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Calendar

Thursday December 6, 2018

Social 6:00 p.m. / Dinner 6:30 p.m. Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m. Attire: Suit and tie Collecting Toys for Midnight Mission Please bring an unwrapped toy

Thursday December 13, 2018

St. John Feast with Special Guest Most Worshipful Stu Wright Dinner 7:30 p.m. \$40 per person Attire: Suit and tie

Thursday December 20, 2018 Christmas/Holiday Party 7:00-10:00 p.m. Refreshments Provided, No Cost Attire: Casual or Christmas Sweater

Thursday December 27, 2018 Christmas Break Dark

Thursday January 3, 2019 Social 6:00 p.m. / Dinner 6:30 p.m. Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m. Attire: Suit and tie



Chartered October 14, 1909



From the East, Worshipful Master

Jhairo Echevarria

Brethren,

Wishing you all a wonderful holiday season and a prosperous new year! I want to congratulate all the officers most specially Wor. Jesus Valdiviezo whom has shown exceptional leadership, he was very helpful to me throughout the year. Our Lodge is in great hands.

This is bittersweet for me as I've enjoyed serving our lodge in this capacity very much! But my time has come to move aside and I am to understand my role as a "has been". At my age, it is a really awkward feeling. I've learned so much about you all and even more about myself. Some brethren caused issues most however gave me great hope for the future, I've learned from the good and the bad. The great symbol of life that is the checkered floor teaches us that.

There is no way to put this but our lodge has dramatically made a huge financial turnaround. We owe it to all those that donated time or money at some point. And specially under my direction, the duties our Wor. Brother treasurer and Brother Secretary have executed. We should all be very thankful for them, they are the unsung heroes of the Lodge. They are the ones that spend countless hours in the administration of the Lodge. Without them I would have never accomplished my vision.

Fraternally,

Jhairo Echevarria - Master Burbank Masonic Lodge No.406

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2019 Dues

It's that time of year again Brethren. The Dues of each member of this Lodge are payable in advance on the 1st day of January. If you are unable to pay your Dues by December 31, please notify the Secretary immediately. You can also pay your dues with a credit or debit card by visiting the lodge website, BurbankMasonicLodge.com and click on the "PayPal" tab (top right hand corner of the page). You will be assessed a small fee. You can also pay directly with the Secretary, thank you.

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FROM THE WEST, SENIOR WARDEN JESUS M. VALDIVIEZO

Brethren, as we enter into the Holiday season let us remember those who are less fortunate that we are. In addition to giving time and money to your favorite charity, remember to take a moment to pray for the poor, the sick, the imprisoned, the neglected, those in despair and those who are suffering around the world. May the blessing of heaven truly be upon us and all people.

I would like to thank the lodge for allowing me to attend the annual communication. I had the opportunity to vote on behalf of the lodge for important decisions regarding our institution and code. Beyond the business of the meeting I enjoyed meeting new friends and bonding with our brethren.

As a leader of the lodge I look to help those who have the affinity, ability and capacity to lead our lodge in the near future. As we progress, it is incumbent upon each of us to develop interested brethren to help position our leaders for the future. Every position of responsibility within the lodge is a position of service to your fellow Brother. Humility and demonstration of interest in the craft, at a minimum, is necessary to meet the expectations and commitments of serving our lodge. Being an officer of Burbank Lodge #406 has been and continues to be a rewarding experience for me.

Fraternally,

Jesus Valdiviezo - Senior Warden



From the South, Junior Warden Gary W. Glass

HELLO BRETHREN - and HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!

It's hard to believe that this year is coming to a close, and that elections have already been held for next year. Thank you for your faith in me to be Senior Warden next year, and congratulations to Jesus and Armen for being elected Worshipful Master and Junior Warden! ...as well as to all the elected and appointed officers!

December is such a busy month for everyone. Please be safe out there, ...it's going to be crazy !!!

At a recent Masonic Meditation we considered what a lodge is. Many ideas were floated about. One idea that was widely accepted considered the spirit of each member from the past and present as being the lodge.

This member spirit idea resonated with me in the context that the brethren I have met recently and the brethren I recall as far back as from my DeMolay days, have all left their "marks" on our lodge.

We all leave our "marks" if you will on the "lodge." How we operate, what condition we are in. These spirits create the Burbank Lodge Masonic heritage. What is that heritage? How strong is it? Will what we do ensure that in another 100 years our lodge will continue to be strong? All great questions for us to ponder as a new year approaches.

Additionally, I would like to wish all our Masonic family's Happy Hanukkah, a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year!!

Fraternally, Gary Glass, Junior Warden



Ho Ho Ho members and friends of Lodge 406

The Holidays are here and Bethel 97 is excited to celebrate with their Masonic Family. Join us on the 7th for our 5\$ pay-a-plate at 6:30pm and our Queens Last Night at 7:30pm. Julianna Barnes HQ and our Officers would love to see you on the sidelines. Don't go far because on the 15th we will be welcoming our new core of officers at our Installation at 5:30pm! This formal occasion is a perfect night for you and your special someone to celebrate with the Bethel. After the Installation please join us in the dining room for dinner and game night! We will be selling festive See's Candy Chocolate Boxes and Lollipops for the Holiday season (these are perfect stocking stuffers!) Look out for us at servings, meetings and upcoming activities to purchase one before Christmas! We had a wonderful year and are also excited for the fun events in 2019.

May your Holidays be full of love and have a happy new year!

See you all soon

Darcy Yates

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Bethel 97's meetings are the First Friday of the Month at 7:30pm & The 2nd Saturdays of the Month at 10:00am.



L.C. Kelley DeMolay

L.C. Kelly meets on the first and third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM. For information please contact Chapter Dad Mark Higginbotham at markhigginbotham65@gmail.com.



December:

Joseph D. Lamberti	12/01
Timothy J. Halm, PM	12/04
Arman Ekmekciyan	12/05
Raymond G. Adams	12/06
Michael D. Smith, PM	12/07
Victor D. Frazier	12/12
Raeshib Aggerwhil	12/14
Michael C. Norton	12/14
Sterling E. Lockett	12/15
Stephen E. Appleby, PM	12/16
Rick Cervantes	12/17
James B. Elmlinger	12/19
Scott A. Manoogian, PM	12/19
Godfrey Q. Liganor, PM	12/20
Eugene Palic	12/23
Erick S. Block	12/27
Steven N. Jurman	12/30
Lee J. Broussard, PM	12/31





From the Desk of the Secretary Rick Cervantes



The year is quickly coming to a close and the holidays are upon us. It's a time to reflect upon the year, our Brethren, friends and family. There is so much to be thankful for and I am truly grateful to the Brethren of Burbank Lodge for your support and friendship!

Keep in your thoughts and prayers our Brethren, friends and family that are not as mobile and those who have suffered through difficult times this past year. Also keep in mind those who are less fortunate than us.

Personally, this past year has proven to be difficult for my family as we lost several members due to tragic accidents and health. Thanks to the strong bonds with you, my Brethren, it has made it easier for our family to cope with these unfortunate circumstances. Even by simply attending lodge and sharing a laugh or two has proven to be extraordinarily comforting.

Should you know of anyone in need of assistance please contact the Lodge and let us know. You may also have them contact Masonic Outreach Services at (888) 466-3642 or visit www.masonichome.org.

May the Great Architect of the Universe bless you and your loved ones and I hope you all have a wonderful holiday season.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Rick Cervantes, Secretary

BURBANK MASONIC LODGE NO. 406

Feast of St. John 12.13.2018 at 7:00pm

Special Guest Stuart A. Wright

Grand Master Masons of California

406 Irving Dr. Burbank CA \$40 per person

Feast, Drinks and Presentation Open to All Masons and Prospects RSVP Required 818.848.3750 Secretary@BurbankMasonicLodge.com

Burbank Masonic Lodge No. 406 Invites you to our Koliday Party

Ghursday December 20, 2018 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Refreshments will be provided at no cost. Bring your friends and family.

R.S.V.P. to <u>secretary@burbankmasoiclodge.com</u> or (714) 425-8548 (leave message) and let us know if you will be bringing children. Please advise the number and gender as Santa would like to bring them an appropriate gift.

We will also be collecting toys for the Midnight Mission so please feel free to bring new unwrapped toy(s).

Attire is casual or you may wear your favorite Christmas Sweater.