

# San Leandro Lodge No. 113 Trestle Board



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## October 2020

### *From the East*



Brethren,

Did you know that Masons of California are celebrating 100 years of supporting Public Education this year? I quote Grand Master Trauner, who says, "Public education is a bedrock principle of our democracy, and one that Masons have advocated for since the very beginning. It's never been more important than now, as our schools face the enormous challenge of remote learning, to show our schools and our communities that we fully support them."

The Grand Lodge of California (GLC) will hold four different virtual celebrations as we honor four different Elementary Schools in California as part of our Fraternity's lifelong commitment to supporting public education. To participate in the virtual celebration, visit [freemason.org/psm2020/](https://freemason.org/psm2020/).

October marks the 171st Annual Communication (ANCOM) of Masons of California. GLC has reinvented the wheel due to Covid-19 Pandemic, hence, this year's ANCOM will be conducted virtually. Please register to participate by clicking [this link](#).

It is with a heavy heart that I share that two SLL #113 Members, namely Bro Charles William Dumm and Bro Robert George Witsler, have dropped their working tools without us knowing until their respective family members responded to the Well Wishes Card sent to all members of the Lodge as a way of keeping a constant communication in this time of uncertainty. I am sharing their respective In Memoriams on pages 4 and 5 of this Trestle Board.

On another note, I also discovered that a few of the Lodge's Members mailing addresses were not updated as few of those Well Wishes Card could not be delivered. Please update your Membership Profile in our iMember 2.0 app to receive current information from both SLL#113 and the GLC.

In our pre-pandemic world, October was usually a busy month in the Lodge. This is when the Brother Senior Warden would submit to the Master the Hiram Award Committee's Recommendee to be awarded with the prestigious and highly coveted Hiram Award for this Masonic Year. We will still have a Hiram Award recipient this year once the committee has submitted their recommendation.

This is also typically the time when the Proficiency for the Pillar Officers and Senior Deacon takes place. When they pass their proficiency, they become qualified for the respective Stations they are aspiring for. Per the advice of Wor Tom Kavishi, our 319th Masonic District Inspector, Proficiency Examinations can be done on a "One-on-one basis" while following the CDC's strict protocol on social distancing and wearing facial coverings. The Loge will be properly informed of the results of the Proficiency Examinations as soon as they are conducted.

Halloween Night is also one of the most anticipated celebration during this month of October. I regret to announce that this year's Halloween Celebration will be cancelled as the GLC is continuing to suspend Lodge activities and events for the safety of our community.

## From the East (continued)

On another note, I would like to thank the SLL#113 Brothers who responded and extended Financial Assistance to one of our Lodge Members who reached out to Masonic Outreach Services (MOS) through the Distressed Worthy Brother Relief Program by the GLC. I was informed by the MOS that he was approved for the financial assistance program offered by the MOS. On behalf of our Distressed Brother, I would like to express my sincere appreciation. It is very heartwarming to know that I am leading a Lodge with members who are generous and live out the true Principles of Masonry: Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.



If you are financially and emotionally impacted by Covid-19 Pandemic, I want to let you know that your Masonic Community is here for you. Please reach out by calling **(888) 466-3642**, sending an email to [masonicassistance@mhuc.org](mailto:masonicassistance@mhuc.org), or by visiting the [Distressed Worthy Brother Relief Website](#).

Lastly, I am publishing in this Trestle Board a Memorandum and Guidelines for your information and strict observance in the event our Lodge will be back into normalcy. Please see page 3 of this Trestle Board for more information.

Always remember, we are all in this together. Let us keep protecting ourselves and our greater community by strictly adhering to Social Distancing and Facial Covering guidelines. Take care and stay safe.

Always at your Service,

**Eric M. Simsuangco**

Worshipful Master 2020

# Memorandum and Guidelines

To: San Leandro Lodge #113  
Eden Assembly #11  
Bethel Order # 175

Date: September 18, 2020

Subject: Future Plans in Returning to Normalcy

## I. References:

- A. DSOI Agenda dated August 12, 2020 – All Masters to present their future plan and schedule for returning to normalcy.
- B. CA Department of Public Health Guidance for the use of Face coverings released on June 18, 2020 [https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/CDPH%20Document%20Library/COVID-19/Guidance-for-Face-Coverings\\_06-18-2020.pdf](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/CDPH%20Document%20Library/COVID-19/Guidance-for-Face-Coverings_06-18-2020.pdf)
- C. Lodge's floor plan
- D. Alameda County Order of the Health Officer No. 20-13 of the County of Alameda generally required members of the public and workers to wear face coverings dated June 5, 2020 <http://acphd.org/media/584322/alameda-county-health-officer-order-20-14-english.pdf>

## II. In accordance with the references cited above, here is what to expect for the reopening of San Leandro Lodge once the Grand Lodge grants permission to resume Lodge events and activities:

- A. The Station of the Senior Warden, along with the Office of the Hall Association, shall place sanitizing stations at all entrances of the Lodge Building, including:
  - i. The main entrance
  - ii. The elevator entrance
  - iii. The banquet hall entrance
  - iv. The lodge room entrance
- B. All sanitizing stations shall carry hand sanitizer, and disposable masks shall be made available by request.
- C. Visible signage of the CDC COVID-19 Guidelines shall be posted at every sanitizing station to remind occupants to wash their hands properly, wear their masks at all times, and stay at least 6 feet apart.
- D. There shall be NO MORE THAN 50 OCCUPANTS INSIDE THE BUILDING AT A TIME. Occupancy per room is as follows:
  - i. Lodge room: No more than 25 occupants at a time.
  - ii. Banquet Hall and Kitchen: No more than 25 occupants at a time.
- E. There shall be NO PHYSICAL CONTACT between occupants (handshakes, hugs, etc.)
- F. Brother Junior Warden, and his equivalent in the Youth Orders, shall practice utmost cleanliness when serving refreshments. To minimize the risk of cross-contamination, only DISPOSABLE UTENSILS and BOTTLED WATER (by request) will be available at this time.
- G. Brothers Senior Warden and Marshal, and their equivalents in the Youth Orders, shall be responsible for strictly enforcing all guidelines.

## III. The Master's Calendar will be published immediately after the Grand Lodge lifts the suspension of events and activities of the Lodges in its Jurisdiction.

## IV. This memo shall be posted in the Ante Room and Banquet Hall of the Lodge for reference. ALL OCCUPANTS OF THE BUILDING ARE EXPECTED TO ADHERE TO ALL GUIDELINES LISTED ABOVE.

# *In Memoriam*



*Charles William Dumm*

*April 17, 1923 - June 25, 2020*

Entered Apprentice - 11-14-1951  
Fellow Craft - 02-20-1952  
Master Mason - 04-09-1952

Born in Casper, Wyoming to Franklin and Margaret (Schenk) Dumm, Charles lived most of his 97 years in the California Bay Area communities of San Leandro, Oakland, and Castro Valley. He and his wife, Gwendolyn, met in Junior High and attended high school together. He enrolled at College of the Pacific in Stockton, California. After being drafted to serve in the US Army during WWII in the Philippines, he returned to San Leandro and married Gwen. He went to work as an electrician for Western Electric. In 1949 he began his life time career as an Electronic Technician at the Lawrence Berkeley Labs where he retired in 1989. He loved his work and colleagues. He often said, "I never regretted a day going to work!"

Charles and his family were very involved in Laurel Methodist Church and San Leandro Methodist where they made many dear, lifelong friends. He was also Master Mason and a member of Knights Templar. He was a voracious reader. He loved science fiction and science, especially the Space Program. He was an amateur radio operator most of his life. His handle was "Charlie How Uncle Charlie King." He built his own radio equipment and computers and was always fascinated by new technology that developed over his lifetime. He enjoyed being outdoors, attending sports events, and camping with his family in Yosemite and other parks in Northern California.

Charles was a devoted husband and a loving, supportive dad for over 70 years! He is survived by his only daughter Gail Paulin (Jim Carlson) of Tucson, a cousin Penny Wilkes (Michael), a nephew, Donald Dumm (Susan Payne) their sons Will and Wes, a niece Melissa Bowler (Tim) their children Justin, Ivy, Jake, Sam, and Holley, Grand nephews Tyler (Lucie), Ryan (Mollyrose) and their son Mitty. He is preceded in death by his beloved wife of nearly 70 years, Gwendolyn, his brother Franklin, his nephew Roger, and son-in-Law Kenneth Paulin.

Many thanks to the kind staff of Broadway Proper in Tucson where he lived the last 4 years of his life to be near his daughter. He had many lifelong friends who enjoyed his sense of humor and good nature. His life exemplified the gift of patience, love and kindness. He will be dearly missed by those who love him and welcomed home by those long lost. He is always young at heart.

No services are scheduled at this time.

# *In Memoriam*



*Robert George Witser*  
*June 25, 1930 - February 7, 2020*

Entered Apprentice - 08-04-1953  
Fellow Craft - 08-25-1953  
Master Mason - 09-16-1954

Resident of Oakland, CA.

Born to Charles and Ann Witser in Tacoma, Washington in 1930. Raised in Tacoma and graduated from Lincoln High School there. Played city league summer baseball until age 20. Attended University of Puget Sound for 2 years and graduated from Washington State University in 1952. Two years in U.S. Army mainly at Fort Gordon, Augusta, Georgia.

Over 6 years as deputy adult probation officer for Alameda County Supervising felony substances abuse cases. Thereafter 1 year as Alameda County Deputy District Attorney.

Two years at University of California, Berkeley in Masters degree program. Received Doctor of Law Degree from University of San Francisco in 1962 and admitted to practice in California Courts and United States Supreme Court. Engaged mainly in Civil Litigation works, principally construction law, in five Bay Area counties for over 50 years.

Member of Masonic Order (San Leandro Masonic Lodge No. 113) for over 50 years. Past President and treasurer of Lake Merritt Lions Club. Life member of Lake Merritt Breakfast Club.

Married to Sharon Witser for 57 years until her demise in 2011. Predeceased by 2 children, daughter Lynn and son Steven, and survived by son Kenneth in Oakland and daughter-in-law Marta Jasberg in Pasadena and 6 cousins in California and Washington. Built and resided in Montclair home since 1958.

No Services at deceased request.

# Calendar

| October |     |      |     |     |     |     |
|---------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Sun     | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|         |     |      |     | 1   | 2   | 3   |
| 4       | 5   | 6    | 7   | 8   | 9   | 10  |
| 11      | 12  | 13   | 14  | 15  | 16  | 17  |
| 18      | 19  | 20   | 21  | 22  | 23  | 24  |
| 25      | 26  | 27   | 28  | 29  | 30  | 31  |

## Events

None

# Birthdays

2nd Leo Merced  
6th Sidney Meyers  
7th Jose Reyes  
    Marcos Canlas  
11th Blue Abad  
13th Frankie Gomez  
15th Allan Nubla  
23rd Edward Chow  
    Arnulfo Tabinas  
24th Barney Mendenhall

24th Edward Razon  
25th Frank Ware  
    Victor Cayabyab  
27th Warren Legaspi  
30th Ferdinand Pacis  
31st Harry Mitchell

*Happy Birthday Brothers!*

# Degrees

None

## From the West



My Brethren,

The virus still has us locked out of the Lodge. When we are able to meet, Worshipful Master Eric will give us a schedule. Until then, for the Officers moving forward, keep on with your memory work. November is fast approaching and proficiencies will be due. Keep studying brethren!

October is normally our Halloween party but alas we are unable to congregate. This too shall pass.

This month's Masonic education:

The Master's Hat. While in the Lodge only the Master in the East may wear a hat. Normally the Master wears a top hat while sitting in the East. Hats such as a Cowboy hat may be worn with dispensation from the Lodge Inspector.

Only the Master has the privilege to wear a hat. Covering the head is to signify the most honored, prestigious chair office during his term. The Masters position, not the man himself, is one of the lesser lights. The three lesser lights represent the Sun, Moon, and the Master of the lodge. The hat therefore signifies leadership in the Lodge and, as such, he should be given the respect and authority to lead and govern the Lodge.

Happy Halloween Brethren.

Till we meet again.

**William G. Eadus**

Senior Warden

# From the South

Hi Brothers, and Sisters,

For the month of October, our proposed menu, should we be able to meet, will be Chicken/Shrimp Parmigiana with Pasta and Roasted Broccoli. For dessert, we will have Cake.

With everyone staying inside, be careful as SCAMS are on the rise. Don't answer your phone, unless you know who is calling. When the phone stops ringing, block the number so they can't call back.

Be safe and God Bless.

**Bill Warner Sr.**

Junior Warden





## HALL/BUILDING ASSOCIATION

|                |                        |              |
|----------------|------------------------|--------------|
| President      | Allan Nubla, PM, HA    | 650.922.4684 |
| Vice President | Charles E. Bullard, PM | 510.635.8184 |
| CFO            | Mike Tagulao, PM       | 510.925.6414 |
| Secretary      | Noel Cortez            | 510.386.3210 |
| Member(s)      | Randy Gabriela         | 510.427.6686 |
|                | Dante Ypil, PM         | 925.999.5606 |
|                | Marc Gabriela          | 510.677.3092 |

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Emmanuel Figueroa - 2020  
Odin Madlambayan - 2020

## For Banquet Hall Reservations

please contact our Hall Association CFO

**Any Masonic Function** must be cleared with the Master and the Junior Warden.

## MASONIC FAMILIES

### Job's Daughter Bethel No. 175

Meets every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 5:00 pm

### Eden Assembly Rainbow No. 11

Meets every month  
1st Saturday at 10:00 am  
3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm

# 2020 Officers

|                          |                              |   |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Master                   | Eric Simsuangco (Ghie)       | 650.834.3313   simsboater@yahoo.com       |
| Senior Warden            | Bill Eadus (Elsa)            | 510.710.7254   jetfixer114@yahoo.com      |
| Junior Warden            | Bill Warner Sr. (Warlina)    | 510.912.9211   2455warner@gmail.com       |
| Treasurer                | Dowel Juan (Vicky)           | 510.317.8461   doweljuan@yahoo.com        |
| Secretary                | Rey Tiopo, PM, HA (Helen)    | 408.518.2591   rey.tiopo@goaaa.com        |
| Asst. Secretary          | Norman Mallillin, PM (Nancy) | 510.282.2393   normanmallillin@gmail.com  |
| Chaplain                 | Jun Pineda, PM (Lorrie)      | 510.345.9234   fppinedajr@yahoo.com       |
| Senior Deacon            | Edgar Joseph Carrasco        | 209.326.7318   jettcarrasco@gmail.com     |
| Junior Deacon            | Ferdinand Pacis II (Armida)  | 510.329.1462   savageislander1@yahoo.com  |
| Marshal                  | Fanolex James Menos          | 408.509.8349   SvDubs1@gmail.com          |
| Senior Steward           | Adrian Quiñones (Donna)      | 510.375.3780   adrianquinones11@yahoo.com |
| Junior Steward           | Wuilman Moran (Kelly)        | 415.912.7884   wmoran415@gmail.com        |
| Organist                 | Rene Mora, PM, HA (Mila)     | 925.777.1137   moraren33@gmail.com        |
| Tiler                    | Dante Ypil, PM (Judith)      | 925.999.5606   dante_ypil@yahoo.com       |
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| 319th District Inspector | Tom Kavishi, PM, HA          | 510.541.1903   st.kavishi@gmail.com       |
| Officer's Coach          | Mike Tagulao, PM (Donna)     | 510.925.6414   mike.tagulao@gmail.com     |

# Committees

## Candidates' Committee

Chairman - Eric Simsuangco  
1st Degree - Bill Eadus  
2nd Degree - Norman Mallillin  
3rd Degree - Arnie Tabinas, PM, HA

## Audit

Dino Ignacio  
Edgardo Ednacot  
Dante Ypil, PM  
Vic Ingalla

## Charity

Eric Simsuangco  
Bill Eadus  
Bill Warner Sr.

## Delinquent Dues

Dowel Juan  
Bill Eadus  
Jett Carrasco

## Membership Retention

Mike Tagulao, PM  
Nel Pacis, PM, HA  
Dowel Juan

## Telephone

Ferdie Pacis II  
Wuilman Moran  
Chris Pacis

## Public Relations

Chris Pacis  
Norman Mallillin, PM

## Hiram Award

Chairman - Bill Eadus  
Observer - Bill Warner Sr.

## Masonic Education

Arnie Tabinas, PM, HA  
Bill Eadus  
Nel Pacis, PM, HA

## Youth Order

Adrian Quiñones  
Jett Carrasco  
Noel Ciron, PM, HA

## Sunshine

Nel Pacis, PM, HA  
Dennis Wallace, PM  
Wuilman Moran

## Funeral

Arnie Tabinas, PM, HA

## Special Event

Chairman - Bill Warner Sr.  
Members - Adrian Quiñones,  
Wuilman Moran, Romeo Bauzon,  
Ferdie Pacis II, Fanolex James Menos

## Widows

Norman Mallillin, PM  
Rey Tiopo, PM, HA  
Fanolex James Menos

## Visitor's Examination

Dante Ypil, PM  
Jett Carrasco

## Trestle Board Publication

Mike Tagulao, PM  
Wesley Legaspi  
Efren Sonza

## Masonic Outreach Services (MOS)

Nel Pacis, PM, HA  
Eric Simsuangco  
Bill Eadus  
Ferdie Pacis II  
Wuilman Moran