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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**June 2010:**

6/3, Thursday—Stated Meeting / 5:30 Social / 6:30 Dinner/ 7:30 Opening—\$13/person. Lodge Sweethearts and prospective members are guests of the lodge. Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, vegetables, salad, dinner rolls, and pudding. *Presentation of California Masonic Foundation Scholarship.*  
 6/8, Tuesday—School of Instruction at Crow Canyon, 6:00 PM Dinner / 7:00 PM Opening. All Lodge Officers and Surveyors required. Other members welcome.  
 6/10, Thursday—Officer's practice. 7:00 PM. All Lodge Officers and Surveyors.  
 6/17, Thursday—Officer's practice. 7:00 PM. All Lodge Officers and Surveyors.  
 6/24, Thursday—Fellowcraft Degree for Bro. Mark Casperson. 7:00 P.M.

**July 2010:**

7/1, Thursday—Stated Meeting / 5:30 Social / 6:30 Dinner/ 7:30 Opening—\$10/person. Lodge Sweethearts and prospective members are guests of the lodge. *All American BBQ Night*—Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Corn on the Cob, Cole-slaw, Baked Beans, Watermelon and Apple Pie a la mode.  
 7/8, Thursday—Dark  
 7/15, Thursday—Dark  
 7/22, Thursday—Dark  
 7/29, Thursday—Family Potluck. A-G bring side dish or casserole / H-O bring a salad / P-Z bring a dessert. Lodge to provide tri-tip and beverages.

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*Castro Valley DeMolay meets 1st & 3rd Monday (7:30 PM)*  
*Unity Rainbow meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday (7:00 PM)*  
*Eastern Star meets 1st & 3rd Friday (8:00 PM)*  
*Jobs Daughters Hayward meets 1st & 3rd Monday (7:00 PM) @ Acacia Lodge*  
*Jobs Daughters Dublin meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday (7:00 PM) @ John Knox Church*

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## From the East

Dear Brethren and Ladies,

I can't believe that the year is already halfway over. I hope that all who attended got enough to eat at our Annual Cinco de Mayo dinner. It was nice to have the Wor. Rick Bonbright, Inspector of our 313th Masonic District attending for his official visit. It is always a pleasure to see him.

To all who helped prepare the meal, thank you so much Sandy Morris, Wor. Kurt Allen, Wor. Ed Matraia, Wor. Alvaro Reynosa, Bro. Gary Frizvold and Bro. Mark Warzyniak. We all had a great time working together in the kitchen and the event was a success.

Next item. Thanks goes out to all who assisted at the Child ID booth at the Rowell Ranch Rodeo. Bro. Mark Warzyniak and his sons, Lucas and Zach, Wor. Kurt Allen and his son, David, Bro. Roy Nelson, Wor. Ron Katz, and Wor. Sammy Tamez. Also Bros. Alberto and Pete from Mosaic Lodge who brought their equipment out also. We provided free safety ID kits for the parents of 120 children. We had a friendly competition with our Brothers from Mosaic, and they came very close with 115 ID's for their lodge. I hope that the parents never need to use these kits, but if that tragic time ever comes when these parents think their child has gone missing, they will be in a much better position to help the authorities locate them. Please plan to show up and help at the Fall Festival in September.

I have a surprise for everyone who attends our June Stated Meeting. We have the opportunity to present a \$10,000 Scholarship from the California Masonic Foundation to a young woman from our area who is currently being homeschooled. This is one of 63 scholarships the Foundation has awarded this year. What an exciting opportunity for us. Officers will be in tuxes. Please dress it up a bit for this public event. Later in June, on the 24th, we will pass Bro. Mark Casperson to the degree of Fellowcraft. Please join us in supporting our advancing brother.

July will be dark, with the exception of our Stated Meeting and our potluck on the last Thursday of the month. Save the weekend of August 7th for our travelling degree to Sutter Creek. It will be a great weekend and we can thank Wor. Lyman Penning for making the arrangements once again.

A lodge is only as good as the members who are active in it and I think we have the best lodge in all of California. The lessons I have learned, the friends I have made, and the countless good times I have shared have created incredible memories. I remember hearing several times that you only get out of the lodge what you put into it. Each of you have inspired me. It makes me want to do more. Thank you all.

**Fraternally, Roy Tamez, P.M. H.A.—(510) 537-1077 uncleroy@att.net**



### Masonic Family Corner

**Hayward Jobs Daughters**—Installation of Officers—Friday, June 4th, 7:30 PM at the Hayward B Street Lodge. Car Wash at CVMC—June 6th from 9 AM—4 PM.

**Unity Assembly, No 65, Rainbow**—Invites you to our Installation of Officers, Saturday, June 5, 7:00 pm - Sarah Dutchover Worthy-Advisor elect. Also, we now have two Grand Officers in Unity: Kelsey Paiz, Grand Worthy Associate Advisor and Melanie Kern, Grand Religion and Representative to Alabama, Georgia and North Carolina

**Castro Valley DeMolay**—Sunday, June 6 - Parent's Appreciation Brunch and Masonic Family 7+7=10 Ceremony with Unity Rainbow. All are invited. Brunch 9:30 AM. \$6/person. Parents and Grandparents free. 11:30 AM—Ceremony. Also, thank you for your donation to NCDA so that some of us can go to DeMolay Leadership Conference in Sonora.

**Jobs Daughters Bethel No 1**—Invites you to attend the One Hundred Seventy-Fourth Installation of Officers and Bethel Choir. Sunday, June 13, 2010 2:00 p.m. Crow Canyon Masonic Center. Danielle Sarah Ortiz—Honored Queen-Elect. Melissa Marie Haaverson—Retiring Honored Queen Reception and Dance immediately following ceremony

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worth \$5 or less**

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## From the West

I wanted to thank the brethren for allowing me to attend the Senior Warden's Retreat in May. If it is possible to be more motivated than I already was prior to attending, then call me "Mr. Motivation."

During the weekend I had the opportunity to work side by side with other Brethren who will be serving their lodge as Master in 2011. We also had breakout sessions where I worked as a team with many local Master's to be. I just want you to know that Freemasonry in California is in excellent hands.

During the weekend we learned about building our team, budgeting for our year, delegating responsibility through committees, practicing Masonic charity, and were reminded that we are the Grand Lodge: each Master, Warden, and Past Master.

The Masters and the Wardens can hold the deciding vote in the direction of the Fraternity, by attending and participating in the Annual Communication.

I look forward to the opportunity of serving you again as Master, in December, and believe that I am even better prepared to perform those duties this time, because of the training you allowed me to attend.

Each of you also has the opportunity to increase your Masonic knowledge and aptitude with upcoming Lodge Management Certification courses in Pleasanton on July 10th, and Santa Rosa on July 31st. Or consider taking one of the courses online at the Grand Lodge website.

As my year as Master approaches, I hope you will say "yes" when I call on you to play a small part in the success of our lodge. I can't do what needs to be done without the support of each and every able brother. Here is to a fantastic future.

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## From The South

The Fellowcraft degree is the degree of transmutation. The candidate must use the hand that slays to lift the suffering, while the lips given to cursing must be taught to pray. The heart that hates must learn the mystery of compassion, as the result of a deeper and more perfect understanding of man's relation to his brothers. The firm, kind hand of spirit must curb the flaming powers of emotion with the iron grip of mastery. In the realization and application of these principles lies the key of the Fellowcraft.

In this degree, the candidate's attention is called to a change in the positioning of the compass and the square. The two points of the compass can symbolize the heart and mind. The square is an instrument used to measure the block of matter and therefore symbolizes form. With the expression of the higher emotion the point representing the heart is liberated from the square.

In the Fellowcraft degree is concealed the dynamic of human life. The Fellowcraft is the worker with elemental fire, which it is his duty to transmute into spiritual light. The heart is the center of his activity and it is while in this degree that the human side of nature with its constructive emotions should be brought out and emphasized, but all of these expressions of the human heart must be transmuted into the emotionless compassion of the gods, who in spite of the suffering of the moment, gaze down upon mankind and see that it is good.

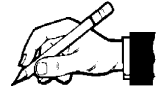
The Entered Apprentice may be termed a materialistic degree. The Fellowcraft is spiritual and mystical, while the Master Mason is more philosophical or esoteric. Each of these is a degree in the "peeling back of the layers" of a connected life and intelligence, which reveals in ever greater expression the gradual liberation of the Master from the triangular cell of threefold negation which marks the early stage of individualization.

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## From the Secretary's Desk

*All Things Proper To Be Written*



Brethren, if you are among the 34 members who have not paid your dues for 2010, please send it in as soon as you can. If you are unable to pay let me know either by e-mail [crowcanyon551@sbcglobal.net](mailto:crowcanyon551@sbcglobal.net) or by the traditional method the US mail service. The per capita tax that our lodge is required to pay Grand Lodge will be due soon. This year the tax is \$33.00 per member. 8 members are about to be suspended, something that I really don't want to do, but the rules are clear and the California Masonic Code requires it.

At present our Lodge has a population of 401 Masons. Our youngest member is 22.53 years old and the oldest has accomplished 103.2 years. The chart below shows the breakdown by age group.

Age Group	Number of Members	Percentage of Total
20's	2	0.05%
30's	6	1.50%
40's	15	3.74%
50's	46	11.47%
60's	80	19.95%
70's	114	28.43%
80's	106	26.43%
90's	30	7.48%
100+	2	0.05%

The average age of our membership is 72.95 years old. These statistics may be fun to look at but it shows that if the fraternity is to survive we need participation from all age groups to insure our success.

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## In Memoriam

James P. Jamison  
Entered into Rest

72 years, 5 months and 28 days.  
September 14, 2008.

*Almighty Father,  
Great Architect  
of the Universe,*

*Into they hands we  
commend the soul of our  
dear departed  
brother*



### 3rd Degree Anniversaries

**JUNE** - Ambrose, Leonard G. [PM] (42) ; Andreotti, Jared M. (10) ; Beaman, Roger L. (61) ; Bolesworth, Harold W. (64) ; Brownfield, Gilbert A. (23) ; Burns, Jimmy D. (28) ; Burns, Robert C. (26) ; Cumins, Vernon E. (60) ; Davenport, John W. Jr. [PM] (51) ; Egelston, Gregory K. (32) ; Elleard, Joseph E. [PM] (54) ; Freeman, Herbert K. (37) ; Jones, Milton L. (24) ; Kahn, Mark (44) ; Kao, Frederick [PM] (28) ; Keshishian, Albert R. (56) ; Kohlmann, Josef A. (19) ; Kresge, Earl L. (31) ; Land, Edward L. [PM] (61) ; Lantz, Jeffery S. (42) ; Lemon, Roger I. (58) ; Logan, Robert W. [PM] (17) ; Mahan, Boyd A. (34) ; Martin, Charles R. (60) ; Mc Carthy, John F. (41) ; Michardi, Raymond G. (28) ; Miller, Henry E. Jr. (37) ; Moore, Eugene Jr. (1) ; O'Hara, Edgar I. (23) ; Palmeri, John J. [PM] (47) ; Peters, Robert D. [PM] (47) ; Prull, Douglas S. (46) ; Richardson, Larry C. [PM] (45) ; Seddon, Rodney S. (4) ; Selvey, Ronald S. (31) ; Siegel, Ronald P. (48) ; Smith, Edgar G. (30) ; Stevens, Anthony J. Sr. (30) ; Stewart, Joseph G. (16) ; Strader, Carl I. (37) ; Stroup, Scotly L. (40) ; Tague, Gene D. Sr. (24) ; Tamez, Roy A. [PM] (25) ; Teeters, Clarence (38) ; Thrall, Frank J. Jr. (13) ; Tucker, Gary T. (20) ; Vandenberghe, Ronald G. (45) ; Von Brauch, Kurt J. (31) ; Wipf, David E. (33) ; Yeoman, Jack R. (31)

**JULY** - Abbey, Fletcher S. (58) ; Hulme, Kevin R. (11) ; Lyerla, Clyde M. (53) ; Nidick, Ernest J. Jr. (50) ; Smith, Dale G. (31) ; Stanford, James M. (11) ; Warder, Gordon G. [PM] (12) ; Weatherton, Charles E. (32)

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## Sunshine and Visiting

Please keep the following brothers in your thoughts and prayers:

- Lee Reynolds
- Bob Werner

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

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