

GOLDEN TROWEL
NORWALK LODGE
#273



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GOLDEN TROWEL NORWALK CALENDAR

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OCTOBER 2012

Monday, Oct 1st , 7 PM, - NMBA Hall Association Meeting

Thursday, Oct 4th, 6:30 PM, - OFFICER'S QUALIFICATIONS

Thursday, Oct 11th, 6:30 PM, - Dinner / 7:30 PM **Stated Meeting**

Saturday, **Oct 13th 11:00 AM, - Lodge Family Picnic**

Oct 16 - 20th, Grand Chapter Activities - OES

Thursday, Oct 25h, 6:00 PM, - Lodge - **LAUGHLIN BUS TRIP**

Tuesday, Oct 30, 7 PM **Officer Practice -1st Degree**

NOVEMBER 2012

**Thursday Nov 1st, 6:30 PM, 1st Degree- Mr. Leonard Apple
and Mr.. Edwin F. Marroquin**

Monday, Nov 5th , 7 PM, - NMBA Hall Association Meeting

Thursday, Nov 8th, 6:30 PM, - Dinner / 7:30 PM **Stated Meeting**

Saturday, Nov 10th, 11 AM, Annual Sweet Heart Luncheon

Thursday, Nov 15th, 7 PM 1st Degree - Officers - TUX

Thursday, Nov 22nd, HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Thursday, Nov 29th, 6 PM OSI @ Downey United

DECEMBER 2012

Saturday, Dec 1st, **Lawrence Welk Resorts - Bus Trip**

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

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

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

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

Saturday, Dec 15th, 2 PM - 2013 OFFICER INSTALLATION

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

Tuesday, Dec 25th, MERRY CHRISTMAS

Thursday, Dec 27th, **DARK MEETING**



OCTOBER - 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,

Oct 7th, 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 - NEEDED

Bro Darrel W. Rall had a very Serious accident while on a Motorcycle Run for Diabetetes. Wor Albert Singer and Virginia; Bro's Julio Mirabella and Jim Reyburn —enjoys Cards and Calls; Sister Jeannie McQueen. Bro. David Raglin- using a walker...Sister's Aida Heidke, Zane Watts Donna Miller—Back Surg, Irene Ladnier –Surg and Irene Bridges, Wor John Jansen and Wor Bill Powers . Wor Gil Buck –Surgery for Oct 30th, Wor Gary Iverson—Surgery for Nov 6. Wor Gene Collins has gone to Re-hab following a Stroke.

Up Coming Events

- ◆ SATURDAY, Oct 13, Lodge Family Picnic @ Heritage Park Serving Lunch at 11 AM—1 PM
- ◆ Oct 25 –28 LODGE LAUGHLIN, Bus Trip
- Saturday, Nov 10th, ANNUAL SWEETHEART LUNCHON
- Saturday, Dec 1st, “Lawrence Welk Resort” - Luncheon and Christmas Show. / Reservations - Stand-By List
- Saturday, Dec 15th, Annual Officer ‘s Installation
- Tuesday, Dec 25th, ** MERRY CHRISTMAS **



From the East

Mike Winford, P.M.

Worshipful Master

Brethren, and Ladies

I want to acknowledge my appreciation for allowing me to again represent our Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge at the Annual Grand Lodge Communication in San Francisco. It was very Moving to observe the Space Shuttle flying over the Golden Gate Bridge and City. By Sunday the fog had returned and only able to see the top pillons of the Bridge. Many Changes resulted from our Grand Lodge Sessions: Stated Meetings will now be held on the First Degree. Therefore restoring the Historic Role of Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft Masons. This change will also Require EA's and FC's to Pay Lodge Dues.

CONGRATULATIONS are extended for own Members, "Grand Lodge Appointments": **Wor Roy R. Pool**, Assist Grand Lecturer - Division VII, and **Wor Douglas B . Eichen**, Assist Grand Lecturer, Division X.

The Lodge Country BBQ on Saturday, September 15th, was a big success and the New Chairman, Joseph Patronas along with his Kitchen Crew were outstanding. Many of the Youth groups also participated making the Dinning experience more enjoyable. The floor show and Dancing Music were also enjoyed. All Many Thanks to all that made the day a Huge Success for Family and Friends to support our Scholarship Fund

The Date for our **Heritage Park Family Picnic** will be on Saturday October 13th, Serving Lunch at 11 AM—1 PM . Kids Games following.. The Annual Laughlin Trip has been set for Thursday October 25th -28th.

On November 10th We will honor our Lodge Special Sweethearts at a Luncheon. I Encourage All The Brethren and Ladies to attend this event and Support these Special Ladies.

We were able to obtain a block of tickets for the Luncheon and Christmas show at the Lawerence Welk Resorts, for Saturday, December 1st. The Reservations are full. Contact Wor Gillespie for the Stand-by List

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 program...**

The 164th Annual Communication will commence at 1 PM on Friday, **October 4th, 2013** in the City of San Francisco, CA.



From the West

Gary Iverson, PM

Senior Warden

Brethren,

As the year 2012 rushes by your Lodge continues to progress. My congratulations to our newest Master Masons - Mark A. Patton (Raised on September 6, 2012) and Jose Piceno (Raised on September 27, 2012). We also continue to get more applications for degrees (membership), and many more degree will need to be scheduled. I hope you consider attending these degrees and show your support for our members.

At the time I write this I find that Grand Lodge is fast approaching. I want to take this opportunity to thank the Lodge for allowing me to attend and participate in the Grand Lodge Annual Communication. It is always great to represent such an outstanding Lodge and such wonderful Brethren as we have in the Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge. There are many resolutions to consider at Grand Lodge, and some that will possibly change the face of your Lodge. For example, before the Grand Lodge members is a vote to mandate that the Lodge Stated Meetings be opened on the First Degree and to allow Entered Apprentice Masons to attend the Stated Meetings. If this resolution passes it means that the Stated Meeting will be opened on the First Degree, which is quite a change. The results of the Grand Lodge votes should be posted on the Grand Lodge website at www.freemason.org. Also, by now the Annual Barbecue is behind us and with the hard work of many of our Brethren I am sure that it was a tasty success. The money from the Annual Barbecue goes into our scholarship fund and I expect that we added to those funds which go to help students continue their education.

Don't forget that the Annual Family Picnic is coming up on October 13, 2012 at Heritage Park in Santa Fe Springs. We always have a good time at this picnic, and I hope to see all of you there.



From the South

Andrew Macias

Junior Warden

Brethren,

I would like to start out by thanking you all for sending me once again to the Grand Lodge Communication. It was a great experience and will not easily be forgotten. I would also like to congratulate Bros. Mark Patton and Jose Piceno on their advancement to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Finally, I would like to thank all of you who came out and supported the Annual Country BBQ. A great time was had by all!!

This coming month our youth have full calendars, please see below for dates and times. However, Job's daughters have two functions that I am encouraging particular support for: The CHOC Walk on Oct. 14 (Sunday), donations may be made on Facebook as well as directly to a member; and the Chili cook-off at Silverado Days in Buena Park on Sunday Oct. 21 from 10am-4pm; as well as, running a Tamale & Taco Booth at the fair. Also, all of our groups are having their installations this month. Please come out and see their great work!!

We have a very busy month ahead; so 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 October::

Oct. 8 (Monday) Buena Park Assembly Rainbow for Girls Installation, 7:00pm

Oct. 13 (Saturday) Excelsior De Molay Installation, 7:30pm

Oct. 14 (Sunday) CHOC Walk Anaheim, all day

Oct. 19 (Friday) Shrine Dance

Oct. 19-21 (Fri-Sun) Silverado Days Buena Park (Peak Park), all day (JDI has Tamale and Taco booth)

Oct. 21 (Sunday) Chili Cook-off, Silverado Days, 10:00am-4:00pm

Oct. 27 (Saturday) Jobies Meeting, Deputy Grand Guardian's Official Visit, 9:30am



From the Office of

Bill Sizemore

Secretary

Brethren,

Your Lodge Officers have been busy with Degrees and Fun Events. I know you have had fun being at the Dinners and other programs that has been put on at different times this year.

There are a few of our Brethren that have NOT paid their dues for 2012. The Dues Notices for the upcoming 2013 Year will be Mailed out soon.

Our Dues will also include Entered Apprentices and Fellow Craft Masons, who are now Required to make payment for their 2013 Dues.

If its your Birthday month, your Stated Lodge dinner is "**FREE**".

- ◆ ***MAKE THOSE DINNER RESERVATIONS***
*How much better can it be?
- ◆ Fraternaly,
- ◆ Bill Sizemore, PM - Secretary

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, Oct 8th - 7 P.M. **INSTALLATION Meeting**

Monday, Oct 22th - 7 P.M. Meeting

Contact: Mrs. Marie Stoltz @ 562 619-1151

Job's Daughters - Bethel #241



Saturday, Oct 13th - 9:30 A.M. Meeting

Saturday, Oct 27th- 9:30 A.M. Meeting

Contact: Mrs. Deborah Fogal 562 587-4971

DeMolay-Excelsior Chapter



Wednesday, Oct 10th - **Dinner 6:30 p.m. \$5.00**

7:30 PM - **Meeting**

Wednesday, Oct 24th - 7:30 PM - Degree Meeting

Contact: Dad Jim Hannum 562 926-5169

In Loving Memory

BRO DENNIS W. PURDEY

Born: May 17, 1919—Iowa

Initiated Entered Apprentice: Nov 11, 1952

Passed Fellowcraft: Jan 20, 1953

Raised Master Mason: March 31, 1953

In Hollenbeck Lodge #319

Entered into Rest: January 15, 2012

AGE 92 Years / 7 Months / 29 Days

**Almighty Father, into thy hands we
commend the souls of our departed
Brothers. Amen.**

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	Moore, Barry D.	1993
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*	1975/80
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/*97	Winford Mike T. *	1988/2011
Masson, John P.	1988	Wohlfrath, Fred C.	1967
McAdam, Theodore	2002/03		

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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

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St. John's Day: Gary Iverson, PM

Membership Committee: Frank
Gillespie, PM, Gil Buck, PM,
Warren Gustafson, PM

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