



# Columbia Brotherhood Lodge No. 370

Free and Accepted Masons

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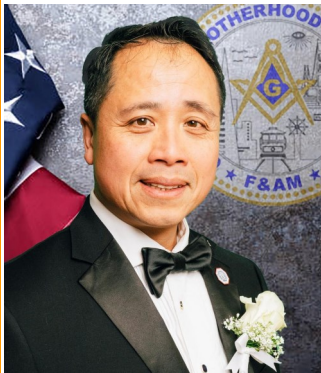
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## From the East

WORSHIPFUL MASTER, JASON HUI



Brethren,

I hope everyone was dealing with this heat wave last month and are doing well. This month we will be having our normal Stated Meeting on Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>.

After having the month of July off, the officers are anxious to get back into serving its brethren. On Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. we will have the honor of raising Brother **JACK LAM** to the 3rd Degree of Masonry. We will have a 3rd Degree practice on Wednesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. so we can be prepared to give our brother the best degree possible. If anyone wants to help with the degree, please feel free to reach out to me and I will see how I can use you.

Fellowship will be great this year at our annual picnic. This year we will be holding the picnic on this side of the bay at Twin Pines Redwood Picnic Ar-

ea in Belmont on August 10<sup>th</sup>. I hope to see everyone there, even members that I have not seen at the lodge in months or years. All are welcome. Please signup via signup genius or contact our WB **RENATO ALFONSO** at [alfonso.renato@yahoo.com](mailto:alfonso.renato@yahoo.com). Please keep in mind that members and their family are free. Non members pay only \$10.00/person.

There are some fun things planned out for the remainder of the year: a few more degrees, our Mason's baseball night, and lots of fellowship in between. I look forward to seeing everyone again and hearing everyone's summer stories!

I want to address an issue that arose last Stated Meeting when voting on potential members. I want to remind members that issues regarding applicants should be directed to the three pillars of the lodge, more particularly, the Worshipful Master. This way we can either resolve the issue or cancel the balloting for the potential member. Al-

ways remember that these conversations are kept confidential and is known only to the pillars. With that said, I want talk about diversity and acceptance. I grew up in San Francisco, the most progressive and accepting city you can ever be in. Though its politics go a bit far sometimes, it has produced a community that is accepting of all races, colors, cultures, religions, etc. I have never known any schools or community event that did not welcome everyone. Everyone treats everyone equally. No one, I believe, saw a difference in themselves that could be a barrier to a potential friendship. I believe the mindset of openness and inclusion garnered equal respect between each citizen of the city, thus creating a very cohesive diverse community. I want to remind our members that diversity within a lodge breeds inspiration and growth. I firmly believe that our membership should represent out community of San Francisco and its immediate surrounding cities. We will never find each person equally alike, but each will



CBL NO. 370 BRETHREN, MASTER'S TRIP, PHILIPPINES 2024

## From the West | SENIOR WARDEN, ANIL AWASTI

Greetings Brethren and friends of the lodge.

As you know, July is a dark month for us and therefore, we have had a break from our Masonic Education classes.

Instead, many of us visited the Philippines to learn about the nation's culture, meet brethren, and practice charity.

We have had the pleasure of meeting many worthy Brother Masons. The most memorable meeting was with the Grand Master of the Philippines. He is such a humble and down-to-earth brother and I could feel the passion he harbors in his heart for our gentle craft. He spoke a lot about the

importance of unity, especially during challenging times. He openly shared with us the challenges he faces with Masonry in the Philippines and what he is doing to address them.

I look forward to returning home and having deeper conversations about this with our MFC Coaches.

I want to end by expressing my deepest gratitude to our Worshipful Master, Jason Hui for allowing us to experience this trip and develop deeper relationships with each other. I also would like to thank Worshipful Brother Francis Feliciano and Sister Joy Feliciano who planned out the entire trip and ensured we were all taken care of

I will forever cherish in my heart the memories we have created together and the charity work we have been so blessed to do. There's lots to share and I look forward to doing so in person. See you at the lodge my brothers!

**Anil Awasti**  
Senior Warden



## From the South | JUNIOR WARDEN, BRUCE LYONS

Brethren and ladies,

I hope you are enjoying this very hot summer. I'm not sure I remember it being as hot for so long as it has been this year. One of the wettest winters has led to one of the hottest summers – who would have known!

Our Stated Meeting dinner on August 7<sup>th</sup> will be a choice of prime rib, fish, or a vegan option with des-

sert and salad. Hope you will join us to celebrate the return of our Brothers from the Master's trip to the Philippines. I am sure they will have some tall tales to tell. I have heard that Worshipful Brother Francis put together a wonderful trip once again.

Make your plans now to join us for future Stated Meetings. In addition to a wonderful meal, after din-

ner fun for our sisters, and great food, we will celebrate birthdays with a cake.

September marks the end of summer and our officers are moving up to practice in their advanced stations. Dinner will consist of pork chops and grilled fish.

October will celebrate the Munich festival of Oktoberfest with German food and music. Novem-

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### EDITOR'S NOTE

FRANCIS FELICIANO, SR. P.M.

Just a reminder that no motion can be made unless you have properly notified the Worshipful Master so that he can include it in the meeting agenda. Failure to do so may cause undue delays and your motion may not be recognized nor voted on.

Please reach out to me if you have any comments, concerns, or submissions.  
I am open to suggestions and ideas.



## IN MEMORIAM

NONE REPORTED

*Soft and safe to thee, my brother, be thy resting place.  
Bright and Glorious be thy rising from it. Fragrant be the acacia sprig that there shall flourish.  
May the earliest buds of spring unfold their beauties o'er thy resting place, and there, may  
the sweetness of the summer's last rose linger longest.*



nonetheless have good fellowship because we find things we are in common with. One universal commonality of persons wanting to be a mason and of masons is that we want to be better men.

The Grand Lodge has a very good article on their website touching on diversity and harmony. Please, when you have a chance, visit their website and search for the title, "Strength in Differences". I will not try to summarize the article in fear that I miss quote their article. It was written in August of 2021 in bringing to light the foundation of membership for the future in 2025. I found the article to be to the point and very relevant to our future as a lodge. The URL is [https://freemason.org/the\\_leader/august-2021/](https://freemason.org/the_leader/august-2021/)

*Fraternally Yours,*

**Jason Hui**  
*Worshipful Master*

## MASTER'S TRIP 2024



MASTER'S TRIP APPRECIATION NIGHT  
THE GROVES, ZURI RESORT



WORSHIPFUL BROTHER BILL ALDRIDGE ON  
THE EASTERN CHAIR GRAND LODGE OF THE  
PHILIPPINES

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ber is Thanksgiving, so we will celebrate with a traditional feast.

Go to our website to see our calendar: [CALENDAR | CBL 370](#) Make your plans now to join us for all the events this year.

**Bruce Lyons**  
*Junior Warden*



MEETING THE CHEF  
TUXEDO NIGHT, OLD MANILA



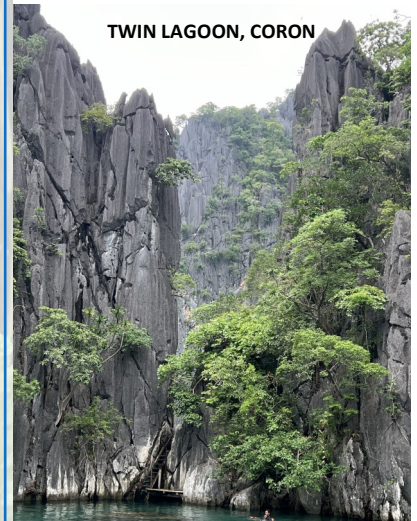
THE PENINSULA, MANILA



KALESA TOUR - BIRAMUNOS



LUNCH ON THE BEACH



TWIN LAGOON, CORON



COOKING FOR AND FEEDING OF OVER 500 CHILDREN, MORONG, RIZAL, PHILIPPINES



VISIT TO THE GRAND LODGE OF THE PHILIPPINES



INTRAMUROS, PHILIPPINES



THE PENINSULA, MANILA



CALAUIT SAFARI PARK  
CALAUIT ISLAND, BUSUANGA



AYALA MUSEUM, MAKATI CITY



COURTESY CALL, MW GRAND MASTER OF THE PHILIPPINES



ORPHANAGE VISIT AND DONATION, BARAS, RIZAL

**AUGUST 2024 BIRTHDAYS**

DAVID HEATON (PM)	3	JOSEPH H. ROSSON (PM)	13	RENATO ORTIZ-LUIS ALFONSO JR. (PM)	20
JOSEPH DINDOOADAJAR MERCADO	4	WILLIAM JAMES WERSEL	13	JULIUS M. CAMPOS	20
DEAN E. WALTERS	5	EUGENIO M. DEVERA	14	ROBERT UMIPIG BUGAWAN (PM)	22
MOISES Z. PARASO III	6	RICHARD EDWARD SIEGEL	14	RAYMOND LOUIS CAFINI (PM)	22
GLENN GORDON WHITESIDE JR. (PM)	7	JOHN LILBURN COOPER III (PGM)	15	JIMMY ANDREW FOWLER	23
PATRICK CHENG	8	SAMUEL CHEE YEE	16	GORDON PATRICK GOTTSCHIE	23
JAMES EDWARD SISSLE	8	FRANKLIN VERNON DALOG	17	ROSS GAYLAN MANDT	25
WILLIAM TROY HORD	9	HARRY CLAYTON FRANCIS JR.	17	VLADIMIR SAMOKHIN	25
VINCENT EDWARD FOSTER	12	MELVIN STANLEY CLARK	19	RAYMOND ALEXANDER PADMORE	31
VREJ MIHRAN MEKHALIAN (PM)	12	DAVID ANGALA NOVERAS (PM)	19		
GEORGE CLIFFORD NICOLAUS JR.	12	AZIZ BASSAM YOUSEF	19		

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY BROTHERS!**





### Columbia Brotherhood Lodge No. 370

Cordially invites you to

## Past Master Dinner & Dance



Saturday, September 14, 2024

6:00 pm - 11:00 pm

The Westin San Francisco Airport  
1 Old Bayshore Highway  
Millbrae, CA 94030

**: MENU:**

Casuar salad  
Dinner rolls

Filet Mignon and Lobster with roasted potatoes and vegetables

Dessert: New York Cheesecake or Crème Brûlée

**CBL Past Masters and their ladies are the guests of honor**

Attire: Past Master's-Tuxedo/others Business Suit

\$50 per person - Non-CBL No. 370 Member  
\$25 per person - CBL No. 370 Member  
CBL No. 370 Past Masters and spouse - FREE

**RSVP AND PAYMENT DUE BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2024**

For reservation, please contact:

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Payments payable to: Columbia Brotherhood Lodge #370

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For courtesy discounted HOTEL room block reservation:

Call: (650)-443-3500; or to Access reservation link: message or call me

Room Reservation cutoff date August 24, 2024

HOTEL RESERVATION LINK: <https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1716918580045&key=GBE>

Columbia Brotherhood lodge # 370  
**Annual Family Lodge Picnic on August 10, 2024**  
from 12:00 to 5:00pm  
@Twin Pines Redwood Picnic Area in Belmont  
Member and wife, Lodge Sweethearts, children below 12 and under are "FREE"  
There will be a parlor games for Adults and Children.  
NON MEMBER \$10/person

RSVP by August 7 to Renato Alfonso @ 707-853-4930 or email @ [alfonso.renato@yahoo.com](mailto:alfonso.renato@yahoo.com) or SignupGenius

Tickets \$25 Per Person

# Mason's Night

Giants Vs Brewers @ September 10, 2024  
Pregame Fun at Spark Social from 4PM - 6PM  
Club Level Seats and \$50 Pregame Food Credit Included  
**Limited Seating RSVP by August 15, 2024**

Contact Jimmy Fowler at 415-530-9779 | [jafi331@yahoo.com](mailto:jafi331@yahoo.com)

# HAVE YOU BEEN LISTENING? TRIVIA!

1. Ante-room preparatory to the Preparation Room: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Conferral stopper: \_\_\_\_\_
3. This, the noble and steady purpose of the mind: \_\_\_\_\_
4. This, the standard or boundary of right: \_\_\_\_\_
5. This, teaches us to regulate our lives and actions: \_\_\_\_\_
6. That, due restraint upon the affections & passions: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Implement of the Marshal: \_\_\_\_\_
8. 3 principal tenets of freemasonry: \_\_\_\_\_
9. This is a reminder of our rude and imperfect state: \_\_\_\_\_
10. In this manner, the lodges are and should be situated: \_\_\_\_\_

Answers will be posted in the **SEPTEMBER 2024 Trestleboard!**

## Answers to **JULY 2024** Trivia

1. Planted at the head of the grave:  
**AN ACACIA**
2. Only thing found in the "grave":  
**JEWEL**
3. 3 Lesser Lights:  
**SUN, MOON, AND MASTER OF THE LODGE**
4. Ancient way a Master Mason wears his apron:  
**WITH ONE CORNER TURNED UP, FORMING A SQUARE**
5. One who pays the craft their wages:  
**SENIOR WARDEN**
6. He calls the craft from labor to refreshment:  
**JUNIOR WARDEN**
7. Implement of the Tyler:  
**SWORD**
8. Prayerful Officer of the lodge:  
**CHAPLAIN**
9. This you must conceal:  
**ALL THE SECRETS OF FREEMASONRY**
10. Significant item in Freemasonry (Photo ID):  
**POMEGRANATE**

Can you name these Masons in the photo?  
From **JULY 2024 Trestleboard**

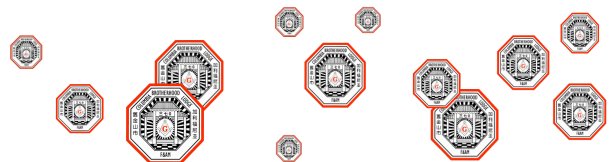


- Answer: from L to R**
- MWPGHP Thomas Chavez
  - Brother Bruce Lyons
  - Brother Ron Sickler (back)
  - Brother Jimmy Fowler
  - WB James Gonzalez
  - Brother Jodl' Cruz
  - Brother Frank Pertierra
  - WB Renato Alfonso
  - Brother Jeremias Jugal

## Who's Who?

Can you name these Masons in the photo?

Answers will be in the **SEPTEMBER 2024 Trestleboard**





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## 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.

**Jason Hui**  
Master 2024



FAREWELL, PHILIPPINES!