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Crocker Lodge No. 212 Free & Accepted Masons  
17 Hillcrest Drive, Daly City, CA 94014

**MAY 2023**

***“Increase in knowledge and wisdom  
with circumspect”***



**1870**



**2023**

# 2023 LODGE OFFICERS



Ferdinand B. Quiambao, PM  
Senior Warden



Venancio A. Acebedo  
Worshipful Master



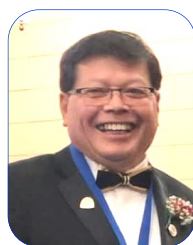
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## Upon The Square



Brethren, Family, and Friends,

The joys in May have come! This month becomes very relevant to Masons as its spiritual and symbolic meanings encompass with its moral teachings in finding ways to find true friendship with shared traditions of commitment in fostering lifelong relationship, purpose of personal development which focus on building character with strong values, and connection to serve others. Congratulations, friends, the Lord is on our side to push our lives forward.

Looking back, I would like to inform you, my brothers that during the April Stated Meeting, our Lodge has completed filling the three pillars and all other positions. Such reorganization was hoped to find the appropriate set of officers who are committed to dedicate themselves maintain the standard of the Lodge. Following it was the favorable balloting of four candidates of whom two have already been initiated to the Entered Apprentice Degree, the third will be initiated in May 11, and the fourth has been called to reside in the celestial world. Another highlight of the month was the productive masonic education sessions that transpired every Thursday, enriching our

understanding about the values and principles that Freemasonry teaches every Mason. Also, the brethren and their families and friends gathered together and spend time to share and fellowship during a breakfast time in mid April. Not to overlook the community services that some generous and charitable brethren who participated in the Gellert Park Diabetes Walk and the Teglia Community Center Food Distribution.

To complete the month's activities was an informational session on saving the environment by learning some ways to reduce energy consumption, and thereby saving from energy bills. This was facilitated through collaboration of Crocker Lodge 212, Peninsula Clean Energy, and HealthWays which was participated by members of the Lodge and friends from Daly City, South San Francisco, and San Bruno. To all those who attended, my sincere appreciation. Your interest in protecting our planet by learning to save from energy consumption is highly commendable. We have only one planet Earth and we should learn not to destroy it.

We have weathered the first four months and are looking forward to continuing the momentum. Let us never loose sight of what is important in our brotherhood and community. Motivate yourselves not to be side-tracked by staying true to the spirit of our teachings. Be more than you would be if you were not a Mason. Peace!

Brotherly,

Vennie A. Acebedo  
Worshipful Master

## By The Plumb



Greetings.

The month of May is a Springtime in the northern half of the world and a Fall month in the Southern Half. May's birth flower is the lily of the valley.

In last month's Stated Meeting (April 6, 2023), I was voted, elected, and installed as Senior Warden of our Lodge for the Masonic Year 2023. Although I was certified last October 2022 by the Inspector Worshipful Gerald Michael Wilson as a Senior Warden with the current Master WB Vennie Acebedo for the Masonic year 2023, neither did I occupy any officer's position as the Chaplain nor Senior Warden as I wanted to relax a bit due from the tedious and hectic workload as Master of Crocker Lodge 212 for the Masonic Year 2022. There were a lot of challenges during my term that my personal time was mostly spent to the Lodge. I cancelled my planned vacation outside of the country as I had to attend and organize the viewing and funeral of our deceased brethren, assist in the maintenance problems of the Lodge, attend and resolve the complains and concerns of some brethren. The Lodge has witnessed and experienced challenges, so stressful that at the end of my term in our December 2022 Stated Meeting, I took off my hat which was a signal of relief and moving to another episode of my life. Since I joined Crocker Lodge in 2016, I have not seen any Master who were beset or to have experienced such challenging activities.

After the pandemic, when all lodges opened and resumed normal operations, Crocker Lodge opened for the first time assuming all the unfinished business and setting the new year with brand new plans. I did the best I can to handle those challenges but still there are some critics. I knew that I could please everybody.

Last year, in November 3, 2022 Stated Meeting, there was an election of Officers for Masonic Year 2023. WB Eric A. Gapal, PM was elected as Senior Warden. However, since he has not participated in the scheduled qualifications examination conducted by the Inspector, he was given a chance to do it on the date the Inspector set up for him. Such schedule did not match though with his new job schedule, he did not make it and the grace period given to him has expired. The Inspector then had closed any certification or qualification examinations to anybody after the grace period, thus W Brother Gapal stepped down. Worshipful Acebedo and most Past Masters and other brethren endorsed me to assume the Senior Warden position because at this time the Lodge still needed my services, and so I was elected and officially installed last April 6. As a past Master, I must always support the brethren and the Lodge as we have declared when we took our solemn obligations as a member of Crocker Lodge 212 to help and support the Lodge. Our Lodge has been experiencing unusual circumstances in its organizational cycle and this is a crucial time for us brethren to rally behind to keep Crocker Lodge 212 thrive.

Brotherly Yours,

Ferdinand B. Quiambao, PM  
Senior Warden

## By The Plumb



Dear Brethren

It is with great pleasure that I address you today as your Junior Warden. As we all know, the role of the Junior Warden is primarily to take charge of the refreshment of the Lodge during our meetings and ceremonies. Therefore, I would like to take this opportunity to discuss the importance of refreshment and how it plays a vital role in our Lodge's success.

Providing refreshments is not just about satisfying our hunger or thirst; it is about creating a welcoming atmosphere where we can gather and socialize with our brethren. As your Junior Warden, I am committed to ensuring that the refreshments we provide are of high quality and appropriate for the occasion. Whether it's a quick snack during a short break or a full meal for a festive occasion, I will work with the committee to provide an inviting atmosphere for everybody.

Apart from providing refreshments, I am collaborating with our Worshipful Master to organize social and community events that aim to enhance camaraderie and fellowship among our members. These events will not only benefit our Lodge, but also highlight the Freemasons' contributions to charity and welfare. By promoting these events, we aim to educate the community on the value of our work. This May, we are hosting a celebration to honor the remarkable role of Mothers in Freemasonry, themed "Mother's Love Never Fades." Through this event, we hope to express gratitude for the support of mothers while demonstrating the positive impact of our Lodge's activities.

These events will also help us to go in line with the program of the Grand Lodge of California in terms of marketing and increasing membership. As we all know, membership is vital to the success of our Lodge, and by coordinating social events and engaging with our community, we will be able to reach out to more individuals and attract more members to our Lodge.

As the Junior Warden, I will make sure that pending motions and proceedings that require my presence will move through the standard procedures. This will ensure that our Lodge operates smoothly and efficiently.

It is also essential to remember that every member of our Lodge is material to its success. Therefore, I urge the Senior and Junior Stewards, our EAs and FCs, to assist and support me in my task of providing refreshments and coordinating social events. By working together, we can create a warm and welcoming atmosphere for our members and guests.

In line with my commitment to fostering the marketing thrust of the Grand Lodge, I am proposing a new program called "Meet the Masons Meetup." This activity aims to bring together people who are interested in learning more about Freemasonry and our Lodge. The details of this event will be announced soon. I encourage all members to support such activity, as it will help us reach out to more individuals and increase our membership.

Lastly, I would like to thank you all for your support and cooperation. I am honored to serve as Junior Warden and look forward to working with you all to make our Lodge even more successful.

Fraternally,

Peter Cossid

## May Birthday Celebrants

Name	Birthdate
Lauro V. Arguna, Jr.	4
Rodolfo S. Mercado	5
Roy A. Yapana	5
Rodolfo Garcia	9
Paul B. Miguel	9
Ramon M. Torres	9
Alfonso B. Apolo	10
Nikiwilli Lopez Cruz	10
Emmanuel V. Bernal	12
Ramir R. Milay	13
Aurelio B. Gavieres	14
Elmer R. Cuares	15
Alfredo T. Solian	17
Ray R. Romero	18
Marlon M. Macapinlac	20
Bernardino M. Malasig	20
Roderick J. Cruz	21
Tristan B. Calilap	23
Venancio A. Acebedo	25
Joshua L. Cusing	26
Fernando B. Santiago	30



*Happy Birthday*

## May Masonic Birthdays

Name	Years	Masonic Birthday
Glenn A. De Dios	8	05/08/2014
Ryan D. Mote	9	05/29/2014
Adelmo T. Plaza, Jr.	9	05/22/2014
Paul Jordan M. De la Rosa	11	05/21/2012
Nikiwilli Lopez Cruz	12	05/10/2011
Shawn Dionida	14	05/28/2009
Edwin C. Calilung	14	05/15/2009
Tristan B. Calilap	4	05/09/2019
Roger A. Ballesteros	18	05/26/2005
Allan Rae De la Rosa	18	05/18/2005
Filmore B. Figueroa	21	05/30/2002
Ruben E. Mendoza	23	05/25/2000
Reynaldo C. San Miguel	30	05/20/1993
Norman S. Viray	39	05/17/1984
Apolonio S. Luna	43	05/05/1980
Robert H. Drye	44	05/29/1979
Mario A. Arbis	48	05/24/1975
Calvin E. Harris	48	05/23/1974
Moses G. Mendoza	48	05/24/1975
Arthur E. Juhl	55	05/09/1968

**Reminder!!!**

**Master Masons Re-Obligation  
Call the  
Master, Senior or Junior Warden  
For Appointment**

## Schedule of Events

May 4	Thursday	7:30 pm	Stated Meeting
May 11	Thursday	6:30 pm	First Degree Conferral
May 13	Saturday	5:00 pm	Mothers' Day Celebration
May 17	Wednesday	9:00 am	Community Service at Teglia
May 18	Thursday	6:30 pm	Fellow Craft Proficiency Examination of Brother Ray Romero
May 20	Saturday	11:00 am 3:00 pm	W Brother Roger Gulen's Wife Funeral Service Tribute to a Dear Friend/ (Jose Maristela, Jr.)
May 23	Tuesday	7:15 pm	DSOI at Mission Lodge 169
May 25	Thursday	6:30 pm	Master Mason Proficiency and Fellowship/Degree Rehearsal
May 28	Tuesday	7:30 pm	CMHA Meeting
June 1	Thursday	7:30 pm	Stated Meeting
June 8	Thursday	7:00 pm	Fellow Craft Proficiency and Second Degree Rehearsal
June 15	Thursday	7:00 pm	Entered Apprentice Proficiency Exam/Fellowship/Second Degree Rehearsal
June 17	Saturday	5:00 pm	Fathers Day Celebration (Filipiniana Attire)
June 22	Thursday	7:00 pm	Second Degree Conferral Upon Bro. Francisco Crisostomo
June 29	Thursday	7:00 pm	Proficiency Examination Upon Bros. Edgar de la Cruz and Rener Umali





April 6, 2023 Monthly Stated Meeting

## Special Feature



Election and Installation of Brother Peter Cossid as Junior Warden, W. Hercules Valdez as Secretary, W. Jack Abuda as Senior Deacon, Brother Bernardo Gayagoy as Junior Steward last April 6, 2023.

## Special Feature



**Entered Apprentice Degree Conferral Upon Edgar de la Cruz and Rener Umali on April 27, 2023**



# Community Education



**Crocker Lodge 212, Peninsula Clean Energy, and HealthWays sponsored a community education on Protecting the Planet by using alternative sources of energy last April 30, 2023**



## More Memories



**Above: The brethren and their ladies continued the usual camaraderie and enjoyed the fellowship while relishing the home made dishes during the April 6 Stated Meeting.**

**Below: The April birthday celebrants were greeted and treated with chocolate cake.**



# Breakfast and Fellowship on April 15, 2023



## Other Community Activities



Worshipful Master Vennie Acebedo led some of the brethren to participate in community activities. Above left picture: Daly City Council Woman Pam DiGiovanni and Daly City Manager met with W Brother Pat Ancheta and other community leaders to discuss opportunities to serve the community. Above right picture: The Diabetes Walk conducted at Daly City Gellert Park was participated by some Crocker Lodge members.

Below: Brethren from Crocker Lodge actively participated in the Rose Croix Ceremony at the Scottish Rite San Francisco Valley last April 26, 2023.



## Celebrations

**CROCKER LODGE 212 CELEBRATES  
MOTHER'S DAY!**

**HONORING THE REMARKABLE ROLE OF  
MOTHERS IN FREEMASONRY**

**HAPPY**

*Mother's Day*

**THEME: "A MOTHER'S LOVE NEVER FADES."**

**SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2023 AT 5:00 PM**

BRING YOUR MOTHER, WIFE, SISTER, OR ANY SPECIAL  
MOTHER FIGURE OR WIDOW IN YOUR LIFE TO ENJOY A  
DELICIOUS DINNER WITH US.

DON'T MISS THIS EXCITING NIGHT FULL OF ACTIVITIES.

TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT!  
CONTACT: 415-278-3356 AND 510-971-2438 OR  
INFO.CROCKER212@GMAIL.COM  
RSVP BY MAY 10TH



Obituary

*In Memoriam*

**Brother Cesar V. Alegria, Jr.**

Initiated: November 21, 1996

Passed: April 24, 1997

Raised: October 16, 1997

Into Rest: April 24, 2023

Almighty Father, Into Thy Hands  
We Commend The Soul  
Of Our Beloved Brother  
Amen.

*Memorial Service*

**May 5, 2023 at 10:30 am**  
**All Saints Catholic Church**  
22824 2nd St, Hayward, CA 94541

A Tribute To A Dear Friend

*Celebrating the Life of*



*OUR DEAR FRIEND*

**JOSE C.  
MARISTELA, JR.**

**MAY**

**SATURDAY**

**20**

**3:00 PM**

**CROCKER LODGE 212  
17 HILLSIDE, DALY CITY**

# Crocker Masonic Hall Association

## Directors:

**Pablito A. Abuda, PM - President (2023)**  
**Hercules H. Valdez, PM—Vice President (2023)**  
**Renato Santos, PM—Secretary (2024)**  
**Edwin Duenas — Chief Financial Officer (2025)**  
**Peter Cossid (2023)**  
**Emmanuel Paje (2025)**  
**Mario Arbis (2025)**  
**Bernardo Gayagoy (2025)**  
**Bernard David (2024)**

## *Ex-Officio Members:*

**WM Venancio A. Acebedo**  
**Ferdinand Quiambao, PM**



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## Stated Meeting

### 1st Thursday of the Month

Stated Meeting Dinner—6:30 PM

*(Jack Palmer Hall)*

*Making a reservation is encouraged*

Call: Bro. Ferdi Quiambao: 650-580-7057

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