
DEMOLAY FOR BOYS

Hello from De Molay,

We are still building towards formation of a new De Molay Chapter in Gilroy. Please send all inquiries my way.

Thank you,

Howard Honerlah, De Molay Dad



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RAINBOW FOR GIRLS

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Gilroy Rainbow! It's the end of summer for our girls, so they are trying to savor what's left. Last month they went to the Boardwalk in Santa Cruz, and then came our big event, *Garlic Festival!* We did quite well at the Pepsi booth this year, in spite of having to charge \$3 each for a bottle of Pepsi. The girls worked very hard, as usual, plus some of our adult supporters. We especially wish to thank Margaret Wolford and Skip Bates for working three entire days at *Gourmet Alley* for Rainbow. There should be an award for that kind of special dedication to our girls. Working in *Gourmet Alley* is about the hardest work there is at the *Garlic Festival*, and we are very thankful to all of our adult supporters who step up every year and do it.

A week later, four of our girls helped out at the *Gilroy Kids' Triathlon*, directing traffic on the levee and encouraging our little competitors. I'm not sure who had more fun, the kids in the triathlon or our girls! And, speaking of fun, our girls sure had a nice time at Mrs. Wolford's reception recently. We loved the banjo band, and we're still playing with those water bird whistles. Thank you so much for inviting us!

We have a couple of special events coming up that we would love to see some of our Masonic friends attend. First, we're having a birthday party for Rainbow at our meeting on September 8th, at 7:00 p.m. This is our 60th year! To celebrate, we're putting together a time capsule. Your contributions to the time capsule (pictures? letters to future Rainbow Girls?) would be very welcome, whether or not you are able to come that night. Also, please mark your calendars for our *Rainbow Installation*, that will take place on September 26th, at 10:00 a.m. You will be receiving invitations in the mail to that shortly. I hope to see you all there.

Rainbow love,
Melissa Williams, Assistant Mother Advisor,
Gilroy Rainbow Assembly No. 125



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MORGAN HILL MASONIC LODGE CALENDAR

- Sep 3 6:30 pm **FAMILY** Dinner
7:30 pm Stated Meeting
- Sep 10 7:00 pm Officer's Practice
- Sep 13 7:00 pm Constitutional Observance in Morgan Hill – Cost \$10.00
- Sep 17 7:00 pm Constitutional Observance in San Jose – Cost \$15.00
- Sep 21 6:30 pm OAM at Golden Rule
- Sep 24 7:00 pm Practice or Degree

For your advance planning:

October 4, 2009 – Grand Lodge Installation of officers in San Francisco, Ken Nagel will most likely be installed as Grand Master.

October 8, 2009 – Family dinner featuring Hank the Magician, cost will be \$10 for dinner and the show, kids under 10 and members of our Youth Orders are free.

October 15, 2009 – Lodge of Instruction in Morgan Hill, Speakers include John Cooper and Adam Kendal, First Debree, Formal Dinner Cost is \$50. Dinner will be provided by Brother Patrick Farhas, who is a Master French Chef.

Brethren:

We have been pretty busy down at the lodge, the foyer is freshly painted, and the offices are in the works, and I really need to do the two rooms leading into the lodge as well after comparing it to the lobby. We are having good success renting out the lodge and are at, or near, our break-even point for covering expenses. So things are definitely looking good with regards to the building. Thank you to Ken and Virginia for all their work in acting as our property managers.

We have some big things coming up in the next few months, I have been very

"The First Line"

– Earl W. Owens, Belpre (Ohio) Lodge #609 –

*It's Lodge Night, and I'm getting ready
To assemble myself with the craft;
I've gone through my lecture so many times
Seems I know it now, both fore and aft.*

*I'm confident I guess. And I should be
For I've spoken many months in a mumble;
I know that the Brethren, will all be impressed
When you're good, It's hard to be humble.*

*So it's out to the car, and away I go
Then fear strikes me, clear to the bone;
I'd better go through this. Just one more time,
It's my last chance, while I'm still alone.*

*I've hardly noticed this trip at all
Now suddenly, I'm parking the car;
My hearts beating wildly. As I climb the stairs
I hear voices. Not near, but far.*

*Their lips are all moving, but I don't hear a word
I have to concentrate on my First Line;
Sure it'll be easier the next time around
But the trick is to do it the first time.*

*The Lodge is now open, and the work has begun
The first section's about to come to a close;
Gee, I should have gone to the men's room.
I feel faint, and I can't breathe through my nose.*

*They've just called my name, and I've taken my place
Boy! They don't give a feller much time;
And I've lost my book in a shirt with one pocket
And I can't remember my First Line.*

*I've learned a good lesson. It is I who's impressed
And I shall never forget this first time;
After all of the prompting, I now am convinced,
Know it all, as good as the First Line!!*

MANZANITA CHAPTER ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Greetings from the East!

First of all, the Worthy Matron would like to thank Manzanita Chapter for helping put on a fantastic Reception for the Organists of California. Everyone who attended had a fabulous time and left with a smile on their face. The decorations of black top hats with music notes wafting through the air, carried out the theme of “Magical Musical Moments” beautifully. Music from the Peninsula Banjo Band started the evening off in a toe tapping manner, and set the pace for the rest of the evening, which was topped off with root beer floats, brownies and cookies. The Chapter outdid itself, and your hard work is greatly appreciated.

Events to note in September:

Saturday, September 5th, 3 P.M., Los Gatos Masonic Center – Reception for Marlene Larsen, Grand Representative of Alberta in California.

Saturday, September 12th, 7 P.M., Fresno Exhibit Hall – Reception for Barbara J. Scott, WGM and JD Hammett, WGP. Formal attire: black & white or silver.

Thursday, September 24th, 7:30 P.M., Revelation of 2010 Grand Officers, Vista Masonic Center.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, September 22nd, at 8 P.M. The theme will be “School Daze,” and there will be a bag lunch dinner at 6:30 P.M., at the Morgan Hill Masonic Center.

Our year of leadership is winding down – just two more official meetings to go before the Installation of the 2010 officers in November. Please join us for a fun time – who knows, you might win one of the “Whoo Hoo, Aren’t You Glad You Came?” prizes.

See you soon:

Fraternally,



Margaret Wolford, Worthy Matron
Fred Schulenburg, Worthy Patron



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pleased to see that the number of people coming out to our dinners has started to increase, it is a great time to enjoy a good meal and fellowship with your friends and brothers. I hope more of you will start coming out, if you need a ride, please give me a call and I will arrange for you to get one. It would be especially nice if we could see more of our lodge’s widows come out as well. We have some really nice dinners scheduled in the next couple of months, so please RSVP and come out to join us.

I don’t have the date of the Masonic Information Night, but a date will be forthcoming in October, please be thinking of who you would like to invite, this includes friends, kids, grandkids etc. We’ll do the work, but we need everyone’s help in getting people to come on out.

Unfortunately Eastern Star had to postpone Marilyn Blaustien’s reception, please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Finally, Officers, we are now at crunch time on your proficiencies. Please get your work memorized so we can do what we need to for next year.

Thanks,

Warm Fraternal Regards,



Gregg Hall, Master - Morgan Hill Lodge #463

FROM THE SOUTH

Virtual Museum

Grand Lodge is proud to announce the launch of <http://masonicheritage.org>, a virtual space for the Henry W. Coil Library & Museum of Freemasonry.

Since its founding in San Francisco in 1996, the Henry W. Coil Library & Museum has preserved and shared extensive collections of Masonic artifacts, books, and archives with Bay Area visitors. At masonicheritage.org, the virtual experience is available worldwide.

The site also showcases the museum’s special exhibits. Currently online is, *Builders of Dreams: The California Masonic Experience 1850-Present*.

Sharing in our fraternity’s heritage is a powerful way to enrich your Masonic experience. Start today by visiting <http://masonicheritage.org>.

Craig Thomas Ellrod
Junior Warden, Morgan Hill Lodge #463

FROM THE LODGE SECRETARY

Happy Birthday to these Brethren Born In

September

Amir Safakish, PM	11th	Jim Kouretas	17th
Jack W. Kalp	14th	David C. Kunkel	18th
Alan D. Black	16th	Jarrold L. Porter	19th
Paul W. Ward	16th	James J. Jeisel	27th

The Following Brethren Were Raised To The Sublime Degree Of Master Mason In

September

Ken Leverton, PM	8th (59 Yrs)	Robert Maiwald	22nd (21 Yrs)
Andrew Elmore	15th (4 Yrs)	Robert Fullington	23rd (44 Yrs)
Leland Farrer	16th (27 Yrs)	Eugene Pourroy	24th (45 Yrs)
Michael Ioane	21st (9 Yrs)	Carl Lehfeldt, PM	25th (12 Yrs)
Stanley Stockam	30th (27 Yrs)		

Brethren,

We are happy to learn that Brother Andrew R. Elmore has returned to the United States following his latest redeployment overseas. He is now stationed at Ft. Hood, Texas. We also congratulate him on his promotion to Staff Sergeant.

I am not making my usual plea for payment of dues from delinquent Brothers. It appears that it is a futile effort since my continued requests have been ignored. In the near future, those of you who are in this category will be receiving a letter advising you of your impending suspension for non-payment of dues as required by the California Masonic Code.

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SAN BENITO SHRINE CLUB

CALENDAR

San Benito Shrine Club meets on the 3rd Tuesday, at 6:00 pm
Monterey Shrine Club meets on the 1st Wednesday, at 6:30 pm at Anthony's
Salinas Valley Shrine Club meets on the 2nd Monday, at 5:30 pm at
The Landing Zone Restaurant, Salinas Airport

CONTACTS – For all San Benito Shrine Club dinners are:

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Morgan Hill San Martin and Gilroy: Warren Blakley,
408-779-2471 wrb@garlic.com

CLUB PRESIDENT – Harry Albert, 831-623-2495, harry@harryalbert.com

CONTACTS – For other Shrine Clubs:

Monterey: Leonard "Label" Green, 831-373-5320

Salinas Valley Shrine Club: Bob Bramman 831-443-0161

Dear Nobles and Ladies:

The San Benito Shrine Club Serves San Benito County and Southern Santa Clara County. The Club meets at the Sunrise Café on the Third Tuesday of each month. All Shiners and Potential Shiners are cordially invited to attend.

RSVP: Please RSVP Before The Second Friday Of The Month – 408.848.1200

When: Third Tuesday of the Month

Where: SUNRISE CAFÉ
 6120 Monterey Street
 Gilroy, CA 95020

MARK YOUR CALENDARS, AND PLAN TO ATTEND

See you at the SUNRISE CAFÉ, GILROY,

Harry Albert, President



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