

GOLDEN TROWEL
NORWALK LODGE
#273



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DECEMBER 2012
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GOLDEN TROWEL NORWALK CALENDAR

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DECEMBER 2012

Saturday, Dec 1st, 8:30 AM **Lawrence Welk Resorts - Bus Trip**

***** Luncheon and Christmas Show *****

Monday, Dec 3rd, 7 PM, - NMBA Hall Association Meeting

Thursday, Dec 6th, 7 PM, - Degree Practice

Saturday, Dec 8th, 7 PM * Job's Daughter Installation *

Thursday, Dec 13th, 6:30 PM, - Dinner / 7:30 PM **Stated Meeting**

Thursday, Dec 20th, 7 PM, - **2013 * Officer Meeting**

Tuesday, Dec 25th, ** MERRY CHRISTMAS **

Thursday, Dec 27th, **DARK - NO MEETING**

JANUARY 2013

Tuesday, Jan 1st, ** HAPPY NEW YEAR **

Thursday, Jan 3rd, 7 PM, Installation Practice

Sunday, Jan 6th, 2 PM * 2013 Officer Installation *

Monday, Jan 7th, 7 PM, - **NMBA Hall Association Meeting**

Thursday, Jan 10th, 6:30 PM, - Dinner / 7:30 PM **Stated Meeting**

Thursday, Jan 17th, 7 PM, Second Degree Officers—TUX

Thursday, Jan 24th, 7 PM, Officer Degree \ Practice

FEBRUARY 2013

Monday, Feb 4th, 7 PM, - NMBA Hall Association Meeting

Thursday, Feb 7th, 7 PM, 1st Degree - Officers—TUX

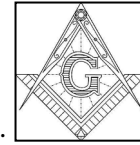
Thursday, Feb 14th, 6:30 PM, - Dinner / 7:30 PM Stated Meeting

Thursday, Feb 21st, 7 PM, Degree \ Practice

Thursday, Feb 28th, 7 PM, Degree \ Practice



DECEMBER - Stated Meeting



For Dinner Reservations Call
(562) 863-9101 - Press 5# to leave your information.

Please make your dinner RSVP before 5 P. M. Sunday,
DEC 9th, 2012.

*** SICKNESS AND DISTRESS ***

Do you know a Brother, Sister, or one of our Lodge Sweethearts, or one of our Lodge Sweethearts, that are sick or in distress?
Please contact us so that we can try to provide comfort or support in the time of need. **Brother Jim Reyburn—(562) 943-9342**

THINKING OF YOU — CARDS and PRAYERS'S - ARE NEEDED:

Wor Gil Buck –Surgery Nov, 28th; Wor Gary Iverson—
Surgery recovery; Sheri Gustafson-Surgery Recovery;
Gene & Gloria Stiles; Irene Bridges, Prayers; Wor Gene
Collins Rcovery; Jeannie McQueen– Recovery; Marvin &
Aileen Risdon;

Up Coming Events

**“The Sees Candy” * Annual Christmas Mailing
program to our Lodge Sweethearts.**

- Saturday, Dec 1st, “Lawrence Welk Resort” - Luncheon and Christmas Show.
- Tuesday, Dec 25th, ** MERRY CHRISTMAS **
- Tuesday, Jan 1st 2013 * HAPPY NEW YEAR *
- Sunday, Jan 6th, 2 P M Annual Officer 's Installation
- Super Bowl Party Event @ Frantone's –Cerritos



From the East

Mike Winford, P.M.

Worshipful Master

Brethren, and Ladies

CONGRATULATIONS are extended to Brother's Leonard Apple, Edwin Marroquin and Justin Vazquez, our New Entered Apprentices, as they Have become members of our Masonic Fraternity during the month of November.

Many THANKS go to Frank and Mary Jo Gillespie, as they made such a Special Luncheon Event on November 10th. We Honored Our Lodge Sweethearts and Guests, along with Members and Ladies, at Mime's Café in Downey. With all the fine food selections and the specially selected deserts. All our Ladies, were greeted with Beautiful corsages and Gift Bags. Again a very Special day to Honor and Support Our Lodge Sweethearts.

On Saturday, December 1st, we look forward to our Christmas bus trip to the Lawrence Welk Resorts for a Luncheon and Christmas stage show. Coffee and rolls will be available that morning at 7:30 AM. With a bus departure around 8:30 AM. And returning home around 8 PM.

Please note that our Annual Installation of Officer's has been rescheduled for **Sunday, January 6th, 2013 at 2 PM.**

Please plan to attend this special Annual Installation, to show your support for our Outstanding core of Officers, Coaching staff, and our Masonic Families of 2013.

The Officers and myself all look forward to Your Continued Support and attendance that always make our events so very special for our members.

I truly appreciate and Thank all of the young Ladies from the youth groups for helping out with our **country store.**



From the West

Gary Iverson, PM

Senior Warden

Brethren,

~ ~ REMEMBER TO ~ ~

SHOW YOUR DUES CARD

WHEN ENTERING ANY LODGE

MEETING OR DEGREE

THE 2013 DUES

ARE DUE

JANUARY 1st, 2013

Gary Iverson
Senior Warden



From the South

Andrew Macias

Junior Warden

Brethren,

I would like to start out by thanking you all for your continued support and encouragement! Our lodge is growing steadily, and we are on our way to initiating new members this coming month. I encourage you all to come out and greet our new brethren as they begin their journey into Freemasonry. Finally, I would like to take a moment and wish everyone, and their loved ones, a very Happy Holidays!! I am grateful for the memories that I have made over this past year as Junior Warden of this lodge; and am ever thankful for my introduction into masonry, and the life altering changes that have made me a better man!!

I would like to take a moment to congratulate our newly obligated Brothers Leonard, Edwin and Justin upon receiving their Entered Apprentice degrees this past month. I encourage all of our Brethren to come out and join us as they begin their journeys through the degrees of Masonry.

This month will be a bit less hectic for the youth groups; however, I would like to remind everyone that we do have one Installation for our Job's Daughters on Saturday Dec. 7, @ 7:00pm. Come out and support their hard work!!

As usual, I would also like to continue to encourage everyone to come out and support our Youth groups. Remember, the **2nd and 4th** Mondays-Wednesdays-Saturdays are the days that they meet and all are welcome to come and visit! Again, thank you for the support of the youth, and I look forward to the month ahead.

Dates to Remember in December:

Sat. Dec. 8; Job's Daughters Bethel #241 Installation @ 7:00pm

Thurs. Dec. 13; Stated meeting and Dinner @6:30 & 7:30pm



From the Office of
Bill Sizemore
Secretary

Brethren,

As we go into the Holiday Season let us remember those Obligations we took when we received our Degrees in the Masonic Lodge. We should always remember those Brothers and Friends who are not as fortunate as ourselves and that Charity is something we should practice through out the whole year and just not at Christmas.

Sometimes its your close friends who need us the most and we can always help by letting them know we are there and close by when needed.

Go to as many Lodge functions this Holiday Season as possible, Shake hands with Brothers and old friends. Bring your wife or Lady Friend. The Lodge Dinners are lots of fun with good food. Your Dinner is free if its your Birthday Month.

The Lodge is having lots of Degree Nights so watch your Trestle-board and come out in support of your Lodge Officers. They're doing mighty fine work and we have lots of food and fun afterwards. Come on down and see.

Your Lodge dues need to be received by December 31, 2012 for the year 2013 or you will be delinquent. Lodge dues for the year 2013 is \$50.00 per annum. Send in as soon as possible.

My Wife Lynda and I wish you all a Very Happy and Warm Christmas. May you get lots of presents and have too much to eat. Leaving room for only 4 slices of pecan pie or yummy cake.

The 2013 DUES ARE DUE >> JAN 1ST, 2013

~ **IN LOVING MEMORY** ~

Bro. Enrique Henry Castro

Born—May 1, 1972 Mexico City Mexico

Initiated Entered Apprentice—8-24-2005

Passed Fellowcraft - 1-19-2006

Raised Master Mason - 3-21-2006

In Norwalk Lodge #315, CA.

Entered into Rest - October 27, 2012 , Conway, AR

Age: 40 Years / 5 Months / 26 Days

Bro. IVAN A. HOFMAN

Born - August 20, 1920—Nebraska

Initiated Entered Apprentice - 1-20-1958

Passed Fellowcraft - 5-19-1958

Raised Master Mason - 7-28-1958

In Tyre Lodge #741, CA.

Entered into Rest - July 13, 2012 - Pauma Valley, CA.

Age: 91 Years / 11 Months / 7 Days

Bro. FRANK A. SCHUTT

Born - August 25, 1922 - Michigan

Initiated Entered Apprentice - 4-8-1955

Passed Fellowcraft - 6-24-1955

Raised Master Mason - 7-29-1955

In Two Rivers Lodge #731, CA.

Entered into Rest - November 2, 2012 - Palm Desert, CA.

Age: 89 Years / 2 Months / 7 Days

**Almighty Father, into thy hands we commend
the soul of Our Departed Brother, AMEN**

Masonic Youth Group Events

Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge will continue to support our youth groups in the coming year. With your continuing support, we will be able to continue to accomplish this for years to come. Support of our Masonic Youth groups helps to ensure the future of our Great Masonic Family.

~ Mike Winford, Master

Rainbow Girls Buena Park Assembly #231



Monday, Dec 10th - 7 P.M. **Meeting**

Monday, Dec 24th - Meeting **DARK**

Contact: Mrs. Marie Stoltz @ 562 619-1151

Job's Daughters - Bethel #241



Saturday, Dec 8th - **7 PM Installation of Officers**

Saturday, Dec 22nd- 9:30 A.M. Meeting

Contact: Mrs. Deborah Fogal 562 587-4971

DeMolay-Excelsior Chapter



Wednesday, **Dec 12th - Dinner 6:30 p.m. \$5.00**

7:30 PM - **Meeting**

Wednesday, Dec 26th - 7:30 PM - Degree Meeting

Contact: Dad Jim Hannum 562 926-5169

GRAND LODGE

Free And Accepted Masons

Of California

Dear Brother, As an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft Mason, you now have greater privileges and responsibilities in your Lodge.

Legislation was recently adopted that allows Entered Apprentices and Fellow craft Masons to attend the Stated Meetings of the Lodge and gain valuable insight **also requires them to pay dues.**

The stated meeting is the monthly business meeting of the lodge. The business includes action on applications for membership, payment of bills and financial reporting, decision on lodge by-laws amendments, the election of Officers and other important business. As an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft Mason, you may speak on any matter coming before the Lodge but only Master Masons may vote. By participating in the business of your lodge, you will gain valuable insight into the operation of the Fraternity and you will be better prepared to vote on these matters when you become a Master Mason.

Effective October 1st, 2012, Entered apprentices and Fellow Craft Masons are required to pay lodge dues. If you have not already, you will soon receive a dues notice from the Lodge. It will include a dues amount for the period October 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012 and also an amount for the 2013 calendar year. It is important that you pay the portion of the 2012 dues As soon as possible. **The 2013 Dues are due by December 31, 2012.** If you are unable to pay your dues, please contact the master or lodge secretary. Because of these changes, all Masons are entitled to engage in the business of the lodge and contribute to its success and prosperity. Be an active part of our fraternity. Make new Friends, and join us in making a profound difference in the World.

Sincerely and Fraternaly, John F Lowe Grand Master,
of Masons in California 2012-2013

HALL ASSOCIATION FUNDRAISER

Brethren –

The Hall Association is once again selling commemorative name plaques to raise funds for improvements to the Norwalk Masonic Center. We have sold a few already, but we have many more available right now. Here's how it works:

You donate \$150.00 to the Hall Association. To demonstrate that donation to current and future Lodge users a brass plaque is inscribed with a Lodge Members name and attached to one of the arms of the chairs in the Lodge room. For years to come those that visit the Lodge will read your name in testimony of your dedication to your Lodge.

The fund raised will be used for a special project, which at the current time is proposed to be the installation of solar panels on the roof. We all know that solar panels will eventually pay for themselves and reduce the cost of electricity for the Lodge. So your gift will keep on giving by helping to reduce the cost of maintaining the building.

If you are interested in participating in this worth effort, please contact any one of the Hall Association Directors, contacting me by email at garymi2@gmail.com (or by phone or mail at the address listed at the front of this Trestleboard).

Gary Iverson, President

Norwalk Masonic Building Association

*** * YOUR INVITED * ***

**Be Part of the
THIRTEENTH DEGREE**

After some discussion with members of our Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge, I approached The Personal Representative—Ill. Tim Cable, 33rd Degree, with the Long Beach Scottish Rite, about our Lodge taking on a Scottish Rite Degree. The parts in this Degree are open to any 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason, regardless of the Valley of his Membership.

There are both speaking and non-speaking parts available in these degree presentations. This is our chance to again “Lead the Way” in bringing back the performance of the Degree Plays that are so essential in presenting the lessons of these essential Degrees.

We are Assigned the THIRTEENTH DEGREE *

We will need as many brethren as will participate to fill the stations and provide back-up Cast members. We will be practicing at our Lodge in the beginning, then later moving for dress rehearsals to the stage at the Long Beach Scottish Rite. When the Director of the Work finds us Proficient in our work we will be scheduled to perform the Degree before the Class.

I will be the Acting Degree Master to get this Degree organized and off the ground and running. I ask all of you Brethren to join me in this very worthwhile activity to bring further light into the hearts of our fellow Masons.

You may contact me through our Lodge Master, or Secretary, or contact me directly by phone...

I Look forward to being part of Our Cast Team and express my Thanks to all in advance..

Fraternally, **Gayle Richmond, P M**

562 865-8841

Living Past Masters of Golden Trowel Norwalk

Alexander, David J. *	1986	McAdams, Richard	1986/87
Alexander, David R, *	1998	McElroy, Glenn	1972
Ankenbauer, William.	1994	McWilliams, Ivan S.	1976
Beckman Jr., Frank H.	1980/99	Miller, Everett E.	1991/93/94/99/03/06
Berg, Charles M.	1972	Miller, George C.	1982
Bodnar, Bart J.	1985/90/91	Mitchell, Robert R.	1983
		Moore, Barry D.	
Bohn, Hans F.	1974	Morrissy, Scott T. *	2005
Booth, William M.	2010	Moss, Clive W. *	2001/02/03/04/09
Buck, Gil	2007/08	Nichols, Lowell L.	1983
Collins, Eugene	2001	Nighswonger, James	1994/05
Collins, Robert C.	1978	Noble, Douglas A.	1983
Cowart Jr., Joseph W.	1974	Ogden, Charles J.*	2001/2002
Creswell, Frank L.	1951/80	Palmer, John M. *	1974
Eade, Jack W.*	1978	Perry, James	2000
Earl, Richard G.	1975/80/81/82	Perry, Richard E.	1965
Easley, Ronald T.	1975	Poole, Roy *	1973/1999
Eichen, Doug	1987/93	Powers, William. B. *	1981
Evans, Rick A.*	1991	Richmond, Gayle*	1988
Fulbright, Ross E.	1960	Roberts, D. Dale	1972
Gerken, Gary D.	1995	Rodriguez, George	1989
Gillespie, Frank	1986/87/2000	Rose, Charles D.	1990
Gustafson, Warren *	1969	Sanderson, Wallace*	1975/1980
Henry, H. Lon	1965	Sargent, Terry T.	1979
Hintergardt, Jay	1971	Sickles Jr., Robert	1985
Hofmann, Ivan A.	1966	Simmons, Alfred R.	1962
Hood, Lyle E.	1999	Singer, Albert F.	1977
Hooper, Fred L.	1975	Sizemore William. F.	1985/*93
Iverson, Gary	2009	Spann, LeRoy E.	1984
Jansen, John *	1958	Swanston, David III	1976/87/88/01/02
Jensen, Carl A.*	1977	Taylor, Ted R.	2004
Kidder, David W.	1979	Thompson, James R.	1984
Kirklin, Robert B. *	2004/2008	Walthall, Leonard S.	1971
Koomen, Ronald H.	1992/96/97	Watson, Carl F.	1971
Ladnier, Michael	1984	Weathers, Daryl T.	1986
Lee Jr., Robert E.	1971	Williams, Gordon L.	1969/85/87
MacCallum, M. David	1978	Williams, Larry D.	1997
MacDonald, Brett	1989/*1997	Winford Mike T.	1988/2011/2012
Masson, John P.	1988	Wohlfrath, Fred C.	1967
McAdam, Theodore	2002/03		

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Auditing: Ben Carr

Bar-B-Que: Joseph Patronas and
Socrates Patronas

Sweethearts: Frank Gillespie, PM

Public Schools: Mike Winford, WM

Roster Update: Bob Mitchell, PM

Masonic Service Bureau: Mike
Winford, PM; Gil Buck, PM; Gary
Iverson, PM

Youth Committee: Andrew Macias

Masonic Homes Bar-B-Que: Gayle
Richmond, PM

Masonic Family Picnic: Frank
Gillespie, PM

Budget: Mike Winford, WM and David
Swanston, PM

Membership Retention: Mike
Winford, WM, Gary Iverson, PM

Charity: Mike Winford, WM and Gary
Iverson, SW and JW

Sickness and Visitation: James
Reyburn, Officers, and Members

Constitutional Observance: Bill
Sizemore, PM

Greeting Committee: Fred Gladstone
and Gonah Schreckengast

Funeral Services: Lowell Nichols, PM

St. John's Day: Gary Iverson, PM

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Gillespie, PM, Gil Buck, PM,
Warren Gustafson, PM

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