

# Welcome Lodge No. 255



**F. & A. M. of the State of California**



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This is your Home!**

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## February 2016 Trestle Board



**Making Good Men Better,  
From Time Immemorial!**

## From the East



*Worshipful Jack W. Cloud*



Brethren,

I congratulate all of our newly installed 2016 Welcome Lodge officers. It's a pleasure to work alongside of these gentlemen as we go about the business of the Lodge. I also thank all of our friends and family that showed in support of the installation, you made it a resounding success.

As I have to do from time to time, I want to thank Greg and Cindy Bush and Grant and Linda Martin for their support with the Installation dinner. That dinner was a real treat. You are always so supportive of Welcome Lodge, even with your busy lives, and I (we) thank you for all that you do.

The Lodge Installation is a time to reflect on where we've been and plan on where we'll go. Welcome Lodge has huge plans for 2016! My theme this year, Commit and Act, and I hope you will join me in 2016 as we strive to make our goals a reality. At the 2017 installation, let us reflect back on a successful 2016, where we made a difference in our Lodge, our Community, and the lives of our Families. I look forward to the journey!

Fraternally,  
Jack W. Cloud, WM

## Welcome Lodge No. 255

**Meetings:** Every Thursday

**Stated Meeting:**

Dinner: 6:30 pm

Meeting: 7:30 pm

**Special Meetings:**

Refreshments: 6:15 pm

Meeting: 7:00 pm

**Dark:** July / August

## Quote of the Month

**Real joy comes not from ease  
or riches or from the praise of  
men, but from doing  
something worth while.**

**-Wilfred T. Grenfell**

# Potluck Dinner



**Thursday, 11 February, 7pm**

There is No Meeting Scheduled Tonight!

Brothers bring your families and a dish! Let's have some dinner and good family fellowship.

SEE WB D.W. Venturella to sign up with your Dish!



## CONGRATULATIONS TO BROTHER RUPERT BECKFORD

**WELCOME LODGE NO. 255  
HIRAM AWARD NOMINEE**

The Hiram Award may be presented annually by a Lodge in recognition of a Brother who continuously performs above and beyond in his dedication to bettering the fraternity.

Brother Rupert, takes great pride in his ownership of the Lodge, he strives continuously behind the scenes to make it a clean and pleasant facility for all, and in doing so, never seeks recognition. Additionally, he devotes many hours to Job's Daughters, Bethel 288 in support of our youth. Join us in celebrating Bro. Rupert's achievements and to say thank you to a Brother who gives so much of his time to the betterment of our fraternity!

**Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 7PM**



## February Birthdays

Feb 02 – Melvir Gutierrez  
Feb 03 – Paul Latorre  
Feb 03 – Gasper Santiago  
Feb 04 – Justin McLelland  
Feb 05 – Lee Butler  
Feb 06 – Horacio Ramirez  
Feb 11 – Sandy Darnell  
Feb 11 – Jason Orton  
Feb 12 – Robert Klein Jr.  
Feb 13 – Lourey Bartolome  
Feb 13 – Alfred Canoy  
Feb 13 – Charles Dimaano  
Feb 15 – Donald Willis  
Feb 17 – Florentino Tatco  
Feb 19 – Mario Mercado  
Feb 19 – Manuel Simeon Jr.  
Feb 19 – Mario Topacio  
Feb 20 – Alberto Andres  
Feb 22 – Ron Nagano  
Feb 22 – George Wilkinson  
Feb 24 – Steven Champlin  
Feb 28 – Emmanuel Herrera  
Feb 28 – William Praetz III

# 2016 LEADERSHIP

## Officers for the Year 2016

|              |                       |                |
|--------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Master:      | Jack Cloud            | (559) 381-2112 |
| Sr. Warden:  | Gemino Barrera, PM    | (559) 362-4313 |
| Jr. Warden:  | D.W. Venturella, PM   | (559) 380-5486 |
| Treasurer:   | Norman Stewart        |                |
| Secretary:   | Herme Valdeabella, PM |                |
| Chaplain:    | Pat Cerdenola, PM     |                |
| Sr. Deacon:  | Renz Uy               |                |
| Jr. Deacon:  | Roskin Metra          |                |
| Marshal:     | Rupert Beckford       |                |
| Sr. Steward: | Ed Kaczynski          |                |
| Jr. Steward: | Ben Kreschmer         |                |
| Tiler:       | Hector Quioc          |                |



*\*Denotes the Chairman*

*\*\* Updates*

## 2016 COMMITTEES

| LODGE SUPPORT               |
|-----------------------------|
| <b>* Gemino Barrera, PM</b> |
| D.W. Venturella, PM         |
| Herme Valdeabella, PM       |
| Pat Cerdenola, PM           |
| Norman Stewart              |
| Rupert Beckford             |
| Renz Uy                     |
| Roskin Metra                |
| Ed Kaczynski                |
| Ben Kreschmer               |
| Hector Quioc                |

| CHARITY             |
|---------------------|
| <b>* Jack Cloud</b> |
| Gemino Barrera, PM  |
| D.W. Venturella, PM |

| FINANCE/BUDGET               |
|------------------------------|
| <b>* Charles Dimaano, PM</b> |
| Herme Valdeabella, PM        |
| Steve Roberts, PM            |
| Norman Stewart               |
| Ed Kaczynski                 |

| DELINQUENT DUES                |
|--------------------------------|
| <b>* Herme Valdeabella, PM</b> |
| Pat Cerdenola, PM              |
| Fabian Gonzalez                |
| Ben Kreschmer                  |
| Audie Bedia                    |

| AUDITING                  |
|---------------------------|
| <b>* Roskin Metra</b>     |
| Billy Solomon             |
| Adan Trinidad             |
| <b>** Fabian Gonzalez</b> |
| Guangfeng Zhang           |

| HIRAM AWARD              |
|--------------------------|
| <b>* Norman Stewart</b>  |
| <b>** Angel Luna, PM</b> |
| Herme Valdeabella, PM    |
| Jose Pascaul, PM         |
| Pat Cerdenola, PM        |
| James Withycombe         |

| SCHOLARSHIP                   |
|-------------------------------|
| <b>* Berme Pascual, PM</b>    |
| Steve Roberts, PM             |
| <b>** Charles Dimaano, PM</b> |
| James Withycombe              |
| Rupert Beckford               |
| Renz Uy                       |

| LODGE SWEETHEARTS     |
|-----------------------|
| <b>* Ed Kaczynski</b> |
| James Withycombe      |
| Billie Solomon        |
| Hector Quioc          |
| Fabian Gonzales       |
| Adan Trinidad         |

| SPECIAL EVENTS & FUND RAISING |
|-------------------------------|
| <b>* D.W. Venturella</b>      |
| Audie Bedia                   |
| T.J. Miranda                  |
| Ben Kreschmer                 |
| <b>** Fabian Gonzalez</b>     |

Committees are an integral part of any organization. To achieve the goals, we set for the year, committees must convene, communicate, and plan events in advance.

In 2016, each Committee Chair will be expected convene their committee at minimum, once per quarter, and report on the proceedings in writing at the next stated meeting. If Brethren on this list DO NOT wish to participate, please notify your Chairman.

## 2016 LEADERSHIP (CONT'D)

### *Fraternal Support Service Ambassador*

Bro. Norman Stewart (559) 707-6354

### *Officers Coach*

Bro. Herme Valdeabella, PM

### *Lemoore Masonic Temple Association*

Bro. Norman Stewart  
Bro. Jack Cloud, WM  
Bro. D.W. Venturella, PM, SW  
Bro. Gemino Barrera, PM, JW  
Bro. Rupert Beckford  
Bro. Ed Kaczynski

### *Candidates Coach*

Bro. Pat Cerdenola, PM  
Bro. Mel Perez, PM  
Bro. Jack Cloud, WM  
Bro. Norman Stewart  
Bro. James Withycombe

## CONGRATULATIONS!

**Congratulation Bro.  
Fabian Gonzales, on  
being Raised to the  
Sublime Degree of  
Master Mason!**



## CONFERRAL OF DEGREES!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### February:

Treasurers and Secretary Reports Due, Statement of Income and Expenditures; Lodge Budget from January Stated

### March:

Stated, Official Visit of GL Officer // St. Pattys Dinner (in honor of our Lodge Sweethearts) // Masonic Youth Orders Presentation // Welcome Lodge Crab Feed Fundraiser

### April:

Public Schools Recognition // Family Dinner at the Lodge

### May:

Mother's Day Dinner // Hiram Award Presentation // Past Masters Night

### June:

Welcome Lodge Summer Picnic // Open House Event – Public Invitation

### July: (Dark)

Family Dinner at the Lodge // July 4<sup>th</sup> Lemoore Celebration (Booth)

### August: (Dark)

Stated, Treasurers and Secretaries Report, Statement of Income and expenditures, assets and liabilities (for 6 mo's ending June 30<sup>th</sup>)

### September:

Constitutional observance // Open House Event – Public Invitation

### October:

Annual Communication // Family Dinner at the Lodge

### November:

Stated Meeting Elections

### December:

Christmas Party // Lodge Sweethearts Holiday Visits // Christmas Parade (Float)

## TRAVELING BRETHREN

Brethren,

This month, we say Good Bye to Brother Carl Bravo. He's off on permanent orders, the Navy has big plans for him in Okinawa, Japan.

Also, please keep in touch with Brother Hector Quioc, who recently deployed with his squadron for Westpac.

While we're on the subject, Brother Wright Beltran recently deployed to Afghanistan in support of units stationed over there.

Let's keep all of these Brothers and their families in our thoughts and prayers as they go about their duty of serving their nation. Thank you Brothers.

Fraternally,  
Jack W. Cloud, WM

## February 2016 Calendar of Events

Mon, 1<sup>st</sup> – Job's Daughters, 7pm

Wed, 3<sup>rd</sup> – WL255 LMTA Meeting, 6:30pm

Thu, 4<sup>th</sup> – WL255 Stated Meeting, 6:30pm (Open 7:30pm)

Fri, 5<sup>th</sup> – Job's Daughters, 7pm

Tue, 9<sup>th</sup> – Lucerne Lake, Ch. 13, 7pm

Wed, 10<sup>th</sup> – DeMolay International, 7pm

Thu, 11<sup>th</sup> – WL255 Family Potluck, 7pm (at the Lodge)

Mon, 15<sup>th</sup> – Job's Daughters, 7pm

Tue, 16<sup>th</sup> – WL255 SOI Practice, 7pm

Wed, 17<sup>th</sup> – District 616: SOI (Hanford Host/Lemoore Ex.)

Thu, 18<sup>th</sup> – WL255, No Meeting – Enjoy your Families!

Tue, 23<sup>rd</sup> – Lucerne Lake, Ch. 13, 7pm

Wed, 24<sup>th</sup> – DeMolay International, 7pm

Thu, 25<sup>th</sup> – WL255 1<sup>st</sup> Deg Practice, 7pm

Sat, 27<sup>th</sup> – Rainbow for Girls, 9pm

## DRESS CODE CLARIFICATION

Brethren,

In an effort to clarify the dress code that we've discussed in Lodge, the following will apply for 2016.

*All Degrees:* Suit and Tie.

*Stated Meetings:* Suit Coat, Slacks, and Collared Shirt.

Tie not required.

*Practices:* Casual attire.

Tuxedos will be reserved for: Grand Lodge Official Visits (March Stated Mtg), Formal Ceremonies (Hiram Award, PM Night, Public Schools, Youth Appreciation, etc...).

Fraternally,  
Jack W. Cloud, WM