

Santa Rosa Luther Burbank Lodge No. 57

February Trestleboard

855 Seventh Street, Santa Rosa Ca.

Stated Meeting – 1st Thursday

From the South

Installation of Officers

Officers for the 2016 Masonic Year will be installed Thursday, January 28th. There will be a social hour at 6:00 followed by the installation at 7:00. All are welcome!

February Stated Meeting

Our next Stated Meeting will be Thursday, February 4th. Our social hour begins at 6:00 with dinner served at 6:30. Lodge opens at 7:30.

Dinner will be prepared by Worshipful Brothers Lance and Johnathon and will consist of pork loin roast, specially prepared potatoes, vegetable and dessert. Please RSVP by noon, Tuesday, February 2nd. Call me at 707-544-2181 or email me at flyingv@sonic.net. The cost is only \$10. Your reservations assure that we don't purchase too little or too much.

During our Stated Meeting, Bro. Billy Ayers will be examined for his proficiency in the First Degree.

Third Degree Conferral

Bro. Christopher Best will receive his Third Degree from the lodge officers on Thursday, February 25th. All degrees are special but a Third Degree is an extra special treat. Please make plans to attend!

Upcoming Degree Conferrals

In addition to Bro. Best's 3rd Degree conferral in February we are looking forward to a double 1st Degree conferral for two newly-elected candidates, Chris Dollar and Mike Girard. Those will likely occur in March. We are also looking forward to at least one 2nd Degree conferral in April and likely another 3rd Degree conferral in April or May.

Whether you are advancing through the degrees or you've been a Master Mason for many years, the degree conferrals are great to watch (and participate in) and are important for the candidates to see support from their brethren. Please try to attend as many of our degree conferrals as possible!

FROM THE WEST

Dear Brethren and Friends,

I hope that all of you are doing well this New Year. The Lodge has had, and will have, a busy two months in January and February. On January 14th, several of us were able to meet with Wor. Jonathan Smith, of Northern Ireland, and eat dinner with him at Mary's Pizza Shack. We then attended the Past Master's Third Degree practice—the Ritual really hasn't changed since the Past Masters' respective years!

There have been at least two Lodge Installations so far in January—that of Windsor Lodge and Mount Jackson Lodge. I apologize for not listing any others! On January 23rd, there will be a Shrine O.V. in Healdsburg, and on January 30th, the Installation of the Cryptic Council and Commandery in the morning in Petaluma, and of Sotoyome-Curtis Lodge in Healdsburg in the afternoon. Please consider attending these upcoming events of the Masonic Family. You may need to make reservations for some of them . . . but you may also be able to get some free food out of them, too!

For our Lodge, we are all looking forward to the Jan. 21st Past Masters' Night Third Degree conferral on Bro. Matthew Marshall. Wor. Larry Schmidt, Bro. Michael Voorhees, and Bro. Brian Bennett have been working hard to put the Degree and Dinner together, and Wor. Steve Heglin, our newly appointed Officers' Coach, has been superintending our Ritual Work. Thank you all, and to those not mentioned; I know that this means a lot to Bro. Matthew.

On Thursday, Jan. 28th, the Lodge will be having its Annual Installation of Officers. I look forward to working with the officers and members of the Lodge to make the year a success. I was particularly happy to see over twenty Masons in the room for Wor. David's last Stated Meeting as Master. I think that we have had a successful year under his leadership, and I look forward to working with him in the next Term as a ritualist.

In February and March, we will have more First Degrees to confer, as well as Bro. Christopher Best's much-anticipated Third Degree. Please consider attending Lodge for these important and fun events. Fraternally,

Jason Manellos, P.M. Senior Warden & Master-Elect

February Secretary's Corner

By the time you read this we will have had our Past Master's Third Degree for brother Matthew Marshall and our Installation. The Past Masters put on a fine Third Degree for Brother Matt. All of those that were at pre degree dinner were treated to a wonderful steak dinner prepared by Matthew Lodge, Billie Ayers and Bobby Hart. A great time was had by all. We now have a new slate of officers. Please come to meetings and support the lodge and these new officers. Your new officers are: Jason M. Canellos, P.M. is the Master.

Senior Warden: Matthew D. Lodge
Junior Warden: Michael A. Voorhees
Treasurer: Steve A. Heglin, P.M.
Secretary: Larry L. Schmidt, P.M.

The income master has not announced his appointed officers so I am unable to include them. Sorry. I hope that you did make the installation.

I wish I could paint a brighter picture of our dues payment status. We currently have 19 brothers who have not paid their 2015 dues and will be subject to suspension for non-payment of dues in June of 2016. We have 70 of our brothers who have not paid their 2016 dues. That is 44% of our membership if you take out the 36 life members. Our membership right now is 196, 10 Entered Apprentices, 5 Fellowcraft and 181 Master Masons. So please, send your dues payments in. The lodge is dependent on the payment of dues to function.

Larry L. Schmidt, P.M.
Secretary

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Meals

*Would you like to prepare a meal for one of our Stated Meetings.
Contact any of our Meal Committee members and let us know!*

