



Bay Cities Lodge No. 337 Free & Accepted Mason of California

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January 2024

January Calendar

Tuesday,	2 nd	6:00 p.m.	Dinner
		8:00 p.m.	Stated Meeting
Tuesday,	9 th	6:00 p.m.	Light Meal
		7:00 p.m.	1 st Degree Practice
Tuesday,	16 th	6:00 p.m.	Light Meal
		7:00 p.m.	1 st Degree Conferral
Saturday,	20 th	11:00 a.m.	Celebration of Life
			Bro Jerry Wachowiak
Tuesday,	30 th	6:00 p.m.	Light Meal
		7:00 p.m.	2 nd Degree Practice

Hall Events

Mission Bell Chapter No. 205

Order of the Eastern Star

Friday,	12 th	7:30 p.m.	Meeting – Small Hall
Friday,	26 th	7:30 p.m.	Meeting – Small Hall

Bethel No. 15

Job's Daughters International

Saturday	13 th	11:00 a.m.	Installation – Small Hall
Saturday,	27 th	11:00 a.m.	Meeting – Small Hall

Non-Masonic Event

1st Birthday – Leia Joy Galindo

Sunday,	14 th	12:00 p.m.	Large Hall
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2024 Grand Master's Proclamations

March	Youth Orders Month
July	Support Our Veterans Month
August	First Responders Month
September	Public Schools Month

From the East



I wish everyone a happy new year! At the onset, I would like to thank the Great Architect of the Universe for the many blessings we received. I would like also to thank the brethren of BCL No. 337 for giving me the opportunity to serve as the Master of our beloved Lodge for the year 2024. Indeed, I am grateful of the trust and

confidence you have given me. As your Master, I can only do so much. But with the help and support of the brethren and spouses, we can do a lot of things. I have included several activities in our budget geared towards promoting harmony and strengthening the esprit de corps among the members. As we always hear, "let Harmony prevail, it being the strength and support of all societies, especially of ours." It is my hope and desire that we can always have harmony in diversity in our lodge. Cultural differences should not hinder us from getting along with others. Aside from Harmony, I would also like that our members, especially the officers, to be proficient in our floorworks and rituals. And one of the ways to achieve this is by actively participating in our practices and attending our scheduled DSOIs.

Let us all look forward for a happy and productive year ahead. I am excited to start the year because we have several candidates and EAs waiting to advance to the next degrees. Let us give them a meaningful degree and help them as they start their masonic journey. Again, I wish everyone a wonderful and prosperous new year! Together brethren!



Lodge Officers for Year 2024

January Birthdays



Rogelio C. Navasca	1
Lloyd V. Espiritu	3
Stanley L. Hartmann	6
Crispin R. De Rosas	7
Thomas R. Amess	11
Kenneth S. Moore PM	12
Angelito Galang	13
Maxwell G. Richardson	13
Merle W. Williams	13
Gary R. Dunham PM	14
Richard D. Holt	14
Don R. Deabenderfer Jr. PM	15
Robert C. Parker	17
Thomas L. Spadoni PM	17
Francis T. West PM	18
Jim Mobley	18
Richard G. Davis	20
Todd Michael Lee Creed	20
Gordon C. Cumming	22
Jerome Wachowiak Jr.	22
Timothy C. McKinney PM	23
Ben I. Grubel	25
Leonard L. Lewis	25
Lawrence R. Cox	26
Carl J. Davis	30



In Memoriam

Jerome Wachowiak Jr.

Born January 22, 1955
Raised November 18, 2008
Entered into Rest October 26, 2023

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

BCL No.337 Ladies Amazing Dance Performance

By: Sis Sally Gavieres

Bay Cities Lodge No. 337 Ladies performed an amazing dance number during the Annual Installation Dinner on Dec 16, 2023. The 22 minute performance is something the audience remember.... they raised the roof in this production. The show stopping team had the whole group flaunting our fabulous costumes much to the audience delight. A special shout out to everybody who helped us with our costumes, hair and make-up (eyelashes and all...) and the choreography for the stage presentation. This is the 2023 BCL #337 hottest show and we did a great job....BRAVO!

Here is our Performance Highlights:

1. Lady Gaga's "Poker Face" performed by Sister Delza Laynes - A musical is typically only as strong as its music, Sister Delza gives this show a headstart. Her performance is phenomenal and her presence on the stage is captivating. The opening sequence is truly fantastic. From her unique fashion to a high note with her strutting and crawling on stage. She showcased her heartfelt delivery style. It's intense.... "P-p-p-poker face" repeatedly presents with a whirlwind of emotions and dramatic performance. This is truly a brilliant performance. The Sister's First Lady is AMAZING!

2. Peggy Lee's "Fever" performed by Sister Cora De Castro Sister Cora's expression and music excellence on it, is truly outstanding. She is subdued yet sensual take on "Fever" while bearing all the wit and sophistication of the coolest jazz performance. Cool yet earthy mood, using finger snaps, sparse arrangement and satirical storytelling echoed voice. Fever was the subversive voice of sexuality under the repressive spirit of the conservative and it is a timeless juxtaposition of brazen lust and cool sophistication. The performance is a showstopper that stood out. Absolutely fantastic!

3. Aretha Franklin's "R-E-S-P-E-C-T" by Sister Sally Gavieres - "R-E-S-P-E-C-T, find out what it means to me," chant the goal of the song. This song was a warning shot by a strong woman demanding a better treatment and spoke to anyone who felt overlooked or unappreciated. She did not ask for respect, she demanded it! The choreography is minimal – it is an "old school" feel. Sister Sally's performance is delivered with a lot of attitude and energy. RESPECT is one of the most well-known song in the western world and the anthem of Women's Empowerment, because everybody could relate to it and hit like a thunderbolt.

4. Donna Summer's "Last Dance" by Sister Deusy Tianero Diva Sister Deusy's shoulder-shaking, feet tapping sung with power and conviction embodied with fabulous dance moves and gestures. It's brilliantly put together, self-assured, knowingly ridiculous piece which just radiates fun from everyone. The song propelled the number and had the audience restraining itself from dancing in their seats. Her depiction of DISCO was spot-on. Sister Deusy, you rocked!

5. Gloria Gaynor's "I Will Survive" by Sister Alma Tabas Sister Alma is a multi-talented performer. She has an impressive way of showcasing her impression of Gloria Gaynor. Magnetic in music and body movement, I Will Survive is one hell of a song- a toe-tapping, disco thump. Fun and catchy song ...the song has great rhythm throughout. This is a massive genre pastiche of DISCO music which gleefully revels and celebrates its own influences. Sister Alma is a proper diva;

her presence is amazing and her charisma, Superb! You Go Sis Alma!!!! She's just totally awesome!

6. Diana Ross' "Upside Down" by Sister Evelyn Pimentel

The exciting soul-dance and its upbeat lyrics threw Sister Evelyn into the forward looking song. She delivered and played the audience at her fingertips, leading them in mass sing-alongs and arm waves. Her personality and charisma enabled her smooth gliding on her feet and know exactly when to strut or add a well-timed shimmy-and-shake for maximum impact. She is amazing as she pumps it out for that while the audience cheered. Great job, Sister Evelyn!

7. Tammy Wynette's "Stand by Your Man" by Sister Aurora Dagdagan

- Strong Performance! "Stand by Your Man" is a country-western song and a tune many considered an affront to the feminist movement of the late 60s. Sister Aurora performed simply beautifully! She manages to suggest depths to the lyrics and the character of the song. She gives one of the most singularly effective musical performance. She aced her role with her moving depiction of her song. Sister Aurora owns the stage!

8. Whitney Houston's "I Wanna Dance with Somebody" by Sister Nancy Castillo

-Sister Nancy gives a great performance. She manages the impressive task of channeling the icon in a manner that feels authentic and respectful. She delivered a convincing and charismatic performance onstage. She is a superstar in her own right, and her sensual dance moves and powerhouse presence were highlighted during the hit song "I Wanna Dance with Somebody." She gave a noteworthy performance.

9. Bruno Mars' "Uptown Funk" by Sister Mimi Arceo

Sister Mimi is adorable and her song is most memorable elements of the funkiest, feel-good song and parade of everything groovy. In word of retro throwback...absolute masterpiece. Every time you listen to the song, it made you want to dance. Sister Mimi has done exceptionally well, capturing the care-free spirit of the 80's music. She is a great dancer with perfect leg extension and dizzying turns, all while serving serious face as she executed her turn. She set the stage on fire. Sister Mimi is in the house!

10. Tina Turner's "Proud Mary" by Sister Joannie Bautista

Sister Joannie's performance of the song "Proud Mary," she was delivering it with paralleled gusto. The stage is too small for her, because of her action. It's fantastic, all guts and spirit, just as she did so well. She was magnificent. She hits her stride, channeling the "Queen of Rock n Roll's" confidence, power, and passion in every move and her movements were much more fluid, energetic, and joyful. You could almost feel the heat radiating from the stage. Sister Joannie is a star!

11. Sister Sledge' "We Are Family" by Sister Suzanne Kimbrell

joined by the crowd/audience - Sister Suzanne performed beautifully while singing "We Are Family." The audience joined in and enjoyed the dance on the dance floor. This is one of the most iconic songs from the disco era. The catchy melody and upbeat lyrics made it a favorite. It is an anthem for unity and love. It is about the bond between siblings and the importance of sticking together. The song capture the feeling of togetherness we shared as a family despite any conflicts or differences we may have had. We wanted to show how much we loved our families and our siblings and how important that was for us. Long Live Bay Cities Lodge # 337 Families!



125th Annual Installation of Officers

Bay Cities Lodge No. 337 held its 125th Annual Installation of Officers at Richmond Masonic Hall on December 16, 2023. The Installing Team was composed of VW Charles Cross PM, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of California as Installing Officer, WB Mike Tagulao PM, Inspector 305th Masonic District as Master of Ceremonies, WB Erwin Arceo PM as Installing Chaplain and WB Severino Gorospe Jr PM as Installing Organist. Beautiful Musical Intermission during the ceremony was provided by Sis Romylyn Forto and WB Severino Gorospe. The new set of officers installed were as follows: WM- Dan Laynes; SW- Samuel Bayle; JW- Charles Kimbrell; Treasurer- Luis Cabuhat; Secretary- Gary Dunham PM; Chaplain- Arnel Clemente; SD- Abner Lumabas; JD- Narciso Honrada; Marshall- Eugenio Tianero; SS- Mark Valencia; JS- Jonee Asilum; Organist- Severino Gorospe Jr PM and Tiler- Dean Dagdagan PM. The event was attended not only by families and members of BCL 337 but by other Masons from different Lodges and other non-masonic guests. After the ceremony, dinner and fellowship followed at the Large Dining Hall.



2023 Children's Christmas Party

Bay Cities Lodge No. 337 hosted a Children's Christmas Party on December 22, 2023. It was a very joyous event attended by 42 children and 56 adults. Just like in the past, gifts were distributed to the kids by Santa Claus. Likewise, a sumptuous dinner was prepared and shared by everybody. Members of Bethel No. 15, Jobs Daughters International rendered a few songs during the event. The spirit of Christmas was indeed felt throughout the night by all attendees.



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