



**CALIFORNIA LODGE NO.1**  
**July - August, 2009**



1185 VICENTE STREET, SAN FRANCISCO – 94116  
 MEETINGS: 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY AT 7:30 P.M. (followed by Treats)  
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Noble Grand – Michael James (510) 744-1398	Vice Grand – Julie Ballard (510) 471-6019	Treasurer – Dennis Milton (650) 359-4062
Financial Secretary – John Fraher (650) 342-7188	Secretary – Jenny Dadoun (650) 589-1733	D.D.G.M. – Mercedes Alcantara 140 Knoll Circle, S.S.F. 94080 (415)994-8302
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**\* MEETINGS AND TREATS SCHEDULE:**

- Tuesday, July 7<sup>th</sup> – Armand Dadoun & Haim Czema
- Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup> – Rick & Sue Troia, Joe & Vicki Valente (Youth Night)
- Tuesday, August 4<sup>th</sup> – Terry Giannini & Kat Scarbosio
- Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup> – Frank & Jackie Lagomarsino

**TREATS RESPONSIBILITY**

*Each meeting we bring wonderful treats to our lodge. Anyone doing this realizes it is a **LOT** of work! Most of us just do it once a year, so it maybe hard to remember what is required. Following is a checklist to help when you are bringing treats:*

- 1) Sign up with Julie Ballard – (510) 471-6019 to arrange to bring treats
- 2) The treats limit is \$150.00, excluding drinks and paper products. They are already at the Lodge.
- 3) Arrive at the hall by 7:00pm, and arrange access by getting the lodge key from any of our five elected officers (see list at top of newsletter)
- 4) Make sure you know the combinations to the locks upstairs. Elected officers have combinations.
- 5) You will probably miss the meeting the night you have treats. If you need to report on something, get a helper.
- 6) When the treats are complete, you must clean up the hall. Along with help from the other members, make sure that the tables and chairs are put back.
- 7) You must lock all the cabinets upstairs as well as the hall when you are exiting the building.

**▪ ATTENDANCE AND RAFFLE WINNERS:**

**As an incentive to those who attend meetings, there is a name drawn at each meeting, and the winner receives a \$\$ prize**

May 5 <sup>th</sup> –	23 members present	RAFFLE WINNER: Armand Dadoun
May 19 <sup>th</sup> –	24 members present	RAFFLE WINNER: Ron Carrey
June 2 <sup>nd</sup> –	27 members present	RAFFLE WINNER: Kat Scarbosio
June 16 <sup>th</sup> –	22 members present	RAFFLE WINNER: Steven Graham (who traded tickets with Walt – dummy!

**Upcoming Board of Director’s Meetings for 2009:**

The meeting(s) start at 7:00pm at Round Table Pizza at 1304 West Hillsdale Blvd in San Mateo. Pizza and drinks will be provided. ***Come and have your opinion heard!!***

**June 30, 2009**

**September 29, 2009**

**December 29, 2009**

**3-Year Directors**

- Julie Ballard, V.G.
- Keith Fitzpatrick
- Carolyn Milton

**2- Year Directors**

- Mike James, N.G.
- Jenny Dadoun
- Terry Giannini

**1-Year Directors**

- Armand Dadoun
- Jim Reggiardo
- Tom Manini



## 2009 INITIATION & CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Dates are subject to change without notice. To receive a degree, arrive at Apollo Lodge by 7:00p.m. A letter is required from your lodge – please contact Secretary, Jenny Dadoun. Tentative dates for 2009 scheduled at Apollo Lodge No. 123 are as follows:

**1<sup>st</sup> Degree – July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Degree – August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Degree – September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

There are applications from the following candidates awaiting initiation:

**CANDIDATE:**

Christine Bradley  
Dan Callaghan  
Cyra Cowan  
Marcella McGinley  
Vince Smith  
Collin Trola  
Renee Martindale

**SPONSOR:**

John Fraher  
Mike Ditlevson  
Donna Vogel  
Shawna Fraher  
Mike Ditlevson  
John Fraher  
Shawna Fraher

**CANDIDATE:**

Steve Hauschildt  
Marcus Kessler  
Mike Lewis  
Manny Montoya  
Brad Trola  
Jessica Wallenius

**SPONSOR:**

Mike Ditlevson  
Steve Graham  
Mike Ditlevson  
Mike Ditlevson  
Rick Trola  
John Fraher

### Follow-up on LODGE

**KABOOM FIREWORKS SHOW**- Our Lodge filled the "Happy Days" Boat and headed out onto the San Francisco Bay on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> to see the KABOOM Fireworks Show held at Piers 30 & 32. One of our Lodge members, Joe Nazar, is the owner of the Happy Days. Once we reached our destination, having crossed under the Bay Bridge, we staked out our place in the water with many other boats. The weather got cold, so we bundled up, and watched a really fantastic show that was set to the music on KFOG, 98.5. I think everyone had a good time!



**ATTENTION: From the Senior Newsletter Editor to all California Lodge #1 members:**

I brought to the Charity Chairman's attention, information about "Make a Difference Day" which happens on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. I was asked to gather ideas and information about this worthwhile project. This is nation-wide event, which brought together more than 3 million people last year, in an atmosphere of helping those less fortunate. I would like to hear suggestions from lodge members as to a project that we can all work on together as a lodge. Some past projects were: bake sales to raise money for a worthy cause, helping clean a senior's yard, sock drive for the homeless, a dog wash to benefit a local humane society, clean up a local park. Forward any and all ideas to: [popcorn8858@sbcglobal.net](mailto:popcorn8858@sbcglobal.net)

### UPCOMING LODGE EVENTS

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>**, Annual Youth Night at California Lodge No. 1 meeting night. We will be hosting "Youth Night" We've invited Junior Lodges and Theta Rho clubs from Northern California to speak during the "Good of the Order" It will be an open meeting, followed by dinner.
- **Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup>** – Picnic – Central Park, San Mateo ([SEE ATTCHED FLYER - http://www.ioofcal1.com/2009%20Picnic%20flyer.pdf](http://www.ioofcal1.com/2009%20Picnic%20flyer.pdf))
- **Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup>** – Rebekah Children's Home Casino Night Fundraiser. California Lodge #1 has purchased 8 tickets to support this worthy cause. The cost to a lodge member will be \$15.00. If you wish to purchase tickets, please call Terry Giannini at (650) 922-2160. (SEE FLYER <http://www.ioofcal1.com/Rebekah.pdf>)
- **Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>** – Weekend at OFRC – Russian River. To reserve a cabin, contact Sue Kapovich at: [ofrcsue@aol.com](mailto:ofrcsue@aol.com) The cost for the cabins is a real deal this year - \$47.75 per night. Let's try to maximize the guests in the cabins, so that we can have as many people come up as possible. There is also camp-sites and RV camping as well. For those of you interested in camping, those spaces rent for \$36.15 per night. If you are an RVer, the campground is equipped with 20 amp, and there is a greywater dumpstation on the way out of the campground. (SEE ATTACHED FLYER)
- **Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>** – Annual MYSTERY TRIP (1<sup>st</sup> sign-ups will be at September 1<sup>st</sup> Lodge Meeting)

- Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> – MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY (CHARITY EVENT) (PENDING)
- Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> – Annual Lodge Christmas Party / San Mateo Elks Lodge

### **GRAND LODGE FOLLOW-UP:**

As reported by some members who attended, that this year was far better, more organized, and unity was achieved amongst the San Francisco Lodges. Those in attendance from the lodges represented from S.F. got together before sessions took place, and to work together for a common goal.

#### **Elected California Grand Lodge Officers for 2009-2010:**

- ☞ Grand Master – Paul Kramer #70
- ☞ Deputy Grand Master – C. Eugene Breeland #92
- ☞ Grand Warden – Paul Pike #96
- ☞ Grand Secretary – Ray Link #1
- ☞ Grand Treasurer – George Hannaford #63

#### **District No. 1 Elected and Appointed Officers and Committees:**

- ☞ Grand Lodge Secretary – Ray Link #1
- ☞ Grand Lodge, Board of Directors – Peter Sellars #15

#### **Appointed Officers for 2009-2010:**

- ☞ Grand Lodge Chaplain – Albert Allayari #123
- ☞ District Deputy Grand Master, District #1 – Mercedes Alcantara

#### **Committee Members – District No. 1**

- ☞ Finance Committee – Jack Fullmer #123 AND Dell Conlan #123
- ☞ Judiciary Committee – Ray Link #1
- ☞ Printing – Ray Link #1
- ☞ Rebekah Legislation – Lola Gianelli #15
- ☞ State of the Order – Colby LapLace #207
- ☞ Disaster – Neil Nielson #322
- ☞ Bar-b-que – Dutch Vogel #1
- ☞ Grand Instructor's Assistant – Ron Carrey #1

#### **Facts and Figures as of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008:**

California Odd Fellow Lodges: There are 149, (down from 151 as of 12/31/2007)

Total membership 5,370 (down from 5444 as of 12/31/2007)

Nine Largest Lodges:

- 1) Apollo #123 – 317 members
  - 2) California #1 – 308 members
  - 3) Golden West #322 – 184 members
  - 4) Yerba Buena #15 – 175 members
  - 5) Lodi #259 – 152 members
  - 6) Santa Rosa #53 – 107 members
  - 7) Bay City #71 – 94 members
  - 8) Evergreen #161 – 91 members
  - 9) Davis #169 – 88 members
- Franco American #207 – 88 members  
Redding #271 – 88 members

(Note: Lodges underlined represent District #1)

The per capita tax for 2009 -2010 was motioned and passed by the Grand Lodge representatives to hold the per capita tax at \$42.95, which means “no increase” this year.

A *special thanks* to Peter Sellars #15 who after each days Grand Lodge session, set up District #1 meetings at 4:00p.m. in the DoubleTree ballroom, where reports and bills of the day were reviewed. This enabled our members to be prepared for the next day's sessions. Brother Colby LaPlace, Lodge #207, Franco American, spoke out at the sessions on different reports and bills. He made motions and asked pertinent questions. The representatives of District No. 1 and our 3<sup>rd</sup> degree visitors would like to thank each of these

brothers for taking the time to have group discussions on important issues with our members. This enabled us to make informed decisions when we voted!

**SUNSHINE COMMITTEE**



**TO ALL OUR MEMBERS:** If you know of any lodge member who has been ill, has lost a loved one or may need a reminder that we are thinking about them, please let us know as the Lodge would like to send a card to them. You may either call or e-mail your news to: Sunshine Committee Chairman, Tula Bologna at (707) 585-8966, e-mail to [TulaBologna@aol.com](mailto:TulaBologna@aol.com); Lodge Secretary, Jenny Dadoun at (650) 589-1733, or to Carol Fraher at (650) 342-7188 or e-mail at [carolfraher@netscape.net](mailto:carolfraher@netscape.net).

**Leonard Bologna – hospitalization, home now & doing better**

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**ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER(s)**

Our website can be accessed at: <http://www.ioofcal1.com> Our webmaster is: Frank Lagomarsino, and he can be reached at (650) 589-5087 or at: 176 Romney Avenue, South San Francisco, 94080 to ensure that your name is added to the list.

Please note that if you do not have a computer or access to e-mail, a limited number of newsletters will still be mailed to our members, and those other Oddfellow Lodges without computers. If you would like to continue to receive a hard copy, please call Ron Carrey at (707) 526-4476 or write to him at: 1964 Fountainview Circle, Santa Rosa, 95403.

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**2009 Dues are due!** By now you have received your dues letter which contains the correct amount needed to keep your membership current. Along with that letter will be a listing of all upcoming events in 2009. If you have any questions about the dues, please contact John Fraher at (650)342-7188 OR if there are questions about upcoming events, please feel free to contact the Vice Grand, Julie Ballard at either (510) 471-6019 or by e-mail at [popcorn8858@sbcglobal.net](mailto:popcorn8858@sbcglobal.net)

***Reference information directly above***

**Please drop your check in the mail to P.O. Box 347, Pacifica, CA 94044**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

E:mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS WHEN SENDING IN YOUR DUES!! Dues are not tax deductible** By-laws, article VI, Section 3: "Failure to pay dues within ninety (90) days will result in suspension of active membership.

➤ **CALIFORNIA LODGE #1 - NEWSLETTER STAFF:**

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**REMINDER:** For an article to be included in the next month's newsletter, please have it to the Senior Editor by the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the month.