



Trestleboard

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**Crow Canyon Lodge
No. 551**

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Calendar of Events

OCTOBER 2024

- 10/02—Wednesday—Officer's Meeting—7:00 PM
- 10/03—Thursday—Stated Meeting—Social/Dinner 6:15 PM / Business Meeting 7:30 PM
- 10/10—Thursday—Degree or Practice—7:00 PM
- 10/12—Saturday—Travelling Degree
- 10/15—Tuesday—Zoom Social—7:00 PM
- 10/17—Thursday—Degree or Practice—7:00 PM
- 10/19—Saturday—Breakfast with Brothers @ Norman's, CV—8:00 AM
- 10/22—Tuesday—Hall Association—7:00 PM
- 10/25-10/27—Friday-Sunday—Grand Lodge Communication

NOVEMBER 2024

- 11/06—Wednesday—Officer's Meeting—7:00 PM
- 11/07—Thursday—Stated Meeting—Social/Dinner 6:15 PM / Business Meeting 7:30 PM
- 11/12—Tuesday—DOSI at Livermore—6:30 PM
- 11/14—Thursday—Degree or Practice—7:00 PM
- 11/16—Saturday—Breakfast with Brothers @ Norman's, CV—8:00 AM
- 11/19—Tuesday—Zoom Social—7:00 PM
- 11/21—Thursday—Degree or Practice—7:00 PM
- 11/23—Saturday—Lyman Penning Golden Veteran's Award –50 Years a Mason—4:00 PM
- 10/26—Tuesday—Hall Association—7:00 PM
- 11/28—Thursday—DARK—Happy Thanksgiving

Appendant and Concordant Bodies

- ◆ San Lorenzo Chapter Eastern Star No. 103 meets @ CVMC 2nd & 4th Monday (8:00 PM)
- ◆ Castro Valley DeMolay meets @ CVMC 1st & 3rd Monday (7:30 PM)
- ◆ Unity Assembly Rainbow No. 65 meets @ CVMC 1st & 3rd Tuesday (7:00 PM)
- ◆ Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 261 Hayward meets 1st & 3rd Monday (7:00 PM) @ Hayward Masonic Center
- ◆ Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 1 Dublin meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday (7:00 PM) @ John Knox Church

From the East

By Andrew Hawes —Master

Let me start this month's article with a plea for help. We need brothers from the lodge to step up and volunteer their time to help our candidates learn their ritual and progress through the degrees!



Part of our Masonic journey is to help others. Our brothers in Masonry who need to learn ritual need help doing so. None of us has been able to learn our ritual and progress through the degrees without our fellow brother Masons giving of their time and energy to help us do so.



We need everyone to pay that back, in order for Masonry, in general, and our lodge, in particular, to thrive. Please consider donating an

hour of your time each week to meet with a candidate and help them memorize their ritual. You don't need to be a perfect ritualist to help. You just need to be able to read from the book and help someone else learn what it says.

Speaking of spending an hour a week on something, let's talk more about measuring and allocating our time. We all know that as Masons we should be trying to measure our time and spend it wisely. How many of you feel you are successful at allocating a third of your day, each day, to the service of God and a distressed worthy brother? I know that I, for one, fall particularly short in this regard. I definitely spend my 8 hours a day on my usual vocation – any of us that haven't retired have that one in the bag. I also usually don't have any issue getting my 8 hours of refreshment and repose in, although it's often more skewed towards refreshment than repose, given

the amount of television I watch and games I play! But what about service to God or a distressed worthy brother? How many of us can say that we spend even one hour a day on that pursuit? Go to church on Sunday? Great, there's one hour. Per week, not per day. Volunteer at a soup kitchen? There's another couple of hours... per week. Getting even one hour a day can be a difficult task, and one that can seem insurmountable, especially as someone who has only recently joined Masonry, and is trying to learn how to make it work for them, and them with it.



So we have a goal... and we (well, most of us, probably) haven't achieved it.

It's important to remember that while you have a goal, incremental steps towards it are the most important part - even if you never attain your goal, making steady progress towards it is important.

The most important, and usually the most difficult, stage of any journey is to start it.

Take some time today to think about what you can do to help a distressed worthy brother, and then schedule time to do it.

From the West

By Lyman Penning, PM — Sr. Warden

As we approach October, the officers are getting ready for two 3rd degrees. Nick Beardo will be raised on Saturday, October 12, 2024 at 10:00 AM in Meno Park Lodge #651. Adam Brissey will receive his 3rd degree on Thursday, October 17, 2024 at 7:00 PM. The degree on October 12 will be our traveling degree or lodge visitation and October 17 is a regular 3rd degree in our building. I would like very much to encourage all Master Masons to try and attend these two degrees. Let's give a big congratulations to Nick and Adam as they prepare themselves for the next step in Freemasonry.



As Senior Warden, I am currently in the process of setting up our 2025 line of officers who will serve Crow Canyon Lodge #551. I have also started to make plans for lodge activities, as well as getting the 2025 budget ready for approval at the January 2025

Stated Meeting. There are still some openings in the officer and committee positions. Please think about whether you can serve the lodge if you are asked or would like to volunteer. It is very important that these positions are filled.

Finally, if I am elected to serve as Worshipful Master in Crow Canyon Lodge #551 F & AM, the Installation of Officers will start at 5:00 PM on Saturday, December 7, 2024. Afterwards, we will retire to the dining room for a delicious prime rib dinner with all the trimmings. To make sure



that there is enough food for everyone, please make your dinner reservations by signing the reservation sheet in the lobby on stated meeting night in October and November. You can also give Perry Khlar, our Lodge Secretary a call at (925) 425-3360 or (925) 699-1786 and make your reservation with him.

See you at lodge. Take care.

From the South

By Alex Von Stade, PM — Jr. Warden

Brethren: Welcome to the month of October. The name October comes from the Latin word "Octo" meaning the number eight. Originally, October was the eighth month. However, when the Roman calendar was revised to a twelve month format, October became the tenth month, despite it's original name. There are two notable holidays in October; Columbus Day or Indigenous People's Day on October 14th and Halloween on October 31st.

Columbus Day is a Federal Holiday that celebrates Christopher Columbus's voyage to the Americas on October 12, 1492. Columbus Day was made a national holiday in 1937 and became a Federal holiday in 1971. In 2019, a resolution was passed by Congress to recognize the second Monday in October as Indigenous People's Day instead of Columbus Day.



Halloween was traditionally called "All Hallows' Eve" and is celebrated on the evening before All Saints Day or November 1st. The origin of Halloween is related to an ancient festival celebrated by the Celts and Druids known as Samhain. It was believed that during this time of the year the division between the living and the dead was the thinnest. Later, the Romans embraced some of the Celtic traditions including Samhain. Following the Roman Empire, Samhain was again modified when All Saints Day was adopted.

Have a Happy and safe Halloween.

Have You Checked Out the Lodge Facebook Page?

With over 1000 followers it is a great place to find out more about the activities of Castro Valley's premier Masonic Lodge.

<https://www.facebook.com/CCL551.org>



October Birthdays

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| Osman Ghani (10/03) | Jimmy Burns (10/17) |
| Gerald Woergoetter (10/04) | Patrick Quinn (10/17) |
| Scotty Stroup (10/05) | Larry Russell (10/19) |
| Johnnie Albanese (10/07) | Michael Schaffer (10/19) |
| Allen Weisser (10/07) | James Luque (10/21) |
| Areo Comonal (10/10) | Guy Phillips (10/25) |
| Robert Wagle (10/10) | Jonathan Prestage (10/25) |
| Ronald Meissner (10/12) | Daniel Lee (10/26) |
| Jacob Andreotti (10/15) | Augustine Rhee (10/29) |



3rd Degree Anniversaries

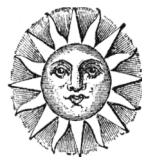
The following brethren were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in the month of October

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| David Allen (12) | Paul Leiber Jr. (69) |
| Dave Baratto (28) | Martin Nilson Jr. (57) |
| Barry Bookman (34) | Lyman Penning [PM] (49) |
| Brian Brunckhorst (24) | Dominick Piegaro (9) |
| Phillip Busch (16) | Robert Pinkerton [PM] (25) |
| Tramaine Ellison (2) | Russell Porter (59) |
| Roger Hamilton (2) | Rowell Prosser (14) |
| Andrew Hawes (5) | Dale Reynolds (41) |
| Aaron Johnson (2) | Michael Schaffer [PM] (48) |
| Richard Keihner (45) | Elmer Seutter (55) |
| Delbert Kraft (49) | Eric Unti (16) |
| Glen Lane (55) | Alan West [PM] (36) |
| Charles Langel [PM] (46) | |

Sunshine and Visiting

We would like to remind you of a valuable link in the support of our Lodge; the 'Sunshine Committee'.

The Sunshine Committee will spread rays of warmth to those around them through hospital visitations, visits to the elderly, welcoming and get well gifts, and more.



Ernie Nidick—925.828.6993

Roy Tamez—510.684.3047

Tramaine Ellison—209.481.7430

Aaron Johnson—510.509.4312

In Memoriam

Julius Kahn III, PM
Entered into Rest

92 years and 9 months and 5 days
August 08, 2024

Paul Makela
Entered into Rest

83 years, 7 months, and 5 days
September 08, 2024



Happy Fall from Bethel No. 1 Dublin!

This weekend our Honored Queen and another member attended the Grand Librarian's Reception in Richmond. It was a fun "Tea" with tables decorated with real china, books and her favorite mascot lady bugs.

Our next fun activity is a trip to the Pumpkin Patch & Maze in Livermore on Saturday, October 12th. We encourage families, friends & potential members to attend.

Sadly we did not have any potential members attend our Ice Cream Social in September so our Deputy's Official Visit & Initiation has been pushed to later in the term. We continue to promote Job's Daughters by posting information on community bulletin boards in the Tri-Valley area. Let us know if you happen to see our fliers in your neighborhood.

We welcome new members 10-20 years old and younger girls for our JD to Bee program. Also, it is time to recommend adults to serve on the Bethel Guardian Council. If anyone is interested in helping or if you know someone interested in joining our Bethel please contact us at Bethel1@cajdi.org.

Thank you!

*Job's Daughters International of California
Bethel No. 1, Dublin
Pumpkin Patch and Maze*

Come and join us for fun as we get into the Halloween Spirit

Date: October 12, 2024

Time: 1:00pm to 5:00pm

*Location: G&M Farms
487 East Airway Blvd, Livermore*

*Wear your crazy hat or glasses as we celebrate fall
Bring money for food and the maze (\$10 per person)*

For more information please contact Savannah, HQ 925-399-9716 or email at jdidublin1@gmail.com



Memorial for a Departed Brother

On September 9th, 2024 we celebrated the life of Worshipful Brother Julius "Sandy" Kahn III. Sandy was also Past Potentate of Aahmes Shrine. Worshipful Ferrell officiated over the Masonic Funeral.



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Where in the World

Each month we log visitors to our website. This month we were pleased to have guests from: Bay City, MI; Carlisle, PA; Ontario, Canada; Yelm, WA; Norman, OK; Chambersburg, PA; Hinesville, GA; Boardman, OR; Denver, CO



Committees

2024 Appointments

Audit: Pat Quinn HA, Aaron Johnson, Andrew Hawes

Charity Committee: Master and Wardens

Crab Feed: Roy Tamez PM HA, Perry Klahr, Tramaine Ellison, Phil Busch HA

Executive Committee: Andrew Hawes, Lyman Penning PM HA, Alexander Van Stade PM, Perry Klahr

FOSJ and White Table Night: Lyman Penning PM HA, Aaron Johnson, Jerry Garcia

Hiram Award Selection: HA Committee (All HA recipients)

Inter-lodge Relations: Aaron Johnson, Tramaine Ellison, Robert Pinkerton PM

Masonic Funeral: Bill Ferrell PM HA, Roy Tamez PM HA, Pat Quinn HA

Masonic Education: Bob Pinkerton PM

Masonic Hall Association: Brian Ross PM

Masons for Mitts: Brian Ross PM, Ozzie Ghani

Membership Retention: Andrew Hawes, Perry Klahr, Brian Ross PM

Picnic: Roy Tamez PM HA, Perry Klahr, Lyman Penning PM HA

Printing and Mailing: Bill Biddell, H.A.

Public Schools Night: Adam Korbas

Strawberry Feed: Perry Klahr, Scott Hamilton, Lyman Penning PM HA

Sunshine and Visiting: Ernie Nidick, Aaron Johnson, Tramaine Ellison, Roy Tamez PM HA

Sweethearts Committee: Phil Busch HA, Aaron Johnson, Tramaine Ellison

Trustees: Perry Klahr, Bill Ferrell, PM HA

Website and Trestleboard: Ron Katz, PM HA

Welcome: Aaron Johnson, Tramaine Ellison, Jesse Bridgeman, Lyman Penning

Youth Orders Liaisons: Andrew Hawes, Pat Quinn HA

Masonic Youth Orders

Castro Valley DeMolay—Steve Kolden—510.409.6118 [click to email](#)

Unity Assembly No. 65, Rainbow for Girls—Heidi Kolden - 510.693.1385 [click to email](#)

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October 2024

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Sat

		1	2 Officer's Mtg— 7:00 PM	3 Stated Mtg— Dinner—6:15 PM Business—7:30 PM	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 Degree or Practice—7:30 PM	11	12 Travelling Degree to Menlo Park Lodge— 10:00 AM
13	14	15 Zoom Social —7:30 PM	16	17 Degree or Practice—7:30 PM	18	19 Breakfast w/ Brothers @ Norman's—CV —8:00 AM
20	21	22 Hall Associa- tion—7:00 PM	23	24 DARK— Grand Lodge Prep	25 Grand Lodge	26 Grand Lodge
27 Grand Lodge	28	29	30	31 DARK— Happy Halloween		