

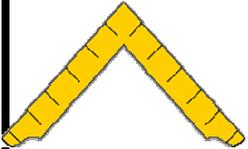


*Three Great Lights  
Masonic Lodge #651  
Free and Accepted Masons*

August  
2013

# The Trestleboard

## From The East



Hello from the East,

Happy summer and hope everyone is out and having fun. There are three parts to the 24 inch gauge and we all need some respite from our usual vocations. Early in July the traffic, at

least south San Jose, was very light. Now, these last few weeks of July has the roads choked as everyone is back and running hard. July was dark for our Lodge and the SCVMOA. August, like many schools and work, returns us to our routines of life. I hope to see everyone back and ready to continue learn-

ing, advancing, and participating in our Craft at home, Lodge, and OAM.

I was told by Rich Steiger that our roof project was successfully completed. It was within budget and done well. Thank You Rich for all your work and pushing to get this done.

Our Lodge had our annual Child ID with the Menlo Park Police Department at the Menlo Park Connoisseur's Market. PM Pete Van Der Werff headed up our effort here. Tom Prussing and members of the De Molay were also there. Unfortunately, for the first time, I was not available for this event. We will have to hear how it went at the August Stated Meeting.

Candidate's Coach Michael Garoutte is working with our newest member, Cameron Lau. I understand our Newest Master Mason, Ryan Micheletti is also working on his proficiency. Hey Other New Guys - Where are you with your progression? It is all YOUR own free will - YOU must show the initiative to move forward. We can help but YOU must do the work to learn and advance. We have several excellent coaches who have repeatedly asked me where our pupils are located. All you have to do is call Tom Stoehr PM, Gerry Murphy PM, or Mike Garroute. IF you want, even I will coach.

Time, again, to see who would like to participate in and join our line; to be installed or just fill the positions. Contact me and I will tell you what is involved.

Has everyone been using our website and been giving out our Lodge number to everyone for Rentals and Membership Info? If you have, thank you. If not, please start. Repeated use helps us grow. More ideas and reviews are welcome, let me or Richard Jenkins know.

On Saturday, August 3, 2013, several brothers and myself will be going to Morgan Hill to **Guglielmo Winery** to bottle my own. You are welcome to join! See [www. GuglielmoWinery.com](http://www.GuglielmoWinery.com) for more information.

As events spring forth, would email also work for notice? Seems many may or may not read this Trestleboard. How about the website? Since we have a wide range of Brothers and Families, I would like to get a consensus of what are the better avenues to disperse information to all interested.

Till next month, continue to have an active summer.

Fraternally Yours,  
Rick Field PM

Worshipful Master



Rick Field

Three Great Lights put on the Child ID in conjunction with the Menlo Park Police Department at the Connoisseurs' Market in downtown Menlo Park on July 20 and 21. We also had several helpers from the Peninsula DeMolay Chapter. The DeMolays and advisors who helped us were:

Andrew Aufdemberge DeMolay

Grant Garnsey DeMolay

Cavan Shannon DeMolay

Nick Wilson DeMolay

Marcy Christensen DeMolay Advisor

Mark Christensen DeMolay Advisor

Denise Shannon DeMolay Advisor

Tom Prussing from Three Great Lights also was there both Saturday and Sunday.

They all did quite a job and produced approximately 100 Child IDs each day. I couldn't have had a successful weekend without all of the help. Thank you all very much.

Pete

From the West

Did you know?

In 1734 Benjamin Franklin became *Grand Master*. In that same year, he published the first Masonic book in America.

The American Philosophical Society requires, to catalog all of his inventions, twenty large book pages. He was accomplished as a printer, author, editor, inventor, scientist, diplomat, philosopher, politician, founder of schools, founder of a postal system, government ambassador, public speaker, and, last but not least a Freemason. Without a doubt, he can be considered one of the most gifted men of all time.

Benjamin was a Freemason, not only content with just being a member of lodge, but a Freemason intensely dedicated to the craft, which is prevalent in the Masonic footprint impressed on the history of our country.

In 1731, he was initiated at the February meeting at Saint Johns Lodge in Philadelphia.

"The longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth, "That God Governs in the Affairs of Men." Benjamin Franklin

To his father he wrote:

"The Scriptures assure me that the last day we shall not be examined for what we thought, but what we did; and our recommendation will not be that we said, 'Lord, Lord!' but that we did good to our fellow creatures." Benjamin Franklin

Richard Jenkins



The Lodge Roof Project

The Lodge roof project has taken some time to evaluate, fund and process. The effort was successfully completed, on July 13, 2013 of this year, with the help of several key people. I would like to thank those individuals for their help, the Master of the Lodge, Rick Field, our Lodge Secretary Tom Stoehr, our Lodge Treasurer Dan Cleary, and the Hall Board Treasurer Bruce Utecht. As many of you know, the roof was in need of substantial repairs due to massive bird damage. A local foam roof contractor was contacted to power wash the entire roof, repair the damages caused by the birds, remove an unneeded curb and cover from previous construction, and "top coat" the entire roof system. For the record, all foam roofs should to be inspected for 'damage' every five (5) years, maximum period, and 'top coated' at twenty (20) year intervals. This is the only way to protect our roof from total failure.

Our current roof was installed in 1996. The project came in under budget. The final total project price was \$19,080.00. The construction contingency money and the difference between the budget and actual cost of construction will be returned to the Lodge.

Rich Steiger

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 The Royal Hodge Masonic Center  
 651 Roble Avenue  
 Menlo Park, California

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**Birthdays in August**

**August calendar of events**

Brother	Birthday
Alexander S. Newbold	5
George B. Jarvis, Jr.	6
Robert C. Dorstewitz	7
Ace Byron A. Hermans	9
Randall B. Schmidt	14
Michael A. Timofeev	18
Winston L. Field, Jr.	19
Thomas A. Brannon	20
Curtis S. Claycomb	23
James E. Vandermaas	23
Jerald W. Harber	26
Ilan Volman	30
Charles G. Castleberry	31
Alan D. Russell	31

3	Wine visitation <i>Guglielmo Winery</i>	10:00am -3:00pm
7	Dinner	6:15 pm
7	Stated meeting	7:30 pm
14	Practice	7:00 pm
21	Practice	7:00 pm
22	OAM Friendship Lodge	6:30 pm
28	Practice	7:00 pm

**Web Page**

Three Great Light's web page has the latest dates and times for lodge activities. Between Trestleboards this is the place to find out what, where and when for last minute events. It includes the latest Trestleboard and list of officers. Bookmark it today!

<http://www.calodges.org/no651/>

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