

# The Trestleboard

Acalanes Fellowship Lodge #480 ☉ October 2016

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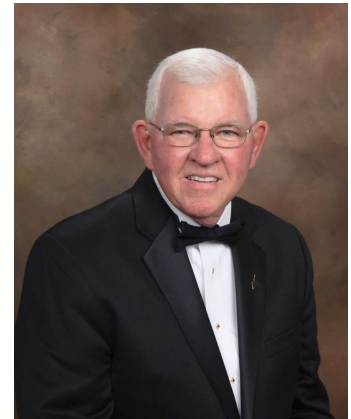
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## **From the East** - *Worshipful Marion P. Rogers, Master*

It seems that this summer has come and gone much too quickly. Very soon fall will be upon us and we will once again be looking at the fall foliage. It's also at this time of year we start thinking about next year's officers. Our prospective officers for next year have been working diligently on their proficiencies and preparing themselves for their new stations. As is our custom, officers will be filling advance stations for the October Stated Meeting.



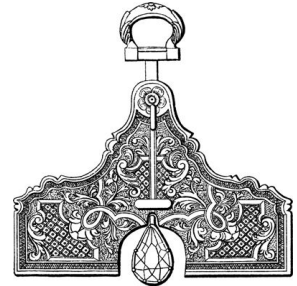
I have really enjoyed sitting in the East this year and greatly appreciate all the support afforded me by the brothers and, in many cases, their wives as well. We still have a lot of things to accomplish before my time in the East is up. We have a 1<sup>st</sup> Degree planned for September 20, a 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree on October 18 and another 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree on October 22. The October 22 degree will be conferred at the Historic Lodge in Columbia. There is a lot of history in that part of the country and I'm looking forward to the visit. I'd like to see as many brethren at the degree as possible.

The Hall Association has continued doing a great job of taking care of the building and property. The latest improvements were to have several pine trees removed. They have provided a lot of shade and beauty over the years but it was time to take them down. A couple of them were leaning quite badly and we were afraid they might fall and cause damage.

The 167<sup>th</sup> Annual Communications this year is schedule for the last few days in October. Think about that - 167 years. That's a long time. Masonry has meant a great deal to many over the years and is still as relevant today as it was when it began in California.

## **From the West** -*Harry G P Burt, Senior Warden*

This is the marvel, mystery, and magic of Masonry. We know it happens because we see examples every day in the faces of our brothers and their families. And yet, how does it happen? Does it happen in the fellowship of the Stated Meeting dinner? Is it a result of the admonition in the stated meeting to learn to subdue our passions and improve ourselves in masonry? What about the brother who rarely finds time to attend the stated meeting but constantly fixes things around the lodge and whom we only regularly see at Hall Association meetings? Does it happen as a result of effort put into lodge administration? Does it happen as a result of effort put into learning ritual or providing a commanding performance in a tiled meeting? Does it happen in that small group of brothers who are always there making sure the lodge is set up for fellowship and ritual?



Then how about those many brothers unable to get to any meetings with us, due to distance, age, or pressures of family and career but still loyally support us through their dues, charitable giving and donations to help us keep going? Does it happen because we feel a duty to our brothers, their widows and orphans?

This is the warp and weft of masonry - all of it and much more. This is what takes good men and makes them better. We are all better through our association with each other, unified through the common experience of the rituals we all went through, as have all fellows and brothers before us.

## **From the Secretary's Desk** -*Fred Lezak, Secretary*



October is Annual Communication Month. This year, the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of California F & AM will be held on October 28th to October 30th at the California Grand Lodge on California Street in San Francisco. The meetings are open to all masons in good standing. If you are planning on going, please bring your current dues card. Registration is all day Friday and Saturday and attendance is free. There are several special events also open to all masons and in some cases their guests (wives, significant others, etc.). For some of these events, there is a fee. To check out times, schedule of events and general schedule, check the [Grand](#)

[Lodge web page](#) and click on "events" in the upper right hand side of the web page. If you have

never attended an annual communication, you are really missing out on an important part of masonry.

At the Annual Communications, there will be several resolutions and recommended changes to the California Masonic Code, the rules which govern the all masonic lodges in California. Each lodge gets to vote on these resolutions. If you have any interest in these changes in the rules, you can review the rules by going to the [Grand Lodge Website](#), log on to the member center in the log on section on the left side of the page, go to “Forms” (middle of page), “167 Annual Communications” (middle of page) and finally click on “02- carryover resolutions from 2017 and new resolutions”. If you have any comments or thoughts on how you would want the lodge to vote, please contact Worship Master Marion Rogers.

As always, you are invited to attend our stated meeting dinner and meeting on October 4<sup>th</sup>. The feeling of brotherly love and good fun continues to abound. Our ritual work is solid and getting better. This is the time for you to return to lodge if you haven't been for a while. Don't feel embarrassed or shy. We want you back and I can guarantee you will be welcomed. You will thank yourself for attending.

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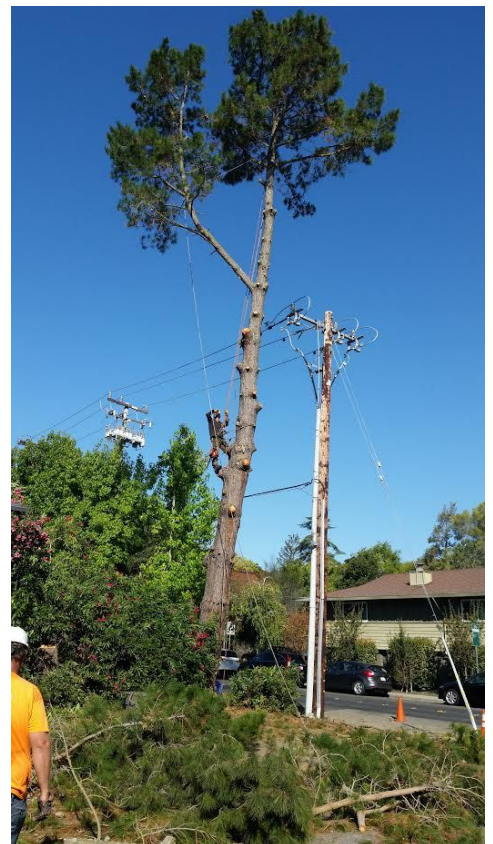
## **Hall Association** *Bob Smith, President*

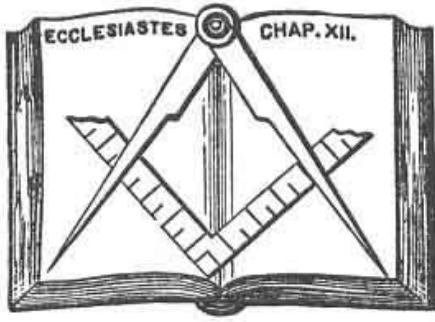
The Hall Association is happy to announce that the old pine trees in our parking lot have finally been removed. It makes the parking area look larger and will be much easier to keep clean in the future.

The kitchen is now all sparkles after being cleaned for two days. Many mystery items were found in the refrigerator and tossed. The stove is nice and clean and should stay that way for some time.

Brother Garth Korwin installed a new light and fan in the prep room - finally things will be comfortable for our candidates!

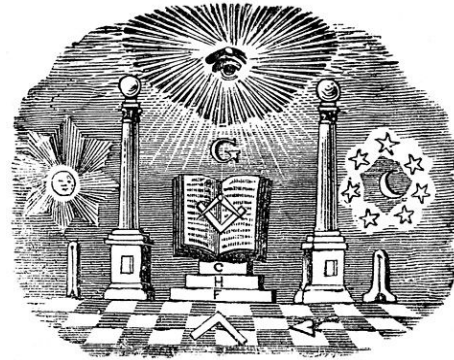
Please let any Hall member know if you see something that needs correction at the lodge.





## 3rd Degree Anniversaries

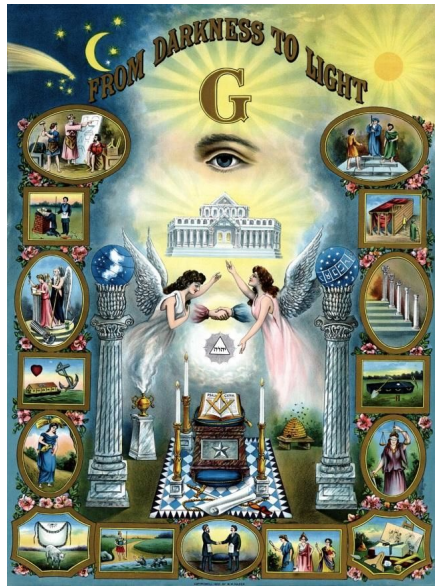
Name	Raised	Years a MM
Donald K. ChambersÁ	10/15/1948Á	68/
James V. DaveyÁ	10/25/1955Á	61/
Henry L. HoffinanÁ	10/23/1962Á	54/
Theodore D. ZellerÁ	10/30/1962Á	54/
Richard G. KeihnerÁ	10/13/1978Á	38/
Thomas E. Riley, III, PMÁ	10/30/1984Á	32/
Frank P. EssertÁ	10/26/1985Á	31/
George R. PeckÁ	10/22/1985Á	31/
Kevin S. MooreÁ	10/26/1991Á	25/
Jeremy K. BranchÁ	10/24/2006Á	10/
Marion P. RogersÁ	10/24/2009Á	7/
Robert L. SmithÁ	10/1/2011Á	5/
Adam J. HaninÁ	10/31/2015Á	1/



## Birthdays

Please join us in wishing our brethren very happy birthdays this month.

J. O. Dryden, IIÁ	October 3
Michael E. Roberts, PMÁ	October 4
Charles A. PageÁ	October 6
Richard D. MaxwellÁ	October 9
Milton F. BruzzzoneÁ	October 13
Max W. King, PMÁ	October 13
Donald H. Freitas, PMÁ	October 19
Michael S. WeisÁ	October 19
Gerald W. WalkerÁ	October 31
Gerard M. Wilson, PMÁ	October 31



*2nd Degree Announcements  
Acalanes Fellowship Lodge No.480*

*Come help our excellent 2nd Degree Ritual Team  
pass our brethren into Fellowcraft<sup>A</sup>*

*Terry Killgore*

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*Tuesday, October 18th  
6:30pm  
Acalanes Fellowship Lodge*  
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*Jonathan Groetsch*

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*Saturday, October 22nd  
10:00am  
Columbia Historic Lodge*  
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**Friends of the Blackhawk Museums Fundraising Event  
to benefit the  
Children's Education & Transportation Fund**

**5:00 pm – Lobby & Upper Gallery**

No Host Reception • Spirit of the Old West Gallery Historical Re-enactments

**7:00 pm – Lower Gallery**

Sit-Down Dinner • Live Auction • Dancing to the Whiskey Pass Band • Raffle • Costume Prizes

*Spirit of the Old West period attire encouraged, 'Come as your favorite western character'*

**Tickets \$60 per person**

VIP Tables (Eight Guests) \$600

Blackhawk Museums - Tax-ID #94-3353881

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Danville, CA 94506-4652

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ASMP & Purveyors  
Potentate's Official Visit

# Country BBQ & Old Fashion Barn Dance



"We ride so children can walk."

Featuring The Best in Live Music  
"Take 2"  
(John & Lynn Dibenedetti)

**This is Your Invitation**

Seating is Limited - **RSVP Early.**

Come, Enjoy This Special Event

**Everyone  
WELCOME**

Great Door Prize

PLUS

The Raffle: Many Fabulous Gifts



## When

Saturday October 8, 2016

Watering Hole Opens **4:30PM**

BBQ Served **6:30PM**

Dancing **6:00PM to 9:00PM**

## "From the CookHouse"

Ribs

Tri Tip.

Chicken

Sausage

Plus All The Fixn's

## Where

**Painted Hills Ranch**

7400 Collier Canyon Road, Livermore

## Cost

**\$35** each (kids under 14 - \$10)

(Proceeds benefit the Aahmes Shriners' Mounted Patrol & Horses)

**RSVP: w/ Check Mail Names of Persons in Your Party**

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