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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**December**

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

I wish to extend my warmest thanks to you all for allowing me to sit in the oriental chair for this past year. Thank you Alvaro for asking me and the other officers who accepted me. I will never forget this year. Please support your Master Elect Bud and his cadre of officers and attend more than occasionally. I am glad I was able to get to know you all a little more. Bud and team have a warm and wonderful year.



I look forward to helping the team with degree's this next year and my term with Acacia Creek Board and Masonic Homes Board and the continued service to my brothers.

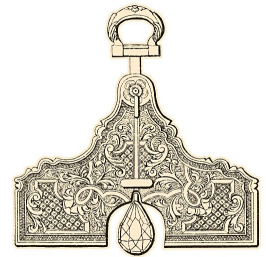
With deepest regard.

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## From the West

Brethren,

As your Master-Elect I invite you all to our Installation Ceremony on Saturday, December 13, 2008, at 1:00 pm at the Lodge. Included is an excellent soloist and guitarist, Jason Bendickson, who has published CDs of his work. After the ceremony, we will enjoy a rib-eye steak dinner with tiramisu dessert, all created by new Chef Lee of PBS Catering.



A special thanks to Worshipful Fred, who has helped us get through this difficult year. He's been busy with work and family, and now Masonic Homes, but has always found time for us. He's said he'll be around to help us next year, when we need him for ritual parts. May we never lose track of you, Fred!

Special thanks to Uncle Roy and Ron Katz, who have re-joined the officer corps, even though they have already given so much to us over the years. These are truly exemplary Masons, who are committed to making all of our Masonic lives better. We are indebted to you.

Alvaro loves the Senior Deacon station, and hey, who doesn't? He makes our ritual practices fun, and is always ready to help. Thanks Alvaro.

Kurt is our new officer's coach, and he knows the work. He often gets to work in his direction, amid all the other direction. Thanks Kurt.

Gerald, Earl, Arnie, and Bob have stepped up to help out, and will have years of enjoyment with us. Gerald has been around the block, yet volunteered to help out again.

Our venerable Candidate's Coach Gary, Treasurer Bob, Secretary Bill, and Chaplain Roy have helped us for so long, they seem to be a lodge institution. They provide our foundation.

Our dinner helpers and cooks have fed us, making it possible for us to have meetings and good camaraderie. Thank you.

Out Temple Board and Trustees keep the roof over us, so we can exist. Thank you all.

And finally, our whole reason for being is to serve our members and ladies. We need you all to attend events and meetings, so we have an important reason to do what we do. We help each other, which will become even more important this next year, as it promises to be another year of financial hardship for our nation.

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

**From The South**

It seems so familiar to write an article again. I want to thank the Brethren for electing me Senior Warden again, maybe this time I will get it right. I would like to thank Worshipful Brother Fred Avery, now a Past Master again, who came to Crow Canyon Lodge and caused us to take a fresh look at the tasks ahead of us. We have had many good times and wonderful memories were made.

Now there is more to come, now is the time we need to make new memories. This year we started a quarterly "POTLUCK" that is held on the 5th Thursday of the month. January 29th, 2009 is the next one. The lodge furnishes the meat all that is asked is that you bring a salad, side dish or desert. No meeting just a social for you and the Ladies.

We need, a few good men to come forward and dedicate some time to the lodge. Without new Brothers willing to serve as officers, we will not survive. It has been said that "it's the Journey, not the destination that makes us successful." Many of you have served the Lodge well in times past, Thank You. Are you willing help; are you that man who can make a difference? All it takes is one to lead the others can follow.

One really great way to keep us encouraged is to be a side liner for the degrees. Please show your support and come to the degrees and show up to our functions. This Lodge is made up of dedicated members of the craft.

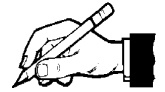
We want to get to that point when I don't have to ask for help anymore, then we will have reached our goal. Don't be shy, don't wait to be asked, come forward and we will welcome you with open arms. My best memories of this lodge were spent in the line. I will help you in anyway that I can.

As always feel free to call me anytime after 5 pm and I will make time for you. 1-510-684-3047.

**Fraternally, Roy Tamez, P.M.**

**From the Secretary's Desk**

*All Things Proper To Be Written*



As the year closes and 2008 becomes history, the New Year brings the inevitable changes. And New Year Resolutions are made and some are kept. Hope you can come to our lodge or attend one near you. You might be surprised to find that the local lodge will be happy to see you. Some time next year we may have a "rusty trowel" night. That's when you come to lodge, show your dues card and we "run through" the lodge protocol (signs etc.). Don't worry some of the regulars could use a refresher too. If you happened to be thinking of being more active in the Lodge, be assured that you will have the support of your Brethren. And we actually have fun doing it.

The steady flow of dues payments has helped the finances of our lodge. Thank you for the notes that some of you have enclosed they are most appreciated. If you are unable to pay the annual dues, PLEASE let the Master or me know. There are provisions in the California Masonic Code that may apply to your situation and everything is kept in the strictest of confidence and your dues may be remitted.

Some of you know that I am the Associate Guardian of Jobs Bethel #1 in Dublin, California. Brethren, one day your Granddaughter or Great-great Granddaughter might want to join the Jobs or Eastern Star. If you were not a member in good standing at the time of your passing, they can't join! This happens too often. As written above, if you have a financial hardship, PLEASE let the Master or me know.

I wish you and your family the best of the holiday season and hope you and yours have a healthy and prosperous New Year.

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

# In Memoriam

Charles Edward Avery      81 years, 6 months and 9 days  
Entered into Rest      August 19, 2008

Robert Fredrick Sutter      87 years, 8 months and 15 days  
Entered into Rest      October 11, 2008

Roy Martin Moisio      84 years, 5 months and 28 days  
Entered into Rest      October 23, 2008



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

## 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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## 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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