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



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Calendar of Events

OCTOBER

- 10/03 - **Wednesday** - Officer's Meeting 7:00 PM
- 10/04 - **Thursday** - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM
- 10/11- **Thursday** - DOSI - Crow Canyon Lodge - 6:00 PM Dinner / 7:00 PM
- 10/12 - **Friday** - Child ID - Del Rey Elementary School - 1510 Via Sonya, San Lorenzo, CA / 3rd Degree Practice - CVMC - 7:00 PM
- 10/13 - **Saturday** - Rod & Gun Club - 10:00 AM.
- 10/17 - **Wednesday** - 3rd Degree Practice - 7:00 PM
- 10/18 - **Thursday** - Lodge Dark for 100th Annual Grand Lodge Communication
- 10/19 - 10/21 - **Friday-Sunday** - 100th Annual Grand Lodge Communication
- 10/24 - **Wednesday** - 3rd Degree Practice - 7:00 PM
- 10/25 - **Thursday** - 3rd Degree - Bro. Andrew Hawes
- 10/27 - **Saturday** - Annual White Table Night 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
- 10/30 - **Tuesday** - Hall Association Meeting

NOVEMBER

- 11/01 - **Thursday** - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM
- 11/07 - **Wednesday** - Officers Meeting
- 11/08 **Thursday** - Degree or Practice
- 11/10 - **Saturday** - Rod & Gun Club - 10:00 AM.
- 11/13 - **Tuesday** - District Officers School of Instruction - Pleasanton - 6:30 Dinner / 7:00 PM School
- 11/15 - **Thursday** - Installation Practice
- 11/22 - **Thursday** - Lodge Dark - Happy Thanksgiving
- 11/27 - **Tuesday** - Hall Association Meeting - 6:30 PM
- 11/29 - **Thursday** - Family Potluck

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:

October received its name from the Latin numeral octo meaning "eight", because in the original Roman calendar it was the eighth month. Famous for Octoberfest and Halloween. Germany's Oktoberfest originally began on October 17, 1810, the wedding day of King Ludwig I. Halloween's origins come from a Celtic festival for the dead called "Samhain." Celts believed the ghosts of the dead roamed Earth on this holiday, so people would dress in costumes and leave "treats" out on their front doors to appease the roaming spirits.



We welcome our newest Entered Apprentice Nicholas J. Nelson who received his degree on September 13th. Both of our new Entered Apprentices, Brothers Ellison and Nelson, attended the Lodge Picnic on 09/15 where good food and fellowship was

enjoyed by all.

The Child ID program presented at the September Castro Valley Fall Festival served over 320 children. Thank you Wor. Kurt Allen for organizing this very successful event.

October will begin with our October Stated Meeting where The Sojourners will present a Tribute to and history of our American Flag.

The 169th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of California begins with registration on Thursday afternoon 10/18. Legislation will be presented on Friday and conclude with voting on Saturday. All Master Masons are welcome, and encouraged, to attend. Just bring your valid dues card to 1111 California St, San Francisco, across the street from Grace Cathedral atop Nob Hill.



On Thursday October 25th Brother Andrew Hawes will be raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. Please join us, with a life dinner at 6:15PM, and welcome him to full membership in the Lodge.

We will wind up October with our Annual White Table Night on Saturday October 27th. Please see the ad in this issue for details and to make reservations.

Happy Halloween!



From the South

By Paul Rodriguez-Obrien—Junior Warden

Brethren and Families:

Stretch forth your hands and welcome into our ranks our newest Brother; Nicholas J. Nelson, who was made an Entered Apprentice Mason within our lodge on September 13, 2018.



September has been a busy month for our lodge being that we have had many outside activities to participate in before we see a change of seasons. We had the CV Fall Festival with our 'Child ID' program which was a phenomenal success, having over 300 children gracing our booth. There was the 'Lodge Annual Picnic' at Tilden Park, Berkeley. A fun time was had with trains, Tri-Tip, and fellowship. There were also a couple of newly Entered Apprentices present with large appetites. The Acting Chef for the day was Brother Perry Klahr. The meat was cooked perfectly! (not too bad for a 'rookie'.)



As the seasons change, the impulse to hunker-down seems to take hold. Resist the urge to hibernate and watch your Lichen Garden grow. Please have a look at our calendar, circle what looks

interesting, and make a commitment to attend a lodge event in October. My personal recommendation would be the 'Annual White Table Night' on October 27th! Hope to see you there.

Finally, I would like to ask you my brothers to think of the challenges and catastrophes our fellow brothers have been experiencing. From devastating fires in the West, to Hurricanes in the East. We see it on the news, and possibly know several friends, families, and Brothers who are living with this now. I ask that you pray for them, and for the brave persons who are there with them, by relieving their distresses, and tirelessly putting their own safety at risk to save a neighbor or strangers. Bless them all, and wish them peace of mind and a speedy recovery.

Lodge members welcome new EA, Nicholas J. Nelson on September 13, 2018



From the Secretary's Table

By Don Schauer, Sr., H.A.



Hope you had a wonderful summer. Now that fall is upon us it is time to look forward to a new masonic year, 2019. Life members will receive their 2019 dues receipt along with a request for donations toward the per capita tax. This request as always is voluntary. Your dues statements will be mailed out the first week of November. Remember that your dues must be paid by January 1, 2019 to remain in good standing. The Grand Lodge has set their per capita tax at \$51.00 and the lodge dues still remain at \$60.00 per year. The lodge dues plus the per capita tax is \$111.00.

This has not yet been finalized by Grand Lodge and will not be until our Annual Communication. When writing your check, make it out to Crow Canyon Lodge No. 551 and use the self-address envelope enclosed with the dues request.

As we age, one never knows what lies around the corner. I have been in contact with the Masonic Outreach people at the Masonic Home in Union City. They have informed me that if you are suspended for non-payment of dues a break in your masonic service occurs. As a result your "active membership" qualification time for Masonic Assistance from the outreach program resets to zero if you are reinstated. You must have five years of uninterrupted membership in order to qualify for any of the Masonic Home services. If you have any questions or would like to find out if you can get help from the Outreach Program, please call 888-466-3642 and they will be happy to assist you. And the beat goes on!



Masonic Homes
of California

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN!

Once again our lodge is sponsoring a Family Xmas Party for children of all ages. Bring your children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, etc. and enjoy a wonderful afternoon. December 15th from 11:30 AM - 2 PM.



Enjoy food, fun, and a visit from Jolly Old St. Nick!

No charge. Reservations: 510.258.0654

ANNUAL WHITE TABLE NIGHT

Join us for a magical evening of excellent food in a romantic setting in honor of the Ladies of the Lodge.



Enjoy a prime-rib dinner with all the trimmings and a decadent dessert.

When: Saturday, October 27th, 2018 - 6:00 pm

Where: Castro Valley Masonic Center

Prix Fixe: \$20/person

Music and dancing, photos, and friendship

Reservations: 510.258.0654 donschauersr@gmail.com



I WILL LEAD WITH CHARACTER

I will remember that a strong character leads to trust and trust is the foundation of leadership.

I will lead with a strong Masonic character.

In Memoriam



Joseph L. Pedroni, Jr.
Entered into rest

91 years 6 months and 26 days
August 31, 2018

*Great Architect of the Universe, into thine hands
we commend the souls
of our dear departed brothers!*





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- Transitions short-term rehabilitation and respite care in Union City
- The Masonic Center for Youth and Families in San Francisco and Covina, with statewide telehealth services
- Masonic Value Network – resources regarding family caregivers, in-home care providers, residential senior communities, and discounted prescription medications

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3rd Degree Anniversaries

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

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|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| David Allen (7) | Martin Nilson Jr. (52) |
| Dave Baratto (23) | Lyman Penning [PM] (44) |
| Barry Bookman (29) | Robert Pinkerton [PM] (20) |
| Harold Brooke [PM] (56) | Russell Porter (54) |
| Brian Brunckhorst (19) | Rowell Prosser (9) |
| Phillip Busch (11) | Dale Reynolds (36) |
| Carson Haines [PM] (47) | Robert Saks (66) |
| Charles Hintz (19) | Michael Schaffer [PM] (43) |
| Charles Johnson (49) | Elmer Seutter (50) |
| Richard Keihner (40) | David Stevenson (51) |
| Delbert Kraft (44) | William Strain (63) |
| Glen Lane (50) | Leonard Suokko (59) |
| Royle Langton (64) | Gene Tague Jr. (31) |
| Paul Leiber Jr. (64) | Eric Unti (11) |
| Bruce Lobree (36) | Alan West [PM] (31) |

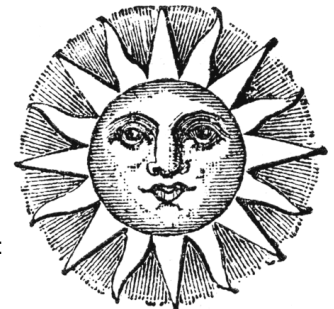


October Birthdays

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| Herbert Freeman (10/03) | Merle Lyerla (10/17) |
| Gerald Woergoetter (10/04) | Pat Quinn (10/17) |
| Billy Bryant (10/05) | Vernon Cumins (10/19) |
| Donnald Moring (10/05) | Larry Russell (10/19) |
| Scotty Stroup (10/05) | Michael Schaffer (10/19) |
| Johnnie Albanese (10/07) | James Luque (10/21) |
| Kevin Gray (10/07) | Douglas Vorpahl (10/24) |
| Allen Weisser (10/07) | Guy Phillips (10/25) |
| Areo Comonal (10/10) | Jonathan Prestage (10/25) |
| Robert Wagle (10/10) | Danny Lee (10/26) |
| Charles Johnson (10/11) | Sandy Kahn III (10/27) |
| Victor VandenBerghe (10/11) | Austin Rhee (10/29) |
| Ronald Meissner (10/12) | Victor Smalley (10/31) |
| Jimmy Burns (10/17) | |

Sunshine and Visiting

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



Woody Hibbs, George Christensen, Michael Barham, George Lum, Les Blake, Mark Casperson, Howard Marmor, Corbit Ray.

Please contact Secretary Don Schauer or check our members' only website 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—Heidi Kolden - 510.693.1385
[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

October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Stated Meeting Social 5:30 PM Dinner 6:15 PM Opening 7:30 P	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 District Officers' School of Instruction - Crow Canyon - CVMC - Dinner 6:30 / School 7:00	12 3rd Degree Practice - 7:00 PM	13 Rod & Gun Club - 10 AM
14	15	16	17 3rd Degree Practice - 7:00 PM	18 Lodge Dark - Grand Lodge Week	19 Grand Lodge Communication - 12 noon	20 Grand Lodge Communication - 8:00 AM
21 Grand Lodge Communication - 10 AM	22	23	24 3rd Degree Practice - 7:00 PM	25 3rd Degree - Bro. Andrew Hawes - 7:00 PM	26	27 Annual White Table Night - 6:00 PM
28	29	30 Hall Association - 6:30 PM				