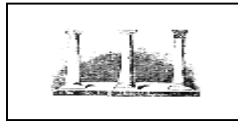




## Palo Alto-Roller Lodge No. 346 F. & A. M. Trestle-Board for January 2006

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Happy Birthday Brethren!	Lodge Activities	Stated Meeting
<p>Tony Lin Prescott A. Thompson, PM John Arthur Henderson Burl D. Kitchen Richard Rodney Creason, JR. Lucian Radu-Rabulescu Donald E. Groshart Samuel A. Bishop William E. Ellison, PM Nickolas E. Zesses Charles W. Nicolai Sr., PM J. Robert Clarkson Carl L. Herington Phillip Smith. PM <b>Tony Horrillo</b></p>	<p><b>04:</b> Order of the Eastern Star New Year's Theme: 8:00 pm <b>10:</b> Ritual Practice (Second Degree): 7:30 pm <b>17:</b> Second Degree: 7:30 pm <b>18:</b> Order of the Eastern Star Candlelight: 8:00 pm <b>24:</b> Ritual Practice: (3rd Degree, 2<sup>nd</sup> Section): 8:00 pm <b>23:</b> Washington Club: 11:30 am <b>26:</b> Officer Association Meeting <b>31:</b> Ritual Practice: (3rd Degree, 2nd Section) 8:00 pm <b>Officer Planning Meeting Feb 4<sup>th</sup></b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">7:30 pm on the 3rd</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Goodie Table begins at 6:00 pm Dinner to follow at 6:30 pm and will be Beef Stew in Bread Balls. Please call for Reservations Bring a Brother, tell your friends!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Palo Alto Masonic Center Improvements</b> The Masonic Center Association has been working on some ideas to improve the dome in the blue room. The ideas are much more elegant than the current design. Any one desiring to view the proposed changes, hear about the plan and offer input is invited to attend the Stated Meeting Dinner on Jan 3. John Lew will also give a short State of the Center Report. An early report has it that those looking at the geometric shapes in the shadows are going to be disappointed. Those who like to imagine shapes in the clouds can do so to their hearts content, but this is not to be construed as a reason to nap during the meetings.</p>
<p>The U.S. President-Elect furnishes inaugural bibles, but George Washington did not bring one. Aides ran across the street from the Inaugural site in New York City and borrowed the altar Bible from St. John's Lodge No. 1 then No. 2) for the ceremony.</p>	<p><b>Notify the Secretary promptly of any change of address.</b> <b>Report</b> cases of Sickness and Distress to the Lodge, or the Master. <b>Calendars</b> can be found at the Tiler's desk and on the Web Site on the Events Page, in PDF format.</p>	

### Seeking the Pillar of Wisdom

Greetings Brethren

**Thanks to all who helped make the installation a success. To Lynda Wing and Marjorie Lessing; for handling the refreshments, also Star Circle, Judy Chamberlain for handling the corsages, Gwen Lew, for handling the Guest Book. John Lew who took care of the programs. If there are any spelling errors they are entirely my fault; John printed what I gave him. The Installing Team; John Myers, Host; Fred Beckner, Installing Officer; Bill Ellison, Installing Marshal; and John Lew, Installing Chaplain. A special thanks to those who stepped forward to assist with something that was not covered; Lynda Wing who bought an extra bouquet and Alvie Hartzog who did the flag presentation. Martha Hartzog who played the piano with dignity and humor. Thanks are also in order for those who agreed to help in making the year a success; John and Yvonne Myers who agreed to help with my greatest fear; The Trestle-Board. Cal Lessing who helped with the budget, and dinner planning. John Myers who agreed to be Jr. Warden, John Lew and Fred Beckner who agreed to help with Officers Coaching. All the Officers who agreed to take an office this year. All those who gave me wise counsel and moral support. If I forgot someone, please forgive me. Everybody I asked agreed to do something. There was a lot to be covered in 4 months, and everything went very well, thanks to everybody's input.**

**Fraternally, Ralph Nikolaus**

## Around the Pillar

Brethren,

**Congratulations to the newly installed officers and have a very successful year. If you did not notice eight of the thirteen newly installed officers are not Past Masters.**

**On Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> there will be a 1st Degree Proficiency and a conferring of a 2nd Degree for Brother Dave Duncan. Sideliners are always welcome.**

**Mark your calendars for the annual crab feed, scheduled for, Tuesday February 21, 2006. Do not miss this annual event; be sure to call in your reservations, so that adequate crab will be available.**

**Lastly, I truly appreciate being elected Senior Warden of Palo Alto-Roller Lodge for 2006. I appreciate your confidence in me, the support I have received from the Brethren and the words of wisdom. I will do the best job that I am able to do.**

**I wish you and your family a Happy, Prosperous and above all a Healthy New Year.**

**Fraternally,  
Chuck Grech Senior Warden**

**Officer Association Meeting:  
Jan 26th (Thurs) at Liberty No. 299 and will be Stewards' & Deacons' Rod Work Reception of flag & Grand Lodge.  
6:30PM for dinner, 7:30PM for School of Instruction.**

## The Corinthian Column

Greetings Brethren,

Sorrow Lodge

It is the custom among Masons on the Continent of Europe to hold special Lodges at stated periods, for the purpose of commemorating the virtues and deploring the loss of their departed members, and other distinguished worthies of the Fraternity who have died. These are called Funeral or Sorrow Lodges. In Germany they are held annually; in France at longer intervals. In America the Ancient and Accepted Rite, whose Sorrow Lodge ritual is peculiarly beautiful and impressive, have introduced the custom and many Lodges of the American Rite have adopted the usage. On these occasions the Lodge is clothed in the habiliments of mourning and decorated with the emblems of death, solemn music is played, funereal dirges are chanted, and eulogies on the life, character, and Masonic virtues of the dead are delivered.

Fraternally,

John Myers Junior Warden

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Officer's list can be found on the web site, at the Tiler's desk in the lobby of the lodge and can be made available upon request.

Brother Gene Nickell has been moved to Riverbank Nursing Center 2649 Topeka Riverbank Ca. 95367. His phone number is 209-869-6914. He would like cards and calls.

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

John Lew and I are starting off our year as your Worthy Patron and Worthy Matron, and got off to a very nice start at our Installation. We thank all members of the Chapter for making it such a success. We will do our best to uphold your trust.

Margaret Vesey chaired our first meeting in December, honoring Lynda Wing and John Myers. Our second meeting in December will be our Christmas Party chaired by Pat Likowski, our Conductress. Sister Pat has prepared a fine program for us.

Please note: We will reopen our Memorial Cancer Dressing Station on January 12, 2006 at 10:30am at the Palo Alto Masonic Center in the third floor lounge. Please come and be informed on how you can contribute to this most worthy project. This project is chaired by Sister Gwen Lew and co-chaired by Sister Alta Clark. In the past, Palo Alto Chapter has contributed handsomely to this cause – and made some wonderful friendships – and had some fun times.

Our second meeting in January will be Candlelight, chaired by Sister Wilhelmina Smith. This is always a special meeting where we honor members who have passed away during the year.

If you would like to attend but do not have a ride, please call either of us, and we will arrange for you to attend.

Star love,  
Carol and John