

CALIFORNIA LODGE NO. 1

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**August 2006
Trestle Board**

Stated Meeting
First Tuesday of Each Month



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TRESTLE BOARD
August and September 2006 Schedule

August 1st (Tuesday)

Fellowship in the Fireside Room	6:00 PM
Pre- Stated Meeting Dinner	6:30 PM
Entrée: Summer Delight	
Cost: \$5.00/person	
Stated Meeting	7:30 PM

Dinner Reservations Are A Must...
 Call Lodge Office With Your Reservations
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August 8th (Tuesday)	6:30 PM
Officers Practice/Candidates Mentors Schooling	

August 15th (Tuesday)	6:15 PM
District School of Instruction – Third Degree/First Section (California No. 1 - Host)	

August 19th (Saturday)	10:00 AM
Annual Picnic – Orange Park in South San Francisco (See Flyer)	

August 26th (Saturday)	11:00 AM
Golf Tournament and Dinner – Sharp Park (See Flyer)	

September 5th (Tuesday)	6:00 PM
Stated Meeting and Golden Veterans Award to James Ludlow, P.M.	

September 12th (Tuesday)	6:30 PM
Officers Practice/Candidates Mentors Schooling	

September 13th (Wednesday)	6:15 PM
District School of Instruction – Third Degree/Second (Golden Gate No. 30 - Host)	

September 19th (Tuesday)	6:30 PM
Annual Roll Call Dinner – World Trade Club (Master Masons of California No. 1 only)	

October 14th (Saturday)	6:00 PM
Fall Dinner Dance/Past Masters' Night – Lake Merced Golf Club (See insert)	

California Lodge No. 1, F. &A.M. consists of the following lodges: California Lodge No. 1, Occidental Lodge No. 22, Mount Davidson Lodge No. 481, Pyramid Lodge No. 562 and Ingleside Lodge No. 630.

MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren:

Summer is a time of the year where most get away from their jobs, our worries, and our routines. It is a time when many take vacations to exotic places or a lounge chair in the back yard. Rest and relaxation, many say, are our goals but somehow between driving and visiting or the garden that needs weeding and the house that needs painting, we usually wind up working harder on vacations than at our usual jobs. I would like to suggest something to you. There is a way to “get away from it all” without going anywhere, without spending anything and it takes very little time. An hour, a half hour, or only five minutes is all it takes but it can refresh and renew the mind. “Too good to be true,” you say. Well, next time you need a break, take a moment and recount one of the lessons taught you in Masonry. Think about how that lesson was presented and illustrated. And how it relates to you individual life and how it helped (or might have helped) in a recent situation, and after a time so diverted, return to the problem at hand with a fresh mind. This “mini-vacation” is a useful tool to use anytime, just about anywhere. And, if by chance, you might have a little trouble recollecting just what happened when you took those degrees so many years ago, perhaps it is time you come to Lodge to refresh your memory. We would certainly be glad to see you there, when you get back from your vacation.

This month will be having our Annual Lodge Picnic, August 19, at Orange Park in South San Francisco. We will be doing things a little different this year. Come on out and see if you like the changes. Also later this month, we will be holding our Second Annual Master's Golf Tournament at Sharp Park in Pacifica on August 26. Those who are non-golfers are welcome to join us for dinner which will also be at the Sharp Park Club House. There will be a lot of prizes for those who attend either the golfing and or dinner with a special top prize to be raffle out during the dinner. The money raised from the raffle will all go to the California Masonic Foundation.

Speaking about golf, our Lodge had a Miniature Golf Outing last month with Burlingame Lodge No. 400. I sorry to report that we won't have bragging rights as we lost to them, but our top golfer is Dave Oberquell who came in second overall. All who participated had a lot of fun and had their stomach filled with pizzas and soda, even Sidney Pond and Irene acting like teen-agers had an enjoyable day. Other highlights were Joe Gerusa was one of the few who had an hole-in-one and Stephen Chan and family were able to played all three courses as well as the arcade winning a lot of prizes.

I also would like to thanks Brother Carl Rutledge for donating some golf trophies as well as other items to the lodge for our upcoming golf tournament.

In closing, have you been checking our Lodge E-mail Bulletin/Message Center? Here you can see photos of our degrees and social events as well as updates for our upcoming social event. The address is <http://www.calodges.org/no1>

Theodore W.M. Lyau, P.M., Worshipful Master

MASONIC INFORMATION

TROWEL

An implement of Operative Masonry, which has been adopted by Speculative Freemasons as the peculiar working-tool of the Master's Degree. By this implement, and its use in Operative Masonry to spread the cement which binds all the parts of the building into one common mass, we are taught to spread the cement of affection and kindness, which units all the members of the Masonic family, wheresoever dispersed over the globe, into one companionship of Brotherly Love and an old custom in an Oxford Lodge, England, gave it prominence as a jewel, and as a symbol it goes back to the practice of the Ancient.

Today this implement is considered the appropriate working-tool of the Master Mason, because, in Operative Masonry, while the Apprentice is engaged in preparing the rude materials, which require only the Gauge and Gavel to give them their proper shape, the Fellow Craft places them in their proper position by means of the Plumb, Level and Square; but the Master Mason alone, having examined their correctness and proved them true and trusty, secures them permanently in their place by spreading, with the trowel, the cement that irrevocably binds them together.

MASONIC RODS

DEACON'S – Are the proper instruments of the Deacon's authority and the badge of his office. They should always be blue, and in some jurisdictions are surmounted by a pinecone, because they are imitation of the caduceus or rod of Mercury, who was the messenger of the Gods.

STEWARDS – These, like those of the Deacons, are the proper instruments of authority and the badge of his office. They should always be white, because they are taken from the Steward of the King's household, who is appointed by delivery of a white staff, the breaking of which dissolved the office.

Worshipful Theodore W.M. Lyau, P.M.
Master of California Lodge No. 1, F&AM

Cordially invites you and your Lady to attend
An Elegant Evening

**The Annual Fall Dinner Dance
and
Past Masters' Night**

Saturday, October 14, 2006

Hosted reception from 6:00 PM

Dinner at 7:00 PM

Dinner will be served in the Clubhouse Room
at

Lake Merced Golf Club

2300 Junipero Serra, Daly City, CA 94015

Past Masters and their Ladies are guests of the Lodge

Members, and their ladies or one guest \$20.00 per person

All other attendees, \$35.00 per person

Seating is limited to 120 people

The favor of your reply is requested

By October 6, 2006

Entree

Beef or Chicken

Vegetarian substituted upon request

Richard J. Modolo, P.M.

Chairman

Music begins at 7:30 pm

Tuxedo or dark suit

No refunds after October 6, 2006

Make check payable to: California Lodge No. 1 F&AM (Fall Dinner Dance)

Send to: Frank Loui

California Lodge Fall Dinner Dance and Past Masters' Night

Member's Name _____ Lady's Name _____

Guest's Name _____ Guest Lady _____

Phone Number _____

Attending _____ X \$25.00 Ea. _____

Attending _____ X \$35.00 Ea. _____

PM Attending _____ Year Master _____ \$ Amount of Check _____

CHOICE: NUMBER OF: CHICKEN _____ : BEEF _____ : VEGETARIAN _____

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday To:

Members & Candidates

Vasilios Sfakiotakis	01
Carleton D. Rowlands	02
Neal H. Johnson, E.A.	02
William B. Bellamy III	03
J. Robert Gale	03
Frank Loui, P.M.	03
Douglas W. Corrick	04
Jamal F. Mogannam, E.A.	04
Chad K. Oberquell, E.A.	05
Robert E. Wieger, Jr., P.M.	05
David J. Burkhardt, E.A.	06
John A. Bermudez, P.M.	07
Garrett S. Chan, P.M.	08
James E. Reavis	10
Yaniv Shabtai, F.C.	11
Vrej M. Mekhalian, P.M.	12
Rolf K. Borck	14
Theodore L. Hegedus	15
Samuel C. Yee	16
Maurice Shalin	17
John E. Conner	18
Wallace E. Wells	19
Melvin S. Clark	19
Albert J. Blanchard	20
Peter C. Samardizch	24
Paul H. Sayles, Jr.	24
Larry C. Fong	24
Leon H. Ayle	25
Hector Jimenez	25
Luis J. Orozco	26
Sidney L. Pond, P.M.	26
William T. Peterson	26
Raymond C. Garfias	28
Eugene Wilson	28
Tack S. Joe, P.M.	30

Sweethearts

Elizabeth C. Pease	12
Irene Larson	12
Marilyn Boland	21
Catherine Johnson	30
Bea Collingwood	30

Wives

Colleen F. King	01
Ruth Lashmett	04
Mary Athan	07
Lunde Foley	08
Patty Denniston	08
Joan M. Garnett	08
Yvonne Steuben	10
Midori Graham	10
Betty Louise Kuenzler	10
Grace J. Faulkner	11
Susan Tyler	12
Darlene J. Lim	13
Jan Nix	14
Kriss Kasti	14
Sallie Norton	17
Catherine Harrison	18
Francesca Corsello	20
Marie C. Hugo	20
Elsie Laversin	23
Charlene Howard	24
Sanae Rath	26
Emilie Rege	26
Linda Ciotti	26
Barbara Anne Ferguson	28
Patricia Brockmeyer	28
Marilyn Gale	30
Hanan Shatara	31
Rosemarie Blake	31
Laura M. Banzet	31

THE SACRED ROLL

I am happy to report that as of this date, there has been no report of any death.

FROM THE SECRETARY

At the June 6, 2006 Stated Meeting, the members of California Lodge No. 1 in good-standing voted in increase the annual dues from \$24.00 per year to \$29.00 effective January 1, 2007. Life Memberships are available prior to the increase on January 1st. They are calculated according to a member's age. Call the Lodge Office to find out what it would be for you.

The 157th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge is approaching fast. As one of the events at the Annual Communication this year, Most Worshipful Grand Master Frederick L. Sorsabal plans to host an Oklahoma Indian Third Degree on Monday evening, October 9, 2006 (7:30 PM) at the Masonic Center located at 1111 California Street in San Francisco, CA. He has requested the participation of California Lodge No. 1 for the opening and closing of the Third Degree. Come and support your fellow officers and members who will be assisting the Grand Master and Grand Lodge. If there are any members interested in participating with the opening/closing – see me as soon as possible. I will be making the assignments.

The Public Opening of the Grand Lodge of California will begin at 1:00 PM on Sunday, October 8th. All Member Banquet that evening. The Opening Session begins promptly at 9:00 AM on Monday, October 9th and will continue until Tuesday, October 10th. Installation of the 2006/2007 Grand Lodge Officers will commence at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, October 11th. See the Secretary for detailed information.

SUNSHINE

“Our ailing Brothers would very much appreciate calls and visits...let them know you care! Do you know of a brother who is ill, in the hospital or would like a visit from his fellow brothers? Let us know. Please contact either:

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JULY 18, 2006