

Welcome Lodge No. 255



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



**If you are a Mason, anywhere in the World,
This is your Home!**

From the East



Worshipful Jack W. Cloud



Brethren,

October is upon us and it's the start of the holidays. I hope each of you take the time to enjoy these next few months with friends and family. They really are a great time of year.

I would like to congratulate Brother Clayton Holmes on his being raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason and Brother Joel Gonzalez on his initiation as an Entered Apprentice. While both are at different stages in their Masonic Journey, I see the potential in each to greatly affect our fraternity in the future. Congratulations Brethren.

Once again, Grand Lodge of CA will hold its Annual Communication during the last weekend of the month. If you have never been to the Communication or even to the Grand Lodge, I recommend that you attend at some point. The Grand Lodge represents a rich California history of Masons who forged West in search of a better future. Its architecture and displays are amazing, and every Mason should have the chance to see what our Grand Lodge does with our annual dues and donations.

Finally, we touched on this recently in Lodge. Each night we close our sessions with prayer to practice out of the lodge those great moral duties which are inculcated in it. As Masons, our title and our practices do not start and stop at the entrance to the Lodge. It's our responsibility to live them. I ask each of you, in your daily lives, to keep that in mind in regards to a worthy friend or brother.

Fraternally,
Jack W. Cloud, WM

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October 2016 Trestle Board



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

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

167th Annual Communication

Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of California

OCTOBER 28-30

SAN FRANCISCO, CA

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

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



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. James Withycombe
 Bro. Ed Kaczynski

Candidates Coach

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

DRESS CODES

All Degrees: Suit and Tie.

Stated Meetings: Suit Coat, Slacks, and Collared Shirt. Tie not required (except for Official Visits/Ceremonies)

Practices: Casual attire.

June, July, August, September: Business Casual – Slacks and collared shirt (due to the heat).



I WILL LEAD WITH CHARACTER

I will remember that a strong character leads to trust and trust is the foundation of leadership.

I will lead with a strong Masonic character.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October:

Annual Communication // Family Dinner at the Lodge

November:

Stated Meeting Elections

December:

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



October Birthdays

Oct 02	Angel Luna, PM
Oct 03	Godwin Apostol
Oct 07	Michael Leach
Oct 10	Danny Britton
Oct 10	Eddie Ferreras
Oct 14	Joel Castillo
Oct 14	Peter Clark
Oct 15	Jcid David
Oct 16	Terry Snowden
Oct 16	Ronald Villi
Oct 17	Ralph Medeiros, PM
Oct 19	Joseph Randa
Oct 20	Walter Kendall
Oct 20	Jason Noralez
Oct 26	Jose Fontanos, PM
Oct 26	Ralph Oglesby
Oct 27	Richard McClelland
Oct 30	Jose Pascual, PM
Oct 31	Daniel Guevara

Calendar of Events

Mon, Oct 3 – Jobs' Daughters, 7pm
 Thu, Oct 6 – WL255 Stated Meeting, 7:30pm
 Sat, Oct 8 – WL255, Lodge Maintenance Day, 8am
 Tue, Oct 11 – Lucerne Lake, Ch. 13, 7pm
 Wed, Oct 12 – DeMolay International, 7pm
 Thu, Oct 13 – WL255, 2nd Degree, 7pm
 Mon, Oct 17 – Jobs' Daughters, 7pm
 Thu, Oct 20 – WL255, 2nd Degree, 7pm
 Fri, Oct 21 – Jobs' Daughters, Burn Your Own Steak fundraiser, 6pm
 Tue, Oct 25 – Lucerne Lake, Ch. 13, 7pm
 Wed, Oct 26 – DeMolay International, 7pm
 Thu, Oct 27 – WL255, Family Dinner at the Lodge, Potluck, 7pm

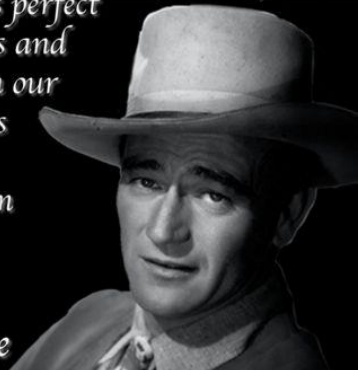
*Feel free to call WB Jack at (559) 381-2112 regarding the schedule.
 The calendar is fluid and changes often happen.*



"Masonic Wisdom"

"Tomorrow is the most important thing in life. Comes into us at midnight very clean. It's perfect when it arrives and it puts itself in our hands. It hopes we've learned something from yesterday."

Brother John Wayne



SECRETARYS CORNER

2017 ANNUAL DUES

Brethren,

The 2017 dues remain at \$108.50. Notices will be sent out in late October or early November.

Thank You.

Join me in saying Farewell to

Worshipful Brother Angel G. Luna

Past Master of Welcome Lodge No. 255

1984



1987



Brother Luna graced our presence and was initiated into Welcome Lodge No. 255 in June of 1978, passed to the degree of Fellowcraft in November 1978, and raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in November of 1978. In 1984, then Worshipful Brother Angel was elected as the first Filipino Brother to lead Welcome Lodge from the East, establishing a long line of quality leadership. He repeated a second term in the East in 1987. Then in September of 1991, Welcome Lodge presented him with the next highest honor (the highest, being elected Master) that a Mason can receive from his Lodge, that of a Hiram Award recipient. This award is indicative of the admiration and respect that we hold for such a man. As a Past Master, he has since provided guidance and direction to every Brother who has passed through our doors.

On a personal note; when I petitioned the Lodge in 2011, it was apparent that Worshipful Angel was a staple of Welcome Lodge. The manner in which he carried himself, his pride in delivering the ritual, and the respect that he garnered from brethren and Past Masters alike, indicated to me that he was somebody that I wanted to emulate on my newfound journey. I have since gotten to know Worshipful Angel, and my initial assessment was correct. He is a man of great character and a true brother of the Fraternity. As I moved through the Chairs, I could always depend on my Brother to provide wise council and I looked forward to every opportunity to sit and learn from him in Lodge. You are a true friend and I am appreciative of the fact that our paths have crossed ways.

Worshipful Angel and his lovely bride Betty are prepared to move back to the Philippines on October 3rd. Worshipful, while we were not able to provide a going away dinner for you, I want you to know that you're presence will be missed but the example that you have set and the direction that you have provided will fill the void for years to come. Good luck to you and Betty in all of your future endeavors and your Brethren of Welcome Lodge No. 255 wish you all of the best.

As he and Betty move home to the Philippines

Fraternally,
Worshipful Brother Jack

Jobs' Daughters

Fundraiser



Burn Your Own Steak Dinner

October 21st, 6pm

*See Greg or Cindy Bush for details.

E V E N T S



Support Our Youth Groups, Attend Their Meetings
DeMolay International, 2nd/4th Wednesdays Each Month
Jobs Daughters, Bethel #288, 1st/3rd Mondays Each Month



WELCOME LODGE NO. 255

FAMILY STYLE POTLUCK DINNER

October 27th, 2016, 7pm

See WB's Jack Cloud or D.W. Venturella for details



Brother Willard Nissen's Birthday Celebration

Brother Stretch and I enjoyed a
Great hour with Willard, his daughter
Carol and Niece Shannon.
Happy Birthday Brother!



92 years young!