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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 2009:

- 11/05: Thursday, November Stated Meeting, 5:30 pm Social, 6:15 pm Dinner, 7:30 pm Opening. \$13/person, widows and guests are free. Election of Officers
- 11/10: Tuesday, School of Instruction at Crow Canyon Lodge at 7:00 pm. Installation Ritual.
- 11/12: Thursday, Ritual Practice as needed, 7:00 pm.
- 11/14: Saturday, Day at the Races at Golden Gate Fields, 12:00 pm Turf Club Seating and Full Buffet Dining. 25 tickets are available.
- 11/19: Thursday, Ritual Practice as needed, 7:00 pm.
- 11/26: Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, No Ritual Practice.

December 2009:

- 12/03: Thursday, December Stated Meeting, 5:30 pm Social, 6:15 pm Dinner, 7:30 pm Opening. \$13/person, widows and guests are free.
- 12/05: Saturday, Installation Ceremony, 1:00 pm, Reception and Dinner Following
- 12/10: Thursday, To Be Announced
- 12/13: Sunday, Children's Christmas Party, Noon
- 12/17: Thursday, To Be Announced
- 12/24: Thursday, DARK—Christmas Eve
- 12/31: Thursday, DARK—New Years Eve

Castro Valley DeMolay meets 1st & 3rd Monday (7:30 PM)
Unity Rainbow meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday (7:00 PM)
Eastern Star meets 1st & 3rd Friday (8:00 PM)
Jobs Daughters Hayward meets 1st & 3rd Monday (7:00 PM) @ Acacia Lodge
Jobs Daughters Dublin meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday (7:00 PM) @ John Knox Church

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From the East

Brethren,

The last event of my Master's year is the Lodge Day at the Races at Golden Gate Fields in Albany on November 14. This day is the season closer for Golden Gate Fields, and besides a full race card that day, they have planned for wiener dog (dachshund) races and free wall clock give-away. This package includes Turf Club admission, Full Banquet Luncheon, Valet parking, and contests. There are 15 tickets yet to be given out, so if you want to attend, call me at 925-998-6603 ASAP. The tickets are \$27 each, and your checks will be returned to you when you arrive on race day, making the event free to you.



We have enjoyed a good year together raising Brothers Parinas, Moore, Warzyniak, and Prosser; doing much of the work in raising a Mt View-De Anza brother at Visitation; and conferring degrees upon Brother Carter. Our Senior Officers attended or were excused at all School of Instructions. A good number of us attended this year's Annual Communication in San Francisco.

We provided pot luck dinners on monthly fifth Thursdays. We had the following events: an Installation Ceremony with a great singer which was attended by about 130 people, delicious Crab Feed Dinner, Pizza Night, DeMolay Degrees Day in My Honor, Teacher of the Year Award Night, Sweethearts Dinner and Show, Hiram Award Presentation for Brother Mickey Benko, Strawberry Feed at the Masonic Home, several 50-Year Pin Awards, "Your American Freedoms: Protect Them or Lose Them" Presentation by Fred La-Cosse, Child ID Booth at the Castro Valley Fall Festival, memorable and remarkable Joint Visitation at Eureka Lodge in Auburn, and a Day at the Races at Golden Gate Fields in Albany.

We improved our lodge building with new carpeting, makeover of the restrooms, and repair of our light fixtures. Our Temple Board became very active and several improvements were made.

It was a very full and exciting year indeed. Brother Roy Tamez' Installation as Master will take place on Saturday December 5, and I wish him much success in the ensuing Masonic year.

Gordon "Bud" Warder—Master - (925) 998-6603 bud@kioskamerica.com

From the West

Brethren and Ladies,

We all have enjoyed a wonderful year and it will soon come to an end. Next year, I will become Master and have started to plan out our future events. When I come to you and ask you for help, don't be alarmed. I was told by my father that "one of us is not as smart as all of us." So if you have an idea for a future event, let me know; I'm sure we can fit it in.

I have a few surprises for next year also and hope that they will be well received. My plan is to **thrive not just survive**. A special thanks to all who have come forward to help next year. You get out of Masonry what you put in (multiplied about 100 times). However, "if you put in nuthin' you still get nuthin." That is as basic as math can be. So show up and participate. No matter how my day has been, when I come to lodge I feel wanted, and even more so, needed. It is a feeling I can not describe—the happiness and joy just bubble forth.

To that end, remember one and all, we have made a difference, we have left this place just a little better, When you come to lodge again, make sure and say "Hello" to everyone you meet.

As always, if there is anything I can do for you, just call.

Fraternally, Roy Tamez, P.M. H.A.—(510) 537-1077



From The South

It has been a great year, serving as your Junior Warden. I am proud of the lodge members who are working with me, both in the line and out of it. I am pleased at the enthusiasm of some of our newer members and hope some of you lodge veterans will show up to lodge and let some of their energy rub off on you.

I hope you will support Wor. Roy Tamez as he ascends the steps to the Oriental Chair for the third time. Your officers will need all the help we can get to ensure that your lodge continues to thrive.

DeMolay's Installation of Officers will be on November 7th at 7PM. Levi Weinstein, the son of our current Senior Steward will be installed as the new Master Councilor. Please come and support the members and the Weinstein family as they embark on this new adventure.

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Masonic Youth Corner

Unity Rainbow

E-Waste - Saturday, October 24, at the Crow Canyon Masonic Center. Please bring us your old computer equipment and electronics to be recycled . . . and support your Rainbow Girls.

Castro Valley DeMolay

Please join us on November 7th at 7PM for our Installation of Officers. Elected officers include: Levi Weinstein, Master Councilor; Dan Gelman, Senior Councilor; Tristan Hance, Junior Councilor; and Sweetheart, Miss Sarah Dutchover. Sarah is an active member of Unity #65, IORG.

Hayward Jobs Daughters

Please join us on December 11, 6 PM for our Winter Dinner-Dance. The dinner is just \$6/person and includes chicken, potatoes, vegetables and dessert. The dance begins at 8 PM. We will be holding it at the Castro Valley Masonic Center.

Ladies and Friends

Play "White ELEPHANT" BINGO

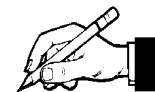
First Thursday of EACH MONTH During STATED MEETING

No cost to enter, just bring a white elephant gift worth \$10 or less

Call Sherry Hansen for details
 (510) 537-0109

From the Secretary's Desk

All Things Proper To Be Written



Brethren. This year, as many, has passed quickly. Your Lodge is alive and well! What would make this Lodge stronger is for you to attend one or two meetings a year. We do have degrees scheduled and having you, as a sidliner would make all the difference in the world. It is dues time. Look for the notice in the mail. If you don't get a dues bill by December 1, 2009, call or write or E-mail me at crowcanyon551@sbcglobal.net. Dues are required to be paid by December 31, 2009 or you will be considered delinquent on January 1, 2010. DUES are \$73.00. By the way the billing is a courtesy. The CMC does not require the lodge to send a dues statement. Also, this is the time of the year that finances become short. If you cannot afford the \$73.00, please let me or the Lodge Master know. If you do not keep your dues current you may be in jeopardy of being suspended. Now this is difficult for me to write. Some members decide that if they don't pay dues the lodge will just drop them. This is not the case in the Masonic Fraternity. The first year a member's per capita tax is paid by the lodge to Grand Lodge, this year it is \$33.00. My Brother if you do not want to keep your membership, and are not concerned about the benefits that the fraternity offers, such as the Masonic Outreach program or the Masonic Homes. PLEASE let me know. If you just decide to not tell anyone and just let your membership "drop", the process of suspending you cost the lodge nearly \$50.00 in expenses. We do not want to lose you by any means, but I will issue you a demit if you want to quit. Again, if you can not afford the dues you may have your dues remitted and no one know but you and this secretary. If you are suspended, your name is read in open lodge, because it is required for me to do that and all in attendance will know who didn't pay their dues.

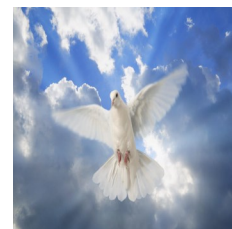
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In Memoriam

Donald Anker Laursen, Sr. 77 years, 6 months and 17 days
 Entered into Rest October 9, 2009

*Almighty Father,
 Great Architect
 of the Universe,*

*Into they hands we commend
 the souls of our dear departed
 brethren*



3rd Degree Anniversaries

OCTOBER Bain, William John (53) ; Baratto, Dave Louis (14) ; Bishop, Charles Wallace [PM] (56) ; Bookman, Barry Lewis (20) ; Brooke, Harold Robert [PM] (47) ; Brunnchorst, Brian R. (10) ; Brunnchorst, David P. (10) ; Busch, Phillip Martin (2) ; Cuthbert, Talbot Scott (21) ; Egelston, Roderick Keith (31) ; Fiddes, Terry (58) ; Gabriel, Robert Martin (38) ; Haines, Carson Burnell [PM] (38) ; Hansen, Robert Carl [PM] (30) ; Hardesty, John Franklin (34) ; Hicks, Charles Franklin Sr. [PM] (25) ; Hintz, Charles Ray [PM] (10) ; Hintz, Warren Glenn (46) ; Huckins, Melvin Roy (50) ; Jensen, David Stanley (11) ; Johnson, Charles Aldon (40) ; Kavert, David Laro (40) ; Keihner, Richard George (31) ; Kolsch, Gordon (41) ; Kresge, John Robert [PM] (49) ; Lane, Glen William (41) ; Langton, Royle Monroe (55) ; Leiber, Paul Henry Jr. (55) ; Lobree, Bruce Alan (27) ; Mc Evers, Donald Courtney (54) ; Meier, Paul Gerst [PM] (48) ; Miller, Henry Earl Sr. [PM] (40) ; Mutnick, Bertram Zachary (60) ; Nilson, Martin Norman Jr. (43) ; Penning, Lyman Chester [PM] (35) ; Porter, Russell Lee (45) ; Price, Walter Elwood (20) ; Proffitt, Edward Earl [PM] (55) ; Prosser, Rowell Page (0) ; Rafalski, Ned Edward (27) ; Reynolds, Dale Arnold (27) ; Roberts, Donald Russell (49) ; Romero, Ronald Henry (22) ; Rowe, Thomas Arthur (48) ; Saks, Robert Edwin (57) ; Schulz, Raymond Andrew (23) ; Seutter, Elmer Paul (41) ; Sonnichsen, David Eugene (64) ; Stephenson, William Thomas (43) ; Stevenson, David Allen (42) ; Strain, William Estell (54) ; Suokko, Leonard Walter (50) ; Tague, Gene De Martyn Jr. (22) ; Thomas, Richard Marshall (30) ; Unti, Eric James (2) ; Wagner, Robert James (31) ; Weinstein, Arnold Mitchell (3) ; West, Alan Douglas [PM] (22) ; York, Jack Madison (63)

NOVEMBER Allen, Stevan Wayne (26) ; Benatar, Gerald Joseph (45) ; Blisard, William Stafford (49) ; Burgard, Richard Anton (50) ; Carrigan, Jack Benton (49) ; Chambers, Claude Lester (48) ; Clare, Joseph Marcus (50) ; Clark, Douglas Walter Jr. (61) ; Clendenen, Donald Jr. [PM] (17) ; Conkel, Lloyd James (49) ; Craven, Ronald (52) ; Davis, Elwood Alton (40) ; Dunn, Kay Cooper (6) ; Dvorkin, Craig Stuart (23) ; Eddy, Robert Eric Jr. (63) ; Fawcett, Floyd Leon (20) ; Gettler, Marvin Don [PM] (41) ; Gonzales, Charles Trujillo (30) ; Goss, Walter Walker (52) ; Harris, Travis P. [PM] (51) ; Hess, George Albert (60) ; Horwitz, Morris (64) ; Kolden, Steven (25) ; Maxwell, Richard Dylan (26) ; Mc Kay, Douglas Cyril (36) ; Mitchell, Frank (33) ; Morey, Floyd (24) ; Murray, Milton (52) ; Newton, William Charles (51) ; Nieman, Walter Henry Jr. (55) ; Oliver, Earl Leslie (47) ; Peck, Leland Eldon (59) ; Pedroni, Joseph Lewis Jr. (46) ; Polse, Ronald Allen (52) ; Reynoso, Alvaro Rodriguez [PM] (13) ; Rubin, Harold Phillip (54) ; Simens, Mark Fredrick (25) ; Stevko, Martin Jr. (54) ; Tellardin, Bruce Wayne (28) ; Wagle, Robert Allan (34) ; Werner, Robert G. [PM] (17) ; Yeffa, Leslie Arnold (47)

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

We need a brother to step forward to chair this committee. —Bill Ferrell (510)886-2023

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