



# Palo Alto-Roller Lodge No. 346 F. & A. M.

## Trestle-Board for December 2007

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### Happy Birthday Brethren!

*From the Secretaries Desk:*

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Axel Schultze  
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**"Brethren! The Worshipful Master invites you to join us at our Stated Meeting for your *Complimentary* birthday dinner!"**

The truth is like a balloon and a lie is like a pin, once you pierce the balloon with the pin the balloon, like the truth, becomes worthless. -WRF

### Lodge Activities

Calendar at a glance:

- 01: Saturday: Installation for Palo Alto-Roller #346 5:00 pm**
- 04: Stated dinner and Meeting 6:00 pm**
- 05: Order of the Eastern Star**
- 10: Temple Board Association Meeting 7:30 pm**
- 11: Annual Holiday Party 6:00 pm**
- 18: Officer Planning Meeting/Practice**
- 19: Order of the Eastern Star George Washington Club DARK**

**Officer Association Meeting DARK**

**Notify the Secretary promptly of any change of address.**

**Report cases of Sickness and Distress to the Lodge, or the Master.**

### Stated Meeting

**7:30 pm on the 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Goodie Table: 6:00 pm**  
**Dinner 6:30 pm**  
**Dinner: Stuffed Cabbage Casserole and Pierogie**  
**Price: \$ 8.00**  
**Reservations are still an important part of the dinners.**



**Installation of Officers for 2008**  
**Date: December 01**  
**Time: 5:00 pm**  
**After the installation there will be Dinner.**

**Annual Holiday Party will be at the lodge on December 11<sup>th</sup>. Santa will be making an appearance and there will be lots of food and good cheer. Please call Santa's Helper Kevin Hall, 650-493-0818, for the gift list.**

### 2007-2008 Officer Association Meeting Schedule Dinner 6:30 pm, School 7:30 pm

#### *December Dark*

OAM Date 2008	Host Lodge	2008 Master
Jan. 24 (Thursday)	Liberty #299	Jack Harris
Feb. 25 (Monday)	San Jose #10	Hiristo Angelov
Mar.27 (Thursday) (Chicken Feed)	Morgan Hill #463	Amir Safakish
Apr. 22 (Tuesday)	Hosting Palo Alto Roller #346	John Myers
May 21 (Wednesday)	Willow Glen Fraternity #399	Monte Bishop
June 26 (Thursday)	Mt. Moriah #292	Dennis Anastole

#### **July (DARK)**

Aug. 28 (Thursday)	Friendship #210	Kendall Mills
Sept. 22 (Monday)	Golden Rule #479	Andy del Hierro
Grand Lodge is September 26-28 Grand Master's Reception is Oct. 5		
Oct. 20 (Monday)	Los Altos #712	Jim Gable
Nov. 18 (Tuesday)	Mt.View-DeAnza #194	Mike Ball

### Officer Planning Meetings for 2007-2008 All members may attend Planning Meetings

#### *December 11<sup>th</sup>*

Jan 29th	July 29th
Feb. 26th	August 26th
March 25th	September 16th
April 29th	October 28th
May 27th	November 25th
June 24th	December 30th

*We're on the web at: [www.paloaltolodge.com](http://www.paloaltolodge.com)*

## Seeking the Pillar of Wisdom

Dear Brethren, Ladies and friends,

The calendar is done and the budget almost tallied. One of our projects this year will be to develop plans for the Junior and Senior Wardens looking ahead to their years with the Master as overseer of the work.

We will be hosting our Annual Events such as: Crab Feed, Picnic in the Park, Oktoberfest and Holiday Party. We hope all members attend and bring Family and Friends to these public occasions.

All officers, please do your best to be on time for meetings and practice. So we may start promptly.

Planning meetings are most important; all members are welcome to attend with the officers being requested. The first planning meeting in December shall be on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Presentations requiring motions at Stated Meetings are to be presented at the previous planning meetings, or in writing to the Master 5 days prior to consideration.

Installation will be on Saturday, December 01, at 5:00 pm with a feast to follow. Hope to see all the Brethren and their guests. Remember this is a good time to show off ritual in a public ceremony.

Our Star ladies will once again be assisting in our Stated Meeting Dinners. We will be seeing new faces at the dinners because Star has recently consolidated with Members of Sequoia of Menlo Park.

Fraternally, John Myers Master 2008

### Around the Pillar

Dear Brethren,

**Our October's Stated Meeting Dinner was Mexican food catered from a local restaurant. Many thanks go to our magnificent Star Ladies without whom our dinners would be less engaging.**

**We had a wonderful time at our annual Oktoberfest, which was on Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>. We had 35 in attendance, plenty of food and an accordion player. Did you know that there is a German bagpipe? Well there is and we got to hear one at the party.**

**Don't forget our planning meetings, all members are welcome. Especially with the new Master who will be revealing his plans for the coming year.**

**November's Stated meeting dinner was Lemon Chicken, delicious! Please join us for December's dinner, which will be Stuffed Cabbage.**

**Our Annual Hiram award had something for everybody. We had a very tasty dinner, thank you to Lynda Wing and all the Star ladies. We had an earthquake no one got hurt and the lodge is fine. We had a presentation to and for Alvie Hartsog. Congratulations Alvie!**

**We're keeping a watch for Santa he will be appearing at the annual holiday party on December 11<sup>th</sup>. This is a family function all members are welcome.**

**If anyone needs a ride to our meetings please call the lodge we will be happy to make arrangements for you.**

Fraternally, Raj Naidoo, Senior Warden

### The Corinthian Column

Brethren,

The Office of the Worshipful Master is the Highest honor the Lodge has in its power to confer on any of its members. From time immemorial it has been an established custom among Freemasons to select from among those who are past Wardens an experienced Brother to preside over them in the capacity of Master; the Brethren must have selected him in open Lodge. Such a Brother who has been chosen to occupy the Eastern Chair must necessarily be of good report, True and trusty and held in high esteem among his Brethren. He must be well skilled in the Ancient Charges, Regulations and Landmarks of the order. He must be proficient in the Ritual and have a sound knowledge of the Constitution and the By-Laws of the Lodge. He must be exemplary in conduct and courteous in manners. He must be steady and firm in principle and able to rule the Lodge wisely and well and uphold the principles and tenets of the Craft and strictly enforce obedience to the Rules and Regulations which govern the Order. No Brother can preside over the Lodge as a Master for more than 2 years in succession. Nor can he be Master of two or more Lodges at the same time without a dispensation from the Grand Master in either case. Every Master has a right to rule his Lodge and to exercise his own Judgment irrespective of any pressure from others. Though he may listen to the counsel of the Past Master and Brother Secretary, the decision is his. He should act without fear, for none has a right to dispute his authority in the Lodge. The Master is first in rank and dignity. The Master should never forget that "The honor, reputation and usefulness of the Lodge will materially depend upon the skill and assiduity with which he manages its members will be generally promoted in proportion to the zeal and ability with which he promulgates the genuine principles of the institution."

Fraternally, Don Groshart, Junior Warden

## Palo Alto Chapter No. 213 Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Our year is now over. We reluctantly turn over the reins to Sister Pat Likowsky and Brother Ralph Nicholas, your new Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron. We have enjoyed our year and once again wish to thank the members of the Chapter for all the kindnesses and help that they have given us. We could not have done it without your support.

On November 3, we met with members of Sequoia Chapter and Rick Bonbright, Grand Chapter Consolidations Committee Member, to continue our discussions regarding consolidating Sequoia and Palo Alto Chapters. It was a very congenial meeting and the vote was taken to consolidate the Chapters. The secretaries will work together to tie up the loose ends. Many thanks go to the Chapter Secretaries, Pat Mastilir and Lynda Wing.

Our first meeting in November was Farewell. It was a wonderful evening that started off with a Potluck Dinner enjoyed by all. We also had an affiliation ceremony to welcome the new members who have joined our Chapter by affiliation. This was indeed a special evening.

Our second meeting was Installation of the officers for the ensuing year. Our new Officers were duly installed and look forward to leading our combined Chapter in 2008.

The meeting of Star Circle for October was cancelled due to the absence of so many members attending Grand Chapter. Since Star Circle is normally dark in November, the next meeting will at 2:00pm on December 14th at Betty Lee's home. This will be our Annual Christmas Party, so be sure to bring a White Elephant Gift. This will be a wonderful opportunity to get to know our new members better.

If you would like to attend a meeting and need a ride, please let either of us know and we will make arrangements for you to be picked up.

Star love, Lynn and Richard

**December**

**2007**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						01 Blue Lodge Installation 5:00 pm
02	03	04 Stated Meeting Dinner 6:00 pm	05 Order of the Eastern Star	06	07	08
09	10 Temple Board Meeting	11 Annual Holiday Party 6:00 pm	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 Officer Planning Meeting and Practice	19 Order of the Eastern Star	20	21	22
23	24	25 George Washington Club	26 Officer Association Meeting DARK	27	28	29
30	31	DARK				