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## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### **February 2013**

2/7—Thursday—Stated Meeting – Social 5:30 PM/ Dinner 6:15 PM/ Meeting 7:00 PM—Business meeting will be held on the 1st Degree (All Masons welcome to attend) - Italian Pasta-fest- \$10.00/person—Widows and prospective members are guests of the Lodge.

2/12—Tuesday—District School of Instruction—Pleasanton # 321—3370 Hopyard Road—Covering 2nd Degree Opening and 1st Section. Reception of Inspector—Officers attendance is Mandatory. Master Masons and Fellowcraft are welcome to attend. Come by 6:30 for a complimentary meal.

2/14—DARK—Happy Valentine's Day

2/16—Crow Canyon Lodge Crab Feed—6:15 PM—\$35 for all-you-can eat crab / \$15 for all-you-can-eat pasta. Tickets available from the Secretary

2/21—Thursday—1st Degree Practice / 3rd Degree Practice (Opening and 1st Section)—7:00 PM

2/28—Thursday— 1st Degree for Mr. Steven Cook—7:00 PM—(Note: there will not be a dinner preceding this event)

### **March 2013**

3/7—Thursday—Stated Meeting – Social 5:30 PM/ Dinner 6:15 PM/ Meeting 7:00 PM—Business meeting will be held on the 1st Degree (All Masons welcome to attend) - Corned Beef and Cabbage—\$13.00/person—Widows and prospective members are guests of the Lodge.

3/9—Saturday—1st Degree—10:00 AM—At Siminoff Lodge (Masonic Home) - Mr. Richard Ramos. / 11:30 AM Lunch / 1:00 PM—Mr. Matthew Norcup

3/12—Tuesday—District School of Instruction—Crow Canyon # 551—Covering: 3rd degree, opening & 1st section — Officers attendance is Mandatory. Master Masons are welcome to attend. Come by 6:30 for a complimentary meal.

3/14—Thursday— 1st Degree Practice—7:00 PM

3/21—Thursday—1st Degree for Mr. Stephen Kinsman—7:00 PM—(Note: there will not be a dinner preceding this event)

3/28—Thursday— 2nd Degree Practice—7:00 PM

*Castro Valley DeMolay meets at Castro Valley Masonic Center (CVMC) 1st & 3rd Monday (7:30 PM)*

*Unity Assembly Rainbow No. 65 meets at CVMC 1st & 3rd Tuesday (7:00 PM)*

*Lake Chabot Chapter Eastern Star meets at CVMC 1st & 3rd Friday (8:00 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*

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## From the East



Dear brethren and ladies. We still at the moment of this writing, have no Lodge-Room to use. The rain damage, and other issues have not yet been settled. Many past Masters, and others have come to me with suggestions. Hopefully, the Inspector will continue to allow us to do some of the degrees in the dining room. We will try to make use of the property to the best of our ability. However, we may lose later in part for the claim of "loss of use" for whatever that is worth, and loss of revenue for not being able to rent it out when we use it, with the insurance company. Even though I am an attorney, however, I am not the attorney for the Lodge. I have appointed Brother Logan, Brother Smith, and Brother Ross for the best way to deal with the Insurance company and these issues. They are all more than capable to handle these issues.

We read in history about a Brother Mason named Epicurus. Epicurus was a philosopher and builder in Athens (341-270) who wrote: "It is not so much our friends' help that helps us; it is the knowledge that they will help us". I therefore, appreciate everyone's help that I have received, and will receive. With the knowledge that I have of my fellow masons I am sure that I can handle all the trial and tribulations in these "tempest in teapots" as Winston Churchill would say.

I believe I am not a person that will roll over and play dead, or give in to headwind. The Vikings had a saying: There is no such thing as bad weather, it is only weather, and dress accordingly." I hope to dress accordingly.

The year, in spite of the misunderstanding of the Mayan calendar, will more than likely continue to give each one of us some help in our spiritual search for the truth. That search and message which we seek from cradle to grave. That truth in our understanding that we are not all perceiving the truth the same way, and that the truth has many facets. I think we all have heard of the fable in where four blind people were to describe an elephant that they all touched. The moral of that story is that no one has the ultimate perception of truth, but for that single entity and Master of the Universe, before whom we all should with reverence bow.

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## A World of Masonry

This spring, the University of California, Los Angeles, will present its second International Conference, in conjunction with the California Masonic Foundation and the Institute for Masonic Studies.

The 2013 International Conference on Freemasonry: A Global Perspective, Past and Present will present a wide view of Freemasonry from around the world – investigating its contemporary context and historical foundations, and beginning to unmask its future.

Focusing in particular on American, European, and Latin American Freemasonry, leading scholars will connect academic and Masonic communities, creating a network for research and insight into the fraternity's role in civil society.

The International Conference will be held April 6, 2013 at the Faculty Center at the University of California, Los Angeles.

Look for registration in the coming weeks at [freemason.org](http://freemason.org). Contact [Kim Hegg](mailto:Kim Hegg), program services manager, with questions or for more information.



## From the West



It is good to be the Senior Warden. After serving as Junior Warden last year, it is a little bit of a break to serve as Senior Warden. Now insuring refreshment of our brethren is in someone else's hands and although I love doing it, I am grateful.

As Senior Warden I am responsible for the progression of candidates through the degrees. All of the candidates coaches report to me and I plan the schedule accordingly, with the consent of the Master.

The applications for new membership are flowing in, and as you can see, we will have four new members in the next two months. Also, several of our brethren have been studying their work and are nearly ready to advance. We will have 2nd Degrees and 3rd Degrees in our near future.

The Hiram Award committee has met and provided the name of one of our dedicated members to the Master. Our 2013 recipient will be announced at the February Stated Meeting and published in the March Trestleboard.

The Lodge will be DARK on Valentines Day for those of you, like me, who have a special someone you prefer to spend that evening with.

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Don't miss our annual. . .  
**ALL YOU CAN EAT!**

## Crab Feed

February 16, 2013 at 6:15 PM

\$35/crab—\$15/spaghetti

Tickets are now available from the Secretary

## Inspiring Words

February 14th, Valentines Day, is the day set aside to celebrate, honor, or remember love . . . or a loved one.

Is it not ironic that the symbol used to depict love is the heart? The heart is one of the most important organs in all living things. For when it stops working, life as we know it ends. How many times have we used or heard these words?

"I love you with all my heart."  
"I give my heart to you."

Are we then saying,

"I love you with all life," or  
"I give my life to you?"

If the beating of our heart sustains life, maybe love in its many forms and ways is a strong helping hand. With this thought I implore you to --- Love one another with all your heart.

Think of each other, with the goodness of your brain.

And last but not least,  
Have faith with all your being!

Fraternally,

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### From the South

There are two important days this month, one that is probably more important to men, and another that is more important to women (may be?) In Chronological order they would be February 3rd—SUPERBOWL SUNDAY! The other is February 14th, which everyone knows as Valentines Day. Of the two Valentine's day is really the more important, of course, for what would we do without those we love?



This special day was originally created by Pope Gelasius who declared February 14 St. Valentine's Day around 498 A.D. Originally, The Valentines honored were Valentine of Rome (Valentinus presb. m. Romae) and Valentine of Terni (Valentinus ep. Interamnensis m. Romae).

The first references to Valentine's Day being associated with romantic love was in 14th century England, in a poem written by Geoffrey Chaucer titled "the Parlement of Foules." It is thought to be written in honor of the engagement of King Richard II to Anne of Bohemia. Specifically referenced was the following line:

"For this was on seynt Volantynys day Whan euery byrd comyth there to chese his mate." [For this was Saint Valentine's day, when every bird of every kind comes to this place to choose his mate.]

On that note: May you all have a Happy Valentines Day!!

Please join us on February 16th for our Annual Crab Feed at the Lodge. Tickets are being handled by the Lodge Secretary Don Schauer. Crab feed is \$35.00 per person and for those who may not be able to crab and will be having Pasta and Salad only, \$15.00.

Fraternally,

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### Q&A With Our Inspector

**Q:** Can Entered Apprentices now attend Lodge meetings of other Lodges?

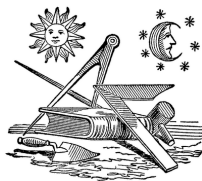
**A:** The short answer is YES . . . as long as he is accompanied by a Master Mason. This would be for attending another Lodges Stated Meeting or for a 1st Degree.

He does not need to be interrogated by the Tiler because he can be vouched for by the Master Mason he came to Lodge with. He should bring his current dues card showing that he is a EA in good standing and wear an apron as an Entered Apprentice Mason.

Fraternally yours,

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### From the Secretary's Desk

#### Survey of Masonic cemetery properties

Did you know?

Currently, there is no central record system to track Masonic cemetery properties. Some lodges aren't even aware that they own and are responsible for a cemetery property.

A neglected Masonic cemetery or plot is a reflection on the fraternity at large, and can lead to maintenance and legal issues.

#### Cemetery Task Force

The Cemetery Task Force was established by Grand Master John Lowe to help ensure that local lodges are aware of their Masonic cemeteries and cemetery properties, including the ownership of individual plots. The goal is to put a system in place so lodges may properly maintain and pass these properties onto future generations of lodge leaders.

#### How you can help

If you are a Past Master or Past Secretary of one of the lodges that combined to make Crow Canyon Lodge, and are aware of a Masonic cemetery or plot that we were responsible for, please contact me so I can report this information to the Grand Lodge.

Thank you for your participation in this important project.

**Don Schauer, Secretary**

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Brethren, come take part!

### DMPS - Revisited

Hello Brethren,

Thanks to the work of Bro. John Smith, We now have a set date for our meetings.

DMPS will meet the 4th Tuesday of every month in the Lodge banquet room from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM, next meeting being Tuesday February 26th.

As stated in the previous trestle board, we hope to see a nice turn out of Brothers who wish to discuss Masonic history and education.

Please contact me with any questions or suggestions you may have.

Fraternally,

**Mike Ramos—Junior Deacon—551dmeps@gmail.com**



**DEAD  
MASONIC  
POETS  
SOCIETY**

### In Memoriam

Thomas Arthur Rowe  
Entered into Rest

90 years, 10 months, 25 days  
December 29, 2012

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



### 3rd Degree Anniversaries

Amato, Paul (55); Barth, Glen (70); Bessette, Ronald (21); Bode, David (28); Burk Jr., Harold (21); Castia, Ronnie (22); Gidvani, Kishore (14); Goodwin, Charles (55); Graham, Russell (8); Hansen, Jeffrey (16); Keyser, Henry (63); Lloyd, Anthony (45); Makela, Paul (39); Marmor, Howard (6); May, Norvalle (48); Moore, Roger (33); Nobriga, Ronald (16); Pearce, Burton (57); Sotelo, Prudencio (33); Stegall, Roy (44); Stewart, Daniel (14); Weisser, Allen [PM] (49)

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## 2013 Committees

### Appointments

- **Audit** – Kay Dunn, Bob Logan, Arnie Weinstein
- Funeral** – Kjell Bomark-Noel, Bob Pinkerton, Ron Katz, Kurt Allen, Bill Ferrell, Roy Tamez, Kay Dunn, Eugene Moore, Charles Hintz, David Allen, Kem Apak, Alex Van Stade
- Hiram Award Selection** – Alvaro Reynoso, Sid Cerates, John Smith
- Masonic Charity** - The Master and the Wardens
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- Membership Retention** – Don Schauer, Sr., Kem Apak, Kay Dunn
- Sunshine**—Ernie Nidick—(925) 828-6993

### Event Committees

- Pizza Night (1/31)**—Bob Pinkerton
- Crab Feed (2/16)** - Henry Miller
- Public Schools Night (April TBA)** - Eric Unti
- Kids ID (5/18-5/19 Rodeo, 9/7-9/8 Festival)** - Sammy Tamez / Roy Tamez
- Sweetheart Event (5/26)** - Phil Busch
- Feast of St. John (6/22)** - Charles Hintz
- Strawberry Feed (7/21)** - Frank Thrall, Jr. / Ron Katz
- Visitation—(9/13-9/15)** - Lyman Penning / Kurt Allen

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- Castro Valley DeMolay**—Pat Quinn—510-755-7891
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### Sunshine and Visiting

Our thoughts go out to Sid Ceretes.

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

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