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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August

24th—3rd Degree—Bro. Brian Katz—7:00 PM
 26th—District-wide Officer's School of Instruction—Alameda Lodge (Fremont)

September

7th—Stated Meeting—5:45 Social / 6:15 PM Meal / 7:30 PM Lodge Opens—also Installation of new officers since December.
 9th—10th Castro Valley Fall Festival—Need volunteers for Child ID program.
 10th—Lodge to Woodminster Amphithetre, production of Disney's **Beauty and the Beast**—\$18/person—7:30 PM
 13th—**Wednesday**—First Degree for Mr. Brandon Morrison—7:00 PM (if elected at Stated)
 16th—Family Potluck Picnic with San Leandro Lodge at the Marina—11 AM—3 PM
 21st—Officer's Practice (Opening and Closing on all 3 degrees)
 23rd—Unity Rainbow Installation of Officers—5:00 PM (Officers in Tux)
 28th—Officer's Practice
 30th—Crow Canyon Lodge, Day at the Races!

October (Preview)

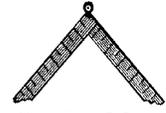
5th—Stated Meeting—5:45 Social / 6:15 PM Meal / 7:30 PM Lodge Opens—Hiram Award—Bro. Robert Logan, PM
 8th—Public Opening of **Grand Lodge** of California—1 PM / All Member Banquet and performance by Oklahoma Indian Dance team. \$40/person.
 9th—Grand Lodge Opening Session—9:00AM / Oklahoma Indian Third Degree—7:30 PM (Master Masons Only)
 28th—District-Wide Officer's School of Instruction—Acacia Lodge (Hayward)

<p>FAMILY POTLUCK PICNIC w/ San Leandro Lodge</p> <p>September 16th, 2006 11 AM - 3 PM</p> <p>San Leandro Marina Park</p> <p>Games for the kids Great fellowship Fun for all</p>	<p>Crow Canyon Lodge</p> <p>Day at the Races!</p> <p>September 30th, 2006 11:30 AM - 4 PM</p> <p>Golden Gate Fields</p> <p>Tickets available now through our Secretary</p>
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From the East



Brethren,

August was a productive and fun month, wasn't it? Congratulations to our new Master Masons Gordon MacDonald and Brian Katz, and to our new Brother Howard Marmar.

August was also a month for leadership in the lodge. Bro. Bud Warder was certified as our Senior Deacon officially and we will install him, Paul Tamez, Roy Nelson, Chris Boggess and Gordon MacDonald at our Stated Meeting.

There is still room at the helm for you, why haven't you stepped forward?

September will be a month of fun, fun, fun. As has been our tradition, we will run the Child ID booth at the Castro Valley Fall Festival on September 9th and 10th. Come see us, or better yet, lend us some of YOUR time. How about a great night out enjoying the music and splendor of Disney's Beauty and the Beast? We have tickets for September 10th at 7:30 PM for just \$18/person. Call the Secretary now to reserve your spot. Still looking for something more entertaining? How would you enjoy an afternoon in Albany, with a roast beef buffet lunch, and an opportunity to, perhaps, make a wager or two on the horses? Join us September 30 at Golden Gate Fields for our "Day at the Races". \$30 includes the buffet, valet parking, inside seating at the Turf Club, and a race run in our honor. Don't miss it! Call our Secretary today!

Ron Katz, Worshipful Master (510) 431-1211 / 510-375-3137 cell / email: ron2000katz@comcast.net

An Invitation to a Cave Degree

On behalf of the **210th Masonic District**, it is my pleasure to invite you to a **Master Masons Degree** to be conferred in the **Pithian Cave** in Yreka California on September 9, 2006.

Prior to the **Cave Degree** there will be a dinner (*roast beef or chicken*) with all the trimmings, held at the Howard Lodge No.37 in Yreka, CA. at 5:00pm, the cost for the dinner is \$10.00 per person, wives are welcome to attend the dinner.

The evening dress for this event will be as follows, **Dark Suits for the Degree Team**, all others casual.

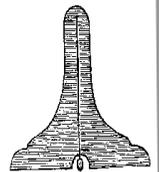
Dinner Reservations Are Required! Please contact either James D. Ostrowski at 530/842-4916 or Charles Thomas at 530/926-4331 no later than August 30, 2006. It is critical that you make your reservations for this event well in advance as Cave Seating is limited to about 150 people and we usually have a vary large attendance for this event. Following the dinner the Brothers will "**CAR POOL** - due to the limited parking area at the Cave Site



Our visitation to Windsor Lodge, the officers and members of the third degree team, and new Master Mason Gordon McDonald.



From the West



Brethren,

With heart in hand, let us stand as one today, determined that our future shall be worthy of our past.

In your hands, brethren, more than in mine, will rest the final success or failure of our course. To say that we are enjoying the glorious days of our Lodge is not the appropriate thing to say, because,

at present, we still have the same problem, which is the lack of participation in the affairs concerning the officers of our Lodge. For our next Masonic year, we are in need of four caring brethren to step forward: two Stewards, a Junior Deacon, and a Senior Warden.

I strongly urge our brethren who have not had the opportunity to be officers to take the challenge now. Grow with me in leadership as we continue to grow our lodge. It is up to you, yes YOU to prevent the dark powers of indifference unleashed by a lack of good will to engulf us in a self-destructive spiral. Let us explore what challenges unite us instead of belaboring those problems which divide us.

I do not expect that the problem to be resolved during Wor. Katz' administration, nor even perhaps, during mine. However, let us begin now.

Again, brethren, in your hands, more than in mine, will rest the final success or failure of our course.

In conclusion, I would like to quote to you the words of Margaret Truman Daniel, the only child of President Harry and Bess Truman: "When as a child you walk beside a good and warm-hearted man, and find comfort, love and protection in his embrace, you never think of him as a great man. He is just your dad, and you love him."

Alvaro Reynoso—Senior Warden (510) 490-2192 / 510-364-7073 cell



From the South RESERVATION UPDATE TIME



We again have the pleasure of the culinary expertise of our very own chief the worshipful Roy Tamez who will delight us with his special presentation of **Chicken Cordon Bleu**.

This year we have been staying with a program of "standing reservations" for our Stated Dinners. Thus far it has worked out pretty well, except for our August dinner – we had about 70 reservations and served 45 dinners. Therefore, my goal for this month is to update our standing reservation list, which I am listing below. If you want off the list, just let me know; if you want to be added to the list, also let me know. Please keep in mind that if you are on the list, a simple phone call or email that you cannot make a particular evening covers it. We want to keep this simple and in no way, punitive. We just want to know how many to order food for. I call the number of reservations into the Caterer on the Thursday before our dinner, so please – call me if your plans are changing. Yes, I know that stuff happens so we simply to the best we can.

Here is the current standing reservation list: Kurt Allen, Jackie Basham, Charlie Bishop, Bill Ferrell, Gary Frisvold, Andy Gravier, Carson Haines, Bob Hansen, Jay Harris, Woody Hibbs, Charles Hintz, Doug Howe, Keven Hulme, Kurt Jaekel, Ron Katz, Bud Keller, Ed Matria, Henry Miller, Dwight Minnich, Sandy Morris, Walt Neiman, Roy Nelson, Jack Palmeri, Marg Renshaw, Dale Reynolds, Alvaro Reynoso, Tom Rowe, John Smith, Pete Sotelo, Paul Tamez, Roy Tamez, Sam Tamez, Bud Warder, Bob Werner, Gerald Woergoetter and Earl Woodson.

If you would like to be added to or removed from the list please contact me.

Thank you for your help!
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**For dinner reservations please call
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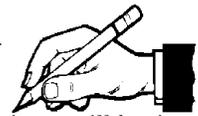
Save The Date

**DISNEY'S BEAUTY AND THE BEAST
at Woodminster Amphitheatre
SEPTEMBER 10, 2006 – 7:30 PM**

\$18/person

**Call the Secretary today
(510) 886-2023
to reserve your tickets**

From the Secretary's Desk



Brethren the 157th Annual Communication will be October 7-11, 2006. Business will begin on October 9th promptly at 9:00 a.m. The theme this year is; "United We Stand – Together we can make a difference!" There are important matters before the Annual Communication this year and I understand that Monday night there will be an Oklahoma Indian Degree. If you haven't seen one you might like to see how they perform their ritual.

Any Master Mason who holds a current (2006) dues receipt may attend any session of Grand Lodge. Just present your dues receipt at Grand Lodge registration desk and you will be issued credentials. The proposed per capita tax for next year is \$29.00 per member. If this passes in Grand Lodge our dues will be \$69.00 for 2007. I suggest you might start saving that spare change.

If you are interested in the legislation before Grand Lodge you may go to the official website of Grand Lodge
<http://www.freemason.org>

Fraternally, Bill Ferrell

Great Masonic Brethren

By Dr. Mark Fravel



December 7 and 8, 1991, marked the 50th anniversary of the Japanese invasion of the Philippine Islands and the attack on Pearl Harbor. To commemorate these events, the Douglas MacArthur Memorial in Norfolk, Virginia, prepared a memorial weekend which included cultural activities, field encampments, a children's fair, and many other special exhibits and events.

Douglas MacArthur is, rightly so, a national hero, and his achievements are recognized by every American. In fact, many of us have served under "The General" at some point in our lives.

The Craft can also take pride in MacArthur's Masonic accomplishments. Together, these images create the picture of a man with outstanding intellect, great leadership ability, and a controversial personality that made many either revere or revile him. MacArthur's father was a Civil War Medal of Honor recipient. At nineteen he became the youngest colonel in the Union Army. He progressed in the Army until eventually he was named Military Governor of the Philippines. Arthur MacArthur was indeed one of the finest military leaders of his era. Douglas' mother, Mary Pinkney Hardy, was born in Norfolk, Virginia, in 1852. She was from an aristocratic southern family, and many of her brothers and relatives fought for the Confederacy. She married Captain Arthur MacArthur on May 19, 1875, at Riveredge, the Hardy Plantation in Norfolk.

**For the rest of this story online please go to:
[http://www.calodges.org/no551/
DouglasMacarthur.html](http://www.calodges.org/no551/DouglasMacarthur.html)**

**IN MEMORIAM**

Donald Watson	91 years, 3 months and 20 days	December 17, 1998
William Richmond	80 Years, 10 months and 3 days	June 12, 2006
Donald Roy Castona	85 years, 11 months and 30 days	July 25, 2006
Lowell Franklin King	89 years, 7 months and 10 days	August 4, 2006

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Sunshine and Visiting

Please think of the following brothers: Roger Beaman, Fred Bullwink, John Hansford, Judd Schlein, Don Wade, Robert Walker, Jerry Williams, Ralph Williams, Russell Winkler, Chris Limnios, Emery Mumford

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

Andy Gravier, PM Phone: (510) 638-6641



Wor. Katz welcomes new Brother Howard Marmar on August 17th

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