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Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER 2021

09/01—Wednesday—Officers Meeting—7:00 PM
09/02—Thursday—Stated Meeting—Social 6:00 PM —Meeting 7:30 PM
09/09—Thursday—3rd Degree, 2nd Section Practice —7:00 PM
09/11—Saturday—Lodge Picnic at Golden Gate Steamers—11 AM
09/16—Thursday—3rd Degree, 2nd Section Practice—7:00 PM
09/23—Thursday—Past Masters Role Call—Stag Dinner for all members honoring our Past Masters—6:15 PM
09/28—Tuesday—Hall Association—7:00 PM
09/30—Thursday—3rd Degree, 1st-2nd Section Practice—7:00 PM

OCTOBER 2021

10/02—Saturday—Double 3rd Degree at Medocino Lodge in Fort Bragg—Open at 9:00 AM—Bro. Tremaine Ellison /12:30 Luncheon / 2:00 PM Bro. Aaron Johnson
10/06—Wednesday—Zoom Officer's Meeting 7:00 PM
10/07—Thursday—Stated Meeting—Social 6:00 PM —Meeting 7:30 PM
10/08-10/10—Grand Lodge Communication
10/14—Thursday—3rd Degree Bro. Scott Hamilton —7:00 PM
10/21—Thursday—3rd Degree Bro. Ozzie Ghani—7:00 PM
10/28—Thursday—Practice or Degree— 7:00 PM
10/30—Saturday—Hiram Award for Bro. Henry "Hank" Andreotti—5:00 PM

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 Paul Rodriguez-Obrien — Master

The end of my year is coming on us like a fully loaded freight train rolling downhill. There has been much to do with carry-overs from last year's shut-down, and we have only been meeting in person since June to catchup and do the final push to finish-off this year above water.

We are pleased that we were able to confer a double second degree for Bro. Ozzie Ghani and Bro. Aaron Johnson. We have also listened to the 2nd degree proficiencies from Bro. Scott Hamilton, and Bro. Tremaine Ellison.

All this work from the Officers and candidates are leading us up to our crescendo, which will hopefully be four 3rd Degrees in the month of October!

I can feel that rubber-band being pulled tightly and it's a hard stretch to pull-off this massive undertaking, and also to have this experience be a memorable and rewarding one for all.



I can't adequately convey how proud I am of your officers for the time and effort needed to accomplish this endeavor, or of the candidates for also putting in the effort to advance within our craft.

On October 2nd, your officers will travel to the Masonic lodge located in Mendocino (hosted by the Mendocino Masonic Lodge No.179, located in Fort Bragg), to raise 1 or 2 Fellowcrafts' to the Sublime degree of Master Mason. This event is open to all brother Master Masons, and your attendance would be most welcomed and encouraged. Please feel free to call me for Hotel suggestions in that area.

On returning to the Lodge, we are looking to Raise additional Brothers on October 14th, 21st, and 28th.

Again, please attend and welcome your Brothers who will then be our newest Master Masons within our lodge.

Last year we were able to present our 'Hiram Award 2020' via a webcasted Zoom event to Ron Katz, but we were obviously unable to give him the accompanying dinner. This was rectified on Thursday, August 19 as we were able to meet in person and enjoy a hearty Prime Rib dinner via WM. 'Chef Roy' and his purveyors of fine dining. Later that night, the Hiram award recipients came together and presented to the



WM their recommendations for the 'Hiram Award 2021', and of the list of highly deserving Brothers, I chose Henry "Hank" Andreotti.

Congratulations Bro. Hank! Thank you for all that you have done and continue to do within our lodge.

Please join us to recognize Hank on October 30th at 5:00 PM. Please RSVP the Secretary to reserve a spot for dinner.

We still have other events planned for this year, so stay tuned for more info as we work through all our final preparations. Be aware, however, there is a potential of another lock down of our Lodge by the Grand Lodge, so please plan on attending all events while we can still host them.

In wrapping up, I would like to remind you that your Officers are always just a phone call away should you need anything or would like to share something with the Lodge. Our phone numbers and email addresses are easily found within this periodical, and on the Lodge website.

From the West

By Brian Ross — Senior Warden

Brethren what a month August turned out to be! From our double-second degree ceremony for our new Fellowcrafts, Bros. Johnson and Ghani, to our Hiram Award dinner for Worshipful Ron Katz – the Lodge appears to be alive and well. We now turn our attention to the traveling degree in Mendocino County in October! Let the practices begin!

As for other Lodge events, I wanted to report that our "Breakfast with the Brothers" was a big hit on August 14, 2021 with 21 brothers in attendance – our next will be on September 11, 2021 at 8:00 AM at Normans in Castro Valley (venue subject to change – stay tuned).



Finally, members of The Sportsmen's Club and their families gathered at the Livermore Firing Range on Saturday, August 21, 2021 for a morning of firing action – fun was had by all.

From the South

By J. Rafisura — Junior Warden

It has been a busy month so far. Opening the lodge back up and practicing and conferring degrees. All deeds done to clean up the backlog of work from the shutdown.

I am so glad we broke a long drought of conferrals since Covid19 hit by initiating Bro. Leman in July. In August, we conferred a



double Fellowcraft degree, with proficiencies conducted both before and after the ceremony. It was a long night yet well worth the time invested by all. Now we have Bros. Johnson, Ghani, Hamilton and Ellison ready to progress. I wait with anticipation to welcome them to enjoy all the rights and benefits of Freemasonry as Master Masons! I pray that the commitment they have demonstrated so far will translate a further quest for light and to years of service to Crow Canyon lodge.

I'm also glad that we had our Hiram Award Dinner in honor of our well-deserved 2020 Hiram recipient, Wor. Ron Katz. Great turnout with about 50 guests, all fed and satisfied with Uncle Roy's juicy Prime Rib and sinfully delicious cheesecake!

As your Junior Warden, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Uncle Roy, Mark Finger, Phil Busch, Bob Wagle, Dain Warton, Johnnie Albanese, Les Blake, Chris Bokamper, Wor. Kurt Allen and all the kitchen crew who tirelessly labor to prepare the sumptuous food that we enjoy so much. The Masonic Youth groups have been on-point as they take turns to help serve our meals at each event. They are the unseen hands that allow the lodge to gather its members, have feasts and function as a lodge should. Kudos to all of you!

As of this writing we are entering September and, again, it will be a very busy month – practices and conferrals. I'd like to invite everyone to please join us in our events and practices as we continue our traditions in the spirit of fraternity, camaraderie and self-improvement.

Greeting from Bethel No. 1

On August 21, 2021 we were able to hold an in person event. Our first installation of officers at the Castro Valley Masonic Center since the Covid-19 shutdown. We followed the strict guide lines from Job's Daughters International. Miss Sophia A., as installing Honored Queen, installed Miss Destiny Faith O. as Honored Queen. Also installed were; Ashley J. as Junior Princess, Natalie S. as Guide, Bridgette H. as Marshal, Lily D. as Librarian, Malia R. is Chaplain, Lexi H. is First Messenger and Lily S. as Third Messenger. The event was well attended. The Vice Grand Associated Guardian; Kurt Conyers and Our Grand Guardian, Denise Jow were in attendance. We are looking forward to reading three new petitions at our next meeting, and are excited that we can once again resume our activities. Your support is well appreciated.



3rd Degree Anniversaries

The following brethren were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in the months of August and September

AUGUST

Michael Barnhart (18)
Mickey Benko [PM] (31)
William Biddell (57)
Lester Bridge (59)
Charles Daniels (39)
Douglas Ferreira (37)
John Fischer (15)
Ace Gilbert (43)
Roger Glancy (8)
Stanley Gresick Jr. (68)
John Groff [PM] (47)
John Hinkley (53)
Roberto Holguin Jr. (6)
Brian Katz (14)
Daniel Lee (7)
Gordon Mac Donald (14)
Benjamin Newmarker (55)
Kanti Patel (35)
Patrick Quinn (10)
William Quintel (41)
J Rafisura (4)
Lynn Reed (42)
Steven Stark (39)
Alexander Von Stade II [PM] (8)
Ruben Vossekuil (40)
William Warnecke (43)
Richard Wilkinson (7)
Earl Woodson (24)

SEPTEMBER

Johnnie Albanese (6)
Kurt Allen [PM] (45)
Denis Beaman (41)
Billy Bryant [PM] (62)
Robert Eckstein [PM] (36)
John Freestone (51)
Gerald Garcia (9)
Donald Jensen (38)
Johnnie Laney (50)
Ralph Larsen (57)
Mark Leite (34)
James Luque (49)
Patrick McCord (42)
David Middleton (26)
Verl Rothlisberger [PM] (35)
Larry Russell (56)
Theodore Santel (44)
Victor Smalley (33)
Albert Thomas (42)
Mark Warzyniak (12)
Freddie Wilson [PM] (48)



September Birthdays

Mike Barnhart (09/01)	Mark Casperson (09/17)
Robert Marshall (09/03)	Richard Ramos (09/17)
Bud Warder (09/04)	Brian Ross (09/17)
Phil Busch (09/05)	Red Prosser (09/20)
Roger Glancy (09/05)	Edgar Smith (09/20)
Bob Logan (09/06)	Mark Simens (09/22)
Leonard Leavitt (09/07)	Adam Korbas (09/23)
Sammy Tamez (09/07)	Robert Soule (09/25)
Roy Tamez (09/11)	Gilbert Alston (09/26)
Leland Allen (09/12)	David Bode (09/28)
Mickey Benko (09/12)	David Allen (09/29)
Larry Richardson (09/13)	Gary Tucker (09/30)
Jared Andreotti (09/16)	





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
			7pm - Officer's Meeting	6:15pm - Stated Dinner 7:30pm - Stated Meeting		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	LABOR DAY			7pm - 3rd Degree, 2nd Section		11am - Lodge Picnic at Golden
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
			FIRST DAY OF HISpanic HERITAGE	7pm - 3rd Degree, 2nd Section		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
			6:15pm - Past Master's Role Call			
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
		7pm - Hall Association		7pm - 3rd Degree Practice		TRAVEL Degree to Mendocino

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Where in the World

Each month we log visitors to our website. This month we were pleased to have guests from: Ashford, UK; Wilmington, DE; Boardman, OR; Apodi, Brazil; Atlanta, GE; Seattle, WA; Kansas City, MO; New York, NY; Lagos, Nigeria; Woodbridge, VI; Leicester, UK; Prairieville, LA; Salt Lake City, UT; Webster, TX; Southend-on-Sea, UK; Ceres, CA; Philadelphia, PA; San Marcos, CA; Hampstead, UK



Committees

2021 Appointments

Audit: Pat Quinn, and Andrew Hawes

Charity Committee: Master and Wardens

Child ID: Jerry Garcia

Crab Feed: Don Schauer Sr., Perry Klahr, and Roy Tamez, PM

Executive Committee: Paul Rodriguez, PM, Brian Ross and Perry Klahr.

FOSJ and White Table Night: J Rafisura

Hiram Award Selection: HA Committee (All HA recipients)

Masonic Education: TBD

Masonic Funeral: Bill Ferrell, PM

Masonic Hall Association: Jerry Garcia

Masonic Homes Endowment: Don Schauer Sr.

Masons for Mitts: TBD

Membership Retention: Don Schauer Sr.

Picnic: Don Schauer Sr., Roy Tamez, PM, and Perry Klahr

Printing and Mailing: Don Schauer Sr.

Strawberry Feed: Ron Katz, PM, Perry Klahr, and Paul Rodriguez, PM

Sunshine and Visiting: Ernie Nidick and Les Blake

Sweethearts Committee: Phil Busch, Paul Rodriguez, PM

Trustees: Brian Ross, Paul Rodriguez, PM

Visiting /Traveling Degree: Don Schauer Sr.

Website and Trestleboard: Ron Katz, PM.

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Jobs Daughters - jobsdaughtersinternational.org

Rainbow for Girls - gorainbow.org



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