

# Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge #273



## May, 2018 Trestleboard

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## GOLDEN TROWEL NORWALK CALENDAR

### May 2018

- Thurs 3 7pm Practice
- Sat 5 Ramona/ *Cinco de Mayo*
- Wed 9 6:30pm OSI at Downey United
- Thurs 10 6:30pm Stated dinner/ meeting
- *Sun 13 Mother's Day*
- Thurs 17 7pm Practice
- *Sat 19 Armed Forces Day*
- Thurs 24 7pm Practice
- *Mon 28 Memorial Day*
- Thurs 31 Practice

### June 2018

- Thurs 7 6:30pm OSI @ Our Lodge
- Sat 9 Job's installation
- Mon 11 7:30pm Rainbow Installation
- Thurs 14 6:30pm Stated/ Flag Day
- Sat 16 outdoor 3° Temecula/Catalina island
- *Sun 17 Father's Day*
- Thurs 21 7pm Practice
- Thurs 28 7pm Practice

May's itinerary will probably change with next month's Trestle Board.



## MAY Stated Meeting

Please make your dinner reservations by Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 by 5 p.m. RSVP Information - Please call (562) 863-9101 - and Leave a message to our Secretary. There will be a country store after the dinner for the ladies.

### Menu

Dinner will be made this month by our lovely Rainbow Girls! For starters, they will be serving a spring mix salad. Our main dish will be \_\_\_\_\_ followed by \_\_\_\_\_ for desert.



# From the East

Mark Patton  
Worshipful Master

Happy Mothers Day!

First a very happy Mother's Day to all the mothers and Grandmothers, for everything we are, how we were raised, and our character all started back with our mother. At our may stated we will be having the flower talk done by DeMolay, if you have never seen it you will truly love the story told about our mothers. The young ladies of Job's who did adopt a Mason last year continue this year with focusing on the ladies of the Lodge. A fun fact Mother's Day here is always on the second Sunday so that we may have time with our Mothers, in Mexico and many other Hispanic parts. Mothers Day this year it falls on our Stated.

Thank You to Emerald Star for once again taking on a very fully pack house, public school's/ Stated dinner and cooking a great meal for us all, we look forward to Rainbow cooking for May Stated.

We have had some good events and many more to come along with degrees as well so come out have some fun with your Lodge family and support our Brethren who are working on their degrees.

We have had the first semester grade incentives, youth support, public schools, our part of giving for the Ca Masonic Foundation, Grand Masters Breakfast, and our Hiram Award, and soon we will adding raising a reader, Masons-4-mitts, and our Lodge bar-b-que fundraiser for the city of Norwalk Angle Tree Project.

As we quickly reach the half way point we ask our Brethren to think about taking spots in the Lodge Officers line next year, help is needed this year and next year for our Youth Groups and the many Committees and events like our up coming bar-b-que. I would like to ask everyone to please give me one thing you would like to see our Lodge do and one thing you would like to see changed, and remember all ideas are always welcome.

Fraternally,  
Mark Patton PM  
Worshipful Master



## **From the West**

Joseph Patronas  
Senior Warden

Brethren and our Masonic Family,

Most of our brothers and sisters are aware of our Masonic Homes, their beautiful facilities and the great service which they provide to our elder brothers and sisters.

Few days ago I went to the Masonic Outreach Service meeting which was held at the Masonic Homes in West Covina.

By the way for the brothers and sisters who doesn't know, the Masonic Outreach Service purpose is to reach-out, educate and inform any elder brother or sister in need, how and who they need to contact so they could be part of the assistance living program offered to them.

We were informed that they are now offering a new concept, called "Shared Housing" on the Masonic Homes campus in Covina. They are offering for rent 1 and 2 bedroom w/bathroom for a great price. After the meeting we were given a tour to the newly renovated units, and I was amazed how beautiful, luxurious and comfortable all units are! For more information, there is a more detailed article at the page 13.

I would also like to wish a very happy Mother's Day to all the mothers, for all the unconditional love and care which they have provided. Of course mother's Day, it's just a symbolic celebration because we have and needed to show appreciation to our Mothers daily. God bless them all!

Fraternally,  
Joseph Patronas, P.M.  
Senior Warden



## From the Secretary

Michael Winford

Is there anything on your table Brother Secretary? **YES INDEED,**

A fascinating exploration of "California's Masonic Pioneer's" will take place at the 2018 California Masonic Symposium being held at the Long Beach Scottish Rite on Sunday, June 10, 2018. [New Location] Discover the colorful and inspiring leaders that had a major part in organizing California Masonry during the 1850's Gold Rush" era.

Hear about California's first Lodges and how they were organized.

Don't miss this event ! Registration is now open along with

more information at [www.freemason.org](http://www.freemason.org).

A new 3rd degree proficiency pin, is available, for brothers who have shown their dedication to our craft, and have gone proficient on the 3rd degree in open lodge. Contact the Secretary for orders.

Our next LA Masonic Service Bureau event, will be on Sunday, May 6, 2018 at the Pasadena Scottish Rite @ 9:00 AM. Featuring a Special Youth Program.

There are many debates over the so-called secrets of Masonry. Among these debates is the number of Presidents of the United States who were brothers in our craft. TWO of our Presidents were Grand Masters in their jurisdictions, but did you know that several of our Vice Presidents were Grand Masters of their Grand Lodge? Eighteen Vice Presidents were brethren. The last in the list is former President Gerald R. Ford. He was raised a Master Mason in Columbia Lodge No. 3, located in Washington, D.C. on May 18, 1951.

To the Families \* \* of our Lodge Member >> PLEASE, notify us if our Member is in a Hospital or Nursing Home or incapacitated in any way.

Thank You See You in Lodge,

Fraternally,

Mike Winford, P.M.



# From the Building Association

Hello Bretheren from the Hall Association! Here is the report for the month of May:

So far this month has just been "general maintenance". We do, however, have several things coming down the pipe line. I will let you all know in time when they materialize.

Other than that, If there is anything that needs fixed, improved, or repaired, please let us know. Our meetings are held on the first Monday of every month at 7:00PM. Come over and visit sometime!

Till later,

Mike Mulcahy

Temple Board President

949-830-7790





## Job's Daughters Bethel #241



Congratulations to Allison our newest girl who was initiated, Saturday April 14<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to everyone that joined us on her special day.

We also have two more petitions and two incoming Bees. Thank you to Caitlyn Lamb who will be our Bee Keeper. This term is flying by. Ally's farewell meeting is just around the corner, followed by our next installation, we have five seniors Graduating and then Grand Bethel.

Then we have our Fireworks stand in July. **We need volunteers to help us with the stand.** If anyone can work a shift or two, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Kevin Bulanek to sign up for volunteering (562) 584-2353. We also need help with the overnights if anyone is available.

**For our next installation on June 9<sup>th</sup>,** we will be honoring Job's Daughters, Past Honored Queens, and Majority Members.

We would like to invite everyone to join us and bring any photos, paraphernalia, memorabilia and stories to share. We look forward to sharing memories and making new ones.

### **Job's Daughters Calendar Of Events**

Saturday, May 12th @ 9:30am – Meeting & Ally's Farewell



**Buena Park  
Rainbow Girls  
#231**



Buena Park Rainbow Girls Assembly #231 A few events coming up if you know of girls ages 11-20 that would like to join us!

**SERVICE! SEAL BEACH CLEAN UP** Saturday, May 19 - 9-11am

**FUN! RIO HONDO SYMPHONY** Sunday, May 20 - 2pm Whittier High School

**FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT** Sunday, May 27 - 1pm La Serna High School, Whittier

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS** Monday, June 11 - 7pm Norwalk Lodge

As always, thank you so much for supporting us and everything we do!

Meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Monday of every month at 7pm. \*Monday, May 28 we will be dark for Memorial Day\*

Don't forget to keep up with our social media accounts for more updates!

[facebook.com/buenaparkrainbowgirls](https://www.facebook.com/buenaparkrainbowgirls)

[instagram.com/buenaparkrainbowgirls](https://www.instagram.com/buenaparkrainbowgirls)

[twitter.com/bprainbowgirls](https://twitter.com/bprainbowgirls)



# DeMolay Excelsior Chapter



To be eligible to join DeMolay, three simple requirements need to be met by the applicant:

- You are a young man between the ages of 12 and 21.
- You are of good moral character.
- You believe in a supreme being (all religions welcome).

For more information, please check out this website below:  
<https://demolay.org/how-to-join/the-process-to-join/>

As always, our Chapter meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of every month @7:30PM over at the Norwalk Masonic Center. If you have some time, please come and help support our boys by visiting and watching how our meetings are done.

## **Get in touch using the Golden Trowel Norwalk APP**

For your Smartphone, we have adopted the Golden Trowel Norwalk application/program/app with the help of our Senior Warden, Joseph Patronas.

Created and supported by the Grand Lodge for Lodge members. It's something like "Facebook" but with many advantages. The biggest one is that it's available only to Masons – and not to a friend of a friend or any other stranger, like "Facebook" does! Also, anything that is posted in this application, all active members are instantly notified and can respond. It's something like Texting, Instant Messenger, and Facebook combined! A member can write or view posted messages, photos, Lodge's activities – especially last moment's changes or cancellations – there is an event calendar, and it can be also used as a very handy members directory - all lodge members are listed there!

To become a member, it's quite easy! All you need is a "smart phone" – any iPhone or Android brand or a tablet with internet or Wi-Fi. Just copy the link below, onto your **device's** internet browser and follow the instructions.

**<http://ourapp.link/golden-trowel-norwalk>**

For Apple, after downloading the app., don't forget to go and give permissions for this App. to Run: Open **Settings > General > Device Management > GRAND LODGE FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, Inc.** Tap **Trust** on the next screen.

For Android: **Allow installation**, Navigate to your device's **Settings**, select **Security** or **Applications** (depending on device) and check the **Unknown Sources** box.

## **Shared Housing on the Masonic Homes campus in Covina**

A new concept, “Shared Housing”, is close to opening on the Masonic Homes campus in Covina.

Two of the houses formerly used as Masonic orphan’s housing are being converted into “Shared Housing” rental units for “Independent Living”. Each home offers 7 units, consisted of 3 studios and 4 suites.

Each house will contain four one bedroom suites and three studio units each with it’s private bathroom. The common areas will include two kitchens, a dining area, laundry, living room, sitting area, patio, and an elevator.

To apply for Shared Housing you must be 62 years of age, independent, and meet the membership requirements. You will also need to apply and be on Masonic Outreach Senior Services financial assistance for 3 months, prior to applying for Shared Housing. This will help facilitate an orderly transition to “Assisted Living,” should it become needed in the future.

While the “Shared Housing” units will be separate from the other units of the Covina facility, some of those facilities will be available for use.

Occupancy by residents is expected to begin in late March or early April. Lodge Pillars and “Outreach Coordinators” of Masonic Division IX Lodges will be invited to tour the “Shared Housing” when occupancy opens.

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**\* IN LOVING MEMORY \***

**EDWARD P. NELSON**

Entered into Rest March 21, 2018

At the age of 87 Years, 7 Months and 17 Days

Initiated on July 9, 1992

Passed on January 21, 1993

Raised on June 3, 1993

Lodge Offices Held - Junior Steward, Tiler

Masonic Honors - Hiram Award - January, 2000

Almighty Father, into Thy Hands we commend the souls of our  
Beloved Brothers and Sisters.

## Living Past Masters of Golden Trowel Norwalk

Alexander, David J. *	1986	McAdams, Richard	1986/87
Alexander, David R*	1998	McWilliams, Ivan S.	1976
Ankenbauer, William.	1994	Miller, Everett E.	91/93/94/99/03/06
Arend, James	2015	Miller, George C.	1982
Berg, Charles M.	1972	Mitchell, Robert R.	1983/2016
Bohn, Hans F.	1974	Moss, Clive W. *	2001/02/03/04/09
Booth, William M.	2010	Nighswonger, James	1994/05
Colon, Felix *	1972	Noble, Douglas A.	1983
Cowart Jr., Joseph W.	1974	Ogden, Charles J.*	2001/2002
Eade,Jack W.*	1978	Palmer, John M. *	1974
Earl, Richard G.	75/80/81/82	Patronas, John E.*	2013
Easley, Ronald T.	1975	Patronas, Joseph E.	2017
Eichen, Doug	1987/93	Patton, Mark F. *	2016
Evans, Rick A.*	1991	Perry, James	2000
Gerken, Gary D.	1995	Pool, Roy *	1973/1999
Gillespie, Frank	86/87/2000	Roberts, D. Dale	1972
Grubb, Joseph Jr. *	2016	Rodriguez, George	1989
Gustafson, Warren *	1969	Rose, Charles D.	1990
Iverson, Gary	2009	Sanderson, Wallace*	1975/80
Kidder, David W.	1979	Swanston, David III	76/87/88/01/02/13/14
Kirklin, Robert B. *	2004/08	Thompson, James R.	1984
Lee Jr., Robert E.	1971	Tripler, William *	1984/91
MacCallum,M. David	1978	Watson, Carl F.	1971
MacDonald, Brett *	1989/97	Weathers, Daryl T.	1986
Masson, John P.	1988	Williams, Gordon L.	1969/85/87
McAdam, Theodore	2002/03	Winford Mike T.	1988/2011/12

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