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



Calendar of Events

OCTOBER

- 10/04 - **Tuesday** - Officers Assembly - Meeting 7:00 PM
- 10/06 - **Thursday** - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM
- 10/11 - **Tuesday** - District Officer's School of Instruction (DOSI) at the Masonic Home - Dinner 6:00 PM / School 7:00 PM
- 10/12 - **Wednesday** - Officer Proficiency with Inspector - Meeting 7:00 PM
- 10/13 - **Thursday** - Second Degree Practice - Open 7:00 PM
- 10/20 - **Thursday** - Second Degree Practice - Open 7:00 PM
- 10/22 - **Saturday** - White Table Night - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:00 PM
- 10/25 - **Tuesday** - DMPS @ Hayward Ranch - Meeting 7:00 PM
- 10/27 - **Thursday** - Second Degree Bro. Klahr - Dinner 6:30 PM / Open 7:30 PM
- 10/28-10/30 - **Friday-Sunday** - Grand Lodge Communication in SF

NOVEMBER / DECEMBER

- 11/01 - **Tuesday** - Officers Assembly - Meeting 7:00 PM
- 11/03 - **Thursday** - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM
- 11/05 - **Saturday** Installation Practice - Open 10:00 AM
- 11/08 - **Tuesday** - District Officer's School of Instruction (DOSI) at the Masonic Home - Dinner 6:00 PM / School 7:00 PM
- 11/10 - **Thursday** - PM Role Call Night - Dinner 6:30 PM
- 11/17 - **Thursday** - Installation Practice
- 11/22 - **DARK**
- 11/24 - **DARK** - Happy Thanksgiving
- 12/01 - **Thursday** - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM
- 12/03 - **Saturday** - Annual Installation of Officers - Social 5:00 PM / Ceremony 6:00 PM / Dinner 7:15 PM
- 12/17 - **Saturday** - Obs. St. John's Feast Day @ The Ranch - Open - 6:00 PM

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>
- ◆ 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 Michael Ramos—Worshipful Master

I hope October finds all of you in good health and high spirits.

I am very pleased to welcome Bro. Orrin Benedict as our youngest Entered Apprentice Mason. My Brother, I hope you will attend Lodge often to partake in good fellowship, as well as regularly visit your mentor to make diligent progress in both your proficiency and general Masonic Knowledge.

Our Bro. Ernie Nidick received the ever-prestigious Hiram Award last month, and I want to thank everyone who served our Lodge, in multiple capacities, to ensure that his night was a success. If you were unable to attend, please do make sure to send Bro. Nidick your heartfelt congratulations.

Our Lodge picnic was headed by W. Bro. Robert Pinkerton, PM, and the Crow Canyon Purveyors. I thank all of you, and those unmentioned, for putting in the time to make this casual affair an event to remember. I also wish to recognize Bro. John Smith for reserving the location and helping to provide train-entertainment for all who attended.

This month finds us in exciting times. Our Officers are meeting with the Inspector, W. Bro. Tom Kavishi, to 'prove up' for their next years' Stations, as well as the Annual Grand Lodge Communication taking place on Friday the 28th, Saturday the 29th, and Sunday the 30th. For a list of this year's items as well as times, please visit freemason.org

DMPS will be held at The Ranch restaurant in Hayward on Tuesday October 25th at 7:00 pm. This will be the last DMPS for the foreseeable future. If you have been a long time attendee, you are expected, if you have never attended, this could be your last chance – so we do hope you will join us. Please send RSVPs to our Senior Steward, Bro. Jonathan Prestage, and do know that each guest receives their own bill so the evening only costs what you permit it to.

Our Annual White Table Night, with full prime rib dinner, dessert, and donated libations, will take place on Saturday October 22nd. Tickets will be \$20.00 per person. Officers are to wear tuxedo, Members are to wear dark suit and tie, and Ladies are to dress for the occasion as they wish. The White Table Night is open to Masons (of all degrees) and their significant others, as well as widows, only. Please do join us for this pleasant evening.

A list of all this month's events can be found in the attached calendar.

Enjoy your month and I look forward to seeing all of you soon.

From the West

By Alex Von Stade—Senior Warden

Brethren,

October is upon us and we are now in the last quarter of the year. I cannot believe how fast this year is moving. October for me represents the coming of the holiday season. We see two main holidays in October; Columbus Day on October 10th and Halloween on October 31st. Halloween, or All Hollows' Eve, conjures up many images; the black cat, the witch's hat, skeletons, and



of course, the Jack-O-Lantern. During this month, numerous grocery stores will be packed with bins of pumpkins ready for the picking. Often times, these bins can be seen surrounded by children trying to find the "perfect" pumpkin for carving. When we think of Halloween, we cannot forget the image of a Jack-O-Lantern being thrown at Ichabod Crane in Washington Irving's tale of the Legend of Sleepy Hollow.

On the 12th of October, our District Inspector will be conducting proficiencies for the top four Lodge Officers for the 2017 calendar year. Each of us have been working diligently to pass these critical tests as well as performing our regular tasks in our current roles as Lodge officers. In my article last month, I asked for individuals to come forward to join me in filling the 2017 officer's line. Some individuals responded to my request and I appreciate their efforts. I look forward to working with them in the near future. At the same time, additional help is always needed and appreciated. I welcome all who wish to participate in Lodge activities now and in the coming year.

Have a Happy Halloween!

From the South

By Alvaro Reynoso, PM—Junior Warden

September has come and gone and with it went some of my favorite celebrations. Monday the 5th, Labor day is the day which recognizes the hard working men and women of this country. As Jr. Warden it reminds me of my duties to call the workmen from labor to refreshment, and since it is also my duty to call the workmen from refreshment the labor again, I want to take this opportunity to encourage you to not only attend as many meeting as time permits you to but to also take an active role in the different events, especially in our degrees. Remember as Masons our duty is not just to make new members but to build better men and through them build a better society.

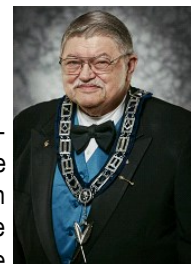
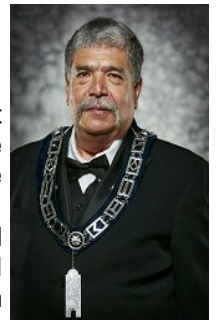
September 17th we give recognition to the Constitutional Congress of the United State. On September 17, 1787 they met to sign the Constitution of the United States of America. After the meeting there was still much to do as the individual states had to meet and ratify it and as a result the US Constitution went into effect on March 4, 1789. We can be proud as Masons that our constitutions contain those ideals of moderation and justice for all.

From the Secretary's Table

By Don Schauer, Sr., H.A.

Due to the fact that the Grand Lodge Communication is in late October 28th, 29th and 30th, the dues statements will be mailed the first week in November. If approved the per capita tax will be \$46.50. The lodge can round that sum off to the next nearest dollar. The 2016-2017 per capita tax will be set at \$47.00 and our dues are \$60.00 for a total of \$107.00. The total 2015-2016 Grand Lodge per capita tax that the lodge paid was \$12,986.00. Next year will be even more.

As of today, there are still 19 members who have not paid their 2016 dues. We have 41 members who's dues have been remitted and 76



life members. 117 members who do not have to pay any dues. The lodge still has to pay per capita tax for the 76 life members totaling \$3,420.00. Our membership is now at 324.

Below is the Grand Lodge income. As you can see, as the GL needs more monies, they simply raise the per capita tax (a luxury that we do not have.)

Revenue

| | |
|---|---------------------|
| Per Capita (47,732 @ \$42.50) | \$ 2,028,610 |
| Assessment for George Washington Masonic National Memorial (47,732 @ \$1) | 47,732 |
| Application Fees (1,550 @ \$30) | 46,500 |
| NHMC Dividend | 380,000 |
| Other Income | 605,736 |
| Total Income | \$ 3,108,578 |

When you receive your dues notices , Please respond ASAP.



THURSDAY NOVEMBER 10TH AT CVMC
6:30 PM DINNER AND PROCEEDINGS
MASONS OF ALL DEGREES WELCOME
** CASUAL ATTIRE REQUIRED! **
** NO COST TO ATTEND! **
** COME AND CELEBRATE OUR PMS! **
PLEASE PLACE RESERVATIONS
WITH OUR SECRETARY BY 11/08

3rd Degree Anniversaries

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

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|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| David Allen (5) | Bruce Lobree (34) |
| William Bain (60) | Donald Mc Evers (61) |
| Dave Baratto (21) | Henry Miller Sr.[PM] (47) |
| Barry Bookman (27) | Martin Nilson Jr.[.] (50) |
| Harold Brooke [PM] (54) | Lyman Penning [PM] (42) |
| Brian Brunchhorst (17) | Robert Pinkerton [PM] (18) |
| Phillip Busch (9) | Russell Porter (52) |
| Carson Haines [PM] (45) | Rowell Prosser (7) |
| Charles Hicks Sr.[PM] (32) | Dale Reynolds (34) |
| Charles Hintz (17) | Robert Saks (64) |
| Warren Hintz (53) | Michael Schaffer [PM] (41) |
| Charles Johnson (47) | Elmer Seutter (48) |
| Richard Keihner (38) | William Stephenson (50) |
| Gordon Kolsch (48) | David Stevenson (49) |
| Delbert Kraft (42) | William Strain (61) |
| John Kresge [PM] (56) | Leonard Suokko (57) |
| Glen Lane (48) | Gene Tague Jr.[.] (29) |
| Royle Langton (62) | Eric Unti (9) |
| Paul Leiber Jr.[.] (62) | Alan West [PM] (29) |

October Birthdays

- | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Herbert Freeman (10/03) | Merle Lyerla (10/17) |
| Gerald Woergoetter (10/04) | Pat Quinn (10/17) |
| Billy Bryant (10/05) | Charles Hicks Sr. (10/18) |
| Donnald Moring (10/05) | Vernon Cumins (10/19) |
| Scotty Stroup (10/05) | Larry Russell (10/19) |
| Johnnie Albanese (10/07) | Michael Schaffer (10/19) |
| Kevin Gray (10/07) | James Luque (10/21) |
| Allen Weisser (10/07) | Albert Keshishian (10/23) |
| Warren Hintz (10/10) | Douglas Vorpahl (10/24) |
| Robert Wagle (10/10) | Jonathan Prestage (10/25) |
| Charles Johnson (10/11) | Danny Lee (10/26) |
| Victor VandenBerghe (10/11) | Sandy Kahn III (10/27) |
| Ronald Meissner (10/12) | Jack Plummer (10/28) |
| Roger Lemon (10/14) | Austin Rhee (10/29) |
| Jimmy Burns (10/17) | Victor Smalley (10/31) |

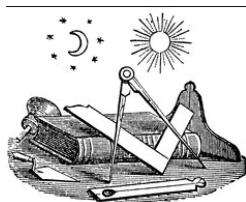


DMPS
 Dead Masonic Poet Society

Share, learn and discuss:

Masonic history & mysteries
 Our Craft's ever-evolving practices
 Our true operative roots
 Our positive effect on society; personally and otherwise

Every 4th Tuesday!
 Open to all degrees!
 7:00PM



In Memoriam

Richard M. Thomas
 Entered into rest

71 Years, 6 Months and 23 Days
 April 14, 2016

Great Architect of the Universe, into thine hands we commend the soul of our dear departed brother!

Crow Canyon Lodge No. 551
Cordially Invites You To Its Fourth Annual

White Table Night



An Evening of Fine Dining and Dancing



\$20.00 Per Person

Saturday October 22nd at the CVMC

5:30 pm Cocktail and Appetizer Social

6:00 pm Three-Course Prime Rib Dinner and Dessert

Officers in Tuxedo * Members in Suit and Tie * Ladies As They Please

Please RSVP with Payment to our Secretary by 10/20

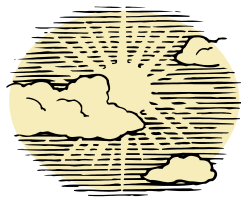
Sunshine and Visiting

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

Mark Castile, Mark Caspersen, Henry Miller, Howard Marmor.

Please contact Secretary Don Schauer for their respective phone numbers.

Ernie Nidick—Sunshine Chairman 925.828.6993 bev2ern@comcast.net
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Hiram Award Recipients



| | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Kurt Allen (2005) | Robert Logan (2006) |
| Gabriel Amaral (1996) † | Anthony Manov (1974)* |
| Edward Barham (1994) † | Howard Marmor (2014) |
| James Basham (2001)* | Billy Martens (2012) † |
| Roger Beaman (1994)* | Edward Matraia (1989) |
| Floyd Beeman (1975)* | Edward Matraia (1984)* |
| Mickey Benko (2009) | Max Mc Guire (1993) † |
| William Biddell (2005) † | Henry Miller (1992) |
| Charles Bishop (2003)* | Donald Morris (1990)* |
| William Blisard (1991)* | James Mullins (1980)* |
| Phillip Busch (2015) | Emory Mumford (1988)* |
| Donald Castona (1990)* | Roy Nelson (1990)* |
| Sidney Cerates (2011)* | Ernest Nidick (2016) |
| Eugene Clough (1992) † | John Palmeri (2000)* |
| Gordon De Bruyn (1988)* | George Patterson (1986)* |
| John De Poe (1993)* | Lyman Penning (2013) |
| William Ferrell (1999) | Arthur Peryman (1980)* |
| Irwin Fershleiser (1990) † | Robert Peters (1997) |
| Merle Fisher (1994)* | James Petersen (2002) † |
| Billy Folck (1980)* | Arthur Pinto (1996)* |
| Gary Frisvold (1988) † | Alvaro Reynoso (2012) |
| Robert Gill (1982)* | Thomas Rowe (2002)* |
| Silvano Giovannelli (1985)* | Wayne Salomon (1989)* |
| Daniel Golden (1995)* | Chester Sanders (1979)* |
| Lawrence Gotelli (1996)* | Theodore Santel (1986) † |
| Andre Gravier (1991)* | Donald Schauer (1990) † |
| Carson Haines (1995) | John Smith (2010) |
| Franklin Hanna (2004)* | Adrianus Sneep (1987)* |
| Robert Hansen (2008)* | Prudencio Sotelo (1984)* |
| John Hansford (1990) † | Russell Stedinger (1994) † |
| Wallace Harrell (1988)* | Roy Tamez (2007) |
| Jose Hernandez (1997)* | Sammy Tamez (1999) † |
| Kurt Jaeckel (1993) | Charles Tilden (1989)* |
| Julius Kahn (1999) † | Jack Townsend (1989)* |
| Harold Keller (1997) † | Charles Tucker (1989)* |
| Edwin Kenyon (1987)* | Ray Turpeinen (1990)* |
| Albert Keshishian (2007) † | Audus Watson (1998)* |
| Irving Ketels (1994)* | Allen Weisser (1983) |
| Everett Koontz (1981)* | Robert Werner (2001) † |
| Paul Krause (1993) † | William Worthing (2000) † |
| Gorden Locklear (1988)* | Harry Yetter (1984)* |

† Affiliated * Departed



167th Annual Communication

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Masonic Family Corner

Learn more about Masonic Youth Orders

DeMolay

DeMolay International - www.demolay.org

Northern California DeMolay - www.norcaldemolay.com

Job's Daughters

Job's Daughters International - www.jobsdaughtersinternational.org

International Order of Job's Daughters, California - www.caiojd.org

Rainbow for Girls

Rainbow for Girls Supreme Assembly - www.gorainbow.org

Rainbow for Girls California Grand Assembly - www.caioig.org



2016 Committees

Appointments

Executive Committee: Mike Ramos, Alex Von Stade, Robert Eckstein, 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. & Mike Ramos

Audit: Bill Biddell & Bob Pinkerton

Masonic Funeral: Kurt Allen, Bill Ferrell & All Officers

Web Master: Ron Katz

Events

White Table Night: Alex Von Stade & Mike Ramos

Hiram Award Festivities: Alex Von Stade & Mike Ramos

Festive Boards & Feasts: Jonathan Prestage & Mike Ramos

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 & Mike Ramos

Masonic Formation and Education: Jonathan Prestage & Mike Ramos

Children's Holiday Party: Bill Ferrell & Mike Ramos

Masonic Youth Orders

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| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 Stated Meeting Dinner - 6:00 PM Open - 7:30 PM | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 DOSI @ the Masonic Home Dinner - 6:00 PM School - 7:00 PM | 12 Officer's Proficiency w/ Inspector Meeting - 7:00 PM | 13 Second Degree Practice Open - 7:00 PM | 14 | 15 |
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| 30 GL Communication | 31 | | | | | |

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 *All degree conferrals, practices, and LOIs will **not** include dinner service unless otherwise noted in the calendar made by the Master.