

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

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

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October 2024

### October Calendar

Tuesday,	1st	6:00 pm Stated Meeting Dinner 8:00 pm Stated Meeting
Monday,	7 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 pm Masonic Funeral Serv-WB R.Poblete Colonial Chapels 1000 Redwood St,Valejo,CA
Tuesday,	8 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 pmLight Meal6:30 pm1st Deg Practice
Wednesday,	9 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 pm MHAR- Special Meeting
Saturday,	12 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 pm Hors d'oeuvres125th Anniv Ball5:00 pm ProgramConcord Plaza Hotel
Tuesday,	15 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 pmLight Meal6:30 pm1st Deg Conferral
Tuesday,	17 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 pm DOSI – Oakland Lodge 61 7:30 pm Exemplification – Annual Election
Friday,	25 <sup>st</sup>	1:00 pm         175th GLC AnCom           5:00 pm         Oct 25-27
Saturday,	26 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am Kids Workshop @ the Lodge

## Hall Events Mission Bell Chapter No. 205

### **Order of the Eastern Star**

Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> 7:30 p.m. Meeting - Small Hall Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> 7:30 p.m. Meeting - Small Hall

### Bethel No. 15

### Job's Daughters International

#### **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**



October is a vibrant month where autumn is in full swing, marked by the crispiness of fall. Trees erupt in vivid hues of orange, yellow, and red, forming picturesque landscapes. This month is a great

time for travel as many people like to engage in outdoor activities during this time of year. The weather is generally mild; however, perfect for enjoying the seasonal beauty while curled up with a hot beverage. Additionally, October is a month full of celebrations and festivities. The most well-known is Halloween, which falls on October 31st and involves both adults and kids dressing up in costumes and going door-to-door. Haunted houses and Halloween parties are popular events in many towns, and homes and neighborhoods are frequently decorated with eerie themes.

This month is special for Bay Cities Lodge No. 337 because we will be celebrating our Lodge's Quasquicentennial or 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The original Lodge No. 337 was Carquinez Lodge which was Under Dispensation on April 26, 1899 and eventually chartered on October 12, 1899. Several Lodges in the area consolidated to form the present-day Bay Cities Lodge No. 337, which was officially formed on December 2, 1997. To celebrate this milestone, we will be having an Anniversary Ball on October 12, 2024 at the Concord Plaza Hotel with MW G. Sean Metroka as Guest of Honor. We will also be publishing an Anniversary Souvenir Booklet which offers a unique platform for businesses, families, and friends to express their greetings and share memories through pictures and advertisements.

If all things go well, we might initiate a candidate by the third week. The potential candidate had been actively participating in the different Lodge

activities and is well known not only among the brethren, but especially among the ladies. At the end month will be the the 175th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of California where Masons from California and other parts of the world will gather to vote on important legislation, witness the Installation of new sets of Grand Lodge officers, and have fellowship with old friends and new ones. Likewise, a "Kids Workshop" is being planned on October 26, 2024 wherein kids, nephews, nieces and grandkids of Masons and Friend of Masons will engage in ginger house making and pumpkin carving. Details will be posted in the coming days. We will also have a Halloween Party on Oct 29, where the brethren and ladies will be in their best costume.

October in the United States is a month that wonderfully captures the change from summer to winter, providing a blend of scenic beauty, joyous occasions, and a feeling of community. As a fraternal organization that honors custom, morality, and volunteerism, this is one of the months when we take part in celebrations and events that share our ideals. We participate in events that foster community involvement, generosity, and camaraderie. This is what this month is all about - we value fellowship, charity, and contributing positively to the community.

### **October Birthdays**

Remigio	Aquino		-	1
Kenneth	Macasaet			1
Joel	Antonio			5
Edward	Rounds			5
Glen	Hicks			8
Marty	Plisch			8
Larry	Dovik		PM	9
David	Newbry		PM	9
Jose	Osorio			9
Mark	Porter			12
David	Edwards			17
Licio	Dias			23
Teece	Chambers	Jr.		25
Emerlino	Manaid			25
Frevelino	Tabas		PM	25
Charles	Castillo			27
Abner	Lumabas			27
Loreto	De Guzman			30

### **BCL 337 Calendar of Activities for 2024**

### **October**

12 – 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ball (Gatsby Attire) 25-27 – GLC Annual Communication

### November

- 1 Post Halloween Party (Costume Party)
- 5 Election of Officers
- 16- Feeding Program (GRIP @ Richmond)
- 22 Master's Appreciation Night

#### **December**

- 15 Annual Installation of Officers
- 20 Christmas Party
- \* Schedules are subject to change
- \* Degree Practices & Conferrals will be scheduled as necessary



### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Notice is hereby given to all the Members of Bay Cities Lodge No. 337 that a possible amendment in our Lodge By-Laws (change of Date & Time of Stated Meeting & change in the Annual Dues) will be voted upon during our December 3, 2024 (not Oct 1, 2024) Stated Meeting. Details will be presented and discussed during the October, November and December stated meetings.

Please be guided accordingly! Thank you

# BCL No. 337 hosts Celebration of Life for WB Bill Hastings

Bay Cities Lodge No. 337 hosted the Celebration of Life for WB Bill Hastings on August 31, 2024. Masonic Funeral Services was given by BCL 337 with WB Dean Dagdagan as Funeral Master, WB Dan Laynes as Chaplain and Bro Sam Bayle as Marshall. This was followed by Eastern Star Service by Mission Bell Chapter 205 and then Military Honors rendered by representatives from the United States Navy. After the services at the Lodge Room, the attendees proceeded to the Large Dining Hall to partake on the meals composed of roast beef, alfredo pasta and other dishes provided by the Lodge and the BCL Ladies. Desserts were prepared by Mission Bell 205.

The event was well attended, and the dining hall was full pack. There were guests from the Masonic family, Order of Eastern Star, friends & families. The overflowing number of guests showed how well loved and how well-respected WB Bill was, not only from the different Masonic bodies but also among his friends and families.

### Grand Master visits BCL No. 337

The Grand Master of Free & Accepted Masons in California, MW G. Sean Metroka, visited Bay Cities Lodge No. 337 during the stated meeting on September 3, 2024. Also in attendance were MW David Perry, PGM in 2015-1016, WB Steven Yeffa – Grand Marshall, WB Gabriel Mariscal- Senior Grand Steward and WB Mike Tagulao- Inspector of the 305th Masonic District. During the visit, BCL 337 shirts for the GM and First Lady were given as a token. Likewise, a check of \$1,125.00 was given by BCL 337 to MW Metroka as donation to the California Masonic Foundation to commemorate his visit. The brethren decided to donate \$1,125.00 to highlight the 125th Anniversary Celebration of the Lodge.

The meeting was well attended with 76 brothers and ladies in attendance. The brethren all looks good in their Barong attire. International fusion dishes were served during dinner. MW Metroka thanked the members of our Lodge for the warm hospitality and generosity we accorded them during their visit. He also commended the Lodge Officers, headed by WM Dan Laynes, for a well-managed and well-organized meeting.

# BCL No. 337 participates in the El Sobrante Stroll

Bay Cities Lodge No. 337 participated in the El Sobrante Stroll on September 15, 2024. For the very first time in a long period, 24 brothers and sister from our Lodge attended the Stroll. That was a big big numbers compared the previous years. The attendees helped in assembling the tents and arranging the tables and chairs. We were also joined by members of Mission Bell Chapter 205, Order of the Eastern Star and Bethel No. 15, Jobs Daughters International. Chocolates, recyclable bags and Freemason pamphlets were given to the people visiting our booth.

The activity started at 8pm and ended around 4pm. It was a very festive event highlighted with parade participated by different schools, business owners, private organization and some government agencies. The Brothers and Sister who attended the Stroll had so much fun, with some of them collecting several assorted freebies from different vendors in the event.

### **BCL No. 337 conducts Feeding Program**

On September 21, 2024, Bay Cities Lodge No. 337 conducted the 3<sup>rd</sup> community outreach service for this year at the Greater Richmond Interfaith Program (GRIP), a shelter located at 165 22<sup>nd</sup> St, Richmond, CA servicing families with minor children.

The volunteers, headed by WB Dan G. Laynes and Sis Delza, Bro Sam Bayle, SW, and Bro Charales Kimbrell, JW, met at the Lodge parking area early that Saturday morning and proceeded to the shelter before 6am. The group cooked scrambled eggs, sausages, tater tots, French toast bread and prepared assorted fruits for the breakfast of the residents and several walk in adults. There were 24 adults and 11 minor children who benefitted in the said feeding program.

This outreach service was geared towards creating positive awareness in the community and promoting charitable works of our fraternity. The next feeding program will be on November 16, 2024.

# **WB Bill Hastings Celebration of Life**







## **August 31, 2024**







# **Stated Meeting & Dinner**







## September 3, 2024







# **El Sobrante Stroll**







# **September 15, 2024**







# **Feeding Program @ GRIP**







# **September 15, 2024**







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