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Calendar

Thursday March 7, 2019

Social 6:00 p.m. / Dinner 6:30 p.m. Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m. Attire: Suit and tie

Thursday March 14, 2019

Third Degree, Armond Sarkisian Refreshments 6:30 p.m. Degree 7:30 p.m. Attire: Suit & Tie

Thursday March 21, 2019 Education Night Guest Speaker R. Stephen Doan, PGM Refreshments 6:30 p.m. Presentation 7:15 p.m. Open to Master Masons Only Business Casual

Thursday March 28, 2019

Degree TBD/Degree Practice Refreshments 6:30 p.m. Degree 7:30 p.m

Thursday April 04, 2019 Social 6:00 p.m. / Dinner 6:30 p.m. Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m. Attire: Suit and tie

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From the East, Worshipful Master

Jesus Valdiviezo

Brethren,

We are now in March and the year is in full swing. I would like to thank those who attend regularly as your presence is key to our Blue Lodge experience. I understand your time is valuable and appreciate the time you place at the lodge.

I would like to share with you what Masonry has given me so far in my short journey. Masonry has provided me with a place where men come together to elevate themselves and be the best they can be. A place for self improvement. I have found real friendship within the fraternity which is truly bound by a three fold tie. I have come to know Masonry as a place which is parallel to life as a whole. With my Brothers' I have experienced so many life events; the birth of life, the celebration of lives gone by, rejoicing in each other prosperity, compassioning those in troubled times, charity to the sick, elderly and the general wellbeing and happiness of each and everyone one of us. I am truly blessed to be a part of such a fraternity which champions the best humanity has to offer.

This year I prefer that only Blue Lodge business and announcements be discussed within the tiled meetings of our lodge. The brethren in general have the opportunity at each stated meeting to make announcements for other masonic bodies in the dinning hall prior to the stated meeting at 7PM. Discussion during our stated dinners will enhance our ability to communicate with prospective members as well as our youth groups and other non masons.

I would like to encourage those of you who have not completed the third degree proficiency to think about investing the time to accomplish this learning experience. It truly solidifies your third degree experience. We are in need of members to participate in our degrees by way of giving charges for all three degrees. Please consider learning a charge and qualify with our officers coach, Worshipful Peter Babaian, PM.

Enjoy the month of March and make sure to be safe and prosperous.

Sincerely,

Jesus Valdiviezo - Master

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Bethel 97's meetings are the first Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. & the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. For information please contact Bethel Guardian Tammy Roseli, troseli23@yahoo.com.



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Beauty - A Source of Harmony

We are all well acquainted with the three pillars that support every lodge, denominated by Wisdom, Strength and Beauty as we are taught there should be Wisdom to Contrive, Strength to Support, and Beauty to Adorn every great and important undertaking. This context of Beauty is discussed in "The Hidden Power" written by Thomas Troward, and is presented here.

Troward begins by asking if we think enough about Beauty, and answers No. He thinks we may be too eager to regard Beauty as only superficial, like paint on a canvas or some other covering. He then advocates Plato's idea – that Beauty represents the supremist living quality of Thought and compares Beauty from external and internal views.

Beauty, when externally viewed is the province of artists and poets calling to the innermost feelings of our hearts resulting in a peaceful intuitive calmness. While when viewed from within, is within the province of the reasoner and analyst expanding a rational set of intelligible factors calling to a sense of order and calm. Thus, from both perspectives the same conclusion is reached. One of calm, of Harmony – sprung forth from Beauty.

God's works in Beauty are shown in nature by the display of symmetry – again Harmony. It is in this way that the inner meaning of Beauty is revealed and provides a standard for the guidance of our lives. How is this standard implemented? By working in a Harmonious manner, and never considering any work complete until we have carried it to some final outcome of material, intellectual, or spiritual Beauty. The initial work is thus required to answer: Is my intention good? ...and ultimately leads to: What is the most beautiful form in which I can express my good intention? Great questions to reflect upon.

When we have learnt Beauty principles, we shall know how to develop it on its own. ...and with the guidance of the Fraternity's Beauty - its great and important undertakings – build Harmony.

All the Best, Gary Glass, Senior Warden



My Brothers,

I would like to extend a hearty thanks to all the brethren who help me with refreshments. Working together brings great warmth to my heart.

This month we celebrate Youth Groups and although I never joined any Masonic Youth Organization, I am fully prepared to do my part and help. I have two sons whom in the upcoming years will be eligible to join DeMolay and I can't wait to see what an impact it makes in their lives! It is important to support all the Youth Groups, Rainbow and Jobs Daughters.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve and I look forward to the rest of the events and plans we have this year. See you at Lodge!

Fraternally,

Armen Khalafyan, Junior Warden

Living Past Masters

Stephen E. Appleby 1978 Jacob J. Libby, Jr. 1981 William R. Jennings 1986 Scott D. Nave 1987 Kenneth D. Melling 1990 Thomas H. Oldham 1991 1995 William D. Ferris Ronald E. Cooper 1996 Christopher K. Barnes 1998 2000, 2010 Andrew A. De Caro William A. Cunningham 2001 Edward Avetisian 2002 Gregory F. Bragg 2003 Jason W. Cunningham 2004

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Timothy J. Halm	2005
Kenneth L. Barnes	2006
John T. Brennan	2007
Marc S. Canterbury	2008
Jeffrey W. Yates	2009
Elvan D. Moen	1974 (622), 2011
Steven J. Harris	2012
Billy D. Campbell	2013
Erik M. Adams	2014
Peter V. Babaian	2015
Thomas Quiroz	2016
James W. Laage	2017
Jhairo Echevarria	2018



Living C

Richard L. French 1972 (715) 1973 (813) Albert B. Ivie Arthur S. Beddoe William G. Uhl Norman A. Furman Reginald Wilson Lee J. Broussard Godfrey Q. Liganor Charles W. Pruett, Jr. Bruce E. Hudson Armin J. Schulhof Michael D. Smith 2017 (854), 2018-2019 (2048)

1974, 1996 (592) Richard M. Bisetti 1974 (418) Scott A. Manoogian Paul B. Bazerkanian 1975 (445) 1977 (592) Simon A. McIlroy 1985 (715) 1985 (405) 1987 (715) 1995 (355), 2001 (528) 1997 (592), 2002, 2009 (290)

Jack R. Carlson

Gani R. Hernandez, Jr. 1998, 2001 (592) 2006 (368) 2010 (368) 2012 (368) 2013, 2014 (408) 2015 (854)



March:

Simon A. McIlroy, PM	3/01
Ronald R. Trotta	3/05
Alex B. Mc Arthur	3/06
Eric A. Tiede	3/06
Scott A. Genereux	3/07
Armen Hovannesian	3/10
Hugh T. Webster	3/11
Charles W. Pruett, Jr., PM	3/13
James V. Whittaker	3/15
Joe Camejo	3/19
Kenneth D. Melling, PM	3/24
Arthur S. Beddoe, PM	3/28





From the Desk of the Secretary Rick Cervantes



Greetings Brethren,

I wanted to inform you about some news from Grand Lodge. Later this year, iMember, the operating system used by California Freemasonry, will be updated. With this update one of its features is it will automatically send out dues bills and dues receipts. If you have created a user account on the Masons of California website (www.freemason.org), then you are in good to go. If not, I would encourage you to visit the website and create your account. Once iMember 2.0 goes live, you will be sent an email to create your account. If you already created an account on the Masons of California website, you will use that log in information to log into iMember 2.0. It will then use your contact information to send you mailings, dues bills, receipts, etc. You may also be able to modify your personal and contact information as you please.

If you have any questions regarding this new process, please don't hesitate to contact me. They plan on pushing out the system either during the summer or early fall. You may email me at secretary@burbankmasoniclodge.com, or call or text me on my cell phone, (714) 425-8548.

Fraternally,

Rick Cervantes, Secretary

MASONIC EDUCATION

Join us March 21st 2019 for an informative evening. Most Worshipful R. Stephen Doan will be our guest speaker. He will be speaking about the True Word of a Master Mason.

Refreshments will be served at 6:30 p.m., the presentation will be at 7:15 p.m. Attire is business casual/Lodge Polos-Shirts.

The event is open to Master Masons only. Please R.S.V.P. with the secretary via email, secretary@burbankmasoniclodge.com, or via phone or text at (714) 425-8548.



California Masonic Symposium 2019 DeMolay: A History, Journey, and Legacy

Saturday, June 1, 2019 San Francisco Scottish Rite Sunday, June 2, 2019 Long Beach Scottish Rite

In 1919, Bro. Frank S. Land met a newly fatherless young man and was inspired to start a Masonic club for him and his friends at the Kansas City Scottish Rite. Land and the nine initial club members named it after the last leader of the mysterious Knights Templar. Since then, the Order of DeMolay has grown to an international organization of young men ages 12 to 21, impacting thousands and inspiring some of our nation's greatest civic and Masonic leaders.

At this year's California Masonic Symposium, you'll explore the fascinating history of this venerable organization, learn the history of the ritual, witness an exemplification of the DeMolay Degree as conferred in 1919 and celebrate DeMolay's centennial anniversary.

Active DeMolay, Sr. DeMolay, DeMolay advisors, Fathers, Mothers, Grandparents, and legal guardians of DeMolay, and Master Masons and their spouses are permitted to attend the exemplification of the degree.