

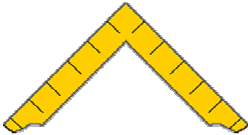


*Three Great Lights  
Masonic Lodge #651  
Free and Accepted Masons*

**September  
2010**

# The Trestleboard

## From the East



This from Salzburg . There will be a vote at the next stated meeting on raising the dues from \$ 50 to \$100 plus per Capita. We need to look at running the lodge from our own income from dues as far as possible without asking the Hall association for help. The Lodge should be able to stand on its own.

Worshipful Master



William Malmstrom

## Your Masonic Member Benefits

### An important reminder

You're entitled to the following support services no matter where you reside – whether in California or out of state. *Members 60 years or older and in good standing for five consecutive years, or his wife or widow*

- ✦ referrals to senior care providers, financial assistance, and/or care management in your home community, provided by Masonic Senior Outreach
- ✦ admission to a Masonic Homes of California continuing care retirement community, located in Covina and Union City
- ✦ Member of any age and degree level help dealing with family issues, such as the impact of divorce, the stresses of a special needs child, and other challenges, provided by Masonic Family Outreach

Contact Masonic Assistance at 888/466-3642 for information and support.

- ✦ Some other member and widow benefits
- ✦ monthly lodge Trestleboard
- ✦ inclusion on lodge phone tree and mailings
- ✦ bimonthly California Freemason magazine
- ✦ access to the Member Center on [freemason.org](http://freemason.org) (members only)

Masonic funeral or memorial service (members only, at the request of family)

Contact Harvey McAninch, Senior Warden with specific questions.

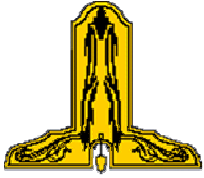
For general information, contact Grand Lodge at 415/292-9180 415/292-9180

Visit [masonichome.org](http://masonichome.org) for information about all of these support services.

## Dues Increase

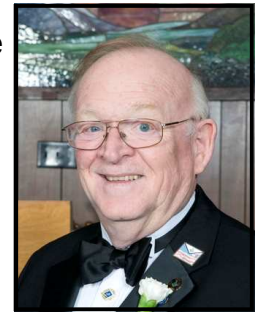
At the August Stated meeting a motion was made and seconded to increase lodge dues to \$100.00 plus Grand Lodge per capita. The motion will be discussed and voted on at the September 1, 2010 Stated Meeting. For 2011 if the motion passes the total dues will be \$133.00. All Brothers are urged to attend this meeting to voice your opinion. If you are unable to attend you may submit your opinion in writing to the Master or secretary.

## From the West



Brethren, next year's line officers have been very busy every Wednesday night so, when we are not having a degree or a stated meeting we are doing Officers' practice. We are progressing well and have a plan to be lodge qualified by annual Grand Lodge Communications. This is our **top priority**. It's been a lot of fun but very time consuming. I want to give this bunch of men a big round of appreciation, they sure deserve it. If you are not doing anything on a Wednesdays at 6:30 PM please stop in and be the candidate or any position that is available. **Our next stated meeting (September 1<sup>st</sup> @ 7:30) is important that all members attend as I will be making a presentation about raising our lodge dues. Don't miss it.**

Senior Warden



Harvey McAninch

## Annual Communications Resolutions

The following resolutions will be presented and voted on during the Annual Communication on Sept 25.

### Grand Master's recommendations:

- #1. Increases representation on the Jr. Warden recommending Committee.
- #2. Protects the Benefits for older members.
- #3. Modifies Masonic Trial Procedures.
- #4. Stated Meetings to be held on the Entered Apprentice degree.

### Carry Over from 2009:

- #1. Two Grand Organists and Two Grand Tilers.
- #2. Grand Master edicts can be delivered by certified mail.

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## From the South



Was a QUICK August and almost the end of the year. The IRON CHIEF contest was fun and a great dinner. I would suggest attend the Second Annual IRON CHIEF.

The Lodge is still on course to advance another year- there will be new masons now suggesting new programs and events- all are welcome!!

Junior Warden



Rick Field

## Calendar of Coming Events

### September

- 1 Stated Meeting 7:30 PM
- 7 Officer's Practice 6:30 PM
- 14 Officer's Practice 6:30 PM
- 21 Officer's Practice 6:30 PM
- 24-26 Annual Communication
- 28 Officer's Practice 6:30 PM

### December

- 12 Installation of Officers 2 PM
- Officers Breakfast 8:00 AM

### Meetings of

**Three Great Lights Lodge #651  
are held at**

**The Royal Hodge Masonic Center  
651 Roble Avenue  
Menlo Park, California**

#6. Modification of fund raising rules for Scottish Rite of the Southern Jurisdiction.

09-01. Creates the Hiram's Pillar Award for the loved one of a Hiram Award recipient.

09-05. Allows return of unused dues without lodge consent.

09-06. Acknowledges former Masters during the opening of research lodges.

09-09. Expands permitted fund raising by Masonic organizations.

### Resolutions for 2010:

10-01. Allows hall associations for subsidize Masonic organizations.

10-02. Established effective date for lodge dues increases.

10-03. Provides procedure to change lodge location in its charter or dispensation.

10-04. Establishes mandatory closing time for lodge meetings.

10-05. Authorizes foreign language degree teams.

10-06 Cleans up and clarifies portions of the California Masonic Code.

10-07. Sets forth prudent investor rule in the code.

10-08. Allows early presentation of the Diamond Jubilee Award.

10-09. withdrawn.

10-10. Eliminates the short form oral proficiency for EA and FC.

10-11. restoration of member

10-12. expands permissible lodge roster content.

10-13. Shortens residency for veterans.

10-14. Allows research lodge to vote on application on same meeting as received.

10-15. Restores member .

10-16. Permits California Masons to be regular members of the Masonic Family Helping Veterans.

If you would like further information on these resolutions please attend the September 1st Stated Meeting, where they will be discussed.

## Birthdays in September

	Birthday	Raised
Charles C. Brown	3	FC
Wayne B. Heimsoth	3	10/26/1989
William G. Skipper	3	6/18/1987
Kenneth W. Wallberg, Jr.	4	9/25/1978
John R. Baker	7	2/18/1947
John F. Casey	11	EA
Curtis E. Beers	12	3/31/1988
Arthur L. Borland	PM 12	3/26/1980
Peter D. Hinton	PM 12	6/26/1974
Frederick L. Eatock	16	10/18/1979
Lynham W. Jones	17	3/22/1967
Dennis A. Alvord	PM 18	6/21/2001
Garrie E. Thompson	18	7/8/1954
Max W. Timmons	20	6/12/1980
Dennis M. Abenroth	21	4/2/1968
William J. Malmstrom	23	6/30/1983
William L. Stamps	26	5/15/1962
James G. Mc Donald	29	7/21/1983
Edmundo N. Damasco	30	EA

# Trestleboard

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### **Trip of a lifetime honors 375 veterans – and counting**

As a gesture of thanks from California Freemasons, hundreds of veterans will travel from California to Washington, D.C. this year to see their World War II Memorial.

World War II ended in 1945, but it wasn't until 2004 that a memorial was dedicated in Washington, D.C. to the 16 million who served in the armed forces during that war. California Freemasons have rallied behind *Operation Greatest Gift*, a special fraternity project dedicated to providing what many veterans cannot provide for themselves: an assisted visit to the memorial, at no cost to them.

Masons and Masonic lodges throughout the state have already donated nearly \$300,000 to fund three-day trips to D.C. in spring and fall 2010. So far, enough money has been raised to finance 10 trips of 50 each, through May 20. The first flight departed April 15. Besides monetary donations, Masons and their families are showing support with another kind of contribution: their time. The fraternity has funded and coordinated every aspect of the project. Every flight is staffed by 12 to 15 volunteer "guardians," who pay their own way to accompany a trip. Other members are working within California to ensure that every veteran has a ride to and from the airport.

"We are making a difference in these veterans' lives, and, in a small way, thanking them for their immense personal sacrifice," says Theodore Lyau, secretary of California Lodge No. 1. Lawrence Altomare, secretary of Oakland Durand Rockridge Lodge No. 188, agrees: "Considering how much this group has contributed to our country and to Masonry, it's the least we can do."

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