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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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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

Brethren and Ladies.

Behold, how good and great it is when brethren work together in unity. Public schools Night was wonderful. Thanks to the effort of Bro. Eric Unti and our Secretary Bill Ferrell, PM HA. Thank you Bro. Alvaro, the meal selection was perfect. Thank you also to the Bethel No. 1 Jobs Daughters. Your service was excellent, no one was left wanting or waiting. This event was well received by our guests from the Castro Valley School District and gives us the opportunity to thank those men and women who are the frontlines



of our children's education, each and every day. Those they teach will become our leaders of the future. Thank you to our lodge members who supported the event, and if you didn't come, we hope you will join us at this great event next year.

The year is flying by so quickly, it is already time for our Annual Cinco de Mayo feast. We normally have the Master pick the menu for this meal, but since it will also be our Inspector's official visit, I let him choose. The Wor. Rick Bonbright, Inspector of the 313 Masonic District has decided we will have nachos, chips and hot sauce, steak fajitas, cowboy beans, tortillas, Spanish rice and a very special dessert (which I will be selecting myself). Don't forget to call early and make your reservations.

While I am thanking everyone, how about a big "thank you" to all who helped with the Boy Scout 100 Year Jamboree Kids ID program. Bro. Kurt Allen took a lead roll in this for our lodge, but I understand that Bros. Ferrell, Reynosa, Katz, Haines, Nelson, and others, along with Kurt's son and wife spent many hours helping out. Thank you.

Did I ever tell you how much I like each and every one of you. It gives me a deep glow inside knowing that I am a small part of this lodge. We each become just a bit better when we give back to the community and that makes the place we live in better also. We will have other opportunities for Kids ID at the Rowell Ranch Rodeo on the third weekend in May, and at the Castro Valley Fall Festival in September. Come and join us and share with us the "great rewards" of knowing that you are making a difference.

I have a lot of pride in this lodge and it makes me feel so happy to know that all I have to do is ask and the job will get done. As always, feel free to call me any time you want.

Fraternally, Roy Tamez, P.M. H.A.—(510) 537-1077 uncleroy@att.net

# **Masonic Family Corner**

Hayward Jobs Daughters — Please join us for our Taco Dinner on Sunday, May 2, from 6-8PM at Acacia Masonic Center, 1074 B Street, Hayward. Just \$6/person. Also, if you have a dirty car or two, we will be at the CVMC on June 6, from 10-4 to wash them. Donations accepted.

**Castro Valley DeMolay**—May 8th will be our Semi-Annual Installation of Officers. Installation begins at 7:30 PM. Refreshments and dancing will follow.

#### Lake Chabot Chapter #103 Order of Eastern Star—

Please join us for our Vacation Fashion Show and "Sell Your Gold Fundraiser. May 15, 2010, 11 AM. \$12.00/person. Includes a Salad lunch, and Basket Auction. Fashions by "Especially for You". The Gold Refinery will be present to purchase your unused gold jewelry.

**Dublin Jobs Daughters**—15th Annual Spaghetti Feed and Silent Auction at the Livermore Shrine Event Center, 170 Lindbergh Avenue, Livermore, CA. Friday May 7, 2010. The Silent Auction begins at 6:30 PM and ends at 8:30 pm. Dinner at 7:00 pm. Tickets; \$8.00 for Adults and \$6.00 for children 10 and under. Contact; Jennifer Christensen @ 925-640-4649 or e-mail at; jdidublin1@gmail.com or contact me at 510-886-2288.

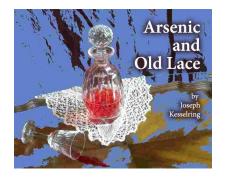
## Sweethearts' Event

To remember the ladies who have done so much for the Lodge

We will have a brunch and theater production on Sunday, May 23rd they supported their husbands (our departed brothers) and contributed so much to the Lodge,

this is our way to say thank you. This celebration is open to all members and their wives who wish to help us honor these wonderful women.

We will meet at the Dinos' at 10:30 A.M. From there we will see "Arsenic and Old Lace" at the Chanticleers Theater at 1:30 P.M. (Both the restaurant and theater are in Castro Valley.) There are only a limited number of tickets available and of course the first priority is to the ladies. If you wish



to come please contact me 925-292-8018, it will have to be on a first come, first served basis. The cost to be determined. Hope to see you there. Fraternally, Phillip Busch

**Ladies and Friends** 

Play "White ELEPHANT" BINGO
First Thursday of EACH MONTH During STATED MEETING

No cost to enter, just bring a white elephant gift worth \$10 or less

Call Sherry Hansen for details (510) 537-0109

### From the West

Ron Katz, PM (510) 375-3137 rstephen94545@yahoo.com



## From The South

The Entered Apprentice—Before the initiation of the Entered Apprentice degree can be properly understood and appreciated, certain requirements must be considered: not merely those of the physical world, but also of the spiritual world.

The Court of the Tabernacle of the ancient Jews was divided into three parts: the outer court, the Holy Place, and the most Holy of Holies. These three divisions represent the three grand divisions of human consciousness. These have been called, respectively: youth, manhood and old age. As at birth we start our pilgrimage through youth, manhood and old age, so the spiritual consciousness of man passes from unconsciousness to perfect consciousness in the grand lodge of the universe. The degree of Entered Apprentice is acquired when the candidate signifies his intentions to take the rough ashlar, which he cuts from the guarry, and prepare it for the truing of the Fellowcraft, in other words, the first degree is really on of preparation: it is a material step dealing with material things, for all spiritual life must be raised upon a material foundation. The Entered Apprentice must labor before he is worthy to go onward into the more elevated and advanced degree. Those who believe that they can reach the spiritual planes of nature without first passing through and conquering, and by conquering, mold matter into expression of spiritual power, are much mistaken, for the first stage in the growth of a Master Mason is the mastery of the concrete condition of life which will later become channels for the expression of spiritual truths.

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## From the Secretary's Desk

All Things Proper To Be Written



THANK YOU to the Brethren who attend funeral services for our Brother Masons. Too often there are only two or three in attendance. As your secretary I communicate with the family and represent the fraternity. We hold services for sojourners from other areas as well other countries. I have in the past quoted the CMC as to our responsibility in attending to this obligation. Thank you to Worshipful Kurt Allen, Worshipful Robert Hansen and Worshipful Bob Mc Cain of the Masonic Home for being available to conduct the services for our departed Brethren. They have made my job a lot easier.

JOBS DAUGHTERS. Now another "Hat." Bethel No. 1 of Dublin is holding their 15th Annual Spaghetti Feed and Silent Auction at the Livermore Shrine Event Center, 170 Lindbergh Avenue, Livermore, CA. Friday May 7, 2010. The Silent Auction begins at 6:30 PM and ends at 8:30 pm. Dinner at 7:00 pm. Tickets; \$8.00 for Adults and \$6.00 for children 10 and under. Contact; Jennifer Christensen @ 925-640-4649 or e-mail at; jdidublin1@gmail.com or contact me at 510-886-2288.

ARE YOU A RUSTY TROWEL? You may have not attended lodge for awhile and have lost contact with the men that you were close to at one time. Remember that coach that pounded the proficiencies in your head? How it was fun to get together with a bunch of guys and sometimes act like kids? We enjoyed the comradely and look back and wonder where it went. It's still here. Brethren each time we meet we hear the words; "The Worshipful Master invites you to a seat in the Lodge room." That is where we can make a difference. The special thing about Freemasonry is that we are friends and brothers. That's what makes Freemasonry different. See you soon.

KEEP INFORMED If you are not on the e-mail distribution list and want to get urgent notices such as funeral notices or date changes for degrees, send an e-mail to crowcanyon551@sbcglobal.net Fraternally.

Bill Ferrell, PM—Secretary—(510) 886-2023 crowcanyon551@sbcglobal.net

# In Memoriam

Marvin Don Gettler Entered into Rest 88 years, 3 months and 25 days March 24, 2010

Almighty Father, Great Architect of the Universe,

Into they hands we commend the soul of our dear departed brother



#### 3rd Degree Anniversaries

Abe, Arno (39); Aracne, Steven (4); Baca, Daniel (54); Basham, James [PM] (18); Beck, Walter [PM] (65); Bokamper, Chris (13); Bourke, Hedley (47); Christensen, George (37); Christensen, William (29); Clifton, Stanley [PM] (41); Cook, Maurice (38); Davenport, Guy (50); Densmore, Frank (24); Dyer, Dale (45); Hansford, John (58); Holt, Jack (42); Johnson, Donald (45); Johnson, Frank (60); Katz, Ronald [PM] (26); Kimmich, Carl (55); Krause, Paul (48); Mc Hugh, William (63); Meissner, Ronald (45); Parrish, Dale (45); Peebles, Albert (58); Rapp, Gregory [PM] (23); Reynolds, Leland (54); Robertson, Thomas (63); Rodes, Alvin (44); Schwarting, John (62); Sharpe, George (49); Shrader, Norman (45); Silverstein, Alfred (60); Steen, Robert [PM] (40); Stephenson, David (12); Swanson, Le Roy (44); Tornio, Jack (29); Valenzuela, Glenn (46); Wagle, John (57); White, Lee (47); Worthing, William (56); Wysock, David (9)



### Sunshine and Visiting

Please keep the following brothers in your thoughts and prayers:

- Lee Reynolds
- Charlie Bishop
- Bob Werner

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



Committee Chairman - Ernie Nidick (925) 828-6993

# **Special Committees**

#### Sunshine

Ernie Nidick (925) 828-6993

#### Castro Valley DeMolay

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