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

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*“Living Up To The Obligation
With Trustworthiness and
Humility”*



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Upon The Square



Dear Fellow Masons,

February has arrived and have you started planning your garden? This is indeed the time! Whether you want to create a square-foot garden for vegetables, a kitchen garden for herbs, or a beautiful flower garden, gardening will help you find happiness and peace of mind while enjoying in tending the gifts of nature. As Pythagoras teaches Masons to be great lovers of the arts and sciences, gardening can be one of the most fulfilling actions to express love on this fields.

Talking about love, February is often recognized for being a month dedicated to and all about love and strengthening emotional connections. But February is not only about valentines and sweethearts; instead it can also be a month for self-love and self-care, fostering relationships with family and friends, and loving others. It symbolizes preparation for new growth and the awakening of nature, reminding us to prepare ourselves for changes and new beginnings.

Also, February, being a relatively shorter month, **reminds us of the importance of time and wisdom.**

This verse highlights the significance of recognizing the brevity of life and seeking God's wisdom in how we use our time. By valuing each day and seeking wisdom from the Lord, we can make the most of our limited time on Earth. It also reminds us Masons of the three principal stages of human life: youth, manhood, and age. As true Freemasons, we do not waste out time, or demean ourselves, by tearing down another's wall but respect every man's temple, and enjoy each other's company as we were all created dependent on each other. Hence, This month is a time to evaluate and improve the quality of our relationships, ensuring that they are healthy, balanced, and nurturing. As the month is imbued with optimism, its quiet and still nature provides an ideal backdrop to explore deeper our inner self to manifest strength, patience and resilience.

On another note, I would like to alert you that we have listed our activities for the year, however, these activities have been designed with flexibility in accordance with the condition of the lodge. The "first aid" approach adopted in the past in dealing with problems on the physical building are now affecting our schedules and activities. It is therefore expected from everyone of your understanding as stakeholders when some schedules need to be juggled.

Peace to all!

Brother Vennie Acebedo
Master 2024

On The Level



Brethren of Crocker Lodge 212,

"An ounce of Prevention is better than a Pound of Cure." Part 1

January slipped by unnoticed, its passage akin to a gentle breeze on a tranquil sea, punctuated only by moments of eerie calm. There's a well-known saying about the calm before a storm, a phrase that speaks volumes about the quiet moments that precede chaos. Whether it's true or not, January always serves as a time for introspection and resolution, a period when our musings transform into decisive actions.

In the midst of this reflective atmosphere, the concept of prevention has taken center stage in my educational journey this month. It's a simple yet profound idea—that addressing problems early can prevent larger issues from arising. This principle holds true across various aspects of life, including the maintenance of our Lodge.

Consider, for instance, the state of our Lodge's roof and ceiling. While many have proposed solutions, there's a prevailing sentiment of hesitation, with some citing their novice status as an excuse for inaction. "But we are only fellowcraft," alluding to the idea that we are new, clad only with white gloves and aprons.

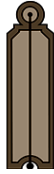
Yet, we must remember that the responsibility to address these issues falls upon us, regardless of our experience. We cannot afford to ignore the Order of the Lodge.

Regrettably, our current leadership finds itself grappling with the consequences of that neglect. It's a situation exacerbated by finger-pointing, blame-shifting and pout-directing. However, amidst these challenges, a crucial architectural question emerges: Where was the UPKEEP? This inquiry isn't merely about monetary concerns but speaks to a broader issue of stewardship and responsibility and deserves a deeper investigation. Not pennies, not hundreds, but thousands. Let us put an end to this rabbit hole. Hate me or not, it is for the good of the Lodge.

Ultimately, the lesson is clear: It's far easier to prevent problems than to deal with their consequences. Let's heed this wisdom and take proactive steps to address issues before they escalate. As the saying goes, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." So, let's "git er done"!

Brother Peter Cossid
Senior Warden

By The Plumb



Greetings Brethren,

Love is in the air and it is that time again to feel your love and be loved. Do not forget to mark this date February 10 (2/10) on your calendar which is our Valentine Night Dinner Dance to be held at the Jack Palmer Hall. It will be spear-headed by our one and only WB Roni Dori (committee chairman). Let us continue to celebrate our old tradition to gather together and rejoice our welfare with one another (partners included), and our families. I would love to see everyone there and let us show great support to our Lodge and our Fraternity. We can do great things together when we are traveling the same road and the same direction.

Please call, text, or email for Reservation (seats are limited to 70 people)...

Menu for our Stated Meeting:

Barbecue Chicken (filam)
Beef with Broccoli
Pancit Bihon (Shrimp)
Egg Roll
Soup
White Rice

Dessert: Cake and Ice Cream

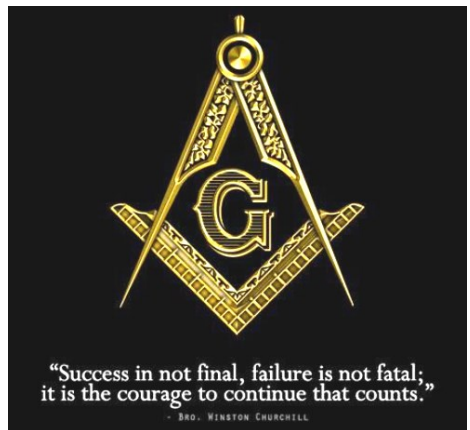
Drinks: Coffee, Tea, Sodas and Water

For Reservations, call:
SS Brother Rener Umali
650 452-4009

JW Jack Abuda, PM
650 703-0968

Dress Code: Coat and Tie

(Freemasonry teaches us to be dressed decently as we enjoy each other's company during fellowship and business meetings)



"Success is not final, failure is not fatal;
it is the courage to continue that counts."

- BRO. WINSTON CHURCHILL

Calendar of Events

February 1	Thursday	7:30 pm	Stated Meeting
February 7	Wednesday	7:30 pm	Rehearsal for Third Degree
February 8	Thursday	7:30 pm	Rededication Night and Raising of Brother Mark Nano
February 10	Saturday	6:00 pm	Valentine and Widows Night
February 15	Thursday	7:30 pm	Second Degree Rehearsal
February 17	Saturday	9:00 am	Neighborhood Cleanup
February 22	Thursday	7:30 pm	Second Degree Proficiency of Brother Joshua Plosser
February 27	Tuesday	7:00 pm	CMHA
February 29	Thursday	7:30 pm	Masonic Education
March 2	Saturday	9:00 am	Community Breakfast at the Lodge
March 6	Wednesday	6:00 pm	Family Bowling
March 7	Thursday	7:30 pm	Stated Meeting and Official Visit of Inspector Michael Gerard Wilson
March 14	Thursday	7:30 pm	DSOI at Crocker Lodge 212
March 23	Saturday	6:00 pm	Potluck Dinner

Crocker Lodge 212 Mission

To promote personal growth and improve the lives of others. We take responsibility for the well-being of our brothers, our families, and the community as a whole. We value respect kindness, and tolerance, in our differences.....religion, ethnicity, culture, generation, and education; and strive for harmony in our lives, in our lodge, and in the global community.

Major Activities During The Year

March 2	Saturday	9:00 am	Community Breakfast at the Lodge
March 6	Wednesday	6:00 pm	Family Bowling
March 23	Saturday	6:00 pm	Roll Call and Fellowship
April 4	Thursday	7:30 pm	Stated Meeting
April 10	Wednesday	6:00 pm	Family Bowling
April 13	Saturday	3:00 pm	Daly City High Schools Athletes Recognition
May 8	Wednesday	6:00 pm	Family Bowling
May 11	Saturday	6:00 pm	Mothers' Day Celebration (Dinner & Dance)
May 25	Saturday	4:00 pm	Open House/Laymen's Night/Top Line Signer Recognition
June 15	Saturday	6:00 pm	Fathers Day Dinner & Dance
June 22	Saturday	5:00 pm	Table Lodge in Celebration of the Feast of Saint John the Baptist
July 13	Saturday	9:00 am	Lodge Inventory
August 10	Saturday	9:00 am	Community Fair
August 24	Saturday	9:00 am	Outdoor Lodge Picnic
September 14	Saturday	6:00 pm	Past Masters Night
September 19	Thursday	7:17 pm	DSOI at Crocker Lodge 212
September 27 & 28	Friday/ Saturday	8:00 am	Reno Sister Lodge Exchange Visit
October 12	Saturday	6:00 pm	Crocker Lodge Anniversary Celebration
October 19	Saturday	9:00 am	Masonic Home Visit
November 9	Saturday	3:00 pm	Daly City Police and Firemen Recognition
November 23	Saturday	4:00 pm	HIRAM Awardee Recognition Night
December 14	Saturday	4:00 pm	Installation of New Officers
December 21	Saturday	9:00 pm	Family Christmas Celebration

Entertainments and Fellowships



Brethren,

Join us at the Bowling games on March 6, April 10 and May 8 (all Wednesday) from 5:00 pm till 10:30 pm at the Classic Bowling, 900 Callan Blvd, Daly City CA 94015. Please RSVP to Bro. Manny Paje if you want to participate. We need a head count to reserve the place. You can either email: epaje@farmersagent.com or text at 650-438-4516. Pls invite your family and friends.

Features:

Bowling: Engelberto “Biboy” Rivera (born March 25, 1974) is a world ten pin Bowling champion from the Philippines. He won the WTBA world tenpin championship in 2016 and the Asian gold medal for men’s single in 2010. Rafael “Paeng” Nepomuceno is the most famous Filipino bowler having won 6 times world bowling championships and he is a world Bowling Hall of Famer.

Wesley Barbossa So (born Oct 9, 1993) is a Fil-Am chess grandmaster and 3 time US Chess champion (2017, 2020 and 2021).

He is also a 3 time Philippine Chess champion. On the March 2017 FIDE rating list, he was ranked No. 2 in the world with an Elo rating of 2822 making him the fifth highest ranked player in history.

Chess:

He beat Magnus Carlsen (world champion) in 2019 13—2 1/2 to win the FIDE world Fischer Random Chess Championship. A former Chess prodigy, So became the youngest player to pass a 2600 Elo Rating in 2008, breaking the record previously held by Magnus Carlsen.

Billiards:

In the 2nd Universal Chinese Taipei 9-Ball Open held on January 10, 2024, two Filipino players topped the tournament. Carlo Biado was the champion and the runner-up was a teenager Bernie “Benok” Regalario. The participants were the top/best 90 players of the world but the Pinoys beat them all. Both players will represent the Philippines at the Indonesian Open in February, 2024. Good luck to both of you!

PingPong:

Richard Gonzales (born March 31, 1971) is a multiple medalist in the Southeast Asian Games in Table tennis.

Brother Manny Paje

January 4, 2024 Monthly Stated



February Birthday Celebrants

Name	Birthday
Vinson, Tommy M., Jr.	02
Gella, Juancho R.	02
Samatra, Joel, C.	04
Mastrile, Renato S. PM	05
Magpantay, Apolinario A., Jr.	05
Abuda, Pablito A., PM	07
Catig, Leonard A.	12
Shaneyfelt, Dwight A.	12
Domingo, Jose-Frank M. PM	13
Harris, Calvin E.	14
Estiva, Ray M.	15
Mendoza, Ruben E.	25
Garcia, Ramil F.	25

Happy
Birthday



Reminder!!

Brothers, if you have not paid you annual dues yet, you still have time to do it. There two ways to pay your dues: first, it to visit the imember site and you can make an online payment; and secondly, you can mail you payment to the Secretary.

Master Masons Masonic Birthdays

Name	Masonic Birthday	Years
Ritter, William B.	02/26/1957	67
Taylor, Michael G.	02/15/1972	52
Castillo, Manuel S.	02/14/1976	48
David, Fernando T.	02/20/1990	34
Arguna, Lauro V., Jr.	02/13/1992	32
Apolo, Antonio B.	02/26/2004	20
Paje, Emmanuel O.	02/23/2006	18
Agoncillo, Juvenal F.	02/26/2009	15
Mercado, Rodolfo S.	02/17/2011	13
Hernandez, Laur R.	02/25/2015	9
Rihal, Ashvinder S.	02/18/2010	6
Salvador, Ramon M.	02/21/2019	5
Gella, Juancho F.	02/20/2020	4



The Habits of a True Mason

1. Don't Show Off
2. Talk Less
3. Learn Daily
4. Help Less Fortunate
5. Laugh More
6. Ignore Nonsense
7. No Entitlement



speak with honesty
think with sincerity
act with integrity

Fellowship During the January 4 Stated Meeting



Environmental Stewardship

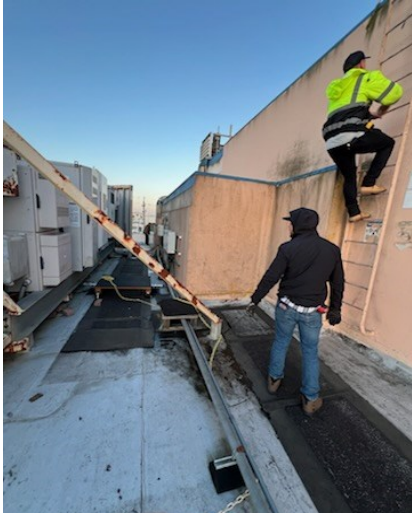


Environmental stewardship can be practiced in many ways. This picture shows these old holiday decorations can be reused, every season. What matters is the way these stuff are stored to maintain its brand new-like appearance. Let us save our resources and our planet for future generations.

WB Pat Ancheta practices environmental stewardship by maintaining a small ornamental garden in a city-owned premise. This expression of greening the environment also adds aesthetic value of the neighborhood and the community.



Updates From The Top



Inspection of the roof of Crocker Lodge Building was conducted by three roofing companies at different time to make sure that reasonable deals are made in repairing the roof. This was led by Worshipful Rufo Macaraeg and Brother Larry Ancheta.



Invitation

Valentine's Day



DINNER and DANCE

Crocker Lodge 212

February 10, 2024 @ 5:00 pm

← DINNER DRINKS GAMES DANCING →

*Enjoy the night filled with love,
laughter, and camaraderie*

RSVP by February 5 to secure your seat.

Please call

Brother Renner Umali @ (650) 452-4009

WB Jack Abuda @ (650) 703-0968

Community Service



Cleanup Volunteers were represented by four brothers from Crocker Lodge 212 last January 20. This volunteer work happens every third Saturday of the month,



Brother Manny Paje represented the Brother Masons from Crocker Lodge 212 during the January 17 food distribution at Pollicita Elementary School in Daly City. This volunteer work happens every third

Crocker Masonic Hall Association

Directors:

Pablito A. Abuda, PM - President (2026)
Hercules H. Valdez, PM—Vice President (2026)
Renato Santos, PM—Secretary (2024)
Edwin Duenas — Chief Financial Officer (2025)
Emmanuel Paje (2025)
Mario Arbis (2024)
Bernardo Gayagoy (2025)
Bernard David (2024)
John Fox (2026)

Ex-Officio Members:

WM Venancio A. Acebedo
Peter Cossid



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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

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Bro. Jack Abuda @ (650) 703-0968

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