GOLDEN TROWEL NORWALK LODGE #273



Stated Meeting 2nd Thursday of each month

Dinner: 6:30 p.m. – Meeting: 7:30 p.m.

Golden Trowel Norwalk Lodge No.273

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GOLDEN TROWEL NORWALK

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LODGE CALENDAR

October

1 Thurs Laughlin trip
3 Sat Star Tea
5 Mon Hall Board Meeting
6 Tues Lodge Study Night
7 Wed Emerald Star
8 Thurs Stated moved to Oct 15th
9-11 Thurs Grand Communication
10 Sat Jobs Daughters
12 Mon Rainbow
13 Tues Lodge Study Night
15 Thurs Lodge Stated Meeting & Dinner
20 Tues Rainbow Council Meeting
20 Tues Lodge Study Night
21 Wed Emerald Star
22 Thurs Lodge
26 Mon County Elections
26 Mon Rainbow @7
27 Tues Emerald Star Port Pall night
27 Tues Lodge Study Night
28 Wed Jobs Daughters
29 Thurs Lodge

November

2 Mon Hall Board Meeting
3 Tues Lodge Study Night
4 Wed Emerald Star
5 Thurs Lodge
6 Fri Emerald Star
9 Mon Rainbow @7
10 Tues Lodge Study Night
12 Thurs Lodge
14 Sat Hiram Award for Kevin Bulanek
14 Sat Jobs Daughters
17 Tues Rainbow Council Meeting
17 Tues Lodge Study Night
18 Wed Emerald Star
19 Thurs Lodge
21 Sat Rainbow Grand Cross of Color
21 Sat Sweet Hearts @ Mimi's Cafe
23 Mon Rainbow @7
24 Tues Emerald Star Port Pall night
24 Tues Lodge Study Night
25 Wed Jobs @7:00pm
26 Thurs Lodge

Stated DINNER

Indian tacos on fry bread

Join us for an evening filled with good food, heartfelt fellowship, and gratitude for the blessings we share as brothers and friends.

RSVP in one of two ways:

1. **Respond to the email** sent from Grand Lodge and click the event link to RSVP with number attending.
2. **Call the lodge at 562-863-9101**, press 5. Leave a voicemail with your name # in your party.

WORSHIPFUL MASTER



Happy Halloween

Oct is a busy month with our Lodge Laughlin trip, Grand Lodge, and our Stated dinner/ meeting being moved to Oct 15 the third Thurs. At Stated we will be voting out money for our Annual charities, the Masonic homes; Shrine hospitals; The Midnight mission; Angel Tree project; Su Casa; The Youth Center and more.
We end the month with the LA County RR/CC renting out our Lodge as a voting center for elections.

Looking back Thank You to all who came out to our masons-4-mitts game and Lodge picnic and a big Thank You to all who were behind the scenes setting up and cleaning up after. We welcome Brother Javier Sanchez our newest affiliated Brother and happy to see another affiliation as well as a petition for degrees turned in with one more petition asked for.

Looking forward Congratulations to Brother Kevin Bulanek who is our Hiram Award recipient, his ceremony will be held Nov 14 at 4pm please RSVP to the Secretary so we have a head count for food.
We also will be having our Lodge Sweethearts Dinner (Sweethearts are our lodge widows) please see the Entertainment report for details on that and all end of year events coming up.
Hope to see you all soon

From the East
Mark Patton P.M. H.A.
Worshipful Master

SENIOR WARDEN



Brethren,
As we enter October, the season reminds us of balance — the equal measure of light and darkness. In Masonry, this balance reflects our own labor in the West. It is a time to steady the Lodge, support the Master's work, and prepare for the closing months of the year with renewed focus.

I encourage each brother to stay engaged as we approach our final degrees and events of the year. If you have been away, this is a wonderful moment to return and reconnect. Our candidates continue their journey, and your presence strengthens the experience for them and for the Lodge.

I would also like to congratulate bro Arias for giving his 1st degree proficiency, good job brother and keep up the good work.

I look forward to seeing you in Lodge and continuing our work in harmony and brotherly love.

Fraternally,
Stephen Gomez, Senior Warden

Members: Join the lodge GroupMe app for up to the minute internal communications. Scan the QR code to join

SECRETARY



Greetings Brothers,
In September we had our lodge picnic with Emerald Star and it was enjoyed by all along with the Masons4Mitts event held at Angels Stadium with our lodge in attendance. Kicking off the month of October is **Laughlin Trip 1-4th** and the next week is **177th California Annual Communication** at the Grand Lodge of California in San Francisco **9th-11th**. The lodge has **County Elections 26th -5th** and next month we have our **Hiram Award for Brother Kevin Bulanek** on the **November 14th**.

Dues - Dues payments for 2026 will follow the same process as in previous years. Grand Lodge will send out email notices in October and postal mail in November and December. You are past due after Dec 31st. and will recieve some notices then as well.

Dues payment is simple with a credit or debit card online at freemason.org or check by mailing it to the lodge. For those paying by card, pleaseremember that these payments must be made through Grand Lodge. Simply visit freemason.org, log in to your member account, and follow the prompts to complete your payment. Grand Lodge also offers the option to pay in installments if that is helpful.

Lifetime Membership - Our Lodge also offers Lifetime Membership for brothers who wish to simplify future payments and support the Lodge in a lasting way. The cost is calculated based on your age at the time of payment using a multiplier established by Grand Lodge. Lifetime memberships must be paid directly to the lodge (written check or bill pay). Contact me if you need to make any other arrangement such as Zelle.

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP	
UNDER AGE 49	(21 × $100) = $2100
AGE 50–54	(19 × $100) = $1900
AGE 55–59	(17 × $100) = $1700
AGE 60–64	(14 × $100) = $1400
AGE 65 & OVER	(11 × $100) = $1100

Fraternally,
Jason Tucker H. A.
Secretary
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TEMPLE BOARD



Greetings from the Temple Board,

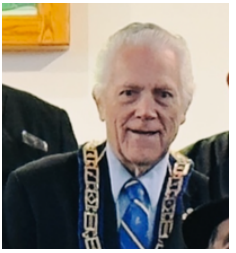
We are still currently collecting bids on repairing the interior walls. we are also looking at collecting bids for the planters. We finished repairs to the kitchen exhaust units and are about to finish repairs to the kitchen swamp cooler. Stay tuned for more future repairs. Please remember any building concerns can be emailed to the below email address.

Thank you,
Andrew Demofonte H. A.
Norwalk Masonic Building
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ENTERTAINMENT REPORT



Lodge Sweethearts Dinner - November 21st Mini's Cafe 8455 Firestone Blvd, Downey, CA 90240. $20/person, lodge sweethearts (the lodge widows) are free.

We're looking into a Christmas program in December. More to come.

Any questions call Frank Gillespie at 562-325-2588.
Please speak clearly and slowly include your phone number.
Thanks and looking forward to our outings!



Masons4Mitts

Angels Stadium



BIRTHDAYS

10/2 David L George
10/5 John W Jones
10/8 Devina Y Aguon, Spouse of Nathan
10/9 Serene A Bartoletti
10/12 Claudia Carrasco, Spouse of Osborne
10/13 Billy D Harmon
10/14 Joseph F Cosby
10/16 Albert M Estrella
10/17 Rick A Evans Past Master
10/20 Jesi Bolton, Spouse of Mitchell
10/21 Terry L Fallesen
10/29 Frederick A Bertea
10/31 Jasun O Donaldson



Stan Salter Memorial School of Masonic Instruction

Meets Every Tuesday Morning

Bellflower Masonic Temple 9813 Beach Street Bellflower, CA 90706
8:00 - 9:00 AM - Coffee & Fellowship
9:00 - 9:20 AM - Announcements & Masonic Education
(Contemplative Freemasonry)
9:20 - 10:30 AM - Ritual Instruction

Short Contemplative Freemasonry Talks (7 to 10 Minutes) Available for Lodge Education

- Freemasonry is Religious
- Hiramic Legend: Whence came You
- Masonry as Process
- Ancient Mystery (Osiris & Isis)
- Masons at Sight In California
- Monologue: A visiting Mason
- The Lost Word
- Which Lodge Should I Join?
- How to Destroy Masonry (A Parody)
- Secrets and Mysteries
- Holy Saints John
- Points of Fellowship
- Point within a circle
- Tragic Hero of the Third Degree
- Diversity and Exclusivity
- The Lambskin Apron
- Jackin& Boas
- Introduction to the Memory Palace
- Making Good Men Better
- 50 Years of Masonic Learnings
- Numbers and Masonic Symbols

For Further Information or to Book a Talk Contact
Max Rush, PM - mrjr5860@gmail.com - (562) 412-0501
Facilitator - Stan Salter School
Except (1) Tuesday between Christmas and New Year (2) When December 25th is on Tuesday no Meeting on December 25th or the next Jan 1st.

MEETINGS



Order of Eastern Star
Emerald Star #143
Meetings: 1st and 3rd Wed

Job's Daughters Bethel No. 241
Meetings: 2nd Sat & 4th Wed

Buena Park Rainbow Girls #231
Meetings: 2th & 4th Mon

Excelsior DeMolay
Meetings: 2nd and 4th Wed

EMERALD STAR #143

Order of Eastern Star

Good Day Brethren, Sisters, and Friends, Emerald Star #143 steps into the Fall season with fellowship, celebration, and important dates across our Eastern Star calendar.

Fall Tea Fundraiser – October 3rd

Join us for our Emerald Star Fall Tea Fundraiser on Saturday, October 3rd, from 1 PM to 3 PM. A wonderful afternoon of friendship, refreshments, and support for our Chapter.

Grand Chapter – October 14th–17th (Visalia)

October brings our annual Grand Chapter Session in Visalia, marking the close of the 2026 Grand Family's year.

On the evening of October 17th, Kimberlie Kruse and Chris Ross will be installed for the 2027 Grand Chapter Year. We extend our congratulations and support as they begin their journey. Have a Great Month!

November – Installation Month in California

November is Installation season for Eastern Star across the state.

Emerald Star #143 Installation

Saturday, November 7th 11 AM @ Norwalk Masonic Center

Jenni Orozco and the 2024–2025 Officers will be installed.

This is an Open Invitation to All Brothers. Membership is not required — your presence and support are warmly welcomed.

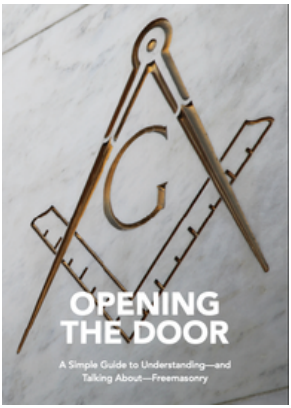
Fraternally,

Debbie Lehan WM

Larry Orozco WP

A Simple Guide to Freemasonry

Check out the latest booklet, full of simple answers to common questions about Freemasonry and advice for talking about it with non-members.



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