GOLDEN TROWEL NORWALK LODGE NO. 273



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Stated Meeting: 2nd Thursday of Each Month Dinner: 6:30 p.m. – Meeting: 7:30 p.m.

VANUARY 2017 TRESTLEBOARD

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GOLDEN TROWEL NORWALK CALENDAR

January 2017

- Thursday 5th 7 PM Officers Meeting
- Monday 9th 7 PM Norwalk Masonic Building Association
- Wednesday 11th 7 PM O.S.I. all Officers at Downey Lodge (3rd Street & Downey Ave. - 2nd floor)
- Thursday 12th 6:30 Stated Meeting and Dinner
- Thursday 19th Practice
- Thursday 26th 7 PM Degree

February 2017

- Thursday 2nd 7 PM Officers Practice
- Sunday, 5th 2:30 PM Super Bowl Party @Frantone's in Norwalk - Contact Bro. Garry Iverson
- Monday 5th 7 PM Norwalk Masonic Building Association
- Wednesday 8th 7 PM O.S.I. all Officers at Downey Lodge
- Thursday 9th 6:30 Stated Meeting and Dinner Reception of Inspector Don Muller
- Thursday, 16th Officers Practice
- Thursday 21st Officers Practice

November Stated Meeting

Please make your dinner reservations by Monday, January 9th, 2017 by 5 p.m. RSVP Information - Please call (562) 863-9101 – and Leave a message to our Secretary.

Menu

For Diner we will having salad, Ham with scallops potatoes, vegetables and dessert, with special meals if requested. Please contact Lodge office if needed.

The Ladies will be doing a craft. Bring your reading glasses and scissors. All supplies will be furnished.

* SICKNESS AND DISTRESS *

Bro. Warren and Sister Sherry Gustafson are both doing better. They are both receiving Physical Therapy and flowers were sent to them. Bro. Don Eschbach is fully recovered from Knee surgery and is playing some golf.

Bro. Ted Taylor and Sister Millie continue to deal with health issues. Bro. Nick Photakis is starting Physical Therapy at La Mirada Convalesant hospital to get strength back for a possible future surgery. Sister Beth Wendling is at home and is doing well. Flowers were sent to her.

Bro. Jim Reyburn's cancer has returned to his throat and he cannot receive any more radiation therapy. He has elected to not have the surgery to remove the vocal cords and voice box. The doctor estimates that has 1 to 3 years, more or less. Sister Sandra Reyburn will be having a knee surgery done due to a car accident in 2015. At this time, the surgery is not scheduled yet.

Bro Ben Car is in Kaiser Harbor City Hospital having an Angioplastic Heart Procedure.

For any Brother, Sister, or one of our Lodge Sweethearts, that are sick or in distress, please contact Brother Jim Reyburn – (562) 943-9342



From the East

Joseph Patronas Worshipful Master

Brethren and our Masonic Family,

First of all, I would like to wish to all of you A Healthy, Happy and Prosperous New Year for 2017.

I would like to thank all of the Brothers, Sisters, Family and Friends who attended our Installation. I truly appreciate and Thank our Installing team, the Youth groups and everybody who made this possible. Also, my congratulations to our newly Installed Officers.

I am deeply honored and blessed for the opportunity I have to Serve this Masonic Lodge as Your Worshipful Master. I look forward to Your Continued Support and Attendance for the ensuing Masonic Year.

Now, that the festivities and holidays are over, let's all roll up our sleeves, for the good of Masonry in general, and our Lodge in particular.

Thursday, January 12th - 6:30 pm is our next Stated Meeting and Dinner. I'm Looking forward and I hope to see you all there...

Fraternally,

Joseph Patronas Worshipful Master



From the West

Mark Patton Senior Warden

To all of my brethren,

Thank you for coming to the Installation we had on the 17th of December. Also, I want to give thanks to the installing team, as well as our Most Worshipful Frank Loui, for working on installing us to our new stations. It was a great turnout and I was glad to see that some of our past, and present, Grand Lodge members were able to attend as well.

Now that we are in a new year, we have a lot of things to do and it would be great to see our brothers come over once in a while to visit our lodge during the stated meeting, or at least our Dinner, to socialize and get to know our newly raised brethren and our newly appointed officers. I'm sure they would love to hear what you know about masonry and what tips you can give to first time officers.

Mark Patton, PM Senior Warden



From the South

Robert Mitchell Junior Warden

Brethren,

The 2016 year end activities were joyous, well performed, and successful. Congratulations to our newest Master Mason Ben Rhamy. We anticipate your participation and your family becoming an active part of ours.

La Mirada Theater and the Young Americans Christmas Spectacular were delightful, and we thank Wor. Mike Winford and Wor. Frank Gillespie for their efforts to make it run smoothly for the 46+ who were able to attend.

The installation of officers was festive and dignified, with support of the new Master's extensive family and the entire Masonic Family.

I want to offer my personal thanks to those who worked so well on behalf of the brethren during 2016, as we had many activities for advancing members, for our charities, for our youth groups, and for our good fellowship.

Now, let us move forward to 2017 and the work we strive to do. The officers will be working at new stations and demonstrating their ritual proficiency. We will be sharing moments with a new 646 Masonic District under our Inspector, the Worshipful Don Muller, in a new Division VI under the Worshipful Charles Cross, Assistant Grand Lecturer. I look forward to sharing those efforts during the coming year.

Bob Mitchell PM, Junior Warden



From the Secretary

Michael Winford

YES indeed,

It seems hardly possible that another year has rolled into the history books. With the many festive decorations and the holiday spirit all around us we may be able to reflect on our many blessings and achievement's.

We should be very proud of what we have built already, an even more excited about meeting our future of charitable obligations. Brother by brother, charitable dollar by charitable dollar - this how we impact the world.

A Listing of "Care-Related Service Providers"- has been complied by our California Masonic Outreach Services, as a guide to help our Seniors find trusted care givers and services in our communities in California and beyond.

It specifically identifies and recommends fully- researched services and providers in the areas of: In-Home Care, including memory care and hospice facilities. The latest listings are available at the Masonic Homes website or contact their staff at (888) 466-3642. Our next L A Service Bureau meeting will be on Sunday, January 15th, 2017 starting with a continental Breakfast at 9:15 AM. The agenda will include Officer Elections/ Installations and Introductions of the NEW Lodge Master's of our area Lodges Looking for a Good New Year's Resolution ??

Fraternally, Mike Winford, PM Secretary Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge No 273



From the Building Association

Hello Brethren, just a short note to wish everyone a Happy New Year. The board would like to congratulate Worshipful Master, Joseph Patronas ,and his line of officers. It was a great installation and I know we will have a great year.

I hate to keep saying we are still waiting for approval from Grand Lodge so we can move ahead with the new parking lot however that is the case. I hope you have noticed the new emergency lights that have been installed throughout the building (*Thanks to Brother Socrates Patronas). They have already been checked out during a recent blackout, they worked great. To all the board members remember our first meeting of the new year will be January 9th, we will be voting for our officers for 2017.

Ted Taylor, president

2017 Lodge Officers





Job's Daughters Bethel #241



Happy New Years!!! We have a great year planned. Starting with the Installation of Jasmine Baker as Honored Queen on January 14th at 7pm and a Valentine's Day Dance on February 11th at 7pm. We look forward to seeing everyone at both events. Please come out and support our girls, they love seeing everyone.

We would like to thank Kelly Baker for all her hard work guiding the Bethel the last two years as Bethel Guardian. She graciously stepped in when our last Bethel Guardian moved away unexpectedly. She was thrown into a position that she had little knowledge of. We had some bumpy times as we were learning how to run a Bethel, but she hung in there and saw that this Bethel not only survived, but that it flourished. We are thankful for her hard work and dedication to our Bethel.

Congratulations to Katrina Bulanek who was installed Bethel Guardian in December. With the help of our council and the continued support of our Masonic Family, we are all looking forward to another great year.

Congratulations to Worshipful Joseph Patronas. Thank you for letting us be a part of your big day. It was a beautiful ceremony. His daughter sang beautifully and his family prepared an amazing Greek Dinner. May your year as Master be as wonderful as your Installation.

Job's Daughter's Calendar Of Events

Saturday, January 14th @ 7 PM - Installation

Saturday, February 11th @ 7 PM - Valentine's Day Dance



Buena Park Rainbow Girls #231



The girls of Buena Park Assembly #231 International Order of the Rainbow for Girls have been busy doing what Rainbow Girls do best....giving service to others! Recently our Worthy Advisor, Angelina Robles organized the girls to make stockings full of essentials and goodies to donate to the VA Center in Long Beach. The girls decided to spread more Christmas cheer by adopting a family through the VA Center providing them with many needed things to make their Christmas a bit more cheerful. Our service efforts continued with helping out at the monthly stated dinner, and serving food at Golden Trowel Norwalk's Masonic Installation on December 17th. 2016 will be wrapped up with a full day of decorating Rose Parade floats on December 30th, something the girls have done for the last three years making it an Assembly tradition.

Our girls will start 2017 off with some fun activities listed below, and we will start our preparations for our trip up to Grand Assembly to be held April 8-11th in Fresno, CA. If you would like to support our girls in their fundraisers which meet budget needs and help send the girls to Grand Assembly please check out the links below.

We look forward to a prosperous year in 2017 full of many Rainbow adventures and fun! We welcome all our Sponsoring Orders to visit us at any of our meetings held the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7 p.m., and would love your referrals for new members. Pledge girls ages 8-11 and Rainbow Girls ages 11-19. Pictured above are the girls getting ready to look at Christmas lights and go caroling as a Faith Prospective Members event.

Fundraisers:

http://www.pepperfundraising.com/program/buenapark231 http://www.mixedbagdesign.com/

Enter ID: 292264 Enter: FRIENDS10 for 10% off

Upcoming Events:

January 9th - Election of new officers

January 15th - Last OV of the Grand Worthy Advisor

January 21st - Mystery Trip (prospective members welcome)

February 13 - Installation of Officers 7p.m. Open to the public

Dont' forget to keep up with our social media account for more updates!

<u>facebook.com/buenaparkrainbowgirls</u>
<u>instagram.com/buenaparkrainbowgirls</u>
<u>twitter.com/bprainbowgirls</u>



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Hello Norwalk Masonic Family,

The coming months will be very fun for Excelsior. In December, Paradise League had their annual Spark of Love Dance on Friday the 16th, where the admission was a new toy to donate to children in need during the holiday season. On Wednesday the 28th, we will had a prospect event instead of a meeting to boost our membership. Coming up in January is Paradise League's Ritual Competition where all our boys will compete! That night is also the SCJ All Night Bowling at the Norfolk Brunswick Lanes.

Thank you all again for your continuous support!

Happy Holidays from Excelsior Chapter!

Daniel Faris.

Dana Vrsalovich is Chairman of the Excelsior Chapter, Order of **DeMolay**

562-715-3676 thegrimrapier@hotmail.com

Brothers, Companions, family and friends you are cordially invited to the:



February 5, 2017 2:30PM – End of the Game

WHERE: <u>Frantone's Pizza</u>: 10808 Alondra Blvd Cerritos, CA 90703 (near Home Depot off Hwy 605)

All you can eat endless buffet and free non-alcoholic drinks.

ONLY \$15 (same price for 10 years)

If you attended our Superbowl Parties in the past you know how much fun we have. If you haven't attended in the past, you have missed out on the great fellowship and fun that goes on. Either way I again invite you to join us. You won't be disappointed.

BRING YOUR FAMILY and FRIENDS!!!

If you plan on attending, please call Gary Iverson at (562) 863-0319 or send an email at garymi2@gmail.com before January 30, 2017.

Living Past Masters of Golden Trowel Norwalk

^{*}Affiliated Recipient