



CALIFORNIA LODGE NO.1
MAY/JUNE - 2007

1185 VICENTE STREET, SAN FRANCISCO – 94116
MEETINGS: 1ST & 3RD TUESDAY AT 7:30 P.M. (followed by Treats)
MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 347, PACIFICA – 94044-0347
(LOOK FOR A NEW P.O. BOX ADDRESS COMING SOON)

Noble Grand – Frank Lagomarsino
After 7:00 p.m. – (650) 589-5087

Vice Grand – Tony Vicino
(650) 952-3832

Treasurer – Dennis Milton
(650) 359-4062

Financial Secretary – John Fraher
(650) 342-7188

Secretary – Susan Texeira
(510) 471-6958

D.D.G.M. – Tom Manini
263 Alta Mesa Drive S.S.F.
(650) 952-0154

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*** MEETINGS AND TREATS SCHEDULE:**

- May 1, 2007–Michael Ballard (Cinco De Mayo dinner)**
- May 15, 2007 – Terry Giannini**
- June 5, 2007 – Dutch & Donna Vogel**
- June 19, 2007 – Ray & Zvi**

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 – 471-6019 to arrange to bring treats
- 2) The treats limit is \$125.00, 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.
- 8) Since this is such a big job, all other members are encouraged to help as much as possible as the members doing the treats are doing the lodge a GREAT service!

*** ATTENDANCE AND RAFFLE WINNERS:**

March 6th – 20 members
RAFFLE WINNER: Ronald Carrey

March 20th – 28 members
RAFFLE WINNER: Walt Ballard

April 3rd – 19 members
RAFFLE WINNER: Ron Carrey (Again – lucky!)

April 17th – 22 members
RAFFLE WINNER: Jim Reggiardo

*** BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS, 2007**

JUNE 26 / SEPTEMBER 25 / DECEMBER 18

All members are welcome to attend. The meetings are held at 7:00p.m. at the Round Table Pizza, located at 1304 West Hillsdale Blvd in the Laurelwood Shopping Center in San Mateo. Pizza and drinks are provided. **Come and have your opinion heard!**

3 YEAR DIRECTORS

- - Tony Vicino, Vice Grand
- - Mike Ballard
- - Tom Manini

2 YEAR DIRECTORS

- - Frank Lagomarsino, Noble Grand
- - Julie Ballard
- - Jerry Nunes

1 YEAR DIRECTORS

- - Terry Giannini, J.P.G.
- - Walt Ballard
- - Jim Reggiardo

*** HALL ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2007:**

John Fraher, Dennis Milton, Jerry Nunes, Jim Reggiardo AND Ed Schneider

upcoming lodge events:

MAY AND JUNE, 2007

- * May 17 – 19, Grand Lodge, Modesto**
- * May 23rd – Hall Association Meeting**
- * June 2nd – CA #1/ Golf Tournament & Dinner (See flyer following)**
- * June 24th – Youth Camp Festival**
- * June 30th – Bocce Ball Tournament / Picnic (see flyer following)**



Check this out!

HORSE RACING AT BAY MEADOWS – ONE LAST TIME!

This will be the last year (or Ron says!) for Bay Meadows Race Track to stay open. Bay Meadows failed to install the new synthetic surface required by 2008. The same track that Seabiscuit won the "Bay Bridge Handicap", "Worlds Fair Handicap" of 1936 and the "Bay Meadows Handicap" of 1937 and 1938 will close. This year the last Breeders Cup will be held on Saturday, October 27th. As our Lodge attends this event every year, Bay Meadows has offered us 75 tickets to this historic event. Ticket sales are expected to be brisk, and you can look for them to go on sale beginning at our September 18th meeting and continuing through October 2nd and October 16th (tickets permitting). After these meetings you may mail in your check to the attention of Ron Carrey at: 1964 Fountain View Circle, Santa Rosa, 95403 to order tickets. Your check is your ticket. **NO IOU's this year!**

COST: Members - \$10.00
Spouse/significant other - \$15.00
Non-member guests - \$34.00

Cupertino Lodge No. 70 as well as some guests from the Children's Home in Gilroy may be joining us. If you need info please call Ron Carrey at (707) 526-4476.



GIANTS VS. DODGERS GAME

Well, Saturday, April 7th dawned sunny and warm as San Francisco days are prone to (oops sorry, wrong)

It was actually a cold and overcast morn' when 95 of California Lodge #1's best gathered in parking lot D to gather for fellowship and to see the San Francisco Giants kick the Dodger's you know what.

Carol and John Fraher in association with "The Corral" of Pacifica provided a fantastic Mexican style lunch of fajitas and all the fixings. Goodie bags were provided by Tony and Janet Vicino – thank you very much! While the Giants tried hard to overcome a shut-out by the Dodgers, they just weren't successful that day. However, as always, we had a great time hangin' with our friends of California Lodge #1 and enjoying a day at the ballpark.

INITIATION AND CONFERRING OF DEGREES:

For those members recently initiated, there was an opportunity for a three-degree day at Santa Rosa Lodge. This event took place on Saturday, February 24th, 2007 at Santa Rosa Lodge No. 53. The first degree began at 10:00a.m., followed by lunch. After lunch, the second and third degree work followed.

We would like to congratulate the following members for receiving all three degrees: George Guerra, Ralph Huerta, Virginia Huerta, Lyn Kessler, Sara Kirschenbaum, Mercedes Steder, AND Ray Zerbib

We have applications from the following candidates awaiting initiation:

Candidate:

Mike Lewis
Mike Mendelson
Cyra Cowan
Jessica Wallenius
Christine Bradley
Dan Callahan
Collin Troia
Kinsten Valente
Stacy Feil
Terri Stevenson
Rose Richard

****Sponsor:**

Mike Ditlevson
Colleen Milton
Donna Vogel
John Fraher
John Fraher
Mike Ditlevson
John Fraher
John Fraher
Gundy Feil
Tony Vicino
Ed Schneider

****It is up to the sponsor to make sure their candidates are initiated.**



INITIATION & CONFERRING OF DEGREES

May 9, 2007 – Initiatory degree at Apollo Lodge
June 13, 2007 – First degree at Apollo Lodge
July 11, 2007 – Second degree at Apollo Lodge
August 8, 2007 – Third degree at Apollo Lodge
September 12, 2007 – Second degree at Apollo Lodge
October 10, 2007 – Third degree at Apollo Lodge
TO RECEIVE A DEGREE BE AT APOLLO LODGE NO. 123 BY 7:00PM - A LETTER IS REQUIRED FROM YOUR LODGE – Our secretary, Sue Texiera, can provide that letter to you.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE



TO ALL OUR MEMBERS: This year we have started a "Sunshine Committee" to send out get well/thinking of you and sympathy cards to our members in distress. If you know of any lodge member who has been ill or has lost a loved one, 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; Lodge Secretary, Susan Texeira at (510) 471-6958, e-mail to: Texeira@email.msn.com or Carol Fraher at (650) 342-7188 or e-mail at carolfraher@netscape.net.



LODGE MEMBERS WHO ARE SICK AND IN DISTRESS:

Keith Fitzpatrick – Will start chemotherapy the week of April 16th in preparation for his bone marrow transplant. We wish Keith all the best in his recovery! If you'd like to send well wishes please forward cards to Keith at: 355 Shad Court, Foster City, 94404

Also, **Ralph Huerta Jr.** had a serious bout in the hospital. He was able to come home on Tuesday, April 17th to start his recuperation. Happy to have good news!!

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FOR 2007

In 2006 California Lodge No. 1 reached a membership goal of 300+. Only one other lodge in California has attained this goal. In 2000 our Sovereign Grand Lodge gave us the opportunity to recruit women into the order. Presently our lodge has a membership of 68 women, 39 of which are wives of our members. Many of our adult children have also joined the Lodge.

When we have a new member join we are fortunate in that our Mission Street Trust gives us a dividend for each new member. This dividend helps us carry on our social and charitable programs each year. The Sovereign Grand Lodge and Grand Lodge of California also benefit from our membership program by receiving more per capita taxes. We invite each husband or wife, who is not a member, to join this year. If you attend lodge activities, you will be part of the camaraderie and friendship, please consider this an invitation to join and support California Lodge No. 1:

The requirements are:

- ✓ You must be 18 years of age
- ✓ You must believe in a supreme being, creator and preserver of the universe
- ✓ You must be loyal to your country
- ✓ You must be of good moral character

There is an application fee of \$75.00, and this fee covers your first year dues and your four degrees.

EVENTS PRICING FOR 2007

This past year, our Board of Directors and lodge, voted on a new three tier pricing policy for events. The motion states "that there would be a standard pricing of \$10 for members, \$15 for members guest (significant other/date/whatever) and nonmembers guest would pay the full estimated price of the event. All children (under the age of 18; therefore not eligible for membership) would be \$5.00". Variations from this motion, must be approved by the lodge, so expensive events don't go over budget. If the lodge has a special event to bring out potential members, we can modify the pricing accordingly.

2007 DUES ARE DUE

If you have not paid your 2006 dues, they are now **WAY** past due. Please drop your check in the mail to P.O. Box 347, Pacifica, CA 94044

Name: _____

Address: _____

Highest Degree: _____

Phone #: _____

E:mail address: _____

"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."

➤ **NEWSLETTER STAFF:**

State Newsletter Editor: Carol Fraher
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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 2nd meeting of the month.