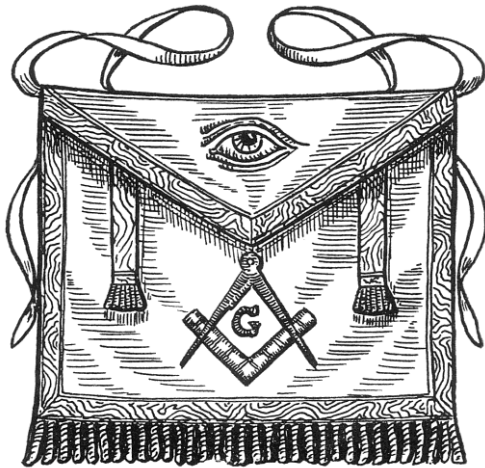




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F. & A. M. Trestleboard March 2015

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Brethren,

Looking back, February has been a great month of celebration as we have had several degrees in Masonry. I was greatly impacted by the attendance and participation of all of our Brethren in this past month, and I'd like to acknowledge and thank each of our Brethren for stepping up and giving their best efforts into each ceremony.

First and Foremost, per request from the Grand Lodge of California, Grand Master Russell E. Charvonia, I would like to relay important information about the Month of March as the "Youth Orders Month". I would like to ask our Brethren to consider investing your time, guidance, and financial resources in our youth, as they are our fraternity's future. For further information please refer to the Grand Lodge's website.

Additionally, I'd like to congratulate our newly raised Master Mason Brother, Albert Mendoza, who received his 3rd Degree during a special Saturday event on February 7th. This ceremony was very well planned and executed, and overall a job well done. I was also very pleased to see our Brothers share their support in raising up our Brother Mendoza, and we all wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors of Masonry.

As a reminder, the annual Hiram Award season is around the corner and I would like to call the committees together to discuss who to bestow this prestigious award. Please start considering potential nominees and finalize your decision as soon as possible.

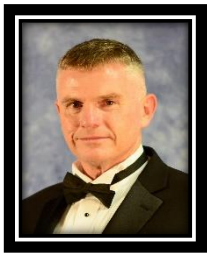
Furthermore, I'd like to acknowledge our brethren's efforts in putting together a great event for our Widow's Dinner Program. Thank you to all who participated on loving our Sisters and continuing relationships with them during difficult times. This dinner has greatly impacted them and made them feel a part of our family and not forgotten.

Looking ahead, there are upcoming events in the month of March and I'd like to encourage all of the Brethren to keep an eye on the Trestleboard and to check out our webpage at www.welcomelodge255.weebly.com.

Fraternally Yours,
Daniel Bautista
Master of the Lodge

From the East
Worshipful Daniel S. Bautista





From the West

Brother Jack Cloud



Brethren,

We had a busy month in February. Congratulations to our two new Master Masons, Brother Albert Mendoza and Brother Adan Trinidad. Both of these brothers have committed to memory the lessons of Masonry, as is evident in their conduct and character. Welcome Lodge is proud to call both of you full-fledged Brothers.

In February, we held the first of many Sweethearts Dinners and paid a small tribute to our lodge sweethearts, the Widows of our departed Brethren. These ladies hold a special place in our hearts, for they are part of our Masonic Family and our connection to those Brothers who have paved the way to the Celestial Lodge above. Ladies, thank you for your years of support. Because of you and the millions of women like you who support their husbands and boyfriends endeavors, Freemasonry remains the greatest of all of the world's fraternities.

I'd like to thank a few key players who put several hours of their time into making our Sweethearts Dinner a success. Thanks to Worshipful Brother Berme Pasquail who prepared the evenings dinner. Delicious as always Worshipful. To Veronica Espiritu, thank you for the beautiful Valentines decorations and treats that graced our tables for the evening. You and Levy are one of Welcome Lodges many blessings. Thanks to Brothers James Withycombe, Ed Kaczynski, and Chase Simpson, who set up the tables and made sure the lodge was presentable for the evening festivities. I can always depend on your excellence Brothers.

There's a slight change in the schedule for the Family Dinner at the Vineyard Inn in Lemoore. It was advertised as Thursday, March 19th, but because of an unforeseen change, we are moving that night to Wednesday, March 18th at 7pm. We hope everyone will make an effort to join us that evening. Last November, everyone had a great time. So please, bring the family and join us in good fellowship.

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Finally, if it's been a while since you have been to lodge or if you know someone who has been absent from Masonry for some time, we ask you to come back and see us. We are a diverse lodge with many cultural differences yet I have personally never seen a better group of people who communicate and interact with each other as well as we do. We want you to be a part of that experience!

On the Level,
Brother Jack Cloud



From the South

Brother Joel Castillo



Brethren,

We had a great month, we had a great turnout on our widows/sweethearts night. This event wouldn't happen without the planning of Bro. Jack, Bro. Jim and Bro. Levy. We, the masons of Welcome lodge #255 put a smile to the widows of our late brethren, when Bro. Jack handed them the certificate and flower. I'm looking forward to see this again year after year. The charity committee is planning a fundraising for the backpacks. It will be a rummage sale, breakfast special and carwash (if allowed by the city). We need a good participation of our member to achieve the goal, so we could provide enough backpacks to the schools.

Congratulations to our newly obligated Master Masons, Bro. Albert Mendoza and Bro. Adan Trinidad.

By the Plumb,
Brother Joel Castillo

MARCH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS!!!



The Lodge celebrates these Brethren
and we wish you a very special day, Happy Birthday!

March 02 – Arturo Gentilezo
March 04 – Frank Groth
March 05 – Robert Krug
March 06 – Lewis Diulus
March 07 – Wright Beltran
March 07 – Mark Topacio
March 10 – Steven Hartsburge
March 11 – Austin Simpson
March 12 – Alfred Canoy
March 13 – Gener Abella
March 13 – Lewis Bunch
March 13 – Allen Cielo
March 15 – Jack Cloud
March 16 – Darryl Barallon
March 16 – Brant Hahn
March 21 – Adam Avitable
March 23 – Abner Mangapit
March 24 – Walter Adams
March 26 – Daeryl Amponin
March 27 – Gemino Barrerra
March 30 – Reynoldo Sibug
March 31 – Rainier Arance
March 31 – James Pratt

SECRETARY'S CORNER

Greetings Brethren,

I am pleased to share with you that the Secretary and Treasurer Retreat was a great experience. I had the privilege of meeting the Grand Secretary, as well as many other brothers throughout the state. The whole weekend was designed to provide veteran and new Secretaries and Treasurers the necessary tools to effectively manage the administrative aspects of the Lodge, as well as many valuable leadership skills essential to communicating with the brethren.

The Grand Secretary updated us on the state of the fraternity and many key issues we face today. Grand Lodge is making it a priority to ensure that members of our great fraternity are being rewarded with a gratifying membership experience by improving prospect applicant education, creating more opportunities for Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts to participate in Lodge, and in building a strong candidate coaching program to improve the advancement experience.

The use of technology has been an invaluable tool in implementing new administrative and Masonic educational programs. The iMember database has helped lodges across the state organize and manage membership information with ease. With the development of the business system INTACCT, Treasurers will be able to consolidate financial information into an organized databank. It also acts as an important interface between constituent Lodges and Grand Lodge to help file the required financial reports. Also, Grand Lodge offers an improved candidate education program through the member center at freemason.org. These comprehensive programs offer the candidate essential information to succeed in his Masonic journey.

I would also like to take this time to inform you of the upcoming XIV Word Conference of Regular Masonic Grand Lodges. This worthwhile experience is being held in San Francisco from November 18-21. It will be a once in a lifetime opportunity for you to meet brothers from around the world and have the chance to hear from our Masonic leaders. For more information and to register, visit WCRMGL.COM.

Please keep your contact information up-to-date through the Grand Lodge website. If you require any assistance in doing so, feel free to call me any time at (909) 231-4276.

Fraternally,
Brother Nick Lawson

UPCOMING COMMITTEE EVENTS

Committees: Please schedule a date for planning these events and provide them to Brother Jack Cloud to place in the website and on the calendar.

LODGE AUDIT

To be completed prior to the end of March 2015

Audit Committee: *Herme Valdeabella PM, Pat Cerdenola PM, Joey Sanchez PM,
Jose Pascual PM, Jack Cloud

MASONIC SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

To be completed prior to the end of March 2015

Scholarship Committee: *James Withycombe, Steve Roberts PM, Pat Cerdenola PM, Angel Luna PM, Bermie Pascual PM, D.W. Venturella PM, Charles Dimaano WM (Hanford 269), Jack Cloud, Leviem Espiritu

DINNER AT THE VINEYARD INN

Thursday, 18 March 2015, 7pm

Picnic and Social Functions Committee: *Joel Castillo, Rupert Beckford, Jack Cloud, James Withycombe, Norman Stewart, Leviem Espiritu

MASONIC YOUTH ORDERS PRESENTATION

Thursday, 26 March 2015, 7pm

Picnic and Social Functions Committee: *Joel Castillo, Rupert Beckford, Jack Cloud, James Withycombe, Norman Stewart, Leviem Espiritu

ON THE LEVEL – PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, 16 April 2015, 7pm

PR/Community Involvement Committee: Jack Cloud, Joel Castillo, Nick Lawson, James Withycombe, D.W. Venturella PM, Charles Dimaano WM (Hanford 269)

PUBLIC SCHOOLS RECOGNITION NIGHT

Thursday, 30 April 2015, 7pm

Public Schools Committee: Jack Cloud, Leviem Espiritu, Joel Castillo, Rupert Beckford, James Withycombe, Roskin Metra

A Celebration to Our Masonic Youth



Please Join Us on
Thursday, March 26th at 7PM
To Celebrate the Outstanding Young Men and Women that
Comprise our Masonic Youth.

The Order of the DeMolay, Job's Daughters International and the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls are the future of Masonry. These kids know how to have a good time, and in doing so, they are learning the lessons that youth of today all too often do not receive.

So please, come out this evening, enjoy a chilidog or Frito-boat and let these kids know, that we support them 100% in their endeavors.

Thursday, March 26th, 7PM
At
Welcome Lodge No. 255

Welcome Lodge Calendar of Events

March 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Jobs Daughters Meeting 7 PM	3 LMTA Meeting, 6:30 PM	4	5 WL 255 Stated Meeting, Dinner 6:30 PM Meeting 7:30 PM Officers Dress: Tuxedo/Dark Suit	6	7
8	9	10 Lucerne Lake CH. 13 Practice 7-9 PM	11 DeMolay International Meeting 7 PM	12 WL 255 2 nd Degree: Bro. Ed Kaczynski	13 Masters/ Wardens Retreat Monterey, CA	14 Masters/ Wardens Retreat Monterey, CA Jobs Daughters, Grand Guardian Official Visit
15 Masters/ Wardens Retreat Monterey, CA	16 Jobs Daughters Meeting 7 PM	17	18 Welcome Lodge: Family Night – Dinner at the Vineyard Inn. 7pm	19 “SOI” WL 255 Host HL 279 Exemplify: 2 nd Deg., 2 nd Section, 2 nd Deg. Full Form Closing. Dinner 6:30 PM Meeting 7:30 PM	20	21
22	23	24 Lucerne Lake CH. 13 Practice 7-9 PM	25 DeMolay International Meeting 7 PM	26 Masonic Youth Orders Presentation: 7PM	27 Order of the Eastern Star - Lucerne Lake, Ch 31, Official Visit of Worthy Matron and Patron	28
29 RENTAL	30	31 LMTA Meeting, 6:30 PM				

Committees (2015)

Charity Committee

Daniel Bautista, WM
Jack Cloud
Joel Castillo

Masters Advisory Committee

Angel Luna, PM
Steve Roberts, PM
Herminio Valdeabella, PM
Jose Pascual, PM
Vermie Pascual, PM
Gemino Barrerra, PM

Fraternal Support Service

Ambassador

Norman Stewart

Audit

Herminio Valdeabella, PM
Pat Cerdenola, PM
Joey Sanchez, PM
Jose Pascual, PM
Jack Cloud

Budget and Finance

Steve Roberts, PM
Geminio Barrerra, PM
Herminio Valdeabella, PM
James Withycombe
Norman Stewart
Jack Cloud

Picnic and Social Functions

Rupert Beckford
Jack Cloud
James Withycombe
Norman Stewart
Joel Castillo
Leviem Espiritu

Constitutional Observance

Gemino Barrerra, PM
D.W. Venturella, PM
Norman Stewart
Roskin Metra

Hiram Award

Norman Stewart
Steve Roberts, PM
Herminio Valdeabella, PM
Jose Pascual, PM
James Withycombe

Masonic Education

Jack Cloud
Norman Stewart
Pat Cerdenola, PM
James Withycombe
Joey Sachez, PM

Scholarship Award

James Withycombe
Steve Roberts, PM
Pat Cerdenola, PM
Angel Luna, PM
Bermie Pascual, PM
D.W. Venturella, PM
Charles Dimaano
Jack Cloud
Leviem Espiritu

Public Schools

Jack Cloud
Leviem Espiritu
Joel Castillo
James Withycombe
Rupert Beckford
Roskin Metra

Funeral

D.W. Venturella, PM
Danny Britton
Jose Pascual, PM
Pat Cerdenola, PM
Danny Bautista
James Withycombe
Jack Cloud

Fund Raising

Bermie Pascual, PM
Danny Bautista
Nick Lawson
Rupert Beckford
James Withycombe
Joel Castillo
Norman Stewart
Leviem Espiritu
Alan Overby
Jack Cloud

Delinquent Dues/Membership

Retention

Nick Lawson
Roskin Metra
Steve Roberts, PM
James Withycombe
Pat Cerdenola, PM

Kids ID Program

Jack Cloud
Steve Roberts, PM
Daniel Bautista
Roskin Metra

Committees (2015), (cont'd)

Past Masters Night

Pat Cerdenola, PM
Jose Pascual, PM
Steve Roberts, PM
Gemino Barrerra, PM

Refreshments

Joel Castillo
Norm Stewart
Nick Lawson
James Withycombe
Leviem Espiritu
Alan Overby

Visitation

All Officers

Christmas Party

Jack Cloud
Joel Castillo
Danny Bautista
James Withycombe
Roskin Metra
Nick Lawson
Charles Dimanno
Danny Bautista

Officers Coach

Gemino Barrerra, PM

Candidates Coach

Pat Cerdenola, PM
Joey Sanchez, PM
Norman Stewart
Jack Cloud
James Withycombe

Public Relations / Community Involvement

Jack Cloud
Joel Castillo
Nick Lawson
James Withycombe
D.W. Venturella, PM
Charles Dimaano

Investments Committee

Steve Roberts, PM
Herminio Valdeabella, PM
Jack Cloud
James Withycombe

Officers for the year 2015

Worshipful Master	Daniel Bautista	(559) 759-5595
Senior Warden	Jack Cloud	(559) 381-2112
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Treasurer	Norman Stewart	
Secretary	Nick Lawson	
Asst. Secretary	David Jarvis	
Chaplain	Renz Uy	
Senior Deacon	James Withycombe	
Junior Deacon	Roskin Metra	
Marshall	Rupert Beckford	
Senior Steward	Liviem Espiritu	
Junior Steward	Allan Overby	
Tiler	Danny Britton	

Officer's Coach

Gemino Barrera, PM

Candidate's Coach

Patrocinio Cerdenola, PM
Jack Cloud
Norm Stewart
James Withycombe

616th Masonic Dist. Insp.

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