



**Bay Cities Lodge No. 337
F. & A. M.**

Stated Meetings, First Tuesday 8:00 p.m.

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April 2020

April Calendar

Tuesday,	7 th	8:00 p.m.	<u>April Stated Meeting – “Cancelled”</u>
		6:30 p.m.	Stated Dinner – “Cancelled”
Thursday,	16 th	7:30 p.m.	“Tentative” DOSI - Live Oak
		6:30 p.m.	“Tentative” - Light Meal
Tuesday	21 st	7:30 p.m.	“Tentative” Past Master Hanging
		6:30 p.m.	“Tentative” - Dinner
Wednesday,	22 nd	7:30 p.m.	“Tentative” – Trustee Mtg
Tuesday	28 th	7:00 p.m.	“Tentative” - To be Determined
		6:30p.m.	“Tentative” - Light Meal

Hall Events

Mission Bell Chapter No. 205
Order of the Eastern Star

Friday,	10 th	Meeting – Small Hall
Friday,	24 th	District Dinner - Meeting – Large Hall

San Pablo Assembly No. 117
International Order of the Rainbow for Girls

Tuesday,	7 th	7:00 p.m.	Dark
Tuesday,	21 st	7:00 p.m.	Dark

Bethel No. 15
International Order of Job’s Daughters

Saturday	11 th	1:00 p.m.	Meeting – Large Hall
Saturday,	25 th	1:00 p.m.	Meeting – Small Hall

El Cerrito - Albany DeMolay

Wednesday,	1 st	7:30 p.m.	Dark – Small Hall
Wednesday,	15 th	7:30 p.m.	Meeting – Small Hall

Masters Message



I would like to congratulate the new, young, promising, and upcoming young ladies and gentlemen who came to Youth Appreciation Month, and talked about their various programs. With them we hope to strengthen and support the stability of the lodge, built solid and true to be a shining star in the community, and continue to attract great men to become brethren.

I am extremely proud and honored to have the company of Job’s Daughters and DeMolay, in the service, attention, and commitment to the duties and responsibilities entrusted to them. I especially thank Worshipful Brother Jim Strehlow (DeMolay) and Sister Debbie Lowry (Job’s Daughters), and the parents and other adult leaders who make this investment in the young people in whose hands we may eventually pass our work on to. Our communities will be in good hands in the future.

Brethren, it is with regret that I must inform you that due to the present COVID-19 crisis, all activities at the lodge building are cancelled until further notice. For your health and safety, I urge you to shelter in place.

Fraternally,
John Davis, Master

Stated Meetings

Bay Cities Lodge No. 337
First Tuesday of each month

April: “Cancelled”
May: Cinco De Mayo
June: Summer Picnic

Dinners start at 6:30p.m. for members and guests.
Cost is \$5.00

Please RSVP for the dinner by the 25th of each month. RSVP with the Lodge App, on sign-up sheet, or contacting our Junior Warden, Brother Joseph Collignon. Email collignonfamily@sbcglobal.net; Phone or text (510) 847-1388

Stated Meetings are at 8:00p.m. for masons only

From the West

As we learn to travel through this uncharted territory, our tenets of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth are especially important to us in these troubling times. May we remember those oaths, pledges and obligations we as brothers have forged. While Freemasonry does not make us perfect men we still strive to improve ourselves. Having seen the light, walked in the footsteps of the widow's son, confidant in the Supreme Architects' design, we will see at journey's end (I am sure) a brighter future. As builders, masons remain calm & faithful to that course, employ wisdom & common sense and have thus roth marvels in every age. As a fraternity we now heed the call to do it yet again. Though apart, I look forward to meeting all, again, on the level soon.

Be safe, my brothers, wise, courageous, strong, and compassionate to others.

May health, prosperity & peace be yours as we search for solace in this moment

Fraternally,
John Forcum, Senior Warden

From the South

Let me assert my firm belief that the only thing we have to fear is fear itself" - excerpt from 1933 Inaugural Address by Franklin D. Roosevelt

One of my pleasures as your Junior Warden is the superintendence of the Craft during the hours of refreshment. It is sad for me that I will not be seeing my friends at the lodge until further notice, as all meetings at the lodge are CANCELLED. On the other hand, I want members, families and friends to be as safe and healthy as possible. To minimize the risk of becoming infected, please stay away from large groups of people... *even masons.*

Despite the building being closed, your masons are still at work. During this time of stress, we will be united in the grand design of promoting each other's happiness. This is a good time for the brethren to reach out to your brother masons and their families. As we are restricted by Shelter in Place, this is a task that can safely be done by telephone or email. If you would like to help make some calls, please contact me at 510-223-1277, or email at collignonfamily@sbcglobal.net. Many hands make light work.

Our lodge web page was temporarily unavailable, but may be up again when you receive this Trestleboard. To check for news between Trestleboards; please check the NEWS section of our lodge web site: <http://lodge337.freemason.org/#news>. We will update that page as conditions change.

Please stay safe and healthy. I want to see you again.

Fraternally,
Joe Collignon, Junior Warden

April Birthdays

Dan-ion Hariton	1
Peter E. Jones	1
Stephen M. Kahn	1
Kenneth W. Messer	1
David L. Painter	1
Rick T. Arqueza	3
Rodney B. Haney	4
Geoffrey L. Saunders	4
Warren C. Stolte	4
Marius D. Solis	6
Orvil D. Sanford	7
Daniel S. Ming	9
Andy Theopulos	9
Phillip J. Glover	10
William D. Godwin	12
Lance L. Langhorst	13
Dennis L. Lambert	15
Richard F. Ross	16
Ronnie B. Stiles	16
Bradlee L. Carlos	17
Don J. Deming	18
Andrei C. Carpo	19
Ramoncito T Celestial	19
Frank J. Bianchi	21
David Hugh A. Malcolm	21
Marvin S. Heisler	22
Michael E. Cox	24
Roger K. Person	24
Thomas W. Hansen	28
Joseph A. Bullock	29
Kenneth A. Miller	29

Brethren,

At our February Stated Meeting, the Finance Committee presented their findings that supported raising our Stated Dinner prices, as it was found that the \$5.00 charge, now in place, was not covering the cost to prepare the dinners.

A motion was made to consider raising the Stated Dinner prices, but after much discussion the price to change it to was not determined. The motion was tabled until our next Stated Meeting. It is now hereby posted and will be discussed further at our next Stated Meeting, which is tentatively set for May 5, 2020 as our April Stated Meeting is cancelled to the Contra Costa County Civil Order.

How to Reach Masonic Assistance

Contact Masonic Assistance by **submitting a request for information** at: <http://masonichome.org/>; by calling **(888) 466-3642**, or via email at masonicassistance@mhcuc.org.

Please provide your name, contact information, and the best time to reach you.

If you are calling on behalf of someone else, please provide their name as well. We must speak with you before contacting the person for whom you are requesting services or support.

Masonic Assistance will respond to your inquiry by the end of the next business day. As our intake calls are somewhat lengthy, you will likely receive a voicemail the first time you call. Please do not be discouraged – you will receive a return call in a timely manner.

We are hopeful that the current situation improves quickly, reducing the risk to each of us. However, it remains uncertain that the current restrictions will end on April 7, 2020. Therefore, please be advised that the MHAR will continue to abide by any and all civil restrictions until lifted by the appropriate authority. Furthermore, we will notify you when MHAR facilities will again be available for use.

In conclusion, we ask that you keep our Property Manager, Denise Matthews-Wright, informed of your organization’s intentions regarding resumption of your meetings, at your earliest convenience, so as to avoid any confusion.

We thank you for your patience during these trying times and hope that your members remain healthy and happy.

Thank you.
 Regards,
 Board of Directors
 Masonic Hall Association of Richmond (MHAR)

Make Plans to attend the Renewal of Your Obligation as a Master Mason. This will be done at a Stated Meeting. The month is “Pending” at this time.

March 19, 2020

The Masonic Hall Association of Richmond (MHAR) has elected to close it’s facilities in compliance with the Contra Costa County Civil Order imposing restrictions on individuals and congregation thereof. As a regular client, you have indicated that your organization intends to comply with these same civil orders. Consequently, you have notified the MHAR of your intent to postpone your organizational meetings and use of MHAR faculties during the period of time civil restrictions are in effect.

Please be advise that you will not be charged for the facilities during the closure. Furthermore, you will be able to reschedule any special events that were postponed during the restricted period to a future date, subject to availability and on a “first come, first served basis”.



In Memoriam

Lyle Eugene Elledge PM

Born	August	19	1936
Raised	May	07	1948
Entered into Rest	February	28	2020

David Howard Gillis

Born	September	07	1942
Raised	October	06	1973
Entered into Rest	February	28	2020

David Austin Goff

Born	June	10	1930
Raised	November	19	1951
Entered into Rest	December	17	2019

Robert B. Hicks

Born	February	03	1922
Raised	August	15	1944
Entered into Rest	January	25	2020

*Soft and safe to thee my brother be thy resting place
 Bright and glorious be thy rising from it.*

LODGE OFFICERS

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Elmer A. Manaid	707-246-3412	Jing Gavieres	707- 373-7785
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<u>Entertainment</u>		<u>2019 through 2021</u>	
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