Welcome Lodge No. 255

TRESTLEBOARD

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

If you are a Mason, anywhere in the World,

This is your Home!

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February 2017 Trestle Board

Making Good Men Better,
From Time Immemorial!

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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

From the East

Worshipful D.W. Venturella

Brethren,

I thank you for the confidence that you have placed in me to serve as Master for 2017. I would also like to thank the 2017 Officers who have volunteered their time this year to learn the ritual and participate in governing the lodge. I will look to you throughout the year for ways to strengthen the fraternal bonds of Masonry.

To all of our Brethren, I may be the Master but Welcome Lodge is your lodge. I invite each of you to take an active role this year. If there is something you want to do, let me know. I welcome all of your suggestions.

We have asked Most Worshipful John Heisner and the Grand Lodge Officers to re-dedicate the Lemoore Masonic Temple on April 22nd this year. We rarely have Grand Lodge visit us at Welcome Lodge, so this is an excellent opportunity get to know the governing body that does so much for Masonry on our behalf.

Fraternally,
D.W. Venturella, WM

Leadership Retreats

Secretary and Treasurers

San Ramon, CA:
February 11 - 12, 2017

Master and Wardens

Monterey, CA:
March 24 - 26, 2017

Provides tools, advice, and knowledge directly applicable to the duties of the office.

2017 LEADERSHIP

Officers for the Year 2017

Master:	D.W. Venturella, PM	(559) 380-5486
Sr. Warden:	Jack Cloud, PM	(559) 381-2112
Jr. Warden:	Jose Pascual, PM	(559) 584-6187
Treasurer:	Bryan Sawyer	
Secretary:	Clayton Holmes	
Asst. Secretary:	Fabian Gonzalez	
Chaplain:	TBD	
Sr. Deacon:	Ed Kaczynski	
Jr. Deacon:	Eli Malicsi	
Marshal:	James Withycombe	
Sr. Steward:	Billie Solomon	
Jr. Steward:	Tracy Jon Miranda	
Tiler:	Don Willis	

Fraternal Support Service Ambassador

Bro. Norman Stewart (559) 707-6354

Officers Coach

Bro. Herme Valdeabella, PM

Lemoore Masonic Temple Association

Bro. Ed Kaczynski
Bro. Jack Cloud, PM
Bro. D.W. Venturella, WM
Bro. Rupert Beckford
Bro. Bryan Sawyer
Bro. Fabian Gonzalez

Candidates Coach

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

DRESS CODES

All Degrees: *Officers:* Black Suit and Tie - or - Tuxedo. *Sidelines:* Suit and Tie.
Stated Meetings: Suit Coat, Slacks, and Collared Shirt. Tie not required (except for Official Visits/Ceremonies)
Practices: Casual attire (No Shorts).
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.

Secretary's Corner

February Calendar of Events

Thu, Feb 2 – 5pm, Lemoore Masonic Temple Board Meeting

Thu, Feb 2 – 7:30pm, Welcome Lodge 255 Stated Meeting, Dinner 6:30PM

Sat, Feb 4 – 8am, Welcome Lodge Cleanup Day

Mon, Feb 6 – 7pm, Jobs' Daughters, Bethel 288 Meeting

Thu, Feb 9 – 7pm, Welcome Lodge 255, Masonic Info Night

Sat, Feb 11 – Rental

Tue, Feb 14 – 7pm, Lucerne Lake, Ch. 13 Meeting

Wed, Feb 15 – 6:30pm, SOI, Masonic District 506, Selma, CA, 2012 High St., Selma CA

Wed, Feb 15 – 7pm, DeMolay International Meeting

Thu, Feb 16 – 7pm, Welcome Lodge 255, 3rd Degree Practice

Sat, Feb 18 – Rental

Mon, Feb 20 – 7pm, Jobs' Daughters, Bethel 288 Meeting

Thu, Feb 23 – 7pm, Welcome Lodge 255, 3rd Degree (Pending)

Sat, Feb 25 – 4-6pm, Welcome Lodge 255, Crab Feed Fundraiser

Tue, Feb 28 – 7pm, Lucerne Lake, Ch. 13 Meeting

Wed, Feb 15 – 7pm, DeMolay International Meeting

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

February Birthdays

02	Melvir Gutierrez
03	Gasper Santiago
04	Justin McLelland
06	Horacio Ramirez
11	Jason Orton
12	Robert Klein
13	Lourey Bartolome
13	Alfred Canoy
13	Charles Dimaano
15	Donald Willis
17	Florentino Tatco
19	Mario Mercado
19	Manuel Simeon
19	Mario Topacio
20	Alberto Andres
22	George Wilkinson
24	Steven Champlin
25	Edwin Tates
28	Emmanuel Herrera
28	William Praetz

2017 ANNUAL DUES

Brethren,

The 2017 dues remain at $108.50. For those who desire to pay with a card, you can do so now using the Lodge App. (There is a $3 processing fee on the App., total $111.50) For access, please contact Bro. TJ Miranda, Bro. Clayton Holmes, or WB Jack Cloud.

Thank You.

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR POINT OF CONTACT

Please take some time to review your contact information (email, telephone, and mailing address) at https://www.freemason.org. Update it if you can, if you cannot update, please contact the Secretary to update your info.

CONGRATULATIONS!

On the Passing of our newest Fellow Craft Mason!

Brother Edwin Tates

It's hard to believe, but we didn't seem to get a picture of Brother Edwin's Passing to the Degree of Fellow Craft. Our apologies Brother. Congratulations anyway, and we look forward to seeing you Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason.

WELCOME LODGE 255

CRAB DINNER

FUNDRAISER

Sunday, February 25th, 4-6 PM

Tickets: $35

See WB Jack Cloud, WB D.W. Venturella, Brother Norm Stewart, or any Officer for tickets.

Masonic Wisdom

Freemasonry embraces the highest moral laws and will bear the test of any system of ethics or philosophy ever promulgated for the uplift of man.

-Bro. Douglas MacArthur