



Palo Alto-Roller Lodge No. 346 F. & A. M. Trestle-Board for March 2006



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Happy Birthday Brethren!	Lodge Activities	Stated Meeting
<p>James B. Caldwell Jr. Robert H. Harjes Andreas L. Etelkozi PM Howard N. Mc Kinney Jr. Jack F. Seal Marsh K. Eckhardt Hamilton S. Ryder William A. Moss Gerald R. Armstrong Robert Monasmith PM Frank Ghassemi Richard F. Locke Jr. PM Art R. Meinhardt Orville T. Tostenson Neil E. Wahl Samuel R. Zuck David Duncan Robert F. Carmody Jr. James M. Mellberg</p> <hr style="width: 80%; margin: 10px auto;"/> <p>James K. Miller called from Labor Jan. 28th. Supreme Architect of the Universe, into thy keeping; we commend the soul of our departed brother. Grant him peace and rest from his labors</p>	<p>01: Order of the Eastern Star: Spring Fling begins at 8:00 pm 04: Officer Planning Meeting: 10 am 14: Ritual Practice: 7:30 pm 1st Degree Advanced Stations 15: Order of the Eastern Star: DGM Official Visit begins at 8:00 pm 20: Officer Association Meeting: Morgan Hill (chicken feed and Grand Master's Visit 6:30pm dinner 21: Ritual Practice: 7:30 pm 1st Degree Advanced Stations 27: George Washington Club: 11:30 am 28: Ritual Practice: 7:30 pm</p> <hr style="width: 80%; margin: 10px auto;"/> <p>Notify the Secretary promptly of any change of address. Report cases of Sickness and Distress to the Lodge, or the Master. Calendars can be found at the Tiler's desk and on the Web Site on the Events Page, in PDF format. Officer's list for 2006 can be found at the Tiler's Desk and on the Web site</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">7:30 pm on the 7th Goodie Table begins at 6:00 pm Raj Naidoo reports the Dinner will be: Indian Cuisine Cost is \$8.00 per person Please call for Reservations Bring a Brother, tell your friends!</p> <hr style="width: 80%; margin: 10px auto;"/> <p>Gene Nickell is at the Riverbank Nursing Center address is 2649 Topeka Riverbank, Ca. 95367. His phone number is: 209-869-6014. He would like cards and telephone calls. In Freemasonry we say we are Brothers. There are many ways to expand the sense of Brotherhood; in sickness and in health, in sorrow and in joy. There is comfort in knowing that a small amount of time could mean so much; a kind word, a thoughtful letter, just to name a few. The Relief of the Craft offers comfort and insight to all and expresses the eternal truth that to give is to receive.</p>

Seeking the Pillar of Wisdom

Greetings Brethren:

I would like to extend thanks to John and Gwen Lew, who provided the Chinese Dinner to help us celebrate the start of the Chinese New Year. Thanks also to the ladies of Star Circle, who helped with the dinner.

Congratulations to John Lew for his 50-year pin. John received his 50-year pin at the annual Crab Dinner, which was organized by Chuck Grech. Thanks to Worshipful Doug Clifford who attended the event to make the presentation.

Thanks to Raj Naidoo who accepted the challenge of providing an Indian Dinner for our March Stated Meeting. I am sure that everybody who attends will enjoy the meal. Some Indian food is very spicy. Raj has promised that this meal will be acceptable to everybody's taste.

Fraternally,
Ralph H. Nikolaus

Around the Pillar

The Officer Association Meeting at Morgan Hill will be on the 20th of March and will include a splendid Chicken Feed for the dinner and a very informative visit from the Grand Master. Each year the Grand Master delivers his message at the meeting. This is one of those opportunities to personally meet with the Grand Master. All officers must attend, all members welcome. If for any reason an officer cannot make the meeting the Inspector must excuse you and you must inform the Master. Check with the Handbook for Officers for more details about your duties.

Send Cheer to Our Troops-Show You Appreciate Their Work!

"We Care"

The Masonic Orders in the Palo Alto Masonic Center are gathering "goodies" to send to our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan to show our support and appreciation of their defending our principles of freedom and democracy.

We are collecting:

Any individually wrapped packages of hard candies, gummies, gum, bubble gum, lozenges, trail mix, dry cereal, ramen noodles, sunflower seeds or nuts, cookies, powdered tea, lemonade, packets of hot chocolate, Gatorade, Twinkies or goodies of that sort. No chocolate however, as it melts; DVDS, CDs, paperback books-no war themes, also any disposable cameras, or writing pads, pens, batteries of all sizes. Pain relievers, any unscented toiletries-deodorants, shampoos, shaving creams, fabreze, q-tips, saline nasal sprays,

The Corinthian Column

From the Right Brethren,

Patience

In the Ritual of the Third Degree according to the American Rite, it is said that "time, patience, and perseverance will enable us to accomplish all things, and perhaps at last to find the true Master's Word." The idea is similar to one expressed by the Hermetic philosopher. Thus Pernetty tells us that the alchemists said: "The work of the philosopher's stone is a work of patience, on account of the length of time and of labor that is required to conduct it to perfection; and Geber says that many adepts have abandoned it in weariness, and others, wishing to precipitate it, have never succeeded." With the alchemists, in their esoteric teaching, the philosopher's stone had the same symbolism as to WORD has in Freemasonry.

Fraternally,
John Myers Junior Warden

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mouthwash, medicated foot powder, eye drop moisturizers, hand warmers, sun block and lip balm (SPF 30+) insoles for boots, jock itch cream, bug repellent, moleskin, Clorox wipes, adhesive hooks to hang items, icy/cold patches.

I am also collecting donations-and will send my team of shoppers to have some fun! Watch for the word, and we will have a hamburger/hot dog party and pack some boxes! Thanking you in advance for showing you care, and support our troops!

R Wing PM. Secretary

Palo Alto Chapter No. 213 Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Palo Alto Chapter No. 213 Proposed by law Amendment Change

Whereas Palo Alto chapter No. 213 O.E.S. by its current bylaws provides "that the Officer of Treasurer shall not hold office for more than two (2) Consecutive years" (01/07/1950) and,

Whereas the duties of the Office of Treasurer require knowledge and skills in the principles of banking, accounting, auditing and accurate record keeping and,

Whereas those members available with the required skills and applied interest in performing the duties of the Office of Treasurer may be limited or such current qualified officer has expressed desire to continue to perform such duties and,

Whereas the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star allow each Chapter to determine the number of consecutive terms, or length of time to be held by all officers,

Therefore let it be resolved that the Bylaws of Palo Alto Chapter No. 213, O.E.S. be amended to read, "The Treasurer shall not hold office for more than five (5) consecutive years, or until a successor is elected."

Proposed this date of Feb. 15, 2006 by Judy Chamberlain; Bylaws committee Chairman. To be voted on March 15, 2006.

Star love, Carol and John