



**SEPTEMBER, 2006 NEWSLETTER**  
**CALIFORNIA LODGE NO. 1** – 1185 VICENTE STREET, SAN FRANCISCO – 94116  
 MEETINGS: 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY AT 7:30 P.M. (followed by Treats)  
 MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 347, PACIFICA – 94044-0347

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 (650) 589-5087

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:**

September 5th, 2006 – **Mike James**  
 September 19th, 2006 – **Mike Ballard**

**ATTENDANCE AND RAFFLE WINNERS:**

August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006 – **16 members**  
**RAFFLE WINNER: None**

August 15th, 2006 – **17 members**  
**RAFFLE WINNER: Mike James**

**NTATIVE EVENTS AND DATES**

➤ **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS, 2006**  
 7:00P.M. – ROUND TABLE PIZZA, 1304 WEST HILLSDALE BLVD, SAN MATEO. ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

➤ **SEPTEMBER 26, 2006**  
 ➤ **DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2006**

**3 YEAR DIRECTORS**

- - Frank Lagomarsino, Vice Grand
- - Julie Ballard
- - Tony Vicino

**2 YEAR DIRECTORS**

- - Terry Giannini, Noble Grand
- - Walt Ballard
- - Jim Reggiardo

**1 YEAR DIRECTORS**

- - Keith Fitzpatrick, Junior Past Grand
- - John Fraher
- - Dennis Milton

**INITIATION AND CONFERRING OF DEGREES:**



The following degrees will take place at Apollo Lodge No. 123 at 7:30 p.m.

- o Third Degree – September 13<sup>th</sup>
- o Initiatory Degree – October 11<sup>th</sup>
- o First Degree – November 8<sup>th</sup>
- o December 13<sup>th</sup> – Second Degree

**(All dates are subject to change)**

**Conferring of Degrees continued . . . .**

**We have applications from the following candidates awaiting initiation:**

**Candidate:**

Mark Villanueva  
 Mike Lewis  
 Mike Mendelson  
 Cyra Cowan  
 Helena Vogel  
 Jennifer Vogel  
 Michael Vogel  
 Nathan Vogel  
 Mary Cavazos

**\*\*Sponsor:**

Rodney Watt  
 Mike Ditlevson  
 Colleen Milton  
 Donna Vogel  
 Donna Vogel  
 Leonard Vogel  
 Donna Vogel  
 Leonard Vogel  
 Nancy Carrey

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

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**HAPPY "SEPTEMBER"**  
**BIRTHDAYS TO THE FOLLOWING LODGE MEMBERS:**

Roger Ailshie – 9/27	Timothy Barrett – 9/1
Leonard Bologna – 9/13	Bob Carder – 9/3
Dennis Carrey – 9/6	Ron Carrey – 9/21
Jeff Clark – 9/9	Richard Cooper – 9/4
Eugenia Cordon – 9/10	Chris Dykes – 9/17
Keith Fitzpatrick – 9/9	Carol Fraher – 9/2
Robert Fraher – 9/25	Terry Giannini – 9/7
David Gonzalez – 9/21	Dan Gracia – 9/7
Robert Henderson – 9/28	Ralph Huerta 9/17
Rawn Huffman – 9/7	Chuck Humbel – 9/2
Allen Link – 9/17	Ted Lubas – 9/8
Colleen Milton – 9/4	Don Nunes – 9/17
Alvaro Pinto – 9/20	Fred Postel – 9/21
Aaron Reisinger – 9/26	Bernadette Santo – 9/17
Ed Schneider – 9/22	Jack Stout – 9/26
Sue Texeira – 9/4	Ted Wendt – 9/6
Kendal Willets – 9/18	Russ Willets – 9/7
Chris Zeck – 9/14	

NOTE: If you know someone who has not been wished a "Happy Birthday" please contact the Editor: Julie Ballard at (510) 471-6019

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## **DUES ARE DUE - - YES, THAT MEANS YOU!!**

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

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

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

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

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

**Please make your check payable to: California Lodge No. 1 in the amount of \$25.00. Mail to California Lodge No. 1, P.O. Box 347, Pacifica, CA 94044-0347. The 2006 dues cards are being printed up and will be sent to you in your newsletter. Please pay your dues and our financial secretary will have them mailed to you. Included with the dues cards will be a pocket calendar for 2006, along with the new officers, committees, and social and charity calendar.**

**"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."

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## **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](mailto:TulaBologna@aol.com); Lodge Secretary, Susan Texeira at (510) 471-6958, e-mail to: [Texeira@email.msn.com](mailto:Texeira@email.msn.com) or Carol Fraher at (650) 342-7188 or e-mail at [carolfraher@netscape.net](mailto:carolfraher@netscape.net).

## **NEW GRAND MASTER ANNOUNCED**

Our new Grand Master, Grand Lodge for the year 2006/2007 is Brother Robert Bareilles who hails from Stockton Lodge No. 11. He will be making a "social visit" to our lodge on November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006. Grand Master Bareilles is planning on visiting every Lodge in San Francisco. Please see his itinerary following this announcement. Once again, our own Tom Manini will be the District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 1 - MANY THANKS TO YOU!!

**Social visit = S      Official visit = O**

**September 6<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday (O) Morse Lodge  
November 7<sup>th</sup> - Tuesday (S) California Lodge  
December 12<sup>th</sup> - Tuesday (O) Bay City  
February 15<sup>th</sup> - Thursday (S) Franco American  
March 22<sup>nd</sup> - Thursday (S) Yerba Buena  
April 19<sup>th</sup> - Thursday (S) Golden West**



### **UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS:**

**Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> - Annual Lodge Picnic at the OFRC (Russian River) PLEASE SEE**

**FLYER IN THIS MONTH'S NEWSLETTER**

### **➤ TO ALL CALIFORNIA ODDFELLOW NO. 1 MEMBERS;**

**The information regarding the picnic has been in the newsletter for months and the flyer for the picnic has been out for over 30 days. As of August 20<sup>th</sup>, eight (8) checks for twenty (20 people) has been reserved. Are you interested in coming to the picnic?? - Can't tell by the reservations received . . . As of this newsletter, we have nearly reached or have reached the goal of 300 strong membership. So by this estimation, MANY members (like about 292) have declined to show interest in one of the family events that the lodge puts on each year. Will we see you at this year's picnic? Sure hope so!!**

- October 17<sup>th</sup> - OKTOBERFEST Dinner Lovingly provided by Gundy Feil and Company
- October 28<sup>th</sup> - MYSTERY NIGHT!

**The regular cost applies: \$10 member, \$15 significant other and \$30 guest. It will be limited to the first 42 members that pay. We will be leaving around noon from pickup spots yet to be determined. We will be going North or South or East but not West. Will be home around 10:00 pm. Make checks payable to "California Lodge No. 1".**

**Remember, telephone calls do not reserve a space, money does!**

- Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00p.m. San Mateo Elks Lodge - - Annual Lodge Christmas Party
- January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007 - Installation Dinner - More details to follow shortly

**UPCOMING CHARITY EVENTS:**

- - **Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>** – Guest Speaker, John King, Camp Manager and special guest, Betty Stevens, Trustee of the Three Links Camp will attend our meeting to speak about the camp. Guest Speaker: Marcus Kessler.

**Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>** – Children’s Home Festival, Gilroy. Our Lodge will be sponsoring a toy booth and working on the Bar-B-Que. The Lodge will be setting up overnight accommodations for those working both days Chairpersons: Tammy and Tom Manini.

**Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>** - - Grand Instructor Seminar for District No 1, San Francisco: Pat McCloskey, the Grand Instructor of California is planning an instructional seminar. All lodges of District No. 1 are invited. If you are interested please see Ron Carrey at an upcoming Lodge meeting or call for details (707) 526-4476.

**Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>** – Alzheimer’s Association Wine Country Memory Walk. The walk will be held at Spring Lake Park at Santa Rosa’s Memorial Park. The walk starts at 9:00 a.m. and will cover a 2-1/2 mile trail. We hope to sponsor a team and receive "Memory Walk 2006" t-shirts. If we can get twelve walkers the Lodge will sponsor a **BRONZE** membership for \$500. Following the walk the team will be going to lunch at Negri’s in Occidental. Signup’s at Lodge or contact Ron Carrey at (707) 526-4476.

**Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>** – California Lodge No. 1 Annual Day at the Races, Bay Meadows. **BREEDERS CUP.** One of the biggest days in racing. There are 70 tickets available and this sells out fast. . . Tickets will be on sale at the lodge. See Chairman: Ron Carrey

**Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>** – Grand Master, Robert Bareilles, Social visit to California Lodge No. 1

**Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>** – Education Seminar in Santa Nella. This year the seminar will be open to all third degree members and desk officers. The lodge will sponsor interested members in attending. All desk officers should attend for the latest updates on filing "per capita tax" and "end of the year" reports.

Topics to be discussed:

- **Leadership**
- **Organizational charts**
- **Books of Authority**
- **Duties of Officers**
- **ABC’s of Parliamentary Procedures**

- **Grand Lodge Office Relationships**
- **Financial Responsibilities**
- **Lodge meetings, protocol & customs**
- **Lodge & Community Relations**
- **How to Receive a Grand Master**
- **Membership Brainstorming**
- **Questions and Answers about Lodge**

**NAPA HOME PICNIC . . . .** California Lodge No. 1 would like to thank the following members who donated their time to support the Napa Home Bar-B-Que held on Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>:

- - Dennis Carrey                      - - Ron Carrey
- - Keith, Maggie & Kevin Fitzpatrick
- - Gundy Feil
- - Rafael and Virginia Huerta
- - Tom and Tammy Manini
- - Ron Miketa                              - - Jerry Nunes
- - Carl and Mercedes Steder

**A great time was had by all. And, once again, we had more volunteers work on the bar-b-que than any other lodge in the state. Way to go!!**

**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FOR 2006**

In 2006 California Lodge No. 1 should reach a membership level 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. After you join your dues are around \$25.00 per year.



➤ **EVENTS PRICING FOR 2006**

This 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.

**WHY THE NAME ODD FELLOWS??**

There are several different reasons given for our strange name. One old and apparently authoritative history of Odd Fellowship gives the explanation, "That common laboring men should associate themselves together and form a fraternity for social unity and fellowship and for mutual help" was such a marked violation of the trends of the times (England in the 1700's) that they became known as 'peculiar' or "odd", and hence they were derided as 'Odd Fellows'. Because of the appropriateness of the name, those engaged in forming these unions accepted it. When legally incorporated the title 'Odd Fellows' was adopted.

**SO, now you know . . .**

**MOMENTS TO PONDER UPON . . .**

**From the Senior Editor**

- *Advice is what we ask for when we already know the answer but wish we didn't*
- *Life is like a shower - - one wrong turn and you end up in hot water*
- *You can't have everything - where would you put it?*
- *There's little point in concealing your age. Your old friends know it, and the new ones don't care*
- *Old age is when you hear "snap, crackle, and pop" in the morning, and it isn't your cereal*

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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.

