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**Crow Canyon Lodge** No. 551 F&AM of California

Chartered October 11, 1923



### **Calendar of Events**

#### **O**CTOBER

10/03 - Tuesday - Officers' Meeting - 7:00 PM

10/05 - Thursday - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM

10/10 - Tuesday - District Officers' School of Instruction

10/12 - Thursday - Lodge Dark

10/13 - Friday - Grand Lodge Communication

10/14 - Saturday - Grand Lodge Communication

10/15 - Sunday - Grand Lodge Communication

10/19 - Thursday - Officers' Practice - 7:00 PM

10/20 - Friday - Child ID @ Del Rey Elementary, San Lorenzo - 9 AM

10/24 - Tuesday - Hall Association - 7:00 PM

10/26 - Thursday - Officers' Practice - 7:00 PM

10/28 - Saturday - White Table Night - 5:30 PM Social / 6:00 PM Dinner

#### **N**OVEMBER

11/02 - Thursday - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM

11/09 - Thursday - Past Masters' Role Call Night

11/14 - Tuesday - District Officers' School of Instruction

11/16 - Thursday - Installation Practice - 7:00 PM

11/23 - Thursday - DARK - Happy Thanksgiving

11/28 - Tuesday - Hall Association - 7:00 PM

11/30 - Thursday - Installation Practice - 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 Alex Von Stade——Worshipful Master

#### Brethren:

Welcome to the month of October 2017. During this month we celebrate Halloween or All Hallows' Eve on the 31st of October. Halloween is believed to have originated from



Celtic Harvest Festivals that may have pagan roots. During this holiday, individuals partake in a variety of activities including trick or treat, costume parties, and carving of pumpkins. I wish all of you a Happy Halloween.

During the first half of last month, I spent two weeks with relatives in Nebraska. It was a relaxing and an enjoyable holiday for me. I wish to thank Worshipful Eckstein for filling in for me during my absence. I was informed that the Annual Lodge Picnic held last month at Tilden Park was well attended. I want to thank all of the brothers that worked on this project while I was away on holiday. During the September Stated Meeting, we received another application for the degrees of Masonry. As such, we will now have two more individuals for First Degree Initiations in the near future. To date, during the 2017 calendar year, we have conducted a total of six First Degree conferrals, thus adding six new Masons in our lodge. I congratulate all of them on their masonic journey. I have a feeling that we may see some Second Degree conferrals in the near future.

#### From the West

By Robert Eckstein, PM—Senior Warden

Good October Brethren:

This month has the Annual Grand Lodge Communication in San Francisco. Registration opens at noon on October 12 and sessions begin on Friday 13 and continue on



Saturday. Any Master Mason in good standing can attend Grand Lodge, but only Masters & Wardens can vote (each lodge also gets one vote for all of it's Past Masters). Sunday is the Public Installation for the new Grand Lodge Officers which is open to anyone (Masons, spouses, friends, etc.). Please make sure you attend the October Stated Meeting to add to the discussion of this year's resolutions. If you would like to review them in advance go to:

https://www.freemason.org/doc/02+Carry-Over+and+New+Resolutions.pdf?id=55702

The Masonic Discussion Group did not hold it's second meeting in September. We will set the next one for November. Also in November there will be the formation meeting for the Rod and Gun Club. Watch the Trestleboard for dates and times.

September had more 1st Degrees, the Lodge Picnic, and the Child ID program at the Castro Valley Fall Festival. Attendance at degrees is increasing. The Picnic had good food, good entertainment, and good fellowship. The Child ID was also a fun event. We served several hundred families and represented Masonry well.

#### From the South

By Alvaro Reynoso, PM—Junior Warden

On August 13th, Grand Master Heisner of the State of California and a small group of Hispanic Masons from different Lodges had a meeting at the Oakland Scottish Rite building. The purpose of the meeting was for a granting of a dis-



pensation for a new lodge. I am pleased to inform you that I was one of those brothers in attendance.

I am happy to inform you that as a result of this meeting a new lodge was born and I was installed as Sr. Warden. But don't think you have gotten rid of me yet. I still intend to keep myself involved in the activities of Crow Canyon Lodge as long as the activities from my new lodge do not interfere. This is not a farewell announcement. I fully intend to finish this year as your Junior Warden

We had our first State Meeting on September 15th and I am happy to report that we had all the officers' chairs occupied along with two sideliners. The name of the new Lodge is Fraternidad de Las Americas (UD) and will hold meetings in Spanish.

## Go Back to School with the Candidate Learning Center

The <u>Candidate Learning Center</u> – an interactive web-based candidate education program – is FREE for candidates and coaches! Learn about Freemasonry online, anytime.

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- Online flipbooks are accessible by smartphone, tablet, or PC
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Plus, a final quiz lets you test your knowledge with immediate results – and can be taken more than once as you improve your understanding of the degree!



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#### From the Secretary's Table

By Don Schauer, Sr., H.A.

Brethren,

The proposed per capita tax for 2017/18 is \$47.00. Dues statements were mailed out the week after the Grand Lodge Communication.



By now you should have received your statement. If for some reason you have not, send your check to the secre-



tary in the amount of \$107.00. The dues statement have been sent to you as a courtesy and is not required by CMC. Every member knows or should know that dues are payable on or before January 1st of each year.

We still have 9 members and 4 Entered Apprentices that have not paid 2017 dues. We are

very fortunate to have some great investments. If not for or investments our dues would be several hundred dollars per year. I am looking for a way to save the lodge some money. Keep an eye out for a change of the lodges phone number. It takes a lot of money to run the lodge each year. As a result we have a wonderful facility for all members and their families to enjoy.

#### **3rd Degree Anniversaries**

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

David Allen (6) William Bain (61) Dave Baratto (22) Barry Bookman (28) Harold Brooke [PM] (55) Brian Brunckhorst (18) Phillip Busch (10) Carson Haines [PM] (46) Charles Hintz (18) Warren Hintz (54) Charles Johnson (48) Richard Keihner (39) Delbert Kraft (43) John Kresge [PM] (57) Glen Lane (49) Royle Langton (63) Paul Leiber Jr. (63)

Bruce Lobree (35) Martin Nilson Jr. (51) Lyman Penning [PM] (43) Robert Pinkerton [PM] (19) Russell Porter (53) Rowell Prosser (8) Dale Reynolds (35) Robert Saks (65) Michael Schaffer [PM] (42) Elmer Seutter (49) David Stevenson (50) William Strain (62) Leonard Suokko (58) Gene Tague Jr. (30) Eric Unti (10) Alan West [PM] (30)

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#### **October Birthdays**

Herbert Freeman (10/03)
Gerald Woergoetter (10/04)
Billy Bryant (10/05)
Donnald Moring (10/05)
Scotty Stroup (10/05)
Johnnie Albanese (10/07)
Allen Weisser (10/07)
Areo Comonal (10/10)
Warren Hintz (10/10)
Robert Wagle (10/10)
Charles Johnson (10/11)
Victor VandenBerghe (10/11)
Ronald Meissner (10/12)
Roger Lemon (10/14)
Jimmy Burns (10/17)

Merle Lyerla (10/17)
Pat Quinn (10/17)
Vernon Cumins (10/19)
Larry Russell (10/19)
Michael Schaffer (10/19)
James Luque (10/21)
Albert Keshishian (10/23)
Douglas Vorpahl (10/24)
Guy Phillips (10/25)
Jonathan Prestage (10/25)
Daniel Lee (10/26)
Sandy Kahn (10/27)
Jack Plummer (10/28)
Austin Rhee (10/29)
Victor Smalley (10/31)



#### **MAN MAKING**

by Bro. Edwin Markham

We are blind until we see
That in the human plan
Nothing is worth the making if
It does not make the man.

Why build these cities glorious If man unbuilded goes? In vain we build the work unless The builder also grows



#### **Child ID Program**



Some of the hardworking Crow Canyon Lodge members at our Child I.D. booth at the Castro Valley Fall Festival. (Bob, Jerry, David, Kurt, Perry, Bill & Robert)

#### **Masonic Family Corner**

#### Learn more about Masonic Youth Orders

#### DeMolay

An organization for young men between the ages of 12 and 21 who believe in a Supreme Being. Teaches leadership skills will focusing on 7 Cardinal Virtues: love of parents, reverence for sacred things, courtesy, comradeship, fidelity, cleaness & patriotism.

DeMolay International - <a href="https://www.demolay.org">www.demolay.org</a>
Northern California DeMolay - <a href="https://www.norcaldemolay.com">www.norcaldemolay.com</a>

#### Job's Daughters

Job's Daughters International- <a href="www.jobsdaughtersinternational.org">www.jobsdaughtersinternational.org</a> International Order of Job's Daughters, California - <a href="www.caiojd.org">www.caiojd.org</a>

#### Rainbow for Girls

Rainbow for Girls Supreme Assembly - <a href="https://www.gorainbow.org">www.gorainbow.org</a>
Rainbow for Girls California Grand Assembly - <a href="https://www.caiorg.org">www.caiorg.org</a>

Learn more at Masons4Youth.org







# 168th Annual Communication October 13-15, 2017 San Francisco

Three hundred years ago, foundations were laid that would inspire and unite generations of gentlemen - foundations that continue to be built upon today. Important as ever, the Annual Communication serves as a way to unite, both in spirit and purpose. It's an opportunity to learn to be a better leader for your lodge; to recognize the accomplishments of our peers; to salute the grand master and welcome the new one. It's a time to honor the bonds formed between brothers. But during this 300th year of Freemasonry, it's different. It's your once-in-a-lifetime chance to truly celebrate all of it-to reflect on the last 300 years as you look to the future. Make plans to join in the celebration today. Here's to year 301!

#### **Sunshine and Visiting**

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

Charles Hintz, Howard Marmor, Mark Casperson, 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 <u>email</u> Les Blake—Visiting Chairman 510.581.8497 <u>email</u>



Earl L. Krege, PM Entered in to Rest 88 years, 1 month and 7 Days September 2, 2017

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

#### 2017 Officers

Master — Alex Von Stade 510.483.9574 click to email

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**Junior Warden**—Alvaro Reynoso, P.M. 510.490.2192 / 510.364.7073 click to email

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**Jr. Steward**—Phillip Busch 510.566.7019 click to email

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#### **Inspector of the 317th Masonic District**

Fred L. Avery, P.M. 510.331.6719 click to email

#### 2017 Committees

#### **Appointments**

Executive Committee: Alex Von Stade, Robert Eckstein, Alvaro

Reynoso, Kurt Allen, Don Schauer

Masonic Charity: Three Principle Officers Sunshine: Ernie Nidick & Les Blake Masonic Hall Association: Pat Quinn Masonic Homes Endowment: Don Schauer

Membership Retention: Don Schauer & Alex Von Stade

Audit: Bob Pinkerton

Masonic Funeral: Kurt Allen, Bill Ferrell & All Officers

#### **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—Steve Kolden—510.409.6118 click to email

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

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9		$15 \ { m Grand}$ Lodge Communication			Sun
30	23	91	9	2	Mon
31	24 Hall Association - 7:00 PM	17	10 District Officers School of Instruction @ Pleasanton - 7:00 PM. Light meal 6:00 pm	sample 3 Officer's Meeting - 7:00 PM	Tue
	25	18	11	4	Wed
	26 Officer's Practice	19 Officer's Practice	12 Lodge DARK for Grand Lodge Communication	Stated Meeting Social 5:30 PM Dinner 6:15 PM Opening 7:30 PM	Thu
	27	20 Child ID @ Del Rey Elementary School, San Lorenzo - 9	$13 \ { m Grand\ Lodge\ Communication}$	6	Fri
	28 White Table Night - 5:30 PM Social / 6:00 PM Dinner	21	14 Grand Lodge Communication 300th Anniversary Gala @ Fairmont Hotel	7	Sat