



## Bay Cities Lodge No. 337

F. & A. M.

Stated Meetings:  
First Tuesday 8:00 PM

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## November 2021

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### November Calendar

Tuesday	2nd	6:30PM 8:00PM	Stated Dinner Stated Meeting
Tuesday	9th	7:00PM	Proficiency Practice
Tuesday	16th	6:30PM 8:00PM Open	Open Dinner Hiram Award W. Alex Gabriel P.M.
Tuesday	30th	7:00PM	Step-Up Practice 1 <sup>o</sup>

**Tuesday, 2nd** - 8:00pm: Stated Meeting, 6:30pm: Stated Dinner.

**Tuesday, 9th** - 7:00pm: Proficiency Practice (whether you are moving into a new station or starting on your first degree proficiency) no food offered so dine beforehand.

**Tuesday, 16th** - Hiram Award night honoring W. Alex Gabriel PM - 6:30pm: Dinner - 8:00pm: Ceremony in Lodge Room **open** to family and guests.

**Tuesday, 30th** - 7:00pm: - Step-Up night practice - opening, meeting & closing in 1st degree. No food offered so dine beforehand.

### Menu offerings in November / December

- 1) **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**: Stated meeting dinner = Salmon dinner (\$20)
- 2) **November 16<sup>th</sup>**: Hiram Award Night honoring W. Alex Gabriel PM\_ Beef Tri Tip (\$5)
- 3) **December 7<sup>th</sup>**: Stated meeting dinner - Stuffed Chicken Breast (\$12) *with Special guest speaker*

These are full dinners with salad, main course with sides, dessert and beverage.

*Please RSVP prior to seven days before event, to one of the following:*

SW Joe Collignon email [collignonfamily@sbcglobal.net](mailto:collignonfamily@sbcglobal.net)  
or call/text Joe at 510- 847-1388

Lodge\_App email [baycitieslodge@comcast.net](mailto:baycitieslodge@comcast.net)  
or call the Lodge at 510-223-3995 (voice only = no text)

WM John Forcum email [j51forcum@gmail.com](mailto:j51forcum@gmail.com)  
or call/text WM John at 510-882-0705

Thank you.

Hall Events

## In Memoriam

As you may know by now our long time Hall manager

**Gloria Matthews** passed this month. We will miss her dearly. The work that she did for us and our beloved hall has been extremely extraordinary. Services for Gloria will be held at the hall on **October 30, 2021 at 12:00PM** noon with an Eastern Star service, it would be greatly appreciated if as many directors can attend as possible.

Gloria definitely took all of us under her wing as we travelled our journeys in life and the Lodge.

Our sympathies go out to Denise and all the help and support at this time.

Greg Thompson, PM

## From the Master's Chair in the East at Harvest Moon

2021's Harvest Moon in October heralded a busy season of joy, growth and change for Bay Cities. After a long wait, we were able to welcome seven new members: John E., Bobby F., Pio V., Mark V., Jason Y., Abner L., & Rommel A.

We are so happy to have these fine men join our ranks! Along with Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter (with BC's & MB's **W. Gary D. PM** installed **Associate Grand Patron** of California OES - **again congrats!**), four stellar initiation nights (three which were doubles & the last one capped by **Inspector W. Mike T's** proficiency review of Dan L. for 2022's JW pillar --WOW!) Bounty of blessings, progress & prosperity echo through the halls of the #337.

As this Masonic year draws to an end, the designs upon our Trestle Board could not have produced such rich rewards & honors without the hard work, dedication and absolute commitment of brothers, PMs & officers toiling in harmony and often under extreme circumstances. As Master I bow to and am humbled by your zeal, fervency, & devotion to the ideals of our craft, particularly in these troubling times. I am truly indebted to you all.

As we celebrate these fine accomplishments and reap the fruits of recent labors, the winds of change diminish that joy & balance, (reminiscence of the last few seasons of lost & hardship), and we are saddened yet once again by the death in October of a dedicated worker, monumental support, often fiercely independent & opinionated and yet still a true icon, friend and noble great lady ... sister **Gloria Matthews**.

As this TB posts prior to her OES Memorial and Celebration of Life on October 30th at the Hall, I look forward to seeing a robust turnout of members, family and friends. Remember to RSVP either to Joe, Dan, or Denise to this, ... along with other important lodge events this month and next:

- November's stated meeting dinner - Salmon dinner (\$20)
- Hiram Award Night honoring **W. Alex Gabriel PM** - Beef Tri Tip (\$5)
- December's stated meeting dinner - Stuffed Chicken Breast (\$12) with *Special guest speaker*

And Please, as we have all begun to experience supply chain breakdowns, these RSVPs are especially necessary to ensure adequate quality or quantity at all lodge events.

Coming to the 337's annual Christmas Party with family? Before all else we request you sign up and get those family members 18 or younger on the lodge's gift list so none go away missed & unhappy with Santa.

Let's make this last 2021 **December 14th** event together enjoyable, on the lodge and wholly memorable, before we usher in **BC's new 2022's officers**.

As always it has been a pleasure to serve you, the lodge, families and friends; and I pray for your continued good health, positive spirit and safe travels on life's road ahead.

Fraternally  
John Forcum WM

**Holidays are often busy, difficult & hard to handle**  
**Want some Relief and a great feeling to boot?**  
**In this season of Charity, Faith, and Hope** practice being a **Secret Santa** in the disguise of Mason values and ideals, AND

## Donate

**Lodge Barrels will be out for Bay Cities' Annual Food and Toy Drive for the year of our Lord 2021.**

*In Truth it's been a hard year and a half for all, the #337 has always been known for its great response to Relief of those in need; so in Brotherly Love the task at hand, again my brothers, is to improve ourselves, our communities and the nation by demonstrating our commitment to core Masonic tenets.*

## From the West

Over the last 5 weeks, we of Bay Cities Lodge initiated 7 brothers into the fraternity. This number is greater than the 5 men initiated into our beloved lodge during the nearly 4 *years* between January 2018 and August 2021. Welcome, new brothers, to our beloved lodge.

Those who have observed the degrees have found that they are done with a level of quality that we have not seen in years. I am very proud of our members who brought dignity to the degrees. I now appeal to all the brothers of Bay Cities to make our new initiates feel very welcome to the activities of our lodge. And to those of us who recommended our new 1<sup>st</sup> degree members into the fraternity, please help them absorb and act on the lessons of the Entered Apprentice degree.

Despite the turnout being about 30% less than last year, Grand Lodge acted on legislation that had been delayed due to the restrictions that kept us from meeting last year, as well as some new legislation that will have an effect on how our lodges run. I encourage our master masons to have a look at the legislation election results at the Grand Lodge web site:

[https://freemason.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Results-of-Grand-Lodge-2021\\_Final.pdf](https://freemason.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Results-of-Grand-Lodge-2021_Final.pdf)

We are voting this month on lodge officers, hall board members, and trustees who will lead and serve our members next year. Whether or not you can make it to the Stated Dinner, I would really love to see you at the November 2 Stated Meeting.

During November and December, we will again see the Food and Toy Donation Barrel in the lodge building. Please be generous in helping our neighbors who have difficulty this season providing food and toys for their families.

Please plan to attend the installation of our 2022 lodge officers scheduled for 2:00 pm on Saturday, December 18. The Lodge Christmas party (Dec. 14) and the officer installation (Dec. 18) will be two of our first “public” events at our lodge since March of 2019. Please RSVP when the events are officially announced.

Fraternally,  
Bro. Joe Collignon  
Senior Warden

## November Birthdays

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix	Date
Carlos	Brotone	De Sagun		4
Carlos	Dawa	Arrozal	Jr.	4
Donald	Ross	Schmidt		5
Ray	Donald	Bronken		8
Michael	Nathan	Levine		11
William	Donald	Johns		12
Rene	Manalili	Quiambao	PM	12
George	Thomas	Moore		13
Charles	David	Kimbrell		13
Robert	Mac Lellan	Johnson	PM	14
Andrew	Michael	Miller		16
Eric	Christopher	Mc Intosh		18
Donald	Ray	Ledbetter		19
Austin	Dale	Hicks		19
Richard	George	Pebley		22
Albert	Morales	Matel		25
Walter	Edwin	Johansen	Jr.	26
Richard	Andrew	Nigro		27
David	Emerly	Peverly		29
Robert	Wesley	Davis	PM	30

### CCCDPH Notice

Brethren: The attached notice is being sent to all tenants informing them that effective September 22, 2021 proof of COVID19 vaccination or a negative COVID19 Test certificate prior to entering our facilities. This action is taken in response to the health order approved by the Contra Costa County Department of Public Health (CCCDPH) issued on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 and is effective September 22, 2021 throughout Contra Costa County. As with the *mask* restriction, the *proof of vaccination/test* restriction will remain in-effective until further notice.

The following is the announcement by CCCDPH...

*"Contra Costa County issued a health order Tuesday requiring patrons to prove they are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 before entering businesses where they remove their masks to eat or drink or tend to breathe heavily from exercising.*

*The new health order will take effect Sept. 22. Among the businesses that fall under the vaccine mandate are restaurants, bars and entertainment venues, as well as gyms and fitness facilities such as yoga and dance studios.*

*Anyone age 12 and older who enters those businesses will need to show proof of full vaccination, including a photo ID and either a vaccination record card or photos of those cards. Without such proof, they must present a negative COVID-19 test result from the past three days.*

*Workers at those businesses also must show proof of full vaccination by Nov. 1 or test weekly for COVID-19. Contra Costa will join San Francisco and Berkeley in demanding the so-called "vaccine passports."*

The key wording that would cause the MHAR to be included in the new order is: *"where they remove their masks to eat or drink or tend to breathe heavily from exercising."*

Fraternally,  
Greg Thompson, PM  
President - MHAR

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October 19, 2021: A memorable double First Degree at Bay Cities Lodge # 337



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