Penrhyn Gold Hill Lodge #32

Free and Accepted Masons
Of the State of California



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CALENDAR

Hall Board Meetings at 6:00pm with the Master, Sr. Warden, Jr. Warden, Secretary, Hall board President, and Treasurer. Please remember that these are open to all Lodge Members.

<u>Jan 4</u> 7:00pm 2nd Degree

Jan 6 6:30pm Hallboard

Jan 13 7:30pm Stated Meeting

Jan 27 7:00pm 1st Degree

Mark Your Calendars!

We want to see you at the Stated Meeting on January 13th! It's a brand new year and our 2011 Officers are excited to be in their elected seats and stations. Remember to call our new Junior Warden, or the lodge directly, to reserve your seat for a delicious dinner before the meeting!

There are two degrees coming up this month, so come on out to the lodge and help make these nights memorable for our new brethren! And don't forget about the Crab Feed! Details can be found inside.



Penrhyn Gold Hill Lodge
#32 F.&A.M.
Wishes you and your family
a very Happy and Prosperous



Officers for 2011

Master Edward Davis (Claudia)

Senior Warden Jeffery W. Pinkerton

Junior Warden Peter A. Ackeret (Paula)

Treasurer Edward Vandiver, PM, (Christine)

Secretary Tom Krummell, PM (Marcia)

Chaplain/Officers Coach Lee Sutter, PM

Senior Deacon Allen S. Cuenca, PM (Jocelyn)

Marshal Barton T. "Bart" Copeland

Senior Steward Richard M. "Rick" Schafer (Diane)

Junior Steward Hiram Abif Luna (Carrie)

Tiler Fred Flint-Montero, PM (Beth)

Inspector (406th MD) Will Parker, PM

Trestle Board Editor Marc Nocerino (Joy)



Brethren,

What a pleasure it is to be sitting in the East, at Penrhyn Gold Hill Lodge.

We had a great installation, and I want to thank all of the Officers and members who helped to make our Installation a success. It was an honor to have Most Worshipfuls Richard Hopper and Fred Sorsabal at our Lodge to install our line.

My thanks and congratulations to Wor. Harvey Holcomb for serving as Chaplain, and on becoming the recipient of the Hiram Award. It is well deserved.

Thanks to Wor. Ed Vandiver, (Ed No.1) for all his help and support. I hope that I can do as good a job as he has done this past year.

We have a great line this year and I know we can get many things accomplished.

A special thanks to our Eastern Star Chapter and Merrihearts for all of the hard work that they did for the Installation. They are always there when we need them.

Lastly, I am very saddened to say that we lost one of the Lodges newer members, Bro. Fred Reis, a Mason of many years who had been recently affiliated with our Lodge. Bro. Fred passed away on Monday the 13th of Dec. He will be missed. There will be a service for him in Jan. or Feb. Please show your respect for this fine Mason by attending if possible.

~Ed Davis, Master~



Brethren,

First off I would like to thank all the officers for the great job they all did last year. I am so honored to be a part of that. I am really looking forward to being your

Senior Warden this year.

I want to congratulate Wor. Ed Davis for being installed as Master, along with all the officers for this year who were installed into their new offices.

Lastly, don't forget about this year's crab feed coming up at the end of the month, it will be a lot of fun!

~Jeff Pinkerton, Senior Warden~

Did You Know?

(from the website for the Grand Lodge of California - www.freemason.org)

How it all began

In the Middle Ages, the terms "mason" and "freemason" were used interchangeably.

They were stonemasons who built castles and cathedrals in England and Scotland. Because of the inherent danger of their work, many stonemasons formed local organizations, called lodges, to take care of sick and injured members as well as the widows and orphans of those who were killed on the job. The masons also used the lodges as places to meet, receive their pay, plan their work, train new apprentices, and socialize.

In 1717, the first Grand Lodge was established in London. Within the next two decades, English Freemasonry spread throughout Europe and eventually made its way to the American colonies.

The first lodge organized on American soil appeared in Philadelphia around 1730. By 1733 a Provincial Grand Lodge was organized in Boston. George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, John Hancock, and other founding fathers were among the first Masons in America. Of the 39 men who signed the U.S. Constitution, 13 were Masons.

From the Middle Ages to California Gold

During the Gold Rush of 1849, thousands of settlers came to California in search of fortune. Those who were Masons brought their rich traditions with them, soon establishing some of California's first Masonic lodges in the mining towns of the Gold Country. In 1850 — the same year that California became a state — the Grand Lodge of California was established in Sacramento.

Today, the Grand Lodge of California boasts more than 65,000 members and 340 lodges located throughout the state, making it one of the largest Grand Lodges in the world.



Don't miss the 3rd Annual

Penrhyn Gold Hill **CRAB**

FEED

When? Saturday, January 29, 2011, 6:00 PM; Attitude Adjustment from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

Where? Roseville Masonic Hall, 235 Vernon St., Roseville

How much? Just \$35 per person; \$25 under 12; 6 and under are free!

What do you get? Crab, salad, crab, beverage, crab, garlic bread, and yes, crab and more crab!

Tickets? Available from officers of Penrhyn Gold Hill Lodge.

NEWS FROM THE HALL



Brethren.

As we start the New Year let's take a moment to reflect on what we have accomplished as a board.

- 1. Replacement of the post offices back door (major expense)
- 2. Repaired the library restroom (major expense)
- 3. Replaced all light bulbs around the building
- 4. Replaced all lights fixtures in the breezeway of the building
- 5. Power washed the basement stairs (the cleanest they have been since the building was built)
- 6. Cleaned and repaired all the building gutters (man, this building is tall!)
- 7. Repaired holes in the masonry on the building (a little *operative* masonry)
- 8. Sealed areas where water was seeping into the tenant areas
- 9. Cleaned out some of the "junk" from the basement (what a messy job that was)
- 10. Snaked the drain pipe in the basement (it was clogged & flooded the basement)
- 11. Purchased new chairs for the lodge (retired the old ones)
- 12. Fixed the lighting in the display cases and added new on/off switches
- 13. Hung artwork and other decorative items in the dinning and lodge rooms
- 14. Fixed the elevator phone, call button and inspection
- 15. Minor repairs to carpet areas (preparation room and other areas)
- 16. Replaced the fan in men restroom
- 17. Hung cabinets in the kitchen

I know there are many more items that I may have missed but as you see this board has been very busy. This takes the extraordinary effort of many Brothers willing to give up their time, blood and sweat to make our lodge a show case. As we look at 2011 I only see more work that needs to be accomplished. I am confident that with the help and support for all of our members we will be successful.

The hall board meets the 1st Thursday of every month at 6:30 PM. We try to keep the meetings to an hour. This meeting is open to every member of this lodge and I encourage *you* to get involved. The board is comprised of 3 elected officers - the 3 principle officers of the lodge who serve are directors along with the Worthy Matron of Eastern Star. With more help and support from our members we can only accomplish more.

Thank you,

Bill Pinkerton Penrhyn Gold Hill Lodge #32 Hall Board President Worthy Matron
Corrie Schroder

Penrhyn Chapter No. 159

Penrhyn Masonic Temple 2nd Tuesday, at 7:30 PM

Worthy Patron
Steve Schroder

Newsletter for January, 2011

Dear Members;

We hope everyone had a wonderful and safe Holiday Season. The Worthy Patron (or better known as Dad) and I would like to thank everyone who attended our 1st Meeting. We gave wonderful gifts to our Star Point Officers. My sister, Erin Pierce, signed the Bylaws and we balloted on Pat Sebring's affiliation petition. We will be having Pat Sebring's Affiliation Ceremony on January 11, 2010 @ 7:30pm. Also, I was presented with a beautiful gavel from my parents. Please remember to wear your favorite slippers to our January Meeting; I, of course, will be wearing my panda slippers. You have to attend to see which Officers are going to be honored next.

Star Love and Panda Hugs Corrie Schroder, Worthy Matron

Circle of Concern: It is with much sadness that we report the passing of Sister Ruth Breckenridge, PM (1979). Her funeral was held on Dec. 2nd, with the Chapter taking part and was well attended. A celebration of life was held on Dec. 6th for Sister Lorene Owens' niece, Ellen Larsen, a very moving service, and also well attended. "Get well" or "thinking of you" cards were sent to the following: Nick Zeri, Robbie Lee Mallery, Jim Victorine, Jim Bailey, Mary Louise Radford, Sandy Jopson, Diane Seifert, Pat Bolen. Sympathy cards sent to Lorene and the family of Ruth Breckenridge. Please contact the Worthy Matron about those who need cards. We also need to keep Sister Barbara Reynolds in our prayers as on Dec. 6th, she had a structure fire. She also would appreciate thanksgiving that the fire was not worse than it was, and that no one was injured.

January Birthdays: 3 – Sandra Miller; 4 – Maxine Law; 14 – Millie Taylor; 18 – Patricia Bolen; 19 – Alice Barnes; 21 – Claude Walker; 26 – Linda Lee Williams.

Dues: Be sure to send in your 2011 dues to our Secretary, Sister Alice Epperson, 6170 Wilhoff Lane, Granite Bay, CA 95746. As noted in previous newsletters, our Chapter is facing another \$1,000.00 + deficit, and it is crucial that we not only receive all dues, but we will need to have many fund raisers and/or donations from the Membership in order to meet this deficit. Also, be sure to keep the Secretary informed of all address/information changes, as we cannot keep you up to date if we cannot get the newsletter to you!!

Congratulations: To our Brother Ed Davis, who was installed as Master of Penrhyn Gold Hill Lodge on Dec. 11th. Brother Ed and his wife Sister Claudia are very dedicated to our Chapter and Lodge, and we wish for Ed a very successful year as Master.

Next Meeting: Our January meeting will be on the 11th at 7:30 PM, and will be "Slipper Night". Hostess/Host will be Pat & John Bolen, Annette & Frank Segura; the theme/dress will be "Slippers". We urge all Members to attend as often as possible. Our Chapter may be small in numbers, but we try to have fun and support our Members. By starting at 7:30 PM, we can usually be finished at a "decent" hour, but if you need to leave early, that is fine too! One of our Brothers will help you to your vehicle if needed.

Merrihearts: Our next Merrihearts meeting will be on January 25th, 7:00 PM, at the Masonic Temple. Please plan to attend as these meetings are open to ALL Members. We have lots of fellowship, and discuss plans for fund raising, upcoming events, and just have lots of low-key fun.

Grand Officer Instructional: All Officers are encouraged to attend on January 23, 2011, at 11:00 AM, at the Masonic Center on Becerra Way.