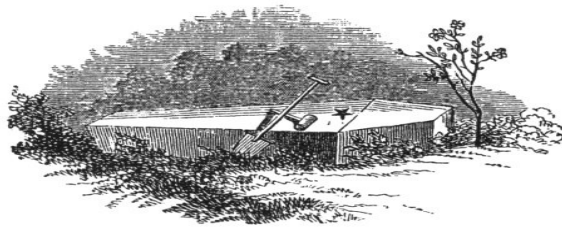


## THE SACRED ROLL



*“Soft and Safe to Thee my Brother’s”*

No Deaths to be reported.

## 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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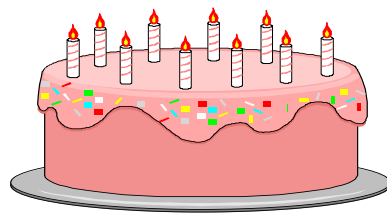
Legislation and information for the 159<sup>th</sup> Annual Communication is now available in the Member Center at [www.freemason.org](http://www.freemason.org) for your review and consideration. Select Annual Communication from the Forms drop-down menu to read full descriptions of the legislative items being considered at this year’s Annual Communication, as well as Grand Master Hopper’s decisions and recommendations, Grand Lodge budget and per capita proposals, and recommendations for Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and Grand Lecture.

**Theodore M. W. Lyau**  
**Secretary**

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday To:

<u>Members &amp; Candidates</u>	<u>Sweethearts</u>
Alvin H. Groeper, P.M.	01 Lou Propert 01
Justin D. Stimson	02 Dawn R. Donnellan 03
Rudolph A. Mohr	03 Teresa L. Cunningham 11
Frank J. Pagano	04 Betty D. Bartleson 12
Sam J. Hannon	07 Maria C. Duran Marihugh 16
Frank R. Savattere	11 Beatrice Nelson 23
Edmond M. Lim, P.M.	12
Douglas G. Hively, P.M.	14
Donald G. Nelson	14 <u>Wives</u>
Eddie J. Adams	16 Annette Lim 06
Craig A. Holm, P.M.	17 Arletta L. Semes 07
Johnny Kwong	18 Adelle Riese 10
Robert C. Banzet	19 Linda Dyson Weaver 13
Norman S. Nelson	19 Esther Kabakchi 14
Harold R. Christensen, P.M.	20 Gabrielle Modolo 15
William T. Ames	21 Ginger Rowlands 16
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Adolph B. Fraysher	27 Jeanie Loui 22
Hans J. Rudolph	28 Margie Ross 26
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## NOTE:

All members are entitled to a complimentary Stated Meeting Dinner during the month of their Birthday!

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## SEPTEMBER 2008 TRESTLE BOARD

Stated Meeting  
First Tuesday of Each Month



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**TRESTLE BOARD**  
**SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2008 Schedule**



- September 2nd (Tuesday)**  
 Stated Meeting / Advanced Stations
- Fellowship in the Fireside Room 6:00 PM
- Pre-Stated Meeting Dinner 6:30 PM  
 Entrée: Chicken  
 Cost: \$5.00/person
- Stated Meeting 7:30 PM
- Dinner Reservations Are A Must...**  
 Call Lodge Office With Your Reservations  
 (415) 337-1979
- September 9th (Tuesday)**  
 Officers Meeting/Practice - 2nd Degree 6:00 PM
- September 16th (Tuesday)** 6:00 PM  
 Degree Conferral - 2nd Degree
- September 23rd (Tuesday)** 6:00 PM  
 Degree Conferral - 2nd Degree
- September 30th (Tuesday)** 6:00 PM  
 Officers Meeting / Dinner
- October 7th (Tuesday)** 6:00 PM  
 Stated Meeting
- October 11th**  
 Golf Tournament
- November 1st (Saturday)**  
 Past Masters Dinner Dance
- November 9th (Revised Date)**  
 Lodge Picnic

**FROM THE EAST**

Greetings Everyone:

This month my message is extremely short as I am currently packing for the trip to Portugal. While I am away you may direct your calls to WB William Arney, as he will be in charge.



A few things I would like to note, one being our golf tournament an October 11th. Brother George Terry has set up a wonderful day for everyone please see the attached flyer. Another announcement is the changing of the date for the Lodge picnic. Due to conflicts we had to reschedule the date, the new date is November 9th....I know ..I know.. but it was the only date available.

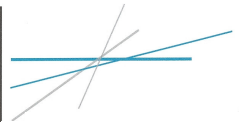
Lastly get you reservations in for the Past Master Dinner Dance.

And now the **JOKE OF THE MONTH:**

This month the joke is myself for booking a trip during the busy season....oh well!

See you when I get back.

**John A. Bermudez**  
**Worshipful Master**



**GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Grand Master Richard Wakefield Hopper invites you to attend the Cornerstone and Building Rededication of the California Masonic Memorial Temple

Friday, September 26, 2008, 5 P.M.  
 1111 California Street, San Francisco  
 Reception immediately following the ceremony.

**Masonic History**

One day watching the History Channel about the Civil War, it got me to thinking about Andrew Johnson, the Seventeenth President of the United States. President Johnson was made a Mason in Greenville Lodge, Tennessee. The exact dates are not known, as the early lodge records were destroyed during the Civil War. President Johnson was also a Knight Templar, and was the first President to receive the 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree of the Scottish Rite. But with all the honors that came to him he remained a humble man. This is perhaps best exemplified by his actions at the ceremonies of the laying of the cornerstone of the then new Masonic Temple in Washington, D.C. on May 20, 1868. As President, he issued an executive order granting leave to all government employees who were Masons so that they might participate in the ceremonies.

He rode in the Presidential carriage to where the procession was forming. The Grand Officers were to ride in carriages, while the Master Masons followed in procession. President Johnson stepped out of his carriage wearing his apron, and the Grand Master of the District of Columbia immediately invited the President to ride in his carriage.

“But I am not a Grand Officer” the President replied simply, “I am a Master Masons and shall march with my brothers”. So the nation’s capital witnessed the unusual sight of the President of the United States marching through the streets along with his brothers.

Andrew Johnson was sometimes termed “The Great Commoner”. He was also known as “Defender of the Constitution” for he was a great believer in that inspired document. A truly great American, he often remarked, “When I die, I desire no better winding sheet than The Stars and stripes, and no softer pillow than the Constitution of my country”.

Andrew Johnson was buried with full Masonic honors in a beautiful little cemetery near Greenville. On the casket was a silver plate with the inscription: “Andrew Johnson, Seventeenth President of the United States”.

In compliance with his wishes, beneath his head was placed his own copy of the Constitution, dated 1835 and bearing many marginal notes written in his own hand. His body was covered with a silken flag of his country; a flag that then had thirty-seven stars.

His casket lay in state in the Masonic Hall, then in the Court House. From there the funeral cortege was led by a military band playing the funeral march, followed by a long line of Mourners, that included Masons, Knight Templar, Military Bodies and hundreds of the “common citizens” he had loved so well. The Masonic Ritual was read, and the service ended with the sounding of “Taps”.

A simple monument was erected over his grave, with the inscription: “His Faith in the People Never Wavered”.

**FROM THE WEST**

Brethren, ladies, and friends,

Autumn is nearly upon us, and our officers are working diligently to qualify for next years' stations.

Last month we were treated to a surprise visit by Worshipful Dave Banastre, PM, who conferred two First Degrees after our stated meeting. It was great to see Dave again after his departure to Florida, where he now resides. We abbreviated our Stated Meeting format in order to have some time for the degrees afterward.

And that got me to thinking. There have been some attempts in the past to offer some Masonic education within the lodge. Most of our members know little more about Masonry than is presented in their three degrees. Next year I would like to offer a few Masonic Education Nights, offered in the same way as our recent First Degrees - an abbreviated Stated Meeting, followed by a presentation in the lodge room, followed by the abbreviated Stated Meeting. If we opened the lodge early, then called down from labor to refreshment, we could present a program, offered to Masons and non-masons alike.

I already have a tentative commitment for a presentation from Jay Kinney. Jay is not a member of our lodge, but he's a dear friend and noted Masonic scholar. For years he published Gnosis Magazine, and has written extensively on the Craft. I also have a paper I wrote on the subject of the relationship between Masonry and the Catholic Church. You may discover that some liberal ideas are good - at least for us.

I'm thinking of presenting these programs on a quarterly basis. If any of you know a Masonic speaker, or have ideas to offer on the subject, I'm all ears. Input from the brethren is always welcomed. I have two programs and need two more.

See you at lodge!

**William P. Arney**  
**Senior Warden**