

Monterey Masonic Lodge #217

Free and Accepted Masons of California

September 2013 Trestleboard

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Message from the East



Brethren,

First and foremost, I would like to congratulate Brother Aaron Arnold for being passed to the degree of Fellow Craft last month. I am proud to say that all the candidates we have this year are progressing in a timely pace.

For the month of September, we will kick off the month with our annual BBQ put together by our Junior Warden Virgil Quina Jr, PM. Please refer to the Junior Warden's message for further details. Also, we will have a possible second and third degree this month as well. Keep an eye on our calendar, which you can also check on our web site www.montereylodge217.org for any updates and changes regarding conferral dates and so on.

This month's stated meeting, we will be going over the Grand Lodge Legislations for the upcoming Annual Communications in San Francisco. There are important items we will be discussing and I urge ALL Master Masons to partake in the discussions. The three lights and a Past Master will cast the votes for the Lodge and we would like to hear your opinions regarding some resolutions in the legislations.

And lastly, I would like to remind all the advancing officers to start reviewing their proficiency. The year is almost closing and will end before you know it. so please, if you need any assistance or coaching, please do not hesitate to contact our Officers' Coach, Bro Ethan Meyer, PM.

Fraternally,
Frank S. Cruz, Jr.
Worshipful Master

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

September 2nd – Dark (Labor Day)

September 7th – 12 Noon-5p.m. – Annual BBQ

September 9th – 7:30p.m. – Stated Meeting

September 11th – 7:30p.m. – Hall Association Meeting

September 16th – 7:30p.m. Degree or Practice

September 21st – 10a.m. – 12 Noon Beach Clean Up

September 23rd – 6p.m. – Social Dinner

September 30th – 7:30p.m. Degree or Practice

Keep checking your e-mail for event updates and more information!

Message from the West



Brethren,

Recently, before his second degree, I instructed a candidate on the lessons in this degree and what to pay attention to. I have always marveled at how man was able to develop the seven liberal arts and sciences (grammar, rhetoric, logic, arithmetic, geometry, music and astronomy), put them to use and build up the good things in our existence throughout history.

I pointed out to him that the genius abilities of our ancient builders and designers has been, for the most part, wasted and destroyed by the uneducated and unthinking. It is interesting how some of us have minds that can grasp and develop philosophical thinking; while others who don't have these abilities spend their life destroying the accomplishments of mankind.

The Master in this degree makes it very clear that the lapse of time, the devastations of war and the ruthless hand of ignorance have laid waste and destroyed many valuable monuments of antiquity on which the utmost exertions of human genius were employed.

We have a duty to recognize this destructive side of our nature and to quickly find the root of any destructive thought. In one of the degrees beyond our traditional 3rd degree a lecture is given about how Masons are to learn to be among the benefactors of mankind. That should be our constant drive: to know our thoughts, delete destructive thoughts from our minds and to value the education being offered through the use of the seven liberal arts and sciences.

Fraternally.

Martin Maxey, PM
Senior Warden

Interested in California's Masonic History?



Visit the Henry W. Coil Library at the Grand Lodge in San Francisco, or go online and view the collection at:

<http://masonicheritage.org/index.htm>

Second Degree Conferral



**Congratulations to Bro. Arnold on being passed to
the degree of Fellow Craft!**

Message from the South



Brethren,
Hope your summer is going great. As for Lodge activities, it has been a quiet one for sometime now. So this message will be short.

First of all, I'd like to thank everyone who participated in last August's beach clean-up with Save Our Shores. September 15 will be the Annual Coastal Cleanup Day and you get to choose which beach you'd like to participate in cleaning. We haven't figured out which one we will go yet but we will discuss it in our September Stated Meeting.

I'd like to thank Bro Marcus for making yet another wonderful dinner last August. This month, Bro Aaron Arnold will be hosting our social dinner. Please see menu on the following page. Please make sure you RSVP before the dinner, either call our Bro Secretary at 375-6662 or send an email to secretary@montereylodge217.org or juniwarden@montereylodge217.org.

And just another reminder that we are going to have our Lodge Annual BBQ on September 7 at Bro Chris Kiner's humble place of abode in Prunedale. It will be a pot luck style so bring a dish or two, good for 8 people, if you're attending. His address is 19195 Pesante Rd Salinas, CA 93907. And if need directions, please call him at [831-277-2772](tel:831-277-2772).

Have a wonderful month of September!!!

Fraternally,

Virgil Quina Jr., PM
Junior Warden



September Social Dinner Menu

Dinner will be hosted by Bro. Aaron Arnold.

Regular Menu

- Special seasoned and marinated BBQ Chicken
- Pancit Noodles
- Roasted Asparagus

Vegetarian Menu

- Caesar Salad
- Veggie Pancit Noodles
- Roasted Asparagus

Desert:

- Fruit Salad

Please make your reservations with our Brother Secretary, Jason Kakimoto at (831)375-6662 or via e-mail at secretary@montereylodge217.org.

Inspector's Message

Let's keep Worshipful Inspector Gene Bassett in our thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery.

From the Secretary's Desk...

Brethren,

I want to thank all the Brothers who have already paid their dues for 2013 and give a friendly reminder to the Brothers who have yet to do so.

In an increasingly mobile world where life, work, and fate move us about far more frequently than in the past, it is more important than ever to keep your contact information current with the lodge. If you have moved locations, changed phone numbers or email addresses, please send me an email with the updated mailing address so I can input it into our Lodge and Grand Lodge system. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at: Secretary@montereylodge217.org

Fraternally,

Jason Kakimoto
Secretary

Birthdays in September

September 10- Leo D. Trout

September 12- Joseph J. Farmer

September 12- John A. Williams, PM

September 21- Joseph H. Hayes

September 30- James B. Pauley

September 30- Carl W. Rhodes



August Beach Clean-up With Save Our Shores

For more information regarding Save Our Shores, please visit their website at www.saveourshores.org

Monterey Masonic Hall Association Information

The Fellowship Hall is ready for rentals! If you know anyone who is interested in renting event space, please give them the contact information listed below. Fellowship Hall rentals account for a significant portion of our income, so the more we rent the more improvements we can make to the Lodge! Please help spread the word about Fellowship Hall rentals!!!

Contact Information

Phone (Google Voice): (831) 288-2217

Email: HallAssnInfo@montereylodge217.org

Hall Rental Details and Pricing

For info, go to the Hall Association page on the Monterey Lodge website at: www.montereylodge217.org

2013 Hall Association Board of Directors

Martin Maxey, PM - President

Frank S. Cruz Jr. – Ex Officio – Vice President

Christopher Kiner

Joel Vitug

Marvin Ganaden

Kurt Ferguson, PM

Jamcy Casto

John Williams, PM

The Fellowship Hall can be rented for a variety of occasions and events:

- **Weddings**
- **Conferences**
- **Group Meetings**
- **Dances**
- **Dinners**
- **Birthday Parties**

The Hall Association also owns the Masonic Section of the Monterey City Cemetery. If you, or your family, are interested in purchasing a plot in the City Cemetery, give the Hall Association a call to see what the Masonic Section has to offer.

2013 Monterey Lodge Officer Info

Master – Frank S Cruz, Jr.

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Senior Warden – Martin W. Maxey, PM

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Senior Deacon – TBA

Junior Deacon – Christopher Kiner

Marshal – Virgil C. Quina, Sr., PM

Senior Steward – Dana Oholorogg

Junior Steward – Marvin Ganaden

Tiler – John A. Williams, PM

Officers' Coach – Ethan B. Meyer, PM

2013 Monterey Lodge Committees

Member Retention Committee

Auditing Committee

Community Service Committee

Fundraising Committee

Scholarship Award Committee

Hiram Award Committee

Investment Committee

Other Masonic Information

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Stated Meeting: 2nd Tuesday @ 7:30p.m.

Santa Lucia Lodge #302

P.O. Box 2309 (Mail)

421 Broadway Ave.

King City, CA 93930

Phone: (831) 385-3367

Stated Meeting: 2nd Thursday @ 8:00p.m.

Pacific Grove Lodge #331

P.O. Box 331 (Mail)

130 Congress Ave.

Pacific Grove, CA

Phone: (831) 649-1834

Stated Meeting: 1st Thursday @ 8:00p.m.

Carmel Lodge #680

P.O. Box 221543 (Mail)

Lincoln between 7th and 8th

Carmel, CA 93921

Phone: (831) 624-7140

Email: carmel680@gmail.com

Website: www.calodges.org/no680

Stated Meeting: 1st Tuesday @ 8:00p.m.

Order of the Eastern Star – Carmel Chapter #581

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Order of the Eastern Star – Reveille Chapter #47

Located at: Salinas Lodge

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