

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.

NOVEMBER 2017
TRESTLE-BOARD

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GOLDEN TROWEL NORWALK CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2017

- Thursday 2nd - 7 PM Officer's Practice
- Monday 6th - 7 PM Norwalk Masonic Building Association
- **Thursday 9th - 6:30 Dinner, 7:30 Stated Meeting**
- Thursday 16th - 7 PM Officer's Practice or Degree
- Wednesday 22nd - 6 PM/Food, 7 PM/O.S.I. All Officers at Downey Lodge
- Thursday 23rd - "DARK" (Thanksgiving)
- Thursday 30th - 7 PM Officer's Practice or Degree

DECEMBER 2017

- Monday 4th - 7 PM Norwalk Masonic Building Association
- Thursday 7th - 7 PM Officer's Practice or Degree
- **Thursday 14th - 6:30 Dinner, 7:30 Stated Meeting**
- Friday 15th - 5 PM Dinner and Theater
- Thursday 16th - **2 PM Officer's Installation**
- Thursday 21st - 7 PM "To be announced"
- Thursday 28th - 7 PM "To be announced"



November Stated Meeting

Please make your dinner reservations by Monday, November 6th, by 5 p.m. RSVP Information - Please call (562) 863-9101 – and Leave a message to our Secretary

MENU (Dinner at 6:30 pm)

Green salad. Main course will be Turkey breast w/mashed potatoes, dressing, cranberry sauce, green bean Casserole & rolls. Pumpkin pie for dessert.

After dinner (while the men will be at the Lodge room) the Ladies will enjoy playing Bingo.

~ IN LOVING MEMORY ~

NICHOLAS PHOTAKIS,

Entered into rest on October 1st, 2017
at the age of 97 Years and 29 Days

Initiated on January 20, 2005 in GTN No. 273

Passed on August 25, 2005 in GTN No. 273

Raised on March 16, 2006 in GTN No. 273

TED R. TAYLOR, PM.

Entered into rest on October 14, 2017.
at the age of 72 Years 4 Months and 5 Days.

Initiated on November 27, 1993

Passed on February 19, 1994

Raised on April 30, 1994

All His degrees taken at A.M. Daylight No. 625

Masonic Honors - Past Master,

Hiram Award 8-30-2012

Presented 32° KCCH in San Diego 09-23-2017

Past Patron Bellflower - OES

Past President - Signal Hill Hi-12



From the East

Joseph Patronas
Worshipful Master

Brethren and our Masonic Family,

Our Masonic year was going pretty well. Besides doing our monthly Stated meetings, taking care our Masonic business, and doing Degrees, we have also had our fun times. We came back from a wonderful cruise, and then we enjoyed a fun dinner and show to Honor our Lodge's Sweetheart Widows. We were just getting ready to go to the Grand Lodge of California in San Francisco, for the Annual Communication, when we lost our Brother Nick Photakis at the age of 97 years old. At least he had a good and long life. Few days later unfortunately we lost another good Brother, a very active and dedicated Brother, the Worshipful Ted Taylor. He was 72 years old. I know we are losing many Masonic Brothers and Sisters of old age or sickness, but when we lose someone who is very close to us it hurts a lot more!

I am deeply saddened by their loss, and my deepest sympathies and my condolences go out to their families. Rest in Peace my brothers, you will be missed.

As sad as we are, unfortunately life goes on, so please mark your calendar for couple very important dates. November, Thursday 9 is our Dinner, followed by our very important Stated meeting. It is our officers election night as well as for the Hall Association. Please make an effort to be there. Also, December, Saturday 16, at 2 PM, is our Officers Installation Day. I am Looking forward to see you there.

Fraternally,
Joseph Patronas
Worshipful Master



From the West

Mark Patton
Senior Warden

Happy Thanksgiving,

We are now in the middle of the busy Holiday season, with Grand Lodge and Halloween behind us, many of us are now making plans with our families for Thanksgiving. It falling on Thursday November 23 many of us will have a four day weekend. For those of us traveling let us remember as everything slows down to enjoy the holidays peoples mind wander so be very careful on the roads and may all your travels be safe.

November 5 is the end of Daylight Savings Time so don't forget to set your clocks back an hour (fall back) making our days darker sooner.

Thursday November 9 is stated, looking forward to a great dinner and it also is election night for some officers. There are still three spots open in line for officers if interested please let me know as I would love to fill them. Also besides officers I am looking for Brethern to fill the many committies.

Last bit not least Nov 11 is Veterans Day!

We thank all who have served everyday but this day we really shine the spot light on them to show and tell them how much we really and truly appreciate all they have done and gone through for our freedom.

Tell a Veteran Thank You and if you are a Verteran Thank You for your service.

Fraternally yours
Mark Patton P.M.
Senior Warden



From the South

Robert Mitchell
Junior Warden

Brethren,

In our review of the three principal tenets of Masonry, we are instructed in the belief and practice of BROTHERLY LOVE, RELIEF, AND TRUTH.

Brotherly Love allowed Christians and Jews in the Period of Enlightenment to meet, share and support each other without invoking the partisan and sectarian differences in their religious beliefs. Those principles of mutual respect and courtesy were important in building a civilized society, and were extended to many branches of both religious traditions, and out to others. By the practice of masonry among military lodges, the principles were shared with many other countries, and we find freemasonry among many different cultures.

Relief is a tenet that allows us to practice that great moral virtue of treating others as we would ask to be treated, and to show compassion for the victims of bad luck, adversity or persecution. By our sharing of our God-given resources and talents, we give comfort to the afflicted. But by giving of ourselves, we often gain the pleasant and peaceful feeling that we are doing God's work, while we are building connection to our fellow creatures.

Truth is many things to many people, because reality is different to each of us. Masonry holds some things to be universally true, including our belief in a Supreme Being, our recognition that we are responsible for our fellow creatures, and that we should have the discipline to govern our own actions for our own good. Finding truth includes finding God through our religious studies, finding how people live by observing, listening, sharing, and sometimes by lending a helping hand to lead others, but especially by looking at our own list of virtues achieved and still to be improved. Some of the ways of finding truth: love and serve God, be an involved and helpful neighbor and family member, and take time to consider your own actions and beliefs.

I hope that your masonic journey is progressing with these tenets as your guide.

Robert Mitchell, PM
Junior Warden



From the Secretary

Michael Winford

Is There anything on your table Brother Secretary? YES indeed,

Exclusive Presale: 300 Year Commemorative Issue, Brethren, The beautiful 90 page collectors edition will be Marking our 300th Year anniversary of the California Freemason "commemorative issue", making a perfect gift for lodge leaders and mentors, Masonic scholars and all who appreciate the enduring heritage of our Fraternity. Only 1,000 copies have been printed, and each one is had-numbered. Copies will be available in person at the Annual Communication or for orders on line at: [www. freemason.org](http://www.freemason.org).

Candidate Coaching, The Lodge expects each *first-line signers to coach the applicants* through his degrees.

By spreading the work around coaches aren't overwhelmed, and every Candidate gets the attention he deserves. **EVERYBODY LEARNS!** Every Master Mason should coach a new Mason.

As They coach, they also gain a deeper appreciation for the lessons in each degree.

Stay Well Brethren, Its Not What You Gather, But What you Scatter That Tells What Kind Of Life You Have Lived.

TODAY IS THE OLDEST YOU'VE EVER BEEN; YET THE YOUNGEST You'll Ever Be, So Enjoy This Day, While It Lasts.

See You in Lodge,

Fraternally,
Mike Winford, PM,
Secretary



Job's Daughters Bethel #241



Thanksgiving Day is almost here. While we all look forward to eating turkey and watching football, it's time to reflect on our year and everything we have to be thankful for. We are thankful for all of the support from our Masonic Family.

Thank you for everyone that joined us for Trunk Or Treat. It's always more fun when we have our Masonic Family join us for our fun events.

We are still looking for volunteers, if anyone is interested in volunteering, please let us know.

Job's Daughters Calendar Of Events

Saturday, November 4th – Majority Ceremony - Time TBD

Saturday, November 18th @ 9:30AM – Meeting – Location TBD



Buena Park Rainbow Girls #231



Hello from everyone at Buena Park Assembly #231! We had lots of fun in September at our activities. On Saturday, September 23th, we had a Southern CA Leadership Summit. We had lots of fun learning how to have a growth mindset, playing games, and tutorials. We also had our installation of officers on October 7th. It was lots of fun, Alexandria Bulanek went in as Worthy Advisor and we are all excited for everything she has planned for this term!

Additionally, we will be going to the OC Museum of Art on November 11th. On November 22nd, we will be going to Families Forward, our state service project, to help with their food pantry. We are also collecting food for Families forward and would be happy to take any donations. December 2nd is Karly Kimes', Grand Charity and representative to Washington/Idaho, reception starting at 7pm.

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. 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

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
Beckman Jr., Frank H	1980/99	Mitchell, Robert R.	1983/2016
Berg, Charles M.	1972	Moss, Clive W. *	2001/02/03/04/09
Bohn, Hans F.	1974	Nighswonger, James	1994/05
Booth, William M.	2010	Noble, Douglas A.	1983
Colon, Felix *	1972	Ogden, Charles J.*	2001/2002
Cowart Jr., Joseph W.	1974	Palmer, John M. *	1974
Eade, Jack W.*	1978	Patronas, John E.*	2013
Earl, Richard G.	75/80/81/82	Patton, Mark F. *	2016
Easley, Ronald T.	1975	Perry, James	2000
Eichen, Doug	1987/93	Pool, Roy *	1973/1999
Evans, Rick A.*	1991	Roberts, D. Dale	1972
Gerken, Gary D.	1995	Rodriguez, George	1989
Gillespie, Frank	86/87/2000	Rose, Charles D.	1990
Grubb, Joseph Jr. *	2016	Sanderson, Wallace*	1975/80
Gustafson, Warren *	1969	Swanston, David III	76/87/88/01/02/13/14
Iverson, Gary	2009	Thompson, James R.	1984
Kidder, David W.	1979	Tripler, William *	1984/91
Kirklin, Robert B. *	2004/2008	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	Winford Mike T.	1988/2011/12
Masson, John P.	1988		
McAdam, Theodore	2002/03		

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