

Penrhyn Gold Hill #32

Free and Accepted Masons of the State of California



NOTICE!!!

The October Stated Meeting has been moved to October 17, to allow for a visitation to Fernley Lodge.

CALENDAR

Stated Meeting is the 2nd Thursday of every month at 7:30 with a dinner beforehand, which starts around 6:00.

The Hall Board Meets on the 1st Thursday of every month at 7:00.

OFFICERS

Peter Ackeret	WM
Tom McCarthy	SW
Allen Holland	JW
Bill Pinkerton	Treas
Tom Krummell, PM	S
Ollie Guinn	CH
Daryl Lukas	SD
Bart Copeland	JD
Corey Leighty	M
Steven Bruce	JS
Fred Flint-Montero	T
Allen Cuenca	OC
Will Parker, PM	
Insp.	

From The West

The Lodge is looking better and better every month. Some of the stenciling over the windows in the Lodge Room is done, and the secretary's loft / library is coming along. [Bayside Church](#) of Rocklin graciously donated three bookshelves for our loft, and we are already filling them up with the vast array of history that was previously scattered throughout the loft. Our goal is to have all the materials we pulled down and placed in temporary storage on the porch filed away before our installation on December 13.

Hiram Award

Please join us on November 2 at 2 pm for Bart Copeland's Hiram Award Ceremony. He is very deserving of this honor and your company.

November Dinner

The ladies of our [Eastern Star](#) are cooking up a treat for November's Stated Meeting. It is rumored that they are preparing a full ham dinner that you will not want to miss. As such, the suggested donation for November's dinner will be ten dollars, instead of the usual seven.

November Elections

After you have feasted on a wonderful ham dinner, join us for the stated meeting. As another special treat, we will be electing our officers for next year.

~Peter Ackeret, Master~

From The South

Brothers, in my attempt to continue the strong presence of fraternity that defines Penrhyn Gold Hill #32, I am planning my year as Master around activities that bring us together as brothers outside of the lodge. I have had suggestions of trap shooting, fishing off of Half Moon Bay, camping in The Sierras as well as visitations to various lodges. A new twist to Reno has been mentioned, C-C'n; Cabela's and Casinos. My personal favorite is watching any Fresno State athletic event.

Please let me know if you have an activity you'd like to do as a group. I can be reached at 916-257-9615, or by email at: tom@goldenspurdrive.com

I look forward to sitting in lodge with you.

~Tom McCarthy, SW~

From The East

Brethren, during the month of November our Stated Meeting meal will consist of ham, scalloped potatoes, beans, salad, rolls and butter. The meal will be prepared by members of Penryn Chapter # 159 O.E.S.

On October 6th, I had the great privilege of attending the installation of the new Grand Lodge Officers for the coming year. As many of you know, our own Most Worshipful John Cooper was installed as The Grand Master in a moving ceremony, which was most inspiring.

As I walked through the Grand Lodge building, a building rich in Masonic history and tradition, a feeling of pride sweep over me knowing that I was a part of our ancient and honorable fraternity. In keeping with the theme for most of my articles this year, I will now share with you a little about the origins and history of Halloween.

Halloween (10/31) originated from an ancient Celtic festival by the name of [Samhain](#). It was believed that the living and the dead would meet on that day and that the local priest would receive prophecy that would direct their survival during the long and hard winter.

~Al Holland, JW~

George Washington, The Mason

George Washington joined the Masonic Lodge [Fredericksburg No. 4](#) as an Entered Apprentice at the age of 20 in November of 1752. His Masonic membership, like the others public titles and duties he performed, was expected from a young man of his social status in colonial Virginia. During the War for Independence, General Washington attended Masonic celebration and religious observances in several states. He also supported Masonic Lodges that formed within army regiments.

At his first inauguration in 1791, President Washington took his oath of office on a [Bible from St. John's Lodge in New York](#). During his two terms, he visited Masons in North and South Carolina and presided over the [cornerstone ceremony](#) for the U.S. Capitol in 1793.

In retirement, Washington became charter Master of the newly chartered [Alexandria Lodge No. 22](#), sat for a [portrait](#) in his Masonic regalia, and in death, was buried with Masonic honors.

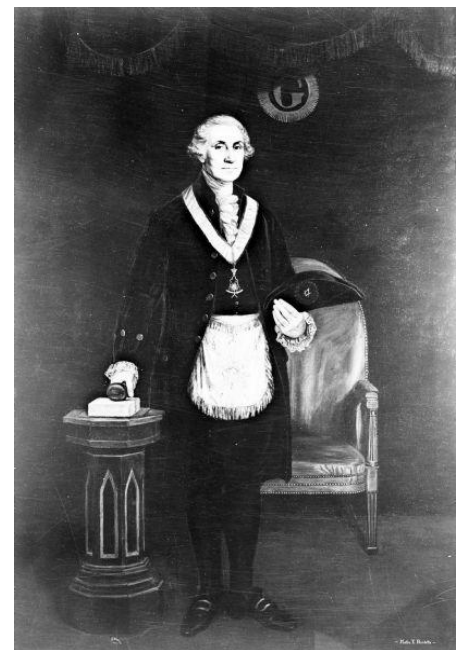
Such was Washington's character, that from almost the day he took his Masonic obligations until his death, he became the same man in private that he was in public.

In Masonic terms, he remained "a just and upright Mason" and became a true Master Mason. Washington was, in Masonic terms, a "living stone" who became the cornerstone of American civilization. He remains the milestone others civilizations follow into liberty and equality. He is Freemasonry's "perfect ashlar" upon which countless Master Masons gauge their labors in their own Lodges and in their own communities.

Source:

<http://gwmemorial.org/washington/TheMason.php>

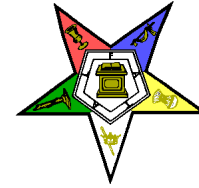
The Portrait of Brother George Washington in his Masonic Regalia



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Penrhyn Chapter No. 159
Penrhyn Masonic Temple
2nd Tuesday, at 7:30 PM
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Newsletter for November, 2013

From the East: Final Greetings from the East. Our October 8th meeting was very busy and enjoyable in several ways. We were thrilled to be able to ballot on an Affiliation for Nora Bryant from Heber Chapter #181 to become a member of our Chapter. Nora will be a welcome addition with her warm and friendly personality and enthusiasm to join in with all of our varied events in the coming years. We also had Elections for incoming Officers and found out who the appointed officers will be for the ensuing year. We are very excited to see what the new year will bring.

Our next Merrihearts meeting will be on Oct 22nd and will be dedicated to planning our upcoming Installation on Nov 30th at 7 PM. We will not be folding newsletters that night as Tom Krummell will be out of town and the Masons will be handling this task. Ed and I will also be on vacation that week and unable to attend as well, so let's see a good member turn out so the Installation will go smoothly with much participation.

Since this is our last newsletter for our Year in the East and Last Night on Nov 12th our final meeting, Ed and I just want to again thank all of you for your participation, love and support through this last year, as it has truly been one we shall never forget and will hold many fond memories in our hearts of our many friends from Penrhyn Chapter while we were in the East. We hope that you all had an enjoyable year with us serving in the East; it has truly been an honor to serve this Chapter and we're also looking forward to looking to the East for guidance from our incoming WM and WP and glad that our year has finally come to an end.

A Fond Farewell to all,
Claudia Davis, WM
Ed Davis, WP

Circle of Concern: As always, be sure to contact Sister Mani Holcomb if you or someone you know needs a card. Sister Mani's phone number is (916) 363-4570. It was announced at our October meeting that our Sister Lorene Owen is not yet able to attend meetings due to not feeling as stable on her feet as she would like. She is also having problems with her eyes. Keep her in your thoughts and prayers. Also announced, was that Sister Kay Edmunds of Evangeline Chapter in Nevada City, had surgery to remove an impacted kidney stone. She has been moved to a rehabilitation center, so there may be complications. Sister Kay is to be our Deputy Grand Matron in 2014. Keep her in your thoughts and prayers as well.

Election of 2014 Officers: At the October meeting, the annual election of officers was held, and the following were elected: Worthy Matron – Pat Sebring PM; Worthy Patron – Fred Flint-Montero PP; Associate Matron – Sandy Jopson PM; Associate Patron – Harvey Holcomb; Secretary – Dave Jopson PP; Treasurer – June Zeri PM; Conductress – Alice Epperson PM; Associate Conductress – Jessica Jopson; Chaplain – Scott Warren PP; Marshal – Roseanne Schroder; Organist – Tina Spriggs PM; Adah – Sandra Miller PM; Ruth – Dorothy Kimmel PM; Esther – Connie Walker PM; Martha – Beth Flint-Montero PM; Electa – Manilita Holcomb; Warder – Claude Walker PP; Sentinel – Tom Krummell. The open installation of Officers will be on November 30th at 7:00 PM, be sure to mark down this date and come out and support not only the new Officers, but our Chapter!!!

November Birthdays: 10 – Tina Spriggs; 17 – Patty Skellenger McAnnally; 18 – Cory Lee Gardner Mello; 19 – Gaytrell Mitchell, Alice Epperson; 26 – Rhonda Nelthorpe Morrillas; 30 – Donna Nelthorpe.

November Anniversaries: 4 – Nicki & Bruce Reid; 7 – Millie & Walt Taylor; 10 – Cindy Wallace Arnold; 20 – Lisa & Rick Stafford; 21 – Susan & Howard Zeman.

From the Secretary: At our September meeting, the budget committee presented the 2013-2014 budget (and it was approved by vote of the Chapter), and they decided to keep the Grand Chapter assessment amount of our dues at \$19.00. That means that our dues for 2014 will be: \$19.00 for the Grand Chapter fees and assessments PLUS \$20.00 Chapter dues for a total of \$39.00. For those of you who do not have a life sponsorship of the Eastern Star Home, you will also owe an additional \$5.00 for a total of \$44.00. Dues invoices will be going out some time in November, and the invoice will list what you owe. **For those of you who have not yet paid for 2013, the invoice will list the entire amount that is owed.** The Grand Chapter fees and assessment amount will go up to \$20.00 for 2015 due to the automatic 50 cent increase each year. **As I have stressed all year, if you are having problems paying your dues, PLEASE contact either myself or the Worthy Matron so that we can work something out. There are options, but we MUST hear from you.** Also, please be sure to keep me updated on any address changes or other contact information changes.

Also, if you have email, and would not mind if the Chapter uses it to send you updates and other information, by all means contact the Secretary, and he will keep it confidential, as we know that some members do not want their emails “all over the world”. When anything is sent out, all addresses are put on the BCC line, and do not show on the email.

New Member: At the October meeting, we had the pleasure to ballot upon (favorably) and welcome into our Chapter Sister Nora Bryant by affiliation. Sister Nora is also a member of Heber Chapter in Roseville, and will be serving as Heber’s Worthy Matron in 2014. Congratulations Sister Nora, and welcome to Penrhyn Chapter.

This and That: I would like to take this opportunity to go over some OES terminology that is often confusing. When a Member belongs to two chapters in California, that member is a “plural” member. When a Member belongs to a California chapter and a chapter from another jurisdiction (state or country) that member is a “dual” member.

I was recently asked if the Chapter pays per capita taxes and assessments (the extra \$19.00 we started paying with our dues) on 50 year members? The answer is no, we do not pay per capita taxes on 50 year members. The only amount that we pay on 50 year members is a \$1.00 fee assessed on ALL members to General Grand Chapter that is included in the \$19.00.

In Memorium: We just recently learned that Sister Marguerite Woodward passed away on August 16, 2013. She was a long time Member of Penrhyn Chapter, but had never held an office.

Address Changes: Please make the following address changes in your Chapter roster: Cindy Arnold – 32 Lyons Road, Plattsburgh, NY 12901. Nadine Horsfall – 15 – 2796 Maikoiko Street, Pahoa, HI 96778-9142.

Also, Sister Corrie Schroder has a new email address as of October 31st: 1stbwitch@gmail.com

Attention All Officers!!!! Be sure to bring all Chapter books/property (Constitution and Laws/Instruction Book, secret work, etc.) to the November meeting so that they may be checked in, and then checked out to the proper Officer for 2014. There are updates to some of the books that the secretary has received from Grand Chapter that need to be inserted. If by chance any Member might have a Chapter book/property from a past year that did not get turned in, please bring it to the meeting. Things do happen, and if it is no longer missing, the Chapter will not have to pay to replace it.

Officer Contact Information:

Worthy Matron: Claudia Davis, 1423 Stone Hearth Lane, Lincoln, CA 95648-8656 (916) 337-6752.

Worthy Patron: Ed Davis, same mailing address, (916) 337-6753.




Secretary & Newsletter: Dave Jopson, djopson@earthlink.net 1245 Pleasant Grove Road, Rio Oso, CA 95674, (530) 633-4103.

Worthy Matron Elect: Pat Sebring, 220 Flood Road, Auburn, CA 95603-4009. (530) 823-8360

Worthy Patron Elect: Fred Flint-Montero, P.O. Box 26, Penryn, CA 95663-0026. (916) 412-5514.

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