



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

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

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TRESTLEBOARD

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November 2020

November Calendar

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| Tuesday, | 3 rd | 8:00 p.m. November Virtual Stated Meeting - Zoom 6:30 p.m. Stated Dinner – “Cancelled” |
| Tuesday, | 10 th | 7:30 p.m. “Cancelled” 6:30 p.m. Light Meal – “Cancelled” |
| Tuesday, | 17 th | 7:30 p.m. “Cancelled” 6:30 p.m. Light Meal – “Cancelled” |
| Tuesday, | 24 th | 7:30 p.m. “Cancelled” 6:30 p.m. Light Meal – “Cancelled” |

Hall Events

Mission Bell Chapter No. 205

Order of the Eastern Star

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| Friday, | 13 th | Cancelled – Small Hall |
| Friday, | 27 th | Cancelled – Small Hall |

San Pablo Assembly No. 117

International Order of the Rainbow for Girls

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| Tuesday, | 3 th | 7:00 p.m. | Dark |
| Tuesday, | 17 th | 7:00 p.m. | Dark |

Bethel No. 15

International Order of Job's Daughters

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| Saturday | 14 th | 1:00 p.m. | Cancelled – Large Hall |
| Saturday, | 28 th | 1:00 p.m. | Cancelled – Small Hall |

El Cerrito - Albany DeMolay

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| Wednesday, | 4 th | 7:30 p.m. | Cancelled – Small Hall |
| Wednesday, | 18 th | 7:30 p.m. | Cancelled – Small Hall |

Brethren and Ladies,

During this time of “shelter in place” due to the COVID 19, the Secretary has been working from home.

If you need to reach the Secretary, please e-mail at:

baycitieslodge@comcast.net

or call his cell @ 510-928-3211.



"In my youth I thought Halloween was the scariest day of the year, now I know it's Election Day"

As the 2020 Masonic Year draws to a close, we remember, with regret, just how difficult and unusual the period has been. And like many, I too, did not envision this for my year as Master of our lodge. I am relieved, however, with our progress throughout and pleased with the accomplishments (*so noted in monthly trestleboards*) the lodge & brethren have had in meeting the challenges Bay Cities has faced. I give thanks to those who have had a hand in making this year special, the faith & trust you reposed in me, as well as the privilege to serve my brothers, families and friends in this trying time. I encourage all brothers to attend our upcoming Virtual November 3rd Stated Meeting. Grand Lodge passed legislation in October to have our lodges hold stated & special meetings online. While our new Grand Master has decreed a continued lack of meetings *within* our lodge buildings and have issued direction to enable us to do some essential things at *online meetings*. (*please refer to GM Wiess' email, as well as our secretary's email) as there is business we all need to finish: recapping the year, elections, etc. [instructions are contained within this trestle board for joining this event, Wor. Gary. It should be a "lively event". I hope to see you all there traveling safe, healthy & positive in moving our lodge forward, as we've always done and will continue to do. Now your help is really needed. Demonstrate your love for the craft by showing up for our virtual meetings. It is time to get our tools out of our masonic tool belts.

With 6 months of lodge activity lacking, I, myself, had a very difficult time getting connected to our prior virtual meetings over the last few months, but attended anyway I could. I know that most of you can do this too! (help is there if needed - ASK!) Finally, my Brothers, treat these virtual stated meetings with the dignity of a meeting held at the hall - show up on time (line officers please dress appropriately for your office). Our November 3 *online* meeting is limited to masons, is not recorded, but may run over. ***As we are all learning, please be patient, and try to enjoy the adventure.***

I commend JPGM Trauner for his guidance, faith and his successes during this last dark year and look forward to GM Weiss leading our craft to safe anchorage the upcoming year; while we rebuild and renew our commitment to be better men. As noted above, that progress is being made. With the tenets of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, I look forward to each new day's journey with hope, patience and perseverance. My esteemed Brothers and Friends it only takes participation to experience a new dawn & accomplish all things.

May your next new voyage always be blessed & harmonious...

Fraternally,
Wor. John Davis, Master

From the West

Congratulations on having made it to November, the ending of a Masonic year. The Annual Communication passed, a new Grand Master and Grand officers, elections both Masonic and nationwide looming, moving on, the hope for another new year.... *honestly, I will be glad to see the political ads recede. Won't you?* And as one of the 'pillars' your Senior Warden joins in asking you all to please attend our November 3rd online Stated Meeting and also, emphasize how important it is for our collective future. As both East and South articles are expansive, with much to digest, I take a pause with mine with a bit of joy, nourishment and refreshment making mine this small addition to our design on this trestle board. It has been a pleasure to serve under our master, learning & giving to the lodge (families & friends), plus rewarding for the lodge to advance even in difficult times (*hoping for better times ahead*). I look forward to meeting all brothers on the level this 3rd on a new path for our craft [*it is really easy* from your comfy chair, a peaceful quiet spot (suggest headphones), and a refreshing beverage/snack]. It's not the lodge, but, hey, *one can always make due....* we just want to see you!

**May your wayfaring always be satisfying, healthy and safe
my Brothers,
good fortune yours & the sun at your back**

Fraternally,
Bro. John Forcum, Senior Warden

From the South

"History will be kind to me for I intend to write it." — *attributed to Winston Churchill (1874-1965)*

As we are restricted by county and state regulations from meeting in person, your leaders have taken action to better engage our members, and worked together to welcome interested newcomers. I am very pleased how we reached out by phone call and letter to our members when we lost our ability to print and mail our Trestleboards, and when we checked in on our members during the recent fires in and around Fairfield.

Despite our building being closed, new candidates are figuratively knocking on our door. Some have made inquiries through the Bay Cities Lodge Web Site (<https://lodge337.freemason.org>). We hosted two online "Welcome to Bay Cities" meetings so far since August, and plan to host another on November 17. If you would like to attend, please contact me. I can help you attend from your computer, cell phone, or regular phone, depending on what electronic devices you have. We also hosted two "New Horizons" meetings where our members and some friends exchanged ideas and explored some ways that lodge life will change due to the COVID-19 pandemic. These meetings are interesting, fun, and it is really nice to see and talk with our friends.

Our Grand Lodge charities, including **Masons for Mitts**, **Distressed Worthy Brother Fund** and **California Masonic Homes**, provide a lot of help to masons and their neighbors. As a measure of our appreciation for their work, I am happy to report that our lodge officers support our Grand Lodge charities.

Finally, we are opening virtual lodge meetings starting Tuesday, November 3. Meeting starts online at 8:00 pm, as required by our bylaws. If you want help signing in, please contact me. I think I can help!

Fraternally,
Bro. Joe Collignon, Junior Warden

November Birthdays

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| James | Resayo | 3 |
| Carlos | De Sagun | 4 |
| Carlos | Arrozal | 4 |
| Donald | Schmidt | 5 |
| Ray | Bronken | 8 |
| Michael | Levine | 11 |
| William | Johns | 12 |
| Rene | Quiambao | 12 |
| George | Moore | 13 |
| Charles | Kimbrell | 13 |
| Robert | Johnson | 14 |
| Lamar | Knighton | 15 |
| Andrew | Miller | 16 |
| Eric | Mc Intosh | 18 |
| Donald | Ledbetter | 19 |
| Austin | Hicks | 19 |
| Richard | Pebbley | 22 |
| Albert | Matel | 25 |
| Walter | Johansen | 26 |
| Richard | Nigro | 27 |
| David | Peverly | 29 |
| Robert | Davis | 30 |

Virtual Stated Meeting on "Zoom" Tuesday November 3, 2020

& Election of 2021 Officers

Join the Zoom Meeting at this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5109283211?pwd=clhtZjhleEtRbWRZT3ZtRIJQSUJMdz09>

**Meeting ID: 510 928 3211
Passcode: 2PzuFR**

Distressed Worthy Brother Relief Fund

Do you need Masonic Relief? Due to Covid-19?

Masonic Outreach Services is here to help those who find themselves in need due to Covid-19. Relief includes emergency financial assistance, case management, information and referral services

Learn more at masonichome.org
Or call **(888) 466-3642** to speak with
Mason Outreach staff

Masonic Homes of California

Annual Thanksgiving dinner

This is truly sad to write. Our Annual Thanksgiving dinner has to be cancelled. With our restrictions in California, County and the Most Worshipful Grand Master of California, not having any Masonic buildings open yet. we are unable to gather together at the hall.

As we take time to give thanks for our many Blessings in our lives, we want to let you know how grateful we are that you are one of them. Stay healthy and hope to gather once again for Cheerful Companionship and Social Enjoyment.

Fraternal Love,
Denise and Gloria

Covid Closure Update

The facilities remain closed in compliance with Contra Costa County.

The Hall Association continues to monitor State and County reopening information. A plan is being drafted to prepare for eventual reopening.

Stay safe and good health to all our members, families, and guests.

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

New Horizons for Bay Cities Lodge Saturday, December 5 at 7:00 pm

"New Horizons" is a way for our members and their families to share ideas about the future of our beloved lodge. To attend, please RSVP the Senior Deacon or Junior Warden by December 3. Emails or phone calls will work. If there is still room, we will provide an online and phone link.

As we near the start of the new lodge year, we will consider the importance of the "First Lady" in the lodge. This should be of interest to our line officers, as well as our upcoming "First Ladies".

Welcome to Bay Cities Lodge Tuesday, November 17 at 7:30 pm

"Welcome to Bay Cities" is an online place for our Masons. their families and friends to visit one another. To attend, please RSVP the Senior Deacon or Junior Warden by November 13. If there is still room, we will provide an online and phone link.

The Masonic Family is big. How does a new Mason find his place in the in the fraternity? Ask a Mason online on November 17!

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Charity

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Sunshine

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2018 through 2020

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2019 through 2021

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2020 through 2022

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2020 through 2022

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