



VALLEJO MASONIC NEWS

FRIEND TO FRIEND, BROTHER TO BROTHER

NAVAL LODGE #87

JANURARY 2019

VISION STATEMENT

Naval Lodge attracts and brings together good men of diverse generational, racial, religious, and cultural backgrounds for self improvement, friendship, and service; because we provide an authentic initiatory experience and engaging education programs based on a tradition of living and animate speech to effect a personal transformation that inspires each man to a principle driven way of life based on brotherly love, relief and truth.

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As The Sun Is In The East

Greetings Brethren,

I hope everyone had great Holidays and are looking forward to a Prosperous New Year. Together, we will make 2019 a very good year.

I am very eager to serve you and the Lodge this year and along with the core of officers and mentors surrounding me, we can accomplish anything we plan. First and foremost, I'd like to see more of our members come back to the Lodge either for Stated Meeting or on special occasions like degree conferrals and award ceremonies. This is where I seek your support to encourage the brethren that you know personally and invite them back. I know that I will never break WB Barry Hughes record breaking 42 minute stated meeting, but it will be my goal to have concise, meaningful and short stated meetings. If you have some ideas, concerns, or any pressing issues, please let me know prior to the meeting so that we can have a discussion and awareness before we discuss it publicly.

Our first officers meeting went well and we were able to have an open discussion about future plans and issues that concerns us. One of the issues brought up and echoed by numerous seasoned officers, was about COMMITMENT. We are elected and appointed officers of this Lodge and it is our obligation to fulfill the duties bestowed upon us. This is not just memorizing your lines but also being part of the TEAM and being there for the Lodge. I have high expectation of our officers and if you need my support, I will be there for you. As a Mason and as Officers of this Lodge... You Make a Difference.

Our degree conferrals will be scheduled according to the dates of examination and initiations will be scheduled according to the date the candidate was elected. We have scheduled Brother Roberson's Second Degree Conferral on January 24, 2019. Scheduled rehearsals will be January 14th and 22nd. For Our Daylight degree on Presidents Day (February 18th), we will raise Bro Linsao. This will be a combined Lodge Degree and assignments will be announced who will be filling the seats. Rehearsals will be on February 4th and 11th. We will also support Benicia Lodge on their 3rd Degree Conferral either on the 21st or 28th of February.

Please come out and support our Brothers and Officers by attending the practices and degree conferrals.

Again, thank you for the support you have given me all these years. My vision for this year is to bring Members back to the Lodge, to have better communication, receive commitment from the officer's core, involvement with the community, confer candidates as soon as they are ready and have fun activities in our Lodge.

Upon the Square,
Manuel "Chief Sam" Sarmiento
Worshipful Master
Naval Lodge #87

From the Junior in the South

As the Sun at Meridian Height

Happy New Year to everyone. For our first stated meeting dinner of 2019, I would like to encourage all brethren to come out and meet and greet our new brothers. We will be serving meatloaf, green beans and potatoes for dinner. Please bring your favorite dessert to share with everyone. I would like to thank our Chef Brother Seth Thomas for his kindness in giving his time to prepare our food. To all the brothers that will assist, I would like to thank them in advance our kitchen crew: Alex, Angel, Albert, Florian, Cezar, Mathew, Stephen, Mike, Roy and of course our Stewards Bro Nathan and Bro Delfin. Thank you Brothers

Fraternally and By The Plumb,

Trojan "Troy" Ruiz

Junior Warden

January Birthdays

Mike Woodruff	03
Vicente Atoigue	05
Guy Dearmon	06
Bobby Campo	11
Kenneth Tool	15
Brando Cruz	17
Rollie Caabay	18
William Hems III	20
Petrocinio Dominguez	21
James Haley	22
Fabian Gatti	23
Richard Nivarel	25
Wade Hanson	26
Armand Ballesil	28
Robert Cowgill	28
Lynn Schmidt	31

3rd Degree Anniversaries

Don Brown Jr.	28 yrs.
Frank Brown	51 yrs.
Antonio Buban	40 yrs.
Anil Comelo	18 yrs.
John Cowgill	65 yrs.
Randolph Dolan	12 yrs.
Jessie Go	5 yrs.
Patrick Hollister	30 yrs.
Michael Johnson	1 yr.
Anthony Luna	5 yrs.
Lloyd Neblett	56 yrs.
Trojan Ruiz	2 yrs.
William Schofield	63 yrs.
Horia Tanasescu	18 yrs.
Nathan Walker	1 yr.