GOLDEN TROWEL NORWALK LODGE # 273



Stated Meeting 2nd Thursday of each month

Temporary on-Line only via Zoom 7:00 pm

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From the East

Joseph Patronas Worshipful Master

Brethren and our Masonic Family,

First of all and most important I hope that all of you as well as your loved ones are in good health and spirit.

October is the month which the very important Annual Communications event of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of California take place in San Francisco.

This year though, due to the COVID-19 restrictions, the Annual Communications event was made possible via zoom on-line video conference. Not exactly the same as it lucks the in-person human contact and fraternal ship, but at least accomplished what it had to be done.

Via zoom every month we are contacting our Stated and Hall Association meetings and the Masonic Outreach Service meetings as well.

My congratulation to our new Grand Master Most Worshipful Arthur Weis, and to all the Grand Lodge Officers, as well to the Worshipful Charles Cross, for his re-election as AGL in our Division VI;

LEGISLATION RESULTS:

Recommendation No. 1: Conduct of Certain Lodge Business During Emergencies **PASSED**

Recommendation No. 2: Deferral of legislation to the 172nd Annual Communication **PASSED**

In addition to the above, the following actions were also taken: In accordance with California Masonic Code §407.050, the Grand Lodge adopted the budget for 2020-2021 as proposed by the Deputy Grand Master. The background check fee was set at \$30.00. The per capita assessment for the fiscal year November 1, 2021

through October 31, 2022, as proposed by the Senior Grand Warden, was adopted and fixed at \$55.25.

Total registration for the 171st Annual Communication was 1,886 with 290 of 332 chartered lodges represented. (The number of chartered lodges includes five lodges under dispensation, one historic lodge, four research lodges, and Grand Master's Lodge.) Here at our lodge we are having monthly on-line virtual meetings to pay our bills and spend some time interacting with each other since we can't in person.

At this time I would like to bring to your attention our Lodge's zoom meetings for the month of October.

Our next virtual on-line video conference Stated meeting has been scheduled for **Thursday**, **November 12**th, **at 7 pm.**

The meeting ID is: 748 876 6741 – no password is needed.

I would also like to remind you that our Hall Association meeting it has been scheduled for Monday, October 2nd, also at 7 pm.

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This month we will add another zoom meeting to accommodate our Ladies having some fun and spending some "virtual" time together! They will play "country store" via zoom.

Playing the game it's very easy. After connecting to zoom, you will copy and paste this link: **mfbc.us/m/qb5rxc** onto your browser and just have fun.

America and I checked by playing the game and it was a lots of fun, I couldn't really stop playing. Unfortunately she beat me though. You can be connected to zoom by using a computer, laptop, pad or a smart phone.

Just download and install the free application on your device. If you don't know how, you can just ask a relative or a friend to help you. The virtual on-line video conference for the Ladies has been scheduled for **Thursday**, **November 12**th, **at 4 pm**.

The meeting ID is: **748 876 6741** – <u>no password is needed</u>. Be careful and stay healthy. Thank you.

Sincerely and Fraternally

Joseph Patronas, PM Worshipful Master

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