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Crow Canyon Lodge No. 551 F&AM of California

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Calendar of Events

OCTOBER 2019

10/02-Wednesday-Officers' Meeting-7:00 PM

10/03-Thursday-Stated Meeting-Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM

1010-Thursday-DOSI CVMC-Lite Dinner 6:30 PM / School 7:00 PM **10/17-Thursday-**LODGE DARK

10/18-Friday-170th Grand Lodge Communication - 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

10/19-Saturday-170th Grand Lodge Communication - 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

10/20-Sunday-170th Grand Lodge Communication - 1:00 PM-4:00 PM

10/22-Tuesday-Hall Association Board of Directors Meeting-7:00 PM

10/24-Thursday-1st Degree- Mr. Ted Rucker - Lite Dinner 6:30 PM / 7:00 PM

10/30-Thursday-LODGE DARK-Happy Halloween!

NOVEMBER 2019

11/06-Wednesday-Officers' Meeting-7:00 PM

11/07-Thursday-Stated Meeting-Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM

11/12-Tuesday-DOSI Pleasanton-Lite Dinner 6:30 PM / School 7:00 PM

11/14-Thursday-Practice or Degree

11/21-Thursday-Installation Practice- 7:00 PM

11/26-Tuesday-Hall Association Board of Directors Meeting-7:00 PM

11/28-Thursday-DARK - Happy Thanksgiving!



Appendant and Concordant Bodies

- San Lorenzo Chapter Eastern Star No. 103 meets @ CVMC 2nd & 4th Monday (8:00 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:

September, again, was a busy month. We presented the Child ID program at the Castro Valley Fall Festival on Saturday and Sunday 9/7-9/8. We provided ID



scans for over 300 children to their appreciative parents. Our Annual Lodge Picnic at the Golden Gate Steamers facility in Tilden Park was attended by more than 50 members and their families. We sure enjoyed the fellowship, the train rides, and Executive Chef Roy Tamez' BBQ Tri Tip!

We will hold a 1st degree on 10/24 for Mr. Ted Rucker. Please remember a lite dinner is served at 6:30PM and Lodge opens at 7PM. Please make an effort to attend and see the Officers working in their advanced stations.

This month the 170th Annual Grand Lodge Communication opens for registration Thursday 10/17, Legislative session and committee reports are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, 10/18 &



19, and Sunday is the installation of the Grand Lodge Officers. To view this year's legislation log into the Grand Lodge website and go to:

https://www.freemason.org/doc/02+2019+Legislation.pdf?id=87428

Lodge is dark on Thursday, 10/17, per CMC, for Grand Lodge and will also be Dark on Thursday 10/31 for Halloween as most

of the officers will be home with their families.



The visitation, which was scheduled for 10/12, has been cancelled for lack of interest by the membership.

Watch the calendar on our website (www.ccl551.org) and the Lodge App on your smartphone for the latest developments. In addition to the Lodge calendar you can also see what the members are doing like the big catch of the Sportsmen's Club Fishing Trip on 9/22. Everyone caught their limit and had a great time. If you have not installed the Crow Canyon Lodge App on your iPhone or Android phone do the following: On your phone go to http://ourapp.link/crowcanyon then follow the instructions.

I look forward to seeing you in Lodge!



From the West

By Paul Rodriguez-Obrien—Senior Warden

My Brothers:

It's that time of year again that we as a lodge have the opportunity to make a difference on how our craft is interpreted and practiced through the Grand Lodge. Our lodge will be



sending the WM, SW, JW, and a Past Master (chosen by our lodge's other Past Masters) to convene at the Grand Lodge in San Francisco for the 170th Annual Communication, from October 18-20th.



I ask you to please show up to our next Stated Meeting on October 3rd to hear more on what was carried over from last year, and what's up for consideration this year.

To look over the legislation that will be addressed this

year, please check out the instructions in Wor. Eckstein's article. For those that don't have or remember your Freemason.org Username and/or Password, here is a quick look at the legislation that will be briefly covered at our next Stated, prior to the "Annual Communication".

RESOLUTION No. 18-04: Removes restrictions on holding a tiled meeting on a Sunday.

RESOLUTION No. 18-05: Modifies the Installation ceremony.

RESOLUTION No. 19-01: Permits calling up at stated meetings for Masonic Education.

RESOLUTION No. 19-02: Allows Masonic membership with single conviction.

RESOLUTION No. 19-03: Increases refreshment revolving fund.

RESOLUTION No. 19-04: Allows option to compensate Treasurer.

RESOLUTION No. 19-05: Requires disclosure why a member is excluded from a meeting.

RESOLUTION No. 19-06: Requires pledge of allegiance at all Masonic meetings.

RESOLUTION No. 19-07: Permits lodges to meet no fewer than four times annually.

RESOLUTION No. 19-08: Permits partial remission of dues.

RESOLUTION No. 19-09: Requires application for reimbursement of mileage to Grand lodge.

We, your principle Officers, look forward to hearing what your views are on the above matters, and will take your concerns or praises with us as we head-off to cast our four Lodge votes on your behalf.

Lastly, I would like to state that any Master Mason within, or recognized by, our Grand Lodge may be present during any Annual, Special, or Ceremonial Communication (CMC 403.030).

From the South

By Brian Ross—Junior Warden

My bond with my Masonic brothers is strengthened by participating in our lodge events. In September, I had a great time with all of you at the ever-popular Lodge Picnic. I understand over 50 brothers, friends and family members attended and all had a great



time – that is fantastic. In fact, I am happy to say that our latest candidate, Ted Rucker, attended and appeared to have a pleasant experience. Thanks goes out to John Smith and the Golden Gate Live Steamers for allowing us the use of their facility and providing train rides to the big and little ones.



My favorite event receives almost no participation and I am unsure why. Our Sportsmen's Club has put on 2 fishing trips this year out of Half Moon Bay and both were a blast. I am perplexed why there was so much demand for such a club from our brothers but almost no participation since the club has been formed. What do we need to do to make this lodge club more interesting for you? I look forward to your suggestions.

On behalf of the officers, I solicit all ideas that give us all the opportunity to gather together for the purpose of friendship and brotherly love.

A History of Our Lodge

By Bill Ferrell—Assistant Secretary

ASHLAND NO. 798 LODGE HISTORY

The first meeting of record of the proposed Ashland Masonic Club was held April 24, 1957, at the home of Brother Cyril T. Stevens, 16050 Via Primero, San Lorenzo, California. May 14, 1957 meeting of Ashland Masonic Club was held at the Bower Boy Scout Cabin Community Center, San Lorenzo. At the meeting of June 11, 1957, the by-laws of Ashland Masonic Club were presented and read. A Charter Fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) was agreed upon. The by-laws were now ready for approval by the members.

A letter, dated June 18, 1957, was mailed to the Grand Lodge of Masons in California, to the attention of the Very Worshipful Lloyd E. Wilson, Grand Secretary, requesting that an Inspector be appointed for the Ashland Masonic Club and stating that their meeting place was Bowers Scout Cabin, San Lorenzo Community Center.

The June 25, 1957 meeting of the Ashland Masonic Club was held at the Masonic Home, Decoto, California. The purpose of this meeting was to practice degree work. Brother Cyril Stevens was in the East for this practice. At the meeting of November 18, 1957, an agreement was reached with the directors of the San Lorenzo Masonic Building Association to use their temple. The Ashland Masonic Club held their February 14, 1958 meeting at the San Lorenzo Temple and put on an exemplification of the Third Degree for Worshipful Edward C. Will, Inspector of the 367th Masonic District.

At the business meeting of April 4, 1958 a minute of silent prayer was observed in memory of the late Cyril T. Stevens President and founder of the Ashland Masonic Club. Most of the club members attended the funeral of Brother Cyril Theodore Stevens, who passed on March 21, 1958, (73 years, 6 months and 29 days), which was held under the auspices of Lorenzo Lodge No. 709 F. &A.M.

On August 27, 1958, the Ashland Masonic Club journeyed to Alisal Lodge No. 321 F. &A.M. at Pleasanton and conferred a Third Degree on one of their candidates, With Worshipful Harold Short in the East.

At the September 5, 1958 business meeting of the Ashland Masonic Club, Worshipful Harold Short presented to the club the Holy Bible for the alter.

The Ashland Masonic Club received a letter on February 11, 1960, from the Most Worshipful Grand Master, stating that Ashland Lodge (U.D.) would be instituted on the evening of Monday, March 14, 1960. He also advised that he would be in attendance.

The granting of this dispensation was the climax of many hours, days, weeks, months and years of hard work by the officers and members of the club which started in April 1957.

On March 14, 1960, Grand Master Joseph Shell and other Grand Lodge Officers, and approximately 350 Master Masons, were in attendance at the Institution, held at San Lorenzo Temple. The Grand Master installed Worshipful Harold E. Short, P.M. as Charter Master, Brother Merle J. Fisher, Charter Senior Warden, and Brother Edward D. Fernandes, Charter Junior Warden.

The Grand Master surrendered the gavel to Worshipful Master Harold Short, who installed the following: Brother James Nicholson, Charter Secretary, and Brother Eugene Armstrong, Charter Treasurer, and appointed charter officers. The Lodge was opened on the Third Degree for transaction of business required by a Lodge under dispensation.

The Master declared Ashland Masonic Club dissolved and all records and moneys incorporated in Ashland Masonic Lodge U.D.

The By-Laws of Ashland Lodge U.D. were read by the Secretary and approved by unanimous vote of the lodge.

The Master then called on the Grand Master for a few remarks and he responded with an inspiring talk.

The Inspector of the 367th Masonic District, Worshipful Edward C. Will, introduced the officers of Grand Lodge and each responded and wished Ashland Lodge success.

Letters were read by the secretary from Estes Kefauver, Senator from Tennessee and Most Worshipful Harry S. Truman, Past Grand Master of Missouri. Both letters wished Ashland Lodge success. The letters were address to Brother Marvin D. Carrigan, our Charter Junior Steward

Lodge was closed in due form and refreshments prepared and served by the wives of the charter officers.

Ashland Masonic Lodge No. 798 at San Lorenzo, in the County of Alameda was chartered at the Grand Lodge communication Friday, September 30, 1960, A.L. 5960. At the time of charter shows there were 35 members.

October 15, 1960. Most Worshipful Alfred Breslauer, Grand Master of

Masons in California, Opened Grand Lodge in the Lorenzo Masonic Temple and Constituted Ashland Lodge No. 798. The Grand Secretary read the Charter, which named Worshipful Harold E. Short, P.M. as Charter Master, Merle J. Fisher as Charter Senior Warden and Edward D. Fernandes as Charter Junior Warden.

The Charter Master introduced the first secretary, treasurer and the charter appointive officers.

The Grand Master gave an inspiring message and explained the ceremonies of the Charter of a new lodge.

The Master introduced many Masters, Past Masters and officers, representing approximately 50 lodges from the East Bay and many from other jurisdictions. Grand Lodge closed at 9:50 P.M.

November 7, 1960. Stated Meeting. Seven applications for degrees and one application for affiliation were read. The master announced that at the December 5, 1960 Stated Meeting election of officers for 1961 would be held.

December 5, 1960. Stated Meeting. Elected to office for the year 1961 were Brother Merle J. Fisher, Worshipful Master; Brother Edward Fernandes, Senior Warden, and Brother Edward Clark, Junior Warden.

Brother Fisher announced he had appointed Brother Floyd Johnson Junior Steward for 1961.

December 16, 1960. Open Installation of Officers for 1961 was held. Brother Merle J. Fisher was installed Worshipful Master for 1961. Worshipful Harold E. Short, P.M. was installing Officer and Worshipful Edward Will was Master of Ceremonies. Installing Chaplain—Linford W. Hunter, P.M.

October Birthdays

Herbert Freeman (10/03)
Gerald Woergoetter (10/04)
Billy Bryant (10/05)
Donnald Moring (10/05)
Scotty Stroup (10/05)
Johnnie Albanese (10/07)
Allen Weisser (10/07)
Areo Comonal (10/10)
Robert Wagle (10/10)
Victor VandenBerghe (10/11)
Ronald Meissner (10/12)

Jimmy Burns (10/17)

Merle Lyerla (10/17)
Pat Quinn (10/17)
Vernon Cumins (10/19)
Larry Russell (10/19)
Michael Schaffer (10/19)
James Luque (10/21)
Guy Phillips (10/25)
Jonathan Prestage (10/25)
Danny Lee (10/26)
Sandy Kahn (10/27)
Austin Rhee (10/29)
Victor Smalley (10/31)

From the Secretary's Table

By Don Schauer, Sr., H.A.

Congratulations to the three members who attained 50 years in good standing in Masonry in 2019:

- Stanley Clifton (05/21/2019)
- Ronald Baker (08/27/2019)
- John McCarthy (06/20/2019)



3rd Degree Anniversaries

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

David Allen (8)
Dave Baratto (24)
Barry Bookman (30)
Harold Brooke [PM] (57)
Brian Brunckhorst (20)
Phillip Busch (12)
Andrew Hawes (1)
Charles Hintz (20)
Richard Keihner (41)
Delbert Kraft (45)
Glen Lane (51)
Royle Langton (65)
Paul Leiber Jr. (65)
Bruce Lobree (37)

Martin Nilson Jr. (53)

Lyman Penning [PM] (45)
Robert Pinkerton [PM] (21)
Russell Porter (55)
Rowell Prosser (10)
Dale Reynolds (37)
Robert Saks (67)
Michael Schaffer [PM] (44)
Elmer Seutter (51)
David Stevenson (52)
William Strain (64)
Leonard Suokko (60)
Gene Tague Jr. (32)
Eric Unti (12)
Alan West [PM] (32)





Brother Richard Burgard Entered into Rest

90 Years 3 Months and 23 days Sept 7, 2019

Great Architect of the Universe, into thine hands we commend the soul of our dear departed brothers



MASONIC FAMILY CORNER

Hello! My name is Sophia A, I am Senior Princess of Bethel No. 1 Dublin. On August 28th we had our first meeting of the new term. Our next meeting is on Saturday September 28, 2019 at 9 a.m. at John Knox Presbyterian Church in Dublin. Other than meetings we've had a full-packed Jobie summer doing things like camping, swimming, visiting a gold mine, and of course attending Grand Bethel. This year we have a Grand Bethel girl, Julie M Grand Bethel 1st Messenger. Julie has been traveling up and down California to represent Bethel 1, and has done an awesome job of promoting her new project to help support her travels, selling butter braids through October 16-31.

DeMolay demolay.org

Jobs Daughters jobsdaughtersinternational.org

Rainbow for Girls gorainbow.org







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2019 Committees

2019 Appointments

Audit: Mick Bowers

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:** TBD

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 & Visiting:** Ernie Nidick & Les Blake

Sweethearts Committee: Perry Klahr, Mick Bowers, and Guy Phillips 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 <u>click to email</u> Unity Assembly No. 65, Rainbow for Girls—Heidi Kolden - 510.693.1385 <u>click to email</u>

Jobs Daughters Hayward No. 261—Laurel M. 559.696.0746 click to email

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WHERE IN THE WORLD?

Our lodge website records the location of our visitors and reports them to our Webmaster. Here are some cool locations which checked into our site this month: Sydney, NSW; Columbus, OH; Bonneuil-sur-Marne, France; Pacoima, CA

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Crow Canyon Lodge #551 October 2019

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20 Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of California	21	22 Hall Association - 7:00 PM	23	24 1st Degree - Mr. Ted Rucker - 7:00 PM. Lite meal @ 6:30 PM	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 DARK - Happy Halloween		