

The Trestleboard

- ACALANES FELLOWSHIP LODGE #480, F&AM -

MARCH 2021

FROM THE EAST

A message from Worshipful Adam J. Hanin

A year has passed since we were last in lodge together, and I can not begin to tell you how much I miss that. While we do not have any insight from Grand Lodge yet on when we will be able to return, it certainly FEELS like we may have some opportunity to begin returning by mid-summer. Let's hope we hear something soon.

Thank you to all who ran and supported our Annual Crab Feed this year. Though certainly much different than in years past, we still sold more than 100 crab dinners, and made some extra funds for the lodge. Thank you in particular to Sr. Warden Terry Killgore who organized the event, Worshipful Brad Rupert who assisted with the planning, Worshipful Marion Rogers for preparing the delicious clam chowder, and brothers Art Martinez, Chris Urani, Byron Scott and Fraser Marshall for their diligence and dedication to ensure the event went off without a hitch.

As a reminder, if you are an officer, please start reviewing your ritual. When we DO return, we will likely have MANY degrees to do in quick succession. The better prepared we are, the more men we can move through the degrees. Remember, many have waited more than a year to become Fellow Crafts or Entered Apprentices.

Finally, as always, please continue to stay safe and healthy. And if you need any assistance during this time, including assistance navigating the vaccine process, just reach out. The lodge is always here for you.

Fraternally,

Worshipful Adam J. Hanin, Master



*Worshipful Adam J. Hanin
Master*

FROM THE WEST

Greetings from the West Brethren!

We're moving into March and the start of Spring, which means love will be in the air. Let's keep Brotherly Love at the forefront during these stressful times. For me, once Spring arrives, the year moves quickly. As they say, March winds bring April showers which bring May flowers. This saying comes from a short poem meant to remind us all that even the most unpleasant things can have a pleasant outcome.

On that note, while awaiting the final numbers, our 2021 Drive Thru Crab Feed was very pleasant. I would like to thank all that participated and those that contributed. As brothers do when we get together, a good time was had by all. While there was a good deal of work involved in coordination and execution, it was fun! It felt like old times. We should look into something similar later in the year if in person gatherings are still prohibited.

If you don't use it, you lose it! Friendly reminder to keep your memory work going. Stay sharp on the degree ritual work and get ready for your proficiencies. Once we get back into lodge we will be looking to progress brothers through their degrees as ours is a progressive science.

We are always interested in hearing from brethren that may be interested in joining the leadership line. A common misconception is that joining the line takes a great deal of time and commitment. This is not true for all positions. In fact, this is why we encourage starting as a Stewart. This allows you to be exposed to the leadership line and see what is actually entailed. Please feel free to reach out for ore information.

I am looking forward to seeing each and every one of you in the near future. Until then, stay safe and keep chargin' hard!

Fraternally,

Terry Killgore

Senior Warden



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NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DEMOLAY CELEBRATES ITS CENTENNIAL

On January 2, 2021, DeMolay in Northern California entered its centennial year. This means that DeMolay has provided more than 100 years of positive and moral influences on young men in their formative years. Membership in DeMolay has always provided a safe, worthwhile program where young men may excel as exceptional people and successful leaders. And the teachings of DeMolay are youth-centric and based on similar values as Masonry. These values include the seven cardinal virtues of filial love, reverence, courtesy, comradeship, fidelity, cleanness and patriotism as well as toleration, brotherhood, and honor.

Founded in Kansas City, Missouri in 1919, DeMolay International (formerly the DeMolay Council and the Order of DeMolay) came informally to the California cities of San Francisco and San Jose in 1920. By the first of the new year, chapters were formally being organized across the state. The program and ritual of this Masonic Youth Order enriches the lives of its members by providing a fun-filled set of events which develops key life skills such as team work, public speaking, budgeting, fundraising, collaboration and event planning. Under the mentorship of certified adult volunteers, most of whom are Master Masons, every DeMolay member is encouraged to develop at his own pace, making his own unique DeMolay experience.

DeMolay counts among its alumni a multitude of gentlemen who transformed the lessons and examples from their DeMolay experience into the foundation of success in their personal or professional lives. A select few are enshrined in our International Hall of Fame and include such noted leaders and luminaries as Walt Disney, John Steinbeck, and A.G. Spanos.

Northern California DeMolay continues to provide opportunities for character development, leadership training, and making lifelong friends and mentors. And, thereby, is building tomorrow's leaders, today!



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Brainard Platt, PM - Mar. 1

Clinton Jossey - Mar. 4

Brian James - Mar. 6

Orren Rupert, PM - Mar. 6

Alvin Weis, PGM - Mar. 6

David Stickney - Mar. 7

Marvin Kay - Mar. 10

Peter Peterson - Mar. 13

Alan Mac - Mar. 15

Larry Woods, PM - Mar. 16

Marion Rogers, PM - Mar. 21

Allan Casalou, PM - Mar. 29



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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Every Tuesday Virtual Meetup

Connect with the brethren during our weekly video chats, open to all!

Join every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.

Join at this URL: <https://bit.ly/AFLMeeting>

Meeting ID: 821 5632 1137

Passcode: AFL480

or

Dial 669-900-6833

Meeting ID: 821 5632 1137

Passcode: 581490

April 6: Stated Meeting

Join us for our next virtual stated meeting! Only Masons may attend.

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