

CALIFORNIA LODGE NO. 1

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December 2006 Trestle Board

Stated Meeting
First Tuesday of Each Month



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TRESTLE BOARD
December 2006 and January 2007 Schedule

December 5th (Tuesday)

Fellowship in the Fireside Room	6:00 PM
Pre- Stated Meeting Dinner	6:30 PM
Entrée: Holiday Special	
Cost: \$5.00/person	
Stated Meeting and Annual Election of Officers and Trustees	7:30 PM

Dinner Reservations Are A Must...
Call Lodge Office With Your Reservations
(415) 586-6864

December 9th (Saturday)

Holiday Party – See Insert	12:00 PM
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December 12th (Tuesday)

Third Degree – Brother Robert Bruce Christensen	6:30 PM
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December 19th (Tuesday)

Annual Installation of Officers (Dinner following Installation)	6:00 PM
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January 2nd (Tuesday)

Stated Meeting	6:30 PM
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January 9th (Tuesday)

Officers' Rehearsal	6:30 PM
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January 16th (Tuesday)

District School of Instruction – 1 st Degree (Columbia-Brotherhood Host)	6:15 PM
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January 23rd (Tuesday)

Officers' Rehearsal	6:30 PM
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January 27th (Saturday)

Kick-Off Lunch (TBA)

January 30th (Tuesday)

Candidate's Night	6:30 PM
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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

A friend once said to Ralph Waldo Emerson, "The world is coming to an end tonight," to which Emerson replied, "I can get along without it." This statement has helped me greatly as I have thought about the approaching end of my year as Master of this Lodge. This was a very different experience than that of my first time around in 1987 but I have enjoyed this year as much as my first; it has brought so many unforgettable experiences; that I confess the thought that the day would shortly be arriving when I must part with this cherished office, all this would fill me with real regret were it not for this little piece of philosophy which Emerson expressed. Really what Emerson was saying was that the only way to be able to enjoy any experience on this earth is to be willing to part with it. Without this approach to life, an inner uneasiness stands between us the enjoyment of everything. And isn't that the truth?

As the year fades into the past my thoughts turn to those whose help, good will, trust and confidence made this a rewarding year. I would like to take this opportunity to offer my sincere thanks to the membership for their fine cooperation in attending the stated meetings and degrees, special events, and for their generosity for our Masonic Homes Endowment Fund and California Masonic Foundation. Also, a special thanks to the Ladies for their attendance at our social events.

An extra thank you to: our Secretary Frank Loui, PM for his untiring efforts in keeping this Master informed; David Banastre, PM and John Bermudez, PM who both whisper good counsel in my ear and corrected me in my ritual; Bob Lowry, PM who I can always count on supplying the great meals at rehearsals and degrees; Al Miller, PM who help coach our officers during practices; Carl Rowland who always reminded me about supporting our youth groups; Ken Nix and Don Price who did some outstanding coaching the candidates; and Mark Marquez, George Terry and Richard Modolo, PM and Pearl Kirkland who helped chaired the various social outings.

As a matter of fact, I want to express my gratitude to every member of California Lodge and to the Ladies who so unselfishly share their husbands so they can give their time to help their fellowmen. May the peace and happiness of our Masonic teachings be yours today and everyday throughout the years.

Be sure to mark your calendar for December 19 as this will be the date of our Annual Installation of Officers. I am sure that there will be many challenges for George, our Master in 2007, but with your continued support of the officers and our Brethren he can't help but have a great year. I have all the confidence in him and with a young Master and a young line of officers, it promises to be an exciting year. Also don't forget to sign up our Christmas party on December 9th which will be the last social event this year as well as attending the upcoming third degree which would be our last conferral of this year.

The officers of California Lodge wish all of our Brethren, their families and friends a very Happy Holiday Season and may 2007 be the year you are looking forward to. So long and farewell and thanks for the memories.

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



Dear Brethren and Ladies,

As the incoming master elect, I wanted to solicit your opinions about various things, which will hopefully assist me in making 2007 a good year for our Lodge. Please take a moment to read and answer the questions below and we'll take yet another step forward together – your time is greatly appreciated, and when you've done, you could bring it to Lodge, or simply mail it to my address at the bottom of the page. Thank you mightily!

1. Please take a look at the tentative calendar for this year, and let me know what you think of what we have planned? Are there any major date conflicts with other Masonic Organizations? I am missing something?

2. After some research, I concluded that I trip to Russia, might be a big hurdle to overcome without sufficient number of participants, and also a large cost. In its place, I've selected a destination quite Masonic in character, a place I always wanted to visit – Greece. This would be an easier trip to plan, and with bigger participation I hope. At this time I just want some feedback on the destination, and also if you are planning on making the trip?

3. FOOD, FOOD, FOOD... We meet, we eat... 'just have hotdogs'... – are all phrases that resonate the halls of the Lodge during the year. Here is you chance to add your thoughts. I personally like food a great deal, and come to think of it, I see that we have the Crab Feed missing in the calendar, but I am sure you've caught that one already!

4. Anything else your heart's desire, or advice and some good counsel would also be great appreciated. (Please use the back of the page if more space is needed)

Mail to: George Sarkisov, 429 Cork Harbour Circle #F, Redwood City, CA 94065.

THANK YOU!!!

California Lodge No. 1

Invites you to our Children's Holiday Party

Day & Date: Saturday, December 9, 2006
Time: 12:00 PM until 2:00 PM
Where: Brotherhood Masonic Center
855 Brotherhood Way, San Francisco
Cost: FREE
Who: Members and their families



Children to be entertained by face painting and magic followed by a visit from Santa Claus!

Every Child 12 and under will receive a free gift.

Light refreshments will be served following Santa's visit.

Reservations by December 1, 2006 to:

California Lodge No. 1 Children's Holiday Party at 640 Los Palms Drive San Francisco, CA 94127-2212

Member Name: _____

Children Attending 12 years and under:

Name: _____ Boy or Girl Age _____

Name: _____ Boy or Girl Age _____

Name: _____ Boy or Girl Age _____

Name: _____ Boy or Girl Age _____

Number of adults attending: _____

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday To:

Members & Candidates

Gary L. Ferguson	04
Howard McKinley, Jr., P.M.	05
Nicola M. Manneh	05
John D. Trucano	05
John M. Conlan, P.M.	06
Leo J. Corsello, P.M.	08
Robert W. Lutticken	08
Robin P. Merrill, E.A.	08
Mason E. Kline	09
Jones A. Turner	09
Gerald D. Davis	10
William J. Fischer, P.M.	10
William T. Goodwin	10
Sereno S. Alegre, Jr.	11
Justin S. Dillon	13
Nabil M. Hanania	13
David W. Oberquell, P.M.	13
Fred L. DeFrancesco	14
Jessie A. Alim	15
Emile R. Laversin, P.M.	15
Yevgeniy Khata	19
Charles K. Mang	20
George A. Poon	22
Walter C. Diefendorf	23
William A. Kockos	23
Joseph F. Grech	24
Richard I. Mollison	25
Timothy A. Tosta	28
Robert F. Lowry, P.M.	31
James P. Lam, E.A.	31

Sweethearts

Viola H. Hightower	05
Sophia Doris Noennick	13
Kay S. Field	16

Wives

Nell E. Cox	02
Barbara A. Chionsini	04
Muriel "Dink" Dorking	07
Candis Hurlbut	09
Soila (Sue) Khoury	09
Judith C. Blackburn	13
Patria Engler	13
Heather McDonald	14
Catherine Lee	20
Peggy Samii	23
Florence Chan	23
Jossie Alegre	26
Carolyn C. George	28

THE SACRED ROLL

We have been notified of the following deaths:

Brother : Robert Menzies Jr.
Born : September 8, 1913
Raised : June 17, 1955
Entered into Rest : October 27, 2006

Brother : Richard Alfred Walrod
Born : December 19, 1924
Raised : April 10, 1950
Entered into Rest : November 23, 2006

*Almighty Father, Unto Thy Hands
We commend The Souls of Our Departed Brothers.
Amen*

FROM THE SECRETARY

Worshipful Walter Graham has had two heart surgeries and is “fighting” to get back in shape. He would love to hear from some of his fellow brothers. His address is: 3330 South Dynamite Avenue in Tucson, AZ 85735. Phone number is: (520) 822-1574.

Congratulations to Brother Justin Mynar who graduated from U.C. Berkeley with a Doctorate Degree.

The 156th Annual Convocation and Dinner of the Golden Gate Masters’ and Past Masters’ Association will be held on Saturday, January 27, 2007, at the Brotherhood Masonic Center. The price of the dinner is \$25.00, which includes your \$5.00 dues for 2007.

Please make check payable to: Golden Gate Masters’ and Past Masters’ Association. Mail to: Richard J. Modolo, 501 Cortland Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94110-5611.

The 2006 Officers wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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:

Theodore Lyau, P.M., Worshipful Master

Frank Loui, P.M., Secretary

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