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07:30 PM 2nd Degree Richard Johnson

Mar 19 (Thursday)

06:00 PM OAM Morgan Hill

Mar 26 (Thursday) 07:30PM 1st Degree

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7:30 PM Stated Meeting

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01:45 PM Dinner

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Sam & Jim Dingman WM



Sam & Dave Houge PM

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#### From the East

Brethren: I wish to congratulate Brother Mike Margrave on his First Degree on the 29th of January Wors. Gordon Markley P.M. installed as secretary on the 5th. Application from Mr Bettencourt and a fine proficiency by Dennis Parle. and Sam Gilbert on being Raised to the sublime degree of Master mason on the 19th of February. sure could use some side-liners.

I'd like to thank the Ladies for the sweethearts lunch on the 15 of Feb. FOUR SWEETHEARTS and 12 members had a great visit.

The Sciots of pyramid Number 1 San. Francisco on the 20th and 21st held a official visit for pharaoh Randy Downey that was well attended. Thank you Leland Orchard.

The stated meeting in March will be CORN BEEF and Cabbage dinner, JW Howard has informed me a great dinner!! We will be conferring a 2nd. degree on March 12th on Brother Richard Johnson.

O.A.M. Morgan Hill chicken feed on the 19th. of March we are limited to 10 members, please check with me if you plan to attend.

The 26th will be a practice. I am looking for a few people to assit in the third degree team if you would to be a member please give me a call. We will be having one first two seconds and one more third in the next two months.

Come on down and give the new brothers a welcome like the one you received.

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Fraternally, Jim Dingman Maste

Message from Grand Lodge: Youth Orders Month Proclamation PROCLAMATION YOUTH ORDERS MONTH "Building for a Better Tomorrow"

The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of California holds our responsibility to the young men and women of the Masonic Youth Orders - the International Order of DeMolay, the International Order of Job's Daughters and the International Order of Rainbow for Girls - a privilege which calls for each and every one of us to participate. To support our youth, today and every day, is a part of our appointed work. I call on you to assist our Masonic Youth Orders in any way you can. There are many meaningful things that we, as Masons, can do. We can attend their meetings, serve on their Advisory Boards, offer to assist with quality leadership training, give them an extra hour of our time. I know every Mason in this jurisdiction realizes the importance of guiding our young people today. We as Freemasons are obligated to dedicate and commit ourselves to support these intelligent and patriotic young people. They are the future leaders of our Nation, our communities, and our lodges and are destined to preserve the great heritage of our country through the use of moral and ethical standards of the Masonic Fraternity that they have learned as members of our youth orders. Every lodge and every Master Mason must enthusiastically support these Youth Orders! It is more important now than ever before. How very rewarding it will be for us individually and collectively to assist and encourage them, to strengthen and supplement their young efforts and help them become better than we are. But our interest in them must be more than just words; it must constitute action. Our example to them must be in the deeds we do, which prove our sincerity; the understanding that proves our character. It must be in the recognition that proves our faith in them individually and together, and in their and our future. Knowing that each Master Mason in this jurisdiction will respond with fraternal love and charity of heart to this Masonic responsibility and to the privilege of encouraging, guiding and assisting our Youth Orders in all ways possible. I therefore PROCLAIM the month of MAY 2009 to be YOUTH ORDERS MONTH and I direct that this Proclamation shall be read by the Master at the Stated Meetings held during the months of February. March, and April 2009, and that this Proclamation be included in the Lodge Trestleboard. And most importantly, that each lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction shall host special meetings or programs which include one or more youth orders, in order to exemplify our sincerity in our expressed interest and love in them. They are our future and it is up to us now to show that we mean what we say. Dated this 26th day of January, 2009.

Sincerely and Fraternally, Larry L. Adamson Grand Master

Attest: Allan L. Casalou Grand Secretary

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# **March Birthdays**

RONALD STUTHEIT MARK MAIRE **BUD ACKERMAN** JIM BURGARD, PM KIRK HALL JAMES YOUNGBLOOD ROD RAMIFR **EUGENE ENDSLOW** ROBERT PRYOR WARREN ULLBERG ALEX ADORADOR, PM JONAS DEGUZMAN ROSS FULLER. PM THOMAS CALDWELL GILBERT PAUL RICHARD SMITH MANUFL VILLA ANGELO LYGIZOS GUS ANASTOLE **GARY WIEGAND** BRIAN JOHNSON, PM FRED HAUCK JR. DONALD BURT GILBERT ORR WILLIAM QUIGLEY

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The Great Seal of the United States is sealed in a box at the State Department, Monday, Feb. 11, 2008, in Washington. The keepers of the Great Seal of the United States, the familiar emblem on the back of the \$1 bill, is the nation's stamp of authority, sovereignty and power, gracing our cash and embossing the most important of documents from its home at the State Department, which has held it since the days of Thomas Jefferson, the first secretary of state. A third Great Seal committee was formed on May 4, 1782, as peace talks were underway in Paris between the United States and Britain. America would soon need a Great Seal to properly ratify a peace treaty. On June 13, 1782, Congress asked Charles Thomson to come up with a suitable design for America's Great Seal.

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# Mike Margrove's First Degree with Howard Dingman as acting Master

## **Brother Rufus King**

Rufus King, Member of St. John's Lodge, Newburyport, Massachusetts, is the cover story in the winter 2008 issue of Trowel, the magazine of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts. The article notes that King, born in 1755, attended Governor Dummer Academy before graduating from Harvard College in 1777. He studied law under Theophilus Parsons, another famous alumnus. In time, King became a legislator in the Massachusetts General Court, a delegate to the Second Continental Congress, an original signer of the Constitution, a four-time senator, and a fierce advocate of trade and the prohibition of slavery.

As the oldest boarding school in America, The Governor's Academy possesses a treasure trove of historical materials. The artifacts and documents are stored in a 32-foot by 22-foot environmentally-controlled room on the top floor of the Pescosolido Library. Founded in 1763 and incorporated in 1782, the school possesses many items relating to the history of the Academy. One of our most cherished pieces is the Document of Incorporation of Dummer Academy, signed by

Massachusetts Governor John Hancock and Senate President Samuel Adams on October 3, 1782. Another is the ledger containing the Trustees' Records of Dummer Academy beginning May 27, 1783. The ledger is significant both for its record of the



early years of the Academy as well as for the 17 pages written in the hand of John Quincy Adams, the future sixth president of the United States but at the time a clerk in the Newburyport office of Theophilus Parsons, first Chief Justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Court. Of further interest in the Archives is the original Academy seal designed by silversmith and patriot Paul Revere.



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#### McKinley's Masons: Museum exhibit traces history in Ohio

CANTON — William McKinley stares from a corner of a new Keller Gallery exhibit — The Masons in Ohio — in a photograph showing him dressed as a Knight Templar.



Nearby is the sword he wore as a Mason, an artifact from the Mason lodge at Canton Masonic Temple that Wm. McKinley Presidential Library & Museum curator Kimberly Kenney included in the traveling exhibit brought to the McKinley museum by Ohio Historical Society.

One of the first displays in the exhibit, assembled from the furniture of a Masonic lodge in Massillon, is the setting of a lodge room. Among those peripheral artifacts are a handcarved Masonic bible, completed by William Clark Cole while stationed at Camp Dennison. The bible is "opened" to the 133rd Psalm and is illustrated with several Masonic emblems.

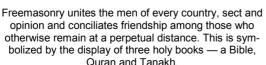
Nearby are the artifacts upon which many of those Masonic symbols are based — the tools of stone masons. Other display cases hold artifacts used in past Masonic rituals — gavels and attire. On the walls are Masonic membership certificates.



Masons — "iewels" worn by members of the Order of Eastern Star. A few feet away is the McKinley display area, which includes his sword, photographs of McKinley in Masonic uniforms, and information about his membership in the Masons, which he joined in

1865.

of women affiliated with the



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### From the Secretary's Table

Brethren, it is March already and we are fast approaching the Spring Equinox and spring flowers. Already the hills are an emerald green and the trees are starting to bloom. The Secretary is concerned for a number of our members. These members are Brothers with delinquent dues. Please be diligent and send your dues to me and become a Brother in good standing. If you have a problem let me know and something can be worked out.

Gordon Markley Secretary

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#### From the West

Bretheren, As I write this, there are a few things that are a concern to me, and should be addressed.

One, I'd sure like to see more Brethren sitting on the sidelines for our degrees. Weather hasn't been the best, but the fellowship within the Lodge, most certainly has. Please try to come out, and visit your Blue Lodge. The Officers take their work seriously, and always seem to perform better degrees, when there are Brethren on the side. Besides, isn't it time to renew old friendships, and sit, once again, among your brethren? Mt. Moriah Lodge is one of the most active Lodges in participation in concordant Masonic Bodies. Wouldn't being an active member in Blue Lodge be an excellent way to increase exposure to other Masonic Organizations?

Two, our Members need to reach out to those that might be having a hard time with the paying of Lodge Dues. All of the brothers are feeling the pinch of these uncertain economic times. This is certainly the time when Masons need to gather and support our less fortunate members. If you are having a difficult time paying your Lodge dues, pick up the phone,

and give me a call. I would be most happy to resolve this situation. And. if I can get a few more active sideliners out of the deal, it becomes a real win-win. I hope to see you all in Lodge!

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This ring was recovered among considerable stolen property during the arrest of a burglar on

2/22/2009. Most of the victims identified so far had their cars broken into, primarily in the Saratoga-Los Gatos-Campbell area. I would like to identify the owner of this ring so it can be returned. Sheriff's case #09-053-0365C.

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