

**Crow Canyon Lodge no. 551**  
**F&AM of California**  
 Chartered October 11, 1923  
 P.O. Box 2014  
 Castro Valley, CA 94546-0014

March 2011 Trestleboard  
 Volume 7, Issue 3

**Non-Profit Org**  
**US Postage PAID**  
**Hayward, CA**  
**Permit No. 484**

**Dated Material Enclosed**  
**Change Service Requested**



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**March 2011:**

3/3—Thursday—Stated Meeting / 5:30 Social / 6:30 Dinner/ 7:30 Opening—\$13/person—Lodge Sweethearts and prospective members are guests of the lodge—*St. Patty's Corn Beef & Cabbage*  
 3/6—Sunday—Masonic Family Karaoke and Game Night—6 PM  
 3/8—Tuesday—District Officers School of Instruction—Castro Valley Masonic Center—6:00 PM Free Dinner / 7:00 PM Opening—All Lodge Officers and Surveyors required—All Master Masons welcome.  
 3/10—Thursday—Officer's 2nd degree practice (Fellowcrafts and Master Masons welcome)—7:00 PM  
 3/17—Thursday—Second Degree—Bro. Allen and Bro. Juracich—7:00 PM  
 3/18—3/20—Secretary/Treasurer's Retreat  
 3/24—Thursday—Officer's practice or degree—7:00 PM  
 3/31—Family Potluck—6:00 PM—(A-H bring salad dish / I-N bring dessert / O-Z bring vegetable or casserole) - Lodge will provide Tri-Tip and Beverages.

**April 2011:**

4/7—Thursday—Stated Meeting / 5:30 Social / 6:30 Dinner/ 7:30 Opening—\$13/person—Lodge Sweethearts and prospective members are guests of the lodge—*Passover-Style Meal (Matzo Ball Soup, Brisket, etc.)*  
 4/12—Tuesday—District Officers School of Instruction—Island City Lodge (2312 Alameda Ave) — 6:00 PM Free Dinner / 7:00 PM Opening—All Lodge Officers and Surveyors required—All Master Masons welcome.  
 4/14—Thursday—Officer's practice or degree—7:00 PM  
 4/21—Thursday—Officer's practice or degree—7:00 PM  
 4/28—Thursday—6:00 Dinner / 7:00 PM Public Schools Night—Teacher's of the Year presentations with entertainment provided by Canyon Middle School Jazz Choir  
 4/29—5/1—Reno Trip (details inside)

---

*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*

Inside this issue:	
From the East	2
Reno Trip	2
From the West	3
From the South	3
From the Secretary	3
In Memoriam	3
3rd Degree Anniversaries	4
Contact Your Officers	4
Special Committees	4
Masonic Family Corner	4

## From the East



I am thrilled with the participation at our most recent events. We did a double-first degree on February 10th and we had six Entered Apprentices on the sidelines in the northeast corner of the Lodge. They came out not only to see their new brothers become members, but to practice their proficiencies. I believe these brothers will be moving forward very soon.

At last count the Crab Feed was veering toward outstanding success. We had more than 80 tickets sold by the Stated Meeting. I'm sure everyone who attended had a fantastic time. Nice job, Bro. Miller and the crew!

I'm am very grateful for the fantastic Super Bowl party that was thrown at the Oakland Scottish Rite. Thank you to the three lodges who sponsor the event each year. You are amazing.



If you received this Trestleboard early enough you still have time to sing and play with us at our first ever "Masonic Family Karaoke and Game Night." Sunday, March 6th at 6 pm.

Have you made your RENO reservations yet? This promises to be an incredible trip. See below for details.

Note: Plan Ahead! On the last page of the Trestleboard, I list the Committees for 2011. Also you

will see the planned calendar events and their Chairmen. Add the events to your personal calendar, now!

Finally, thanks to everyone who has been supporting our Stated Meeting Dinner, our Stated Meetings and our other events. This is YOUR lodge. It reflects who YOU are. And let me tell you one thing my dear brethren and ladies. YOU ARE ATTRACTIVE to new members and to veteran members. Because of who you are and what you DISPLAY, your attitude and your enthusiasm are AN ATTRACTING FORCE. This will be an exciting year as a membership continues to grow and develop. Thank you so much! It is a pleasure to serve you.

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

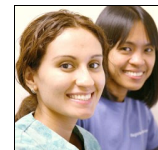
## Grand Master's Project 2010-11



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.

To donate mail your tax-deductible donations to: Grand Lodge of California, Attention: Denise Avila, 1111 California St., San Francisco, CA 94108. (please use the memo field to indicate "By Your Side" and your Lodge number or donate online at: <http://www.freemason.org/byyourside/donate.htm>

### Truth, Lies, and a Man Named Morgan

The 11th Annual California Masonic Symposium will explore the Morgan Affair: the alleged kidnaping of Captain William Morgan in 1826, which sparked an anti-Masonic movement in the U.S.

Learn about the fact and fiction surrounding the event, the public outcry that nearly wiped out Masonry in this country, and how the fraternity changed in the aftermath.



Presenters include

- Henry Wilson Coil Lecturer Mark A. Tabbert, Director of Collections, George Washington Masonic National Memorial and author of "American Freemasons: Three Centuries of Building Communities"
- R. Stephen Doan, Past Grand Master of Masons in California
- Art Weiss, President of the California Masonic Foundation

The Symposium will be held June 25 at the Pasadena Scottish Rite Masonic Center. Registration will be available in the coming months.

### Your Opinion Counts

Member forums held last spring were instrumental in shaping the fraternity's strategic plan for the next five years.

A key objective in our plan is to extend Masonic relief and significantly advance the field of care giving provided by Masonic Homes, the segment of the fraternity that has always provided care and services for the fraternal family.



The first step in planning is to identify needs. What support and services will help members and their families move through life's transitions, now and in the future? Help for aging parents, for your own aging needs, for troubled children?

Brothers and ladies are invited to help plan for future relief services at a member forum at the Masonic Home at Union City on either Wednesday, March 9 or Thursday, March 10. The evening will begin with a tour of the campus for those who have not visited the Masonic Home.

Masonic Home at Union City, 34400 Mission Blvd, Union City 94587 Park in the Acacia Creek structure

- 5:45pm – 6:25pm Tour campus (optional)
- 6:30pm – 7:30pm Forum (auditorium)
- 7:30pm Sample Dining Services specialties

Please **RSVP** to [mbrown@freemason.org](mailto:mbrown@freemason.org) by Friday, March 4. Let us know which night you will attend and if you will tour the campus.

**Join Us In RENO!**  
**April 29 - May 1st, 2011**  
*Just \$130/person double occupancy*  
**Includes Party Bus from Castro Valley, Two Nights Hotel, and more...**

Space is Limited! Please reserve your spot by sending a \$40/deposit/person to our Secretary, William Ferrell, by March 3rd, Stated Meeting. Balance (\$90/person) due by April 7th, Stated Meeting. Single occupancy available for just \$197/person. If you can't attend the Stated Meeting you may mail your deposit/balance to Crow Canyon Lodge, #551, P.O. Box 2014, Castro Valley, CA 94546-

## From the West

What is a Mason? He is a man who in his heart has been duly and truly prepared, has been found worthy and well qualified, and above all has been admitted to the Fraternity.



On February the 10th we had a double first degree and one thing I observed was that we had six enter apprentices on the sidelines. I will assumed that before the end of this year we will have at least six new Master Masons.

Masonry is a fraternity of builders and, like any crafts in the building trade, we never finish building. Sometimes we have to pass the task we couldn't finish to the next generation. Even King David of Israel, gave to the hands of his son, Solomon, the task he could not accomplish. So each generation gives to the next the continual work of building better Masons.

Let me finish by inviting all of you to participate on February the 24th for a second degree (Bro. Brian Ross). I hope to see more members in attendance so that they can aid the newly passed members to become better a Masons.

**Alvaro Reynosa (510) 490-2192 / (510) 364-7073**  
 alvaroreynoso@sbcglobal.net

## From the South

Attitude and friendliness are what some people call "people skills." These are skills needed for all professions in which one has to deal with other people. Even fighter pilots during the war had to land and communicate with those persons that maintained their aircrafts. In short we all need to practice those skills. Skills come from repeated situations in where we try to accomplish something. The all-American adage relating to this is "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again!" In our fraternity, whether as Blue Lodge members or members of an appendant or concordant body, it is important that we all go out of our way to make sure that others always feel welcome. So let us come to order and practice people-skills.



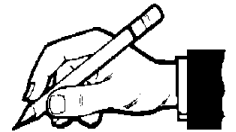
**Kjell Bomark-Noel (510) 325-6226**  
 bomark@sbcglobal.net

## Help Wanted

The Masonic Hall Association again finds themselves without a **Building Manager** and/or an **Events Coordinator**. If you would like to find out more about these openings, how they are compensated, and what is expected, please contact Bro. Kirk Allen at (925) 735-1233 kurtrallen@sbcglobal.net.

## From the Secretary's Desk

*All Things Proper to be Written*



We are looking for those of you who have completed 25 years in Masonry and haven't received a 25-year pin. If you are not sure if you qualify or you may have lost yours please let me know and I will see about getting one for you. A quick and easy way to get a pin is to see me at lodge and ask for one. You may also contact me at 510-886-2023 or E-mail to crowcanyon551@sbcglobal.net

Second notices will be sent to those who have not paid their annual dues. Please be aware that if a member is suspended for non-payment, they lose the "rights and benefits" of being a Mason. That includes the Masonic Homes and Masonic Outreach program that may assist you or your widow financially if the need arises. I think that paying dues is the best insurance that you and yours could get and you would be taken care of if the day of need ever comes. If one is suspended and re-establishes their membership, there will be a FIVE YEAR waiting period from the time you are re-established before those benefits are reinstated.

One of the main projects of Masonry in California is to do something to encourage and benefit public education and to make the public aware of our commitment that was established 90 years ago. Crow Canyon Lodge for the past 26 years has honored teachers with a "Masonic Teacher of the Year" program here in Castro Valley. This event is for you, your lady, your children and our public school educators. The evening begins with a FREE dinner at 6:00 o'clock P.M., PLEASE call for RESERVATIONS as we will be having non-Masonic guests. You may call either our Junior Warden or me at 510-886-2023. After dinner we will retire to the lodge room where we will be entertained by the young people from the school district, and then we honor two teachers with our "Masonic Teacher of the Year Awards". One teacher from primary and one from secondary education will be recognized. We have had as many as 60 teachers; School Board members and students attend this event. PLEASE help the lodge by attending, to show the Unified School District that we really care. Brother Eric Unti will be handing out "Support Public Schools Pins." Hope to see you on April 28, 2011.

**Bill Ferrell, PM—Secretary—(510) 886-2023**  
 crowcanyon551@sbcglobal.net

# In Memoriam

Charles Ernest Weatherton Entered into Rest	80 years, 1 month and 7 days January 19, 2011
Jack La Lanne days Entered into Rest	96 years, 3 months and 27 January 23, 2011
Murle Doyal Kemp Entered into Rest	72 years, 4 months and 9 days February 10, 2011

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



### 3rd Degree Anniversaries

Adams Jr., George [PM] (49) ; Albritton, Robert [PM] (34) ; Allen, Jack (22) ; Alston, Gilbert (41) ; Amaral, Gabriel [PM] (24) ; Bomark-noel, Kjell (35) ; Christopher, Robert (57) ; Ellis, Howard (6) ; Fabel, Robert (28) ; Forest, Anthony (53) ; Frisvold, Gary (41) ; Hallmeyer, Wesley (61) ; Hempel, Edmund (52) ; Hudson, Robert [PM] (43) ; Korr, Irving (54) ; Lassle, Harold (22) ; Leavitt, Leonard (36) ; Martens, Billy [PM] (28) ; Martin, Tony (69) ; Mason, Jeffrey (26) ; Matraia Jr., Edward [PM] (38) ; Morrison, Brandon (4) ; Murphy, Chester (37) ; Parry, David [PM] (50) ; Reisfelt, Leonard (62) ; Robinson, Thomas (44) ; Salmon Jr., Wilfred (31) ; Schauer, Daniel (6) ; Tangen, Craig (38) ; Toltschin Jr., Rex (43) ; Wharton, Walter (48) ; Whitting, David (27)

### 2011 Officers

**Master—Ron S. Katz, P.M.**  
(Jennifer)(510) 783-3112 / (510) 375-3137 rstephen94545@yahoo.com

**Senior Warden—Alvaro R. Reynoso, P.M.**  
(Cruz)(510) 490-2192 / (510) 364-7073 alvaroreynoso@sbcglobal.net

**Junior Warden—Kjell Bomark-Noel**  
(510) 325-6226 bomark@sbcglobal.net

**Treasurer—Brain A. Katz**  
(Michelle Darrow) (510) 375-3132 djbriss@yahoo.com

**Secretary—William M. Ferrell, P.M., H.A.**  
(Kathy)(510) 886-2023 CrowCanyon551@sbcglobal.net

**Chaplain—Roy Nelson, H.A.**  
(510) 351-2892

**Marshal—Eugene Moore, Jr.**  
(510) 783-8576

**Senior Deacon—Charles Hintz**  
(Hisako) (510) 351-8709 / (510) 885-2788 chasinca@yahoo.com

**Junior Deacon—Surveyors**

**Sr. Steward—Surveyors**

**Jr. Steward—Surveyors**

#### Surveyors

Phil Busch (Theresa)(925)292-8018 teresa.busch@kp.org  
Kay Dunn (Peggy)(510) 537-9407 kaydunn@comcast.net  
Mark Parinas (Isobell)(510) 387-6144/(510) 538-8232 mark@parinashouse.com  
Arnold Weinstein (Shelley)(925) 275-9217 weinst01@sbcglobal.net  
Mark Warzyniak (Lisa)(925) 361-0392 markwarzyniak@comcast.net

**Tiler—Brandon Morrison**  
(510) 538-1113 uchicagozodi@gmail.com

**Officer's Coach—Kurt R. Allen, P.M., H.A.**  
(Donna) (925) 735-1233 kurtrallen@sbcglobal.net

**Candidate Coaches**  
Charles Hintz—San Leandro-Oakland—(510) 351-8709 / (510) 885-2788  
Mark Warzyniak—Dublin-San Ramon-Livermore—(925) 361-0392  
Brian Katz—Walnut Creek-Concord—(510) 375-3132  
Ron Katz—Fremont-Hayward-Castro Valley—(510) 375-3137

**Inspector of the 319th Masonic District**  
Jeff Wilkins, PM  
(925) 443-9991 / © (510) 299-0736  
teamwilkins@att.net / Jeffrey.wilkins@lamresearch.com

### Sunshine and Visiting

*If you know of an ailing brother or Masonic widow 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 (10/15)**—Rod Hamilton, Kanti Patel, George Christensen, Howard Marmar
- **Constitutional Observance (9/15)**—Eugene Moore, Ernie Nidick
- **Feast of Saints John (6/23)** – Kjell Bomark-Noel, Charles Hintz
- **Kid's ID (5/14-15, 9/10-11)**—Roy Nelson, Roy Tamez, Sammy Tamez
- **Masonic Family Game / Karaoke Night (3/6)**—Jack Allen, Phil Busch, Bill Ferrell, Ron Katz, Pat Quinn
- **Public Schools (4/28)**—Eric Unti— (510) 537-1530/erunti@earthlink.net
- **Reno Trip (4/29-5/1)**—Ron Katz, Jennifer Katz
- **Strawberry Feed (7/24)**—Ernie Nidick, Mark Parinas, Gerald Woergoerter
- **Sweethearts Brunch/Theatre (5/22)**—Phillip Busch—(925)292-8018/teresa.busch@kp.org
- **Visitation to Carmel (10/28-30)**—Kurt Allen, Lyman Penning (650) 967-0699 mrpenning@sbcglobal.net

#### Masonic Family

- **Castro Valley DeMolay**—Patrick Quinn—510-755-7891/pdqquinn@sbcglobal.net
- **Unity Assembly No. 65, Rainbow for Girls**—Georgia Sommers—(510) 828-3835 sommer-time50@hotmail.com
- **Jobs Daughters Hayward No. 261**—Jennifer Katz—(510) 375-3138/jenniferkatz94545@yahoo.com
- **Jobs Daughters Dublin No. 1**—Denise Jow—(510) 352-4292 deejow@att.net
- **Eastern Star, Lake Chabot Chapter**—Sarah Busch—(925)292-8018 teresa.busch@kp.org

Monthly Trestleboard of Crow Canyon Lodge No. 551

Free and Accepted Masons

P.O. Box 2014, Castro Valley, CA 94546-0014

(510) 247-0725 (lobby, kitchen)

Editor: Ron Katz—Email: rstephen94545@yahoo.com

Home: (510) 783-3112 Cell: (510) 375-3137

Please call ahead and confirm times and dates.

**To Reserve the Lodge call (510) 247-0725**

E-Mail Address. [Crowcanyon551@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Crowcanyon551@sbcglobal.net)

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

### Masonic Family Corner

**Castro Valley DeMolay**—Thank you for your support of our recent candy sale. March is DeMolay Month. We will be doing various activities reflecting our Cardinal Virtues. Please join us on March 21st at 6 PM for our Senior DeMolay recognition night. Also, we will be having a Car Wash at your April Stated Meeting (if the weather holds). Please bring extra money and your dirtiest cars. Remember, DeMolay is open to any young man of good character who is between 12 and 21 years old.

**Hayward Jobs Daughters**—Miss Erica Starr, a PHQ of our Bethel is the Grand Bethel Honored Queen for California. Her reception will be March 19th at 7 PM at the Burlingame Masonic Center, 145 Park Road. We hope you can attend.