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



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## Calendar of Events

### AUGUST

- 08/01 - Wednesday - Officer's Meeting 7:00 PM
- 08/02 - Thursday - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM
- 08/09 - Thursday - 1st Degree Practice - 7:00 PM
- 08/11 - Saturday - Rod & Gun Club - 10:00 AM
- 08/16 - Thursday - Hiram Award - Bro. Les Blake - 6:00 PM
- 08/23 - Thursday - 1st Degree - Mr. Tramaine Ellison - 7:00 PM
- 08/28 - Tuesday - Hall Association 6:30 PM
- 08/30 - Thursday - Masonic Family Potluck - 6:00 PM (A-K" bringing a cold dish, "L-T" Deserts, and "U-Z will be Hot Meals)

### SEPTEMBER

- 09/05 - Wednesday - Officer's Meeting 7:00 PM
- 09/06 - Thursday - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM
- 09/08 - Saturday - Castro Valley Fall Festival Child ID - Volunteers needed. No experience necessary. - 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM / Rod & Gun Club - 10:00 AM.
- 09/09 - Sunday - Fall Festival Child ID - 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
- 09/11 - Tuesday - DOSI - Mosaic Lodge Livermore - 7:00 PM
- 09/13 - Thursday - Degree or Practice (TBD)
- 09/15 - Saturday - Lodge Picnic @ Golden Gate Live Steamers - Noon
- 09/20 - Thursday - Degree or Practice (TBD)
- 09/27 - Thursday - Past Master's / Role Call Night - All Masons Invited - 7:00 PM

## Appendant and Concordant Bodies

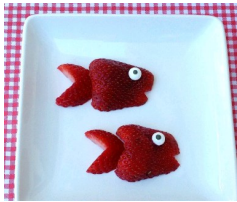
- ◆ San Lorenzo Chapter Eastern Star No. 103 meets @ CVMC 2nd & 4th Monday (8:00 PM)
- ◆ Alchor White Shrine meets @ CVMC 2nd & 4th Friday (7:00 PM)
- ◆ Castro Valley DeMolay meets @ CVMC 1st & 3rd Monday (7:30 PM)
- ◆ Unity Assembly Rainbow No. 65 meets @ CVMC 1st & 3rd Tuesday (7:00 PM)
- ◆ Jobs Daughters 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 Robert Eckstein, PM—Master

Brethren:

August was named in honor of Augustus Caesar. It has 31 days because Augustus wanted as many days as Julius Caesar's month of July had.



I hope everyone had a good July while the Lodge was dark. However the Lodge had two very successful events. The Sportsman's Club enjoyed a deep sea ocean fishing trip where everyone on the boat caught the legal limit. Then Wor. Ron Katz led the Lodge in a fun Strawberry Feed at

the Masonic Home. It is always good visiting with our brothers and their spouses while enjoying strawberry shortcake.

We are busy again this month where we begin with .

- Les Blake's Hiram Award dinner and presentation on the 16th. Reservations required.
- The following week, on August 23rd, Mr. Tramaine Ellison will receive his 1st Degree . Lite dinner at 6:15 and Lodge opens at 7PM. Our Jr. Warden, Paul Rodriguez-O'Brian, will be in the East.
- The last Thursday we will enjoy a Potluck.

In September the Lodge will be honoring our cooks by preparing them, and everyone else, a steak dinner. As this will be a single serving meal reservations are REQUIRED. We have in the past had a number of brothers arrive for dinner who did not make a reservation. This caused us to cut portions from others meals to accommodate these walk-ins. This will not be possible at September's Stated Meeting.



For every Stated Meeting dinner please call our Secretary or Jr. Warden to place your name on the dinner list.

## From the West

By the Editor

We are really lucky to have the lodge leadership who has stepped forward to fill the chairs in the lodge. The task is not always easy. Sometimes, no matter how great your intentions, brothers have been unable to meet all of the qualifications for the Station. Even for a Past Master, the memories of what it took to hold a Station and the current expectations might be surprisingly distant. Brother Kao stepped up when no one else would and the lodge should be grateful for his willingness to serve.

## From the South

By Paul Rodriguez-Obrien—Junior Warden



I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable July with friends, family, and loved ones. It's been a warm summer so far, which possibly means firing-up that rusty BBQ, traveling throughout the states, or going to see a movie just to get into an air-conditioned building.

On August 16th, we will be honored to present the Hiram Award for Les Blake AKA: VDP (Valued Dough Puncher), from 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM. Please plan on attending to show your support and appreciation for all the tireless work he does for his Masonic family and the lodge. Remember to RSVP early as this will be a popular event.

Rounding off the month of August will be the Potluck Dinner on the 30th. This has been a fun and well attended gathering in the past, bringing together our extended families, as we all enjoy each-other's favorite creations. Last name assignments for this particular dinner will be "A-K" bringing a cold dish, "L-T" Deserts, and "U-Z will be Hot Meals. The Lodge will provide as well. Hope to see you there!

Now for a twist: The Officers will be cooking the September Stated Dinner for the lodge to show our appreciation to Roy's hard working crew. So sit back, ignore the smoke, be patient, and pretend it all worked out smoothly.

An update on the 'Rod and Gun Club':



The 'Deep Sea Fishing trip' on July 15th was a big success with 16 people casting their lines for Rock-Cod. Everyone filled their daily limits, and all enjoyed friendly competitions throughout the day. This will definitely be an event to repeat. If you would like to attend this type of event, just let me or Phil Busch know at the next 'Rod and Gun Club' meeting on Saturday August 11th.

The Hunter Safety course on June 9-10th was unfortunately cancelled at the last minute due to the instructor needing to undergo a medical procedure along with the associated recovery time. However, we will offer this course again in several months.

In closing, my Brothers, remember that a good meal sits even better when you give it time to rest, so stay for the Stated Meeting to support your elected officers in exemplifying ritual and conducting the business of our lodge.

*"The secret of Masonry, like the secret of life, can be known only by those who seek it, serve it, live it. It cannot be uttered; it can only be felt and acted. It is, in fact, an open secret, and each man knows it according to his quest and capacity." - William Howard Taft.*

## From the Secretary's Table

By Don Schauer, Sr., H.A.

The financial report for the period January 1st to June 30th will be read at our August stated meeting. It should be noted that there are still 20 members who have not paid the 2018 dues. The dues for 2018 are \$60.00 per year the Grand Lodge tax is \$49.00 for 2018 for a total of \$109.00 The lodge must pay to the Grand Lodge \$49.00 for each of the 20 members who have not paid. This amounts to a \$980.00 loss to the lodge. Please brethren, check your dues receipt and if it is expired on December 31, 2017 send a check to the Secretary made out to Crow Canyon Lodge 551. We had to suspend a few of our members at the June Stated Meeting for non-payment of dues. We do not want to repeat that next June.

Our membership as of this writing is 293. We have 21 Entered Apprentice 6 Fellowcrafts and 266 Master Masons of which the lodge remits 35 of it's member's dues. We have 64 Life Members for a total of 99 members who are not required to pay dues. That leaves the remaining just 194 members to pay all our bills.

We wish to welcome two new members who will receive their first degrees in August: Mr. Nickolas Nelson and Mr. Tramaine Ellison. Come to lodge and witness the wonderful job that your officers do. We have a lot going on for the rest of the year. Only four months to do all our work. I am looking forward to seeing you in lodge for those remaining four months, then installation of Officers.

I hope to see you at the August dinner and Stated Meeting.

# 50 Years A Mason



Wor. Leonard Ambrose receives his 50 Year Pin and Certificate with his family.



## 3rd Degree Anniversaries

*The following brethren were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in the months of August*

Henry Andreotti (28)	Daniel Lee (5)
Ronald Baker (49)	Gordon Mac Donald (12)
Michael Barnhart (16)	Theodore Moehnke (55)
Mickey Benko [PM] (29)	Donnald Moring [PM] (33)
William Biddell (55)	Benjamin Newmarker (53)
Lester Bridge (57)	Kanti Patel (33)
Charles Daniels (37)	Patrick Quinn (8)
Douglas Ferreira (35)	William Quintel (39)
John Fischer (13)	J Rafisura (2)
Ace Gilbert (41)	Corbit Ray (29)
Roger Glancy (6)	Lynn Reed (40)
Stanley Gresick Jr. (66)	Steven Stark (37)
John Groff [PM] (45)	Alexander Von Stade II [PM] (6)
Jorge Hernandez (4)	Ruben Vossekui (38)
John Hinkley (51)	William Warnecke (41)
Roberto Holguin Jr. (4)	Vinson White (59)
Brian Katz (12)	Richard Wilkinson (5)
Robert Keller (56)	Earl Woodson (22)



## August Birthdays

William Quintel (08/01)	Gregory Cooper (08/18)
Joseph Ilmberger (08/04)	Howard Ellis (08/18)
Edgar O'Hara (08/04)	Lyman Penning (08/18)
Craig Tangen (08/06)	Paul Leiber Jr.(08/19)
Scott West (08/06)	Donald Johnson (08/21)
Stanley Gresick Jr.(08/07)	Theodore Santel (08/21)
Edwin Ramilo (08/07)	Harold Brooke (08/23)
Dale Reynolds (08/07)	Chris Bokamper (08/24)
John Kralovansky (08/10)	Royle Langton (08/25)
Howard Roberts (08/10)	Danny Mrdja (08/25)
Gordon Mac Donald (08/12)	Bruce Lobree (08/30)
Kay Dunn (08/13)	Corbit Ray (08/30)
Peter Dinos (08/15)	Norman Shrader (08/30)
Le Roy Swanson (08/17)	Carson Haines (08/31)

## Baseball Time Again!

Dust off those gloves and get ready to knock one out of the park for your team: The 2018 Masons4Mitts season is now underway!

California Masons are once again stepping up to the plate in support of local kids. Every \$20 gift puts a high-quality leather baseball mitt – embossed with the Masons of California logo – into the hands of a child in need.

**MASONS  
4  
MITTS**

**BUY  
TICKETS  
NOW**

**Get Tickets & Join the Fun in San Francisco**  
September 25 at 7:15 p.m.  
San Francisco Giants vs. San Diego Padres

\$15 - \$20 - \$40



## Strawberry Feed @ the Masonic Home 2018



The Strawberry Feed on July 22 was well supported by our lodge family, and well attended by the home residents. Thank you Wors. Eckstein, Allen, Katz & Penning, Brothers Paul (& his special lady), Chris (& Fern), Phil, Perry, Mick, Anthony & Pat, and Wynn, Jennifer, Liz, & Tommy. A special shout out to our Masonic Home Host & Hostesses. The lodge members and the home residents look forward to this event each year. Will you join us in Union City next year?



### Crow Canyon Lodge Shirts

**Now Available for Order**

*Any color, Any size, up to XXL*

#### PRICING

Our Sr. Steward will have a signup sheet at Stated Meeting or contact our Secretary.

Small to XL	\$22.00
XXL to XXXL	\$23.10
Add your name	Add \$5.50

## Sunshine and Visiting

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



Mark Caspersen, Charles Hintz, Howard Marmor, George Christensen, 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 [click to email](#)  
Les Blake—Visiting Chairman 510.581.8497 [click to email](#)

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## 2018 Committees

### 2018 Appointments

**Charity Committee:** Master and Wardens

**Child ID:** David Allen, and Perry Klahr

**Crab Feed:** Don Schauer and Roy Tamez, PM

**Executive Committee:** Robert Eckstein, PM, Paul Rodriguez, Brian Ross, Kurt Allen, PM, and Don Schauer

**Hiram Award Selection:** HA Committee (All HA recipients)

**Lodge App:** Robert Eckstein, PM

**Masonic Education:**

**Masonic Funeral:** Kurt Allen, PM, Bill Ferrell, PM

**Masonic Hall Association:** Pat Quinn

**Masonic Homes Endowment:** Don Schauer

**Masons for Mitts:** Kurt Allen, PM

**Membership Retention:** Don Schauer & Robert B. Eckstein, PM

**Picnic:** Don Schauer and Roy Tamez, PM

**Printing and Mailings:** Don Schauer

**Strawberry Feed:** Ron Katz, PM and Perry Klahr

**Sunshine:** Ernie Nidick & Les Blake

**Sweethearts Committee:** Glenn Sears, Guy Phillips, Perry Klahr

**Visitation / Traveling Degree :** Kurt & Wynn Allen, and Don Schauer

**Website and Trestleboard:** Ron Katz, PM

**White Table Night:** J Rafisura

### Masonic Youth Orders

Castro Valley DeMolay—Steve Kolden—510.409.6118 [click to email](#)

Unity Assembly No. 65, Rainbow for Girls—Helen J. Zidek [click to email](#)

Jobs Daughters Hayward No. 261—Laurel M. 559.696.0746 [click to email](#)

Jobs Daughters Dublin No. 1—Jessica Keene 510.755.6312 [click to email](#)

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### To Reserve the Building

*Sorry the building is not currently available for rental.*

# Crow Canyon Lodge #551

## August 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Stated Meeting Social 5:30 PM Dinner 6:15 PM Opening 7:30 PM	3	4
5	6	7 District Officers' School of Instruction - DARK	8	9 1st Degree Practice - 7:00 PM	10	11 Rod & Gun Club - 10 AM
12	13	14	15	16 Hiram Award - Bro. Les Blake - 6:00 PM with din- ner (RSVP to Secretary)	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 1st Degree - Mr. Tremaine Elison - 7:00 PM	24	25
26	27	28 Hall Association - 6:30 PM	29	30 Masonic Family Potluck - 6:00 PM		