Kern is Grand Religion and Representative to Alabama, Georgia and North Carolina. On January 29th at 2:00 PM, please join us for our Installation of Officers. Galit Gelman will be our new Worthy Advisor.

Hayward Jobs Daughters—We invite you to attend our Installation of Officers on Saturday, January 8th at 7:00 PM at the Hayward Masonic Center. Victoria Sauter, niece of Patrick & Donna Jo Quinn, will be our new Honored Queen. Also, if you would like to see us initiate four new members, we invite you to come to our meeting on January 3rd at 7:00 PM.

Dublin Jobs Daughters—We invite you to attend our Installation of Officers on Saturday, January 8th at 7:00 PM at the Castro Valley Masonic Center. Sarah Gilbert will be our new Honored Queen.