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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October

- 10/22—Wednesday—Second Degree Conferral—Bro. Mark Parinas—7 PM
- 10/23—Thursday—Line Officer's Meeting—7 PM
- 10/26—Sunday—Hayward Bethel Spook-etti Dinner, \$6/person @ B Street Lodge. Canned Food Drive!
- 10/30—Thursday—Crow Canyon Lodge, Family Potluck BBQ—Social 5:30 / Dinner 6:30 PM


November

- 11/1—Saturday—Crow Canyon Lodge *Day at the Races*—Bay Meadows—12 noon
- 11/5—Wednesday—Practice 1st Degree—7 PM
- 11/6—Thursday—Stated Meeting (5:30 Social / 6:30 Dinner / 7:30 Opening) - FOOD DRIVE!
- 11/8—Saturday—Castro Valley DeMolay, Installation of Officers—7:30 PM
- 11/13—Thursday—Practice 1st Degree—7 PM
- 11/14—Friday—Castro Valley DeMolay, Thanksgiving Dinner/Dance and Food Drive for Alameda County Food Bank—6:30 PM—Presale tickets available now—510-375-3137
- 11/20—Thursday—First Degree Conferral—7 PM
- 11/25—Thursday—THANKSGIVING—No Practice

December (preview)

- 12/4—Thursday—Stated Meeting (5:30 Social / 6:30 Dinner / 7:30 Opening) - *Bring extra money for Hayward Bethel Bake Sale*
- 12/7—Sunday—Children's Xmas Party / Food / Fun / Live Entertainment and visit by Santa—11 AM
- 12/13—Saturday—Crow Canyon Lodge Installation of Officers—2 PM / Dinner to follow, reservations required.

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- 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

Some days you just don't know what to say and maybe you should say nothing at all. The month of November has just jetted in from a vacation a year ago. There are jet afterburner tracks in the sky and on the ground it has arrived so quickly. Where does time go?



For those of you who have not heard, Brother Paul Tamez has resigned from his chair as Jr. Warden and "Uncle Roy" has stepped in to fill his spot for the remainder of the year. Bro. Kurt Allen will most likely be appointed officer's coach for our lodge.

We all will miss Brother Paul. He always wore his heart his shirt sleeve; He loved us all. He was an asset to this lodge and we thank him for all of his effort.

We will confer a first degree on November 20th and we would love to see you all here as sideliners.

I wish to heartedly thank Earl Woodson for jumping in and helping with degrees and practices and sitting as Jr. Deacon, you are truly what Masonry is about.

My year is coming to a close rather rapidly and I look forward to being on the sidelines as Jr. Past Master and just helping where you need it. What fun this has been, thank you all.

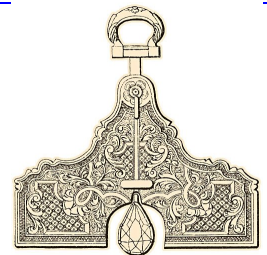
Fraternally,

From the Oriental Chair

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From the West

Brethren, can you imagine what this year would have been like without the help of Fred as our Master; and Roy T, Kurt, Ron, Alvaro, Bill, Roy N, Earl, Gary, Arnie, Robert L, Bob H, Gerald, and Jack, who give so freely of their time and efforts. They have made it possible for us to have a viable officer line, capable of conferring degrees that receive praise. Did I mention the fun we have had in practices? We are truly goof-balls, who have a great time together, and our camaraderie is clear to visitors and inspectors. We do get serious though, and can confer some good ritual. They are brethren, par-excellence.



As for next year, we should do well. A final slate of officers is being worked on, and we will have brothers in every chair. Voting for officers will take place at our November 6th Stated. See you there.

Thanks also to Charlie, John, Gary, Pete, Henry, and Phil, without whom we would have Monthly Stated Meetings without food! Thanks to committee heads, trustees and Hall Association, who give us outreach and a roof over our heads. The list goes on and on, and you know what you've done. Thank you.

You have all made my year as Senior Warden possible, and have given me the chance to become Master (if elected). Our Installation of Officers will be Saturday, December 13, 2008. Please call the Secretary for dinner reservations. Remember brethren, we can't guarantee you will have a meal, unless you make advanced reservations. If you think this year was good, wait until you experience next year.

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

Veterans Day Observance
 Tuesday, November 11 at 11:00 a.m.
 California Masonic Memorial Temple
 1111 California Street, San Francisco



Please join us on Veterans Day, Tuesday, November 11 to honor all of our Masonic brethren who have fought for our country, our families, and the cause of freedom.

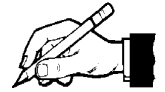
The event will take place at the California Masonic Memorial Temple, which was erected as a war memorial shortly after World War II and celebrates its 60th anniversary this year. The building bears the inscription:

“Dedicated to Our Masonic Brethren Who Died in the Cause of Freedom”

The observance will represent a significant opportunity to recognize and thank our Greatest Generation brothers for their sacrifice and bravery, and we extend a special invitation to those veterans.

Contact your lodge secretary if you require transportation assistance. For additional event information, please contact Denise Avila at Davila@freemason.org

From the Secretary’s Desk
All Things Proper To Be Written



Brethren, this year, like many before, has passed quickly by. 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 sideliners 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, 2008, call, write or E-mail me at crowcanyon551@sbcglobal.net. Dues are required to be paid by December 31, 2008 or you will be considered delinquent for 2009. DUES are \$71.00.

All of us know of the Masonic Home and many of you have donated to the endowment fund for many years. You may not be aware of the Masonic Outreach Services that is offered to our Brothers and their wife, as well to our Masonic sweethearts (widows). I attended Grand Lodge this year and was told of stories of our members, their wife or widow who have to choose whether to eat a meal or use their money to purchase much needed medication. Brethren and Ladies, if you know of anyone who is a member or wife of a member of The California Grand Lodge jurisdiction and need help, call directly to the Masonic Outreach Services “MOS” at 1-888-466-3642. There is no reason our older members need to go hungry because of the cost of medications.

To be eligible for financial and care assistance, applicants must be 60 years or older and: be a California Master Mason in good standing for a minimum of five years, or the wife or widow of such a Mason; be the mother of such a Master Mason, in certain extraordinary circumstances. For more detailed information call the TOLL FREE NUMBER above.

Bill Ferrell, PM—Secretary—(510) 886-2023

In Memoriam

Emory Victor Anderson, Jr. 78 years, 9 months and 7 days
 Entered into Rest December 26, 2007

Herbert Sylvester Lewright 87 years, 0 months and 5 days
 Entered into Rest October 9, 2008



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

Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth

November and December are months of family celebration. For some families, however, the Truth is that it is hard to be happy when your cupboards are bare.

The need is greater than ever to practice the Masonic Virtue of Relief. The Alameda County Food Bank provides food directly to needy families and also supplements the work of other charitable organizations.

Brethren, please bring your non-perishable food donations to our November Stated Meeting. Lets display our Brotherly Love by filling the donation barrels to overflowing therefore proving to all that we don't just talk about our Masonic Virtues, we LIVE them.

3rd Degree Anniversaries

Allen, Stevean Wayne (25); **Avery**, Charles Edward (46); **Benatar**, Gerald Joseph (44); **Blisard**, William Stafford (48); **Burgard**, Richard Anton (49); **Carrigan**, Jack Benton (48); **Chambers**, Claude Lester (47); **Clare**, Joseph Marcus (49); **Clark**, Douglas Walter Jr. (60); **Clendenen**, Donald Jr. [PM] (16); **Conkel**, Lloyd James (48); **Craven**, Ronald (51); **Davis**, Elwood Alton (39); **Dunn**, Kay Cooper (5); **Dvorkin**, Craig Stuart (22); **Eddy**, Robert Eric Jr. (62); **Fawcett**, Floyd Leon (19); **Gettler**, Marvin Don [PM] (40); **Gonzales**, Charles Trujillo (29); **Goss**, Walter Walker (51); **Haines**, Carson Burnell [PM] (37); **Harris**, Travis P. [PM] (50); **Hess**, George Albert (59); **Horwitz**, Morris (63); **Kolden**, Steven (24); **Maxwell**, Richard Dylan (25); **Mc Kay**, Douglas Cyril (35); **Mirko**, Vincent Wessley (62); **Mitchell**, Frank (32); **Moisio**, Roy Martin (43); **Morey**, Floyd (23); **Murray**, Milton (51); **Newton**, William Charles (50); **Nieman**, Walter Henry Jr. (54); **Oliver**, Earl Leslie (46); **Peck**, Leland Eldon (58); **Pedroni**, Joseph Lewis Jr. (45); **Polse**, Ronald Allen (51); **Reynoso**, Alvaro Rodriguez [PM] (12); **Rubin**, Harold Phillip (53); **Simens**, Mark Fredrick (24); **Stevko**, Martin Jr. (53); **Swayne**, Robert Preston (62); **Tellardin**, Bruce Wayne (27); **Wagle**, Robert Allan (33); **Werner**, Robert G. [PM] (16); **Yeffa**, Leslie Arnold (46)

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<http://www.calodges.org/no551/news.htm>

Sunshine and Visiting

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

Please keep the following brothers in your thoughts: Greg Jaster, Ron Rourk, Fred Schaffer, Joseph Amato, Keith Boyer, Roy Burt, Ken Mac Laughlin and Max McGuire.

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