



SOUTH WEST LODGE NO. 283

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FROM THE EAST



Let us take pride in reflecting on the successful activities of our Lodge this month, made possible through the spirit of unity and brotherly cooperation that enriched every endeavor. We began with our annual blood drive, an undertaking of deep significance to Masons as it embodies the core values of brotherly love, relief, and charity. By donating blood, we extend life-saving relief not only to our brethren but to the larger community, showing that Masonic principles are lived out through service.

This selfless act unites us in a common cause and reminds us that true charity is not measured by material giving alone, but also by offering a part of ourselves for the welfare of others.

We extend our warmest congratulations to our newly raised Brothers, Bro. Marvin Cruzmorales and Bro. Kevin Morante, on being raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. This milestone is both the culmination of your journey through the degrees and the beginning of a deeper devotion to the teachings, duties, and privileges of our Craft. May the light you have received continue to guide your path, inspire your actions, and strengthen your resolve to live faithfully by the principles of Freemasonry. We rejoice with you in this significant achievement and look forward to walking alongside you as full and faithful Brothers in Masonry.

On behalf of the officers and brethren of the Lodge, we also extend our heartfelt congratulations to Worshipful Brother Ron Banci on being honored with the Hiram Award, the highest recognition a Lodge can bestow upon a member. This distinguished award stands as a testament to your unwavering dedication, selfless service, and steadfast commitment to the principles of the Craft. Through your labor, leadership, and example, you have enriched not only our Lodge but Freemasonry as a whole, leaving an enduring mark of brotherhood and devotion. We celebrate this well-deserved honor with you and take great pride in calling you our Brother.

From our gatherings to our charitable works, each accomplishment this month was marked by dedication and harmony, proving once again the strength of our fellowship. These milestones remind us of our shared commitment to the timeless principles of Freemasonry. With gratitude for the brethren's unwavering support, I look ahead with renewed inspiration for the worthy labors yet to come. Upon the square!

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Fraternally,
Daniel U. Onate, Worshipful Master

FROM THE WEST



Big things are happening at South West Lodge 283, and we couldn't be more excited to share them with you. The kitchen renovation, one of our bigger projects of the year, is nearly complete! Soon, we'll have a space that matches the heart and energy of the brothers who use it. None of this would have been possible without the dedication of our top operative masons, **Andy Padilla, Caloy Eballo, and Lynnnnyrd Delapaz**. These brothers went above and beyond to get us this far, and we owe them a huge round of applause.

But we're not stopping here. South West Lodge continues to look ahead, and there's more work to be done. Future fundraising opportunities will help us keep the momentum going and continue improving other parts of the lodge. Every bit of support counts and together, we can make sure the lodge keeps getting better for generations to come.

On top of all that, we're just about a month away from our **Installation of Officers**, scheduled for **November 8**. It's coming up fast, especially since the election is on November 6th Stated Meeting, which means we only have one day to transform the lodge from "election mode" to "installation-ready." We'll need all hands on deck to pull it off smoothly, and we know we can count on the brethren to help make it happen.

Let's keep building, keep learning, and keep working together. South West Lodge is looking better every day!

On the Level! 

Fraternally,
Francis Ryan T. Onate, Senior Warden

CALIFORNIA MASONIC CODE

§403.010. ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

An Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge shall be convened for the transaction of business in the City and County of San Francisco commencing at a time and on a day within 20 days before or after the second Monday in October, as selected and announced by the Grand Master. The Grand Master shall cause the Grand Secretary to send notice of the date and time of the opening of an Annual Communication by first class mail to each officer and committee member of the Grand Lodge and each Constituent Lodge not less than one year in advance of the first day of the Annual Communication. *[Amended: 2010.] [Source: Section 410 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]*

§403.015. SPECIAL COMMUNICATION.

A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge may be convened by the Grand Master whenever, in his opinion, the welfare of the fraternity requires, and shall also be convened by him upon receipt of an application signed by the Masters of at least 20% of the chartered Lodges setting forth the business to be transacted. The Special Communication shall commence at a time, on a date and at place within the State of California as selected by the Grand Master or as selected by the Grand Secretary or the Assistant Grand Secretary in the event of a Special Communication called pursuant to Section 404.510 of this Code. The Grand Secretary or the Assistant Grand Secretary shall send notice of the date, time and place of the opening of a Special Communication, as well as the business to be transacted at it, by first class mail to each officer and committee member of Grand Lodge, each Constituent Lodge and the Master and Wardens of each such Lodge not less than 30 days prior to the opening of such Special Communication. No business may be transacted at any Special Communication other than that stated in the notice for same. *[Amended: 2010.] [Source: Sections 420 and 2040 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]*



FROM THE SOUTH

Halloween, celebrated on the enchanting night of October 31, has deep roots in ancient Celtic traditions, particularly the festival of Samhain, which signifies the poignant transition from the bountiful harvest season to the cold embrace of winter. This lively occasion is alive with cherished customs such as heartwarming trick-or-treating, whimsical costume-wearing, and the creation of eerie decorations that all evoke a sense of wonder and mystery. The atmosphere is rich with themes of spectral beings and the supernatural, as communities come together to immerse themselves in the thrill and chills of the season.

In a contrasting yet complementary spirit, All Souls' Day, observed on November 2, is a solemn Christian tradition dedicated to honoring the souls of the departed, particularly those believed to dwell in purgatory. This day is marked by heartfelt prayers, solemn masses, and meaningful rituals aimed at remembering and interceding for the souls of loved ones who have passed away. While Halloween embraces a playful and eerie ambiance, All Souls' Day provides a moment of quiet reflection and prayer, as both holidays remind us of our connection to those who have gone before us. In various cultures, these two observances beautifully intertwine, creating a tapestry of celebration that balances festive joy with solemn remembrance.

Regardless of your personal beliefs, this time of year offers a wonderful opportunity for sweet recollections of cherished departed Brethren and loved ones. We warmly invite you to join us for our upcoming Halloween-themed stated meeting this October 2, 2025, where we will share delightful food, refreshing drinks, and the camaraderie of friends old and new. And for those bold enough to don a costume, exciting prizes will be awarded for the most creative attire!

BY THE PLUMB,



Fraternally,
Ira James T. Castro, Junior Warden

MASONIC LAW AND CUSTOM

Decorum in the Anteroom









The Anteroom is the place of first impression to the candidate or visitor, and first impressions are often the most lasting. Yet, in the Anteroom, thoughtless lapses in good conduct are likely to occur. Especial effort, therefore, should be made to preserve its dignified and hospitable atmosphere. The Anteroom is often chosen as a place in which to tell stories. See to it that you neither tell nor listen to stories unbecoming a gentleman. Most so-called "funny" stories are forced, banal, low, and almost wholly lacking in cleverness or humor. They have no place anywhere about the Lodge. Clean stories and wholesome jollity in the lounge or game room are entirely proper and promote good fellowship. Smoking, where permitted, should be done as circumspectly as it is in the home. Repeated light singes and scorches of furniture and floor soon lend a shabby appearance to the room.

You should realize that your attendance is needed in the lodgeroom and that the anteroom is only for temporary use. The brother who learns and gives the Master's lecture deserves credit for his work and the least we can do is to show him our appreciation by remaining until he is finished. On the other hand, the Master should not expect the brethren to remain if he attempts to give the lecture just before midnight. He is more likely to have a prosperous Lodge if it is opened and closed early.

In our jurisdiction, smoking is never allowed in the lodgeroom during the conferring of a degree and should not be in the anteroom and examination room, but in the place provided for that purpose. Smokers, enjoying a cigar or cigarette themselves, are apt to be just a little careless of the sensibilities of others to whom tobacco fumes may be actually offensive. The visitor to your Lodge, to whom smoking may be objectionable, may be too much of a gentleman to allow his disapproval to appear on the surface, and we should show him the same genuine hospitality we would in our own homes.

If the applicant appears nervous, which will probably be due to ill-advised joking by his friends, reassure him by telling him that there is no "horse-play" in Masonry and that every form, or ceremony, is intended to teach him a lesson.

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Happy Birthday!

Victoriano	L	Nieva	Jr.	4-Oct
Nestor	L	Hernandez		5-Oct
Daniel	F	Galgana		6-Oct
Marcos	M	Minas	PM	7-Oct
Alexander	C	Manzano	PM	8-Oct
Freian Angelo	C	Untal		8-Oct
Thomas	S	Freestone		9-Oct
Brando	B	Cambe		10-Oct
Julio	C	Guzman		10-Oct
Wilmario	T	Damatan		12-Oct
Ferdinand	Z	Lagasca		13-Oct
Pacifico	T	Deynata	Jr.	14-Oct
Rany	S	Navarra		15-Oct
Ricardo	J	Tolentino	Jr.	15-Oct
Florentino	O	Victa		16-Oct
J. Luisito	B	Santos		21-Oct
Angelito	J	Bautista		22-Oct
Redentor	D	Delfierro		23-Oct
Arcangel	D	Castro		24-Oct
Vicente	A	Diaz	Jr.	24-Oct
Nathaniel	M	Torres	PM	24-Oct
Henry	R	Aspiras		25-Oct
Marvin	A	Cruzmorales		25-Oct
Michael		Liganor		25-Oct
Jude	S	Cabrera	PM	26-Oct
Reynaldo	R	Devera		26-Oct
Frumencio	F	Henson		26-Oct
Bryan	J	Mercado		28-Oct
Dwight	C	Almero		30-Oct
Tejido		Soriano		30-Oct

CALIFRONIA MASONIC CODE GRAND LODGE OFFICER

\$404.000. PREREQUISITE FOR OFFICERS.

Each officer of Grand Lodge must be a member in good standing of a Constituent Lodge (other than a Research Lodge or a Historic Lodge). Each officer, other than the Grand Chaplain, Grand Organist and Assistant Grand Organist, must also, at the time of his election or appointment, be a Past Master of this Jurisdiction or a Master or Warden of a chartered and duly constituted Lodge of this Jurisdiction (other than a Research Lodge, a Historic Lodge or the Grand Master's Lodge).

[Amended: 2010; 2015.] [Source: Section 240 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]

CALIFORNIA MASONIC CODE**403.020. CEREMONIAL COMMUNICATION.**

A Ceremonial Communication of the Grand Lodge may be convened by the Grand Master, or his duly authorized representative, without any required prior notice, at such time, on such date and at such place within this Jurisdiction as he may direct for the performance of any of the Grand Lodge Ceremonies. The foregoing notwithstanding, the Grand Master may cause the performance of any of Grand Lodge Ceremonies without a Ceremonial Communication, at his discretion. No business may be transacted at any Ceremonial Communication. *[Amended: 2019.] [Source: Section 430 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]*

§403.025. QUORUM.

The officers or representatives of at least 20% of the Lodges chartered and constituted by this Grand Lodge shall be present in order to transact any business in Grand Lodge at an Annual or Special Communication. No member of Grand Lodge shall be represented therein by proxy. *[Source: Section 440 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]*

§403.030. ATTENDANCE.

Any Master Mason who is a member of a Constituent Lodge or a lodge under the jurisdiction of another Grand Lodge recognized by this Grand Lodge may be present during any Annual, Special or Ceremonial Communication. *[Amended: 2010.] [Source: Section 450 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]*

§403.035. REPRESENTATION IN GRAND LODGE.

Each chartered and duly constituted Lodge shall be represented in Grand Lodge at every Annual or Special Communication by one or more of its Master and Wardens, or (in their absence) by an elected representative. It may instruct its officers or its representative relative to voting upon any business to be considered at any Communication. A Lodge which has failed to make its annual returns, with payment of dues, shall not be entitled to representation at the next Annual Communication. *[Source: Section 19060 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]*

CALIFORNIA MASONIC CODE**§403.040. TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS.**

Transaction of business in Grand Lodge shall be upon written resolutions, Grand Master recommendations, Grand Lodge officer reports or committee reports presented in writing to the Grand Secretary. All such resolutions, recommendations and reports to be considered at an Annual Communication must be presented to the Grand Secretary at least 180 days prior to the commencement date of the next Annual Communication. This 180 day requirement shall not apply to:

- A. Decisions and recommendations of the Grand Master which are included in his written message presented at the Annual Communication;
- B. Emergent matters which may be presented and considered at any time upon consent of a five-sixths vote of the members present; and
- C. Grand Lodge officer reports and committee reports, including resolutions which form a part of any such report, which do not purport to amend this Code or the Ritual of Grand Lodge.

Written resolutions, in order to be considered for action at an Annual or Special Communication, must bear the signatures, as proponents, of at least three members of this Grand Lodge, each a member of a different Constituent Lodge. Each resolution must state the names of not more than two of the proponents either of whom is authorized to represent and act for the proponents with respect to the resolution before committees and Grand Lodge.

[Amended: 2010.] [Source: Sections 460 and 6230 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]

§403.045. REFERENCE TO COMMITTEES.

Each resolution, recommendation and report to be considered at an Annual or Special Communication shall be referred to the Committees on Jurisprudence and Finance and to such other committees as shall be determined by the Grand Master. At least 150 days prior to the commencement of the next Annual Communication, the Grand Secretary shall transmit a copy of all resolutions and reports in his possession for consideration at such Annual Communication, together with any decisions and recommendations of the Grand Master authorized by him for release, to the members of the Committee on Jurisprudence for their review and any needed drafting or redrafting and to the members of the Committee on Finance for their review and the preparation of an estimate of the anticipated cost of implementing such proposed legislation. The Grand Secretary shall transmit, at least 60 days prior to the commencement of the next Annual Communication, a copy of each such resolution, report, recommendation and decision in the form recommended by the Committee on Jurisprudence, together with the cost estimate as prepared by the Committee on Finance, to the Master, Wardens and Secretaries of Constituent Lodges, the Inspectors, and the members of the Committees on Jurisprudence, Legislative Analysis and Finance, and such additional committees and persons as may be designated by the Grand Master. All committees to which a matter has been referred shall report before any vote shall be taken in Grand Lodge, except as otherwise provided in Section 403.090 of this Code. *[Amended: 2010; 2012; 2014.] [Source: Sections 460, 2040 and 6230 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]*

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Worshipful Master

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MONTHLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 630PM- First-degree proficiency Bro Kurt Sarne Prep for SM Practice Proficiency Temple Board Meeting	2 600PM-Stated Meeting Dinner 730PM-Stated Meeting, Celebrate Halloween Fellowship	3	4
5	6	7	8 630PM- Proficiency Practice Fellowship	9 630PM- First Degree Conferral Mr Julius Sarne	10 730PM- Demolay Meeting	11
12	13 730PM – Jobs Daughters Meeting	14	15 630PM- Practice, proficiency, fellowship	16 630PM–Lodge improvement, clean up, Fellowship	17	18
19	20	21	22 630PM- Lodge clean up Fellowship	23 Lodge is Dark 176th ANCOM weekend @ San Francisco Grand Lodge	24 ANCOM 2025 @ San Francisco Grand Lodge 730PM- Demolay Meeting	25 ANCOM 2025 @ San Francisco Grand Lodge
26 ANCOM 2025 @ San Francisco Grand Lodge	27 730PM – Jobs Daughters Meeting	28	29 630PM - Practice for Installation Fellowship	30 630PM - Practice Fellowship	31	