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**November 2014**

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**Stated Meetings**

Second Thursday of the month  
Dinner 6:30 --- Meeting 7:30

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## CALENDAR

Nov. 3 ..... Hall Association 7 PM

**Nov. 6 .... Requesting all members**

**of Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge -- Meeting with our Assistant Grand Lecturer, Wor. Douglas B. Eichen -- Very Important.** Direction and Future of our GTN Lodge. 7 PM

**Nov. 13 ..... Stated Dinner 6:30 PM**

**Stated Meeting & Elections of 2015 Lodge Officers..... 7:30 PM**

You will need to make reservations by calling the Lodge on/or before Sunday Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, at (562) 863-9101. Please call for dinner reservations. Thank you. The Ladies program will be the clothing worn by the ladies during the Civil War era.

Nov. 20 ..... OSI -- All Officers in advanced stations 7:00 PM

**Nov. 27 ..... HAPPY THANKSGIVING**

## LOOKING AHEAD

Dec. 4 .... Installation Practice 7:00 PM  
All Officers - required attendance.

Dec. 11 ..... **Stated Dinner 6:30 PM**  
**Please call for reservations.**  
**Stated Meeting 7:30 PM**

Dec. 13 ..... **Installation of 2014**  
**Lodge Officers 2:00 PM**  
**Officers in Tux**  
Reception to follow

## **IN MEMORIAM**

Bro. Forrest D. Gossett, August 9, 2014

Until then, dear Brother, until then, Farewell

## MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren,

Last month the Officers attended Grand Lodge in San Francisco. Some very important legislation was passed and will be presented at this month's Stated Meeting.

On October 23, we had a great Golden Veteran's Award presented to Wor. Carl F. Watson, PM, which was awarded by Wor. Max Rush, our former Inspector. Our new inspector is Wor. Don Muller. Our 50 year members unable to attend due to distance were: John J. Herring in Florida; C. Dale Roberts in Texas; John W. Duffle in Weed, CA. Unable to attend due to health reasons: Norman E. Lassiter; Donald L. Nassar. Unable to locate or no response: Jack N. Dilday; Glenn C. McElroy. We thank Max for all his help and guidance and welcome our new Inspector, Don. Also on the 23rd we honored our Masonic Sweethearts with dinner, entertainment, and presentations. This was truly a very special evening. I thank each and every one of you. You're the Best.

Our entertainer for the evening was Pete McCleod, a Comedian and Magician with over 30 years of performing experience. His performance was quite entertaining.

We are updating our files on our Masonic Sweethearts (Widows) as our current is very much outdated, and we need your help. So, if you have changed your telephone number and/or address or know of another Sweetheart who has (even as far back as eight years), please let the Master know by calling him with this information at Tel. number (626) 912-1531. We are losing contact with a number of widows who were unaware or forgot to give their new information to us, and we need you help. Thank you.

Worshipful Doug Eichen, our AGL, has announced a new partnership with our Masonic Youth Orders and established October as Make a Difference Month to reach out to our Youth Orders. I hope most of you had the opportunity to attend at least one of their meetings.

Congratulations to Brother Kevin D. Bulanek on receiving the First Degree of Masonry last October 30.

Wor. Doug Eichen, our AGL, has requested that all members of Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge come and enjoy his talk on Member Excellence. What is it historically? Does it exist in Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge? And, what is its effect on the future of the Craft, and Golden Trowel Lodge in particular? This talk will take place at our Lodge on Thursday, November 6, 2014, at 7:00 pm. This is a night of reflection, analysis, and contemplation. Bring your thoughts and experiences to share. Every member of Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge has valuable member experiences that weave a history in the chapters of

Golden Trowel Norwalk's legacy. Today is the history of tomorrow for Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge. What is the legacy you wish to leave?

Fraternally,  
Dave Swanston III, Master

### **SENIOR WARDEN'S MESSAGE**

Brethren -

I want to thank the Brethren in allowing Bernice and myself to attend this years Annual Communication in beautiful San Francisco where we witnessed the Installation of Grand Master Most Worshipful Russ Charvonia. Russ should be visiting our Lodge this year and I hope everyone gets to hear him speak about his vision of Freemasonry in California. Also this month, Bernice and I attended an installation of eleven new Jobs Daughters. The Jobs daughter's installation team is so talented and professional that I wish we had just half that many Master Masons with their dedication and then this lodge would have no problems. Lastly, Bernice and I just attended a Sweethearts and Fifty Year Pin dinner with some marvelous comic entertainment. If you were not there, you don't know what you missed thanks to worshipful Dave and Fran Swanston.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

Fraternally,  
James Arend, Senior Warden

**Living Past Masters of Golden Trowel Norwalk 273**

Alexander, David J. *	1986	McElroy, Glenn	1972
Alexander, David R. *	1998	McWilliams, Ivan S.	1976
Ankenbauer, William.	1994	Miller, Everett E.	1991/93/94/99/03/06
Beckman Jr., Frank H.	1980/99	Miller, George C.	1982
Berg, Charles M.	1972	Mitchell, Robert R.	1983
Bodnar, Bart J.	1985/90/91	Moore, Barry D.	1993
Bohn, Hans F.	1974	Morrissy, Scott T. *	2005
Booth, William M.	2010	Moss, Clive W. *	2001/02/03/04/09/12
Buck, Gil	2007/08	Nichols, Lowell L.	1983
Collins, Robert C.	1978	Nighswonger, James	1994/05
Cowart Jr., Joseph W.	1974	Noble, Douglas A.	1983
Creswell, Frank L.	1951/80	Ogden, Charles J.*	2001/02
Eade, Jack W.*	1978	Palmer, John M. *	1974
Earl, Richard G.	1975/80/81/82	Perry, James	2000
Easley, Ronald T.	1975	Perry, Richard E.	1965
Eichen, Doug	1987/93	Poole, Roy *	1973/99
Evans, Rick A.*	1991	Powers, William. B. *	1981
Fulbright, Ross E.	1960	Richmond, Gayle*	1988
Gerken, Gary D.	1995	Roberts, D. Dale	1972
Gillespie, Frank	1986/87/2000	Rodriguez, George	1989
Gustafson, Warren *	1969	Rose, Charles D.	1990
Henry, H. Lon	1965	Sanderson, Wallace*	1975/80
Hofmann, Ivan A.	1966	Sargent, Terry T.	1979
Hood, Lyle E.	1999	Sickles Jr., Robert	1985
Hooper, Fred L.	1975	Spann, LeRoy E.	1984
Iverson, Gary	2009	Swanston, David III	1976/87/88/01/02/13
Jansen, John *	1958	Taylor, H. Al	1970/78/79
Jensen, Carl A.*	1977	Taylor, Ted R.	2004
Kidder, David W.	1979	Thompson, James R.	1984
Kirklin, Robert B. *	2004/08	Tripler, William*	1984/91
Koomen, Ronald H.	1992/96/97	Walthall, Leonard S.	1971
Ladnier, Michael	1984	Watson, Carl F.	1971
Lee Jr., Robert E.	1971	Weathers, Daryl T.	1986
MacCallum, M. David	1978	Williams, Gordon L.	1969/85/87
MacDonald, Brett	1989/*97	Williams, Larry D.	1997
Masson, John P.	1988	Winford Mike T.	1988/11/12
McAdam, Theodore	2002/03		
McAdams, Richard	1986/87		

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