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From the East

FEBRUARY 2023

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FEBRUARY I (6 PM) \*Stated Meeting

FEBRUARY 6 (6 PM) \*Masonic Formation Class

**FEBRUARY 8** (6 PM) \*2nd Degree Conferral

FEBRUARY II (5:30 PM) \*Sweetheart Dinner and Dance

FEBRUARY 12 (10 AM) \*Superbowl Viewing Party

FEBRUARY 13 (6 PM) \*Masonic Formation Class

**FEBRUARY 14** \*Valentine's Day

FEBRUARY 15 \*DSOI

FEBRUARY 20 \*Presidents' Day

FEBRUARY 22 (6 PM) \*1st Degree Conferral

FEBRUARY 27 \*Trustees Meeting \*Temple Board Meeting





Brothers and Sisters,

#### Kung Hei Fat Choi!

Hoping that the December and January holidays including the Gregorian and Lunar new year celebrations have left you with fond memories, and having completed the first month of the year, I send you greetings from the East.

January "came in like a lion" and greeted us with a Level 5 storm on January 4, 2023, the day of our planned January stated meeting. Our newly formed executive committee evaluated the circumstances, and in the interest of the safety of those planning to attend, we were able to secure a dispensation to reschedule the stated meeting on Wednesday, January 11. I apologize for any inconvenience and thank those who braved the less severe weather to participate in he postponed stated meetings on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

Those generous souls who are willing to offer their time and talent to help in the execution of the events planned for 2023 met for a brunch at the lodge and discussed the upcoming events for this year, and a summary of events is provided in this trestle board and on our lodge calendar at <u>https://www.cbl370.com/</u> <u>calendar</u>. I thank the chair and committee persons for taking on these important duties.

We gathered on January 11 to share dinner and hold our postponed January Stated meeting. During this, our first meeting of the year, I had the privilege to witness my brother officers and their skills in performing the ritual of opening and closing our lodge They performed well, and I am grateful to them for their efforts in preparing for that moment. In addition to the normal stated meeting activities, those present greeted the Master and 2023 officers and reviewed and passed the 2023 budget.

I again thank you for the opportunity to serve as Master, appreciate the very warm greeting which I as Worshipful Master and the other lodge officers received from those present, and the trust you have placed in us by approving the 2023 budget. Finally, I thank those of you who have served as mentors and who assisted me in creating the program and budget for the 2023 masonic year and look forward to an active and prosperous year.

MFC meetings were offered on

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#### WORSHIPFUL MASTER, JAMES GONZALEZ

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**Senior Warden** 



Gung Hay Fat Choy!!

This is the year of the Rabbit in the Chinese Lunar New Year Calendar. The Rabbit is the fourth year in the 12-year Chinese Zodiac Cycle. The Chinese believe that people born in the year of the rabbit are said to live free from constraints and are in constant pursuit of their ideas. So if you are born in 1927, 1939, 1951, 1963, 1975, 1987, 1999, and 2011, you have the characteristics of a rabbit. A rabbit year is considered the luckiest of the 12 zodiac animal years. This is welcome news as we all know; our economy needs all the luck it can get. Also, during this time of year, like any important occasions, is the giving of red envelopes with money as a way to send good wishes. So if you receive a red envelope, consider

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yourself lucky and give an appropriate thank you to the giver. Because the luck given you is more important than the content of the red envelope.

As with all symbols in masonry that symbolizes a "secret" significance, so does the red used for the envelopes. The color red symbolizes energy, happiness, and good luck in Chinese cultures. So that makes the envelope more important than the money it contains.

This month we will carry over the degrees set forth from Past Master Reyno Del Rosario. We will be conferring the 2nd degree upon our brother, Jack Lam on February 8th. Please come to his conferral to witness our brother pass to his next degree in masonry. This degree and others that are coming up this year would not have happened as quickly or successfully without the aid of our Masonic Formation Classes (MFC) that are now held twice a month. The MFC has helped many brothers throughout the past years to get education on masonry and assist brothers to be proficient in their memorization of their obligations. In the past, our current Worshipful Master, James Gonzalez, had led the MFC, but going forward this year, **Brother James Guerrero** has volunteered to be the main lecturer during the MFC. Master Masons are welcome to attend the MFC also to give support to Brother Guerrero and or assist the brethren wishing



Anil Awasti Junior Warden



# From the South

Gung Hay Fat Choy Brethren.

We have entered the Year of the Rabbit. Those born in the year of the rabbit are said to have soft and tender personalities, maintain positive and pleasant relationships with those around them and avoid conflict and quarrels. All admirable traits.

We look forward to seeing you at our February Stated

#### JUNIOR WARDEN, ANIL AWASTI

Meeting on Wednesday, February 1, 2023. Dinner choices will be either Steak Stir Fry, Shrimp, or a Vegan Option.

In addition to the Stated Meeting, we will also be hosting 2 Masonic Formation classes, holding a second degree conferral, celebrating Valentines Day, and hosting a Superbowl viewing party.

We hope to see you all there!



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to be proficient in their lectures. Please RSVP with Brother Guerrero in a timely manner so that he can have sufficient food for the class.

As your Senior Warden, I hope to receive any suggestions, comments and even complaints regarding the harmony of our lodge. Please contact me anytime via email or phone. I want to help bring our members together so that we may enjoy events together in greater numbers. Also, if there are any brothers or widows who wish to attend but have a hardship in transportation, please bring that to my attention as well. I want our members to know that the lodge is there to make your membership at Columbia Brotherhood Lodge an important part of your masonic life.

Sincerely,

Jason Hui Senior Warden

**EVENTS** COLUMBIA BROTHERHOOD'S ANNUAL **SWEETHE** FR AND DANCE \$30 per member | \$35 per non member LOCATION: CBL NO. 370 | 855 BROTHERHOOD WAY, SF SATURDAY FEB **RSVP BY FEBRUARY 5** 5:30P Bruce Lyons (415) 309-0495 bruce@CoastalPacificIns.com 11 10:30 OR Jim Guerrero (415) 595-9127 jim.guerrero53@yahoo.com COLUMBIA BROTHERHOOD LODGE 370 PLEASE JOIN US AT 3:00 PM **ON FEBRUARY 12, 2023** FOR OUR SUPERBOWL LVII PARTY \$10 FOR MEMBERS AND \$15 FOR NON-MEMBERES CONTACT JIMMY FOWLER FOR MORE INFORMATION 415-530-9779 OR JAFF1331@YAHOO.COM

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### **CBL NO. 370 MEMBERS IN ACTION**



# February 2023 Birthdays



Pallas	Eugene	Christo	02/01
Rios-Bravo	Luis	Edwin	02/01
Surges	John	Walton	02/03
Suspene	Rodny	Belandres	02/03
Almanza-Padilla	Adolfo	Enrique	02/04
Kane	Gary	Paul	02/04
Aivazian	Theodore	Thomas	02/05
Albrecht	Bernd	Dietmar	02/05
Dauz	Danilo	М	02/05
JUGAL	JEREMIAS	YSAAC	02/05
Fong	Howard	Y	02/06
Mainis	George	James	02/06

Miller	Steven	John	02/07
CRUZ	JOD'L	MOSQUERA	02/08
Botieff	William		02/09
Ortiz-Ruiz, III	Manuel	Sevilleja	02/09
ARCE	ORLANDO		02/10
Modesto, Jr.	Servillano	Buta	02/13
Barbosa	Perfecto	John	02/16
Seidenfeld	Mark	Russell	02/18
Bennett	Alexander	James	02/19
Leon	Robert	Louis	02/19
Lilittham	Thibatsr		02/20
Constantine	Daniel		02/20

Morante	Alan	Velasco	02/20
Westre	Gary	Peter	02/20
Dillon	James	Anthony	02/21
Man	Tony	Chak-Lam	02/21
Shaw	Edward	Michael	02/23
Sweiss	Joseph		02/25
Hanson, Sr.	Warren	Delaine	02/26
Schaupp	James	Flagg	02/26
Piga, Jr.	Vincent	Navalta	02/27
Rajic	Denis		02/27



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January 9 and 16 during which participant questions and Masonic concepts including virtues, Operative vs Speculative Masonry, the concept of industry, and Geometry were discussed, and proficiency work.

The officers of California No. 1 hosted the officers of Columbia Brotherhood No. 370 and San Francisco No.120 for the first District School of Instruction (DSOI) of 2023 on Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>. After WB Allan Nubla briefed those in attendance with the latest input from the California Grand Lodge, the officers of California No. 1 demonstrated the second degree opening, and the first section of the second-degree conferral.

The officers of Columbia Brotherhood No. 370 will host the DSOI on Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> and will work on the second section of the second-degree conferral including the staircase lecture and the seconddegree closing. We are grateful for the efforts made by the officers of all three lodges to be at the DSOI in January and look forward to a high level of participation in on Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Our officers met at the lodge on Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> to practice our planned second-degree conferral planned for February 8. Congratulations go out to Brothers Jack Lam and `Osama Muqatash on the hard work and practice they put forth in the completion of their first-degree conferrals and gratitude goes out to our officers for their work in perfecting the execution of the seconddegree conferral.

One of the behaviors that sets Masons apart is our commitment to hold in our hearts the welfare of the families of our departed brothers. Most Worshipful Randall Brill Proclaimed February 2023 as widow's month in California to remind us of that commitment. Please use the month of February to establish habits which translate the care and respect we hold for the widows of our departed brothers in our daily lives throughout the year and please take advantage of any opportunity to reach out the widows in our lodge, to let them know we hold them in our hearts and to assist them in any way we can.

Several events are planned for February including the February stated meeting is planned for February 1; Masonic Formation Classes planned for Monday, February 6, and Monday 13; a double Fellowcraft degree conferral for Brothers Jack Lam and Osama Mugatas; a valentines sweetheart dinner and dance on February 11; a Superbowl party on February 12; DSOI on February 15; degree practice on February 22. Please check our website and the Trestle board for more information about the upcoming events and how to reserve your spot. We look forward to your participation in these events.

As a lodge we are doing well in keeping up to date with our dues and contact information in the grand lodge database current. If you have not yet paid your dues for 2023 and or if you have had changes to your contact information, please visit

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to pay your 2023 dues and to review and update your information. If you need assistance, please reach out to one of the officers?

Brothers James Dillon and James Pappas will celebrate 50 years as Master Masons in March and August 2023, and our lodge will celebrate our most recent Golden Veterans in April and during the August/ September time frames. Please watch for more information on our website and in future Trestle boards.

May we always act by the plumb, meet on the level, and live by the square.

#### James Gonzalez, WM





Dear Brethren,

Happy Chinese New Year and Happy Valentines Day!

Just a friendly reminder that the dues for 2023 is **\$80.50**. It is now DUE. We appreciate the brethren who had already paid it. You now have 2 options to pay your dues:

- 1. To use **Credit Card**: Go to the Grand Lodge Website at www.freemason.org, create and/ or update your account. You can print your due's card through iMember 2.0.
- 2. Send due's check to the Lodge, made payable to COLUMBIA BROTHERHOOD LODGE No. 370.

**NAME TAGS!!** Many members have inquired about getting a new name tag. To be efficient and cost saving for all of us, I will be taking orders from the brethren who wishes to get a new name tag beginning **January 10 to April 05, 2023.** The cost will be **\$20** per name tag. Please take this opportunity if you would like a new name tag.

For E-Trestleboard, hard copy Trestleboard, and Sign-Up Genius information, please contact Worshipful Brother Francis Feliciano, Sr., Trestleboard Editor:

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All members can also access the lodge Trestleboard through our website:

#### www.cbl370.com

BROTHER ANIL AWASTI INSTALLED AS JUNIOR WARDEN DURING THE JANUARY STATED MEETING



Dues are due!



### Important reminder from the Master

I hope that you and your family are well and safe.

Just a reminder that as Master Masons, we are responsible for all of our actions, to meet on the level, act upon the plumb, and part upon the square. We are held to a higher standard. Let us all lead by example and admonish errors by our brothers and continue to improve ourselves in freemasonry.

JAMES GONZALEZ Master 2023



