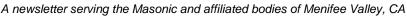
# December 2016



Menifee Valley Lodge #289

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# From the East

Wor. Bro. Steve Sutton Worshipful Master

### The Last Hoorah...

As the Children's Song from the musical Sound of Music goes.....

"So long, farewell, auf wiedersehen, goodbye"

I leave and heave a sigh and say goodbye"

While in the plot of the movie, the Von Trapp family is happy to make their exit, I, on the other hand, am leaving with a certain sadness that you can only feel when separated from something you really love.

I cannot begin to explain the mixed emotions I have as I write my last article for the Trestleboard as Master of the Lodge. I have experienced something so encompass-sing, so fulfilling and so challenging that words cannot encapsulate my feelings.

Menifee Valley Lodge is, in my opinion, the best Lodge in the District, not because of the solemnity and beauty of our Lodge room, not because of the stateliness of our columns, not because of the courtliness of our tiled floor, but rather, because of the allencompassing fraternity of the Brothers of the Lodge. When I came to Masonry, I was seeking that which I had lost. It was not as ritualistic as the lost Master's Word, but to me it was far more important. I needed that camaraderie, that fellowship, that strong male tie that I found in the U.S. Marine Corps. Those of you who have served in the Armed Forces or corps of First Responders know full well what I am talking about. You may not always be able to put your arms around it, but you sure know when it's no longer there. This is what our Lodge has given me. And, as Master, it became evident that I must leave behind that same measure of fulfillment to those who follow after me. I am optimistic that I have done that.

No Lodge can be run successfully by one man. It (Continued on page 2) takes a team backing him up, and it takes the Lodge's

endorsement of their actions to make it thrive and flourish. As Master, I enjoyed working with my tremendous team of Officers, and I revel in the outstanding support and encouragement I received from them. Thank you so very, very much, my Brothers!

And my gratitude goes out to all of you, the Brothers of Menifee Valley Lodge. Without you and your participation and love of fraternity, there is no Lodge.

I am very excited about the incoming line of Officers, from Monte Euler, a friend of over 14 years, to Chuck Markel, Tom Berger, Marty Gushwa, Brandon Clark, Harold Whitford, Bill Lewis, Gary Branson, Daniel Vasquez, Bob Oberdorfer, Tom Dawson, and Sidney Lee. Each of these men are fine Masons and champions in one way or another. I hope you will award them what you have bestowed on me.



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### **Thank You**

How does one offer the proper thank you to a wonderful group of Brothers who have elected him to be Master for the ensuing Masonic year? Words do not seem to do it justice. I am so honored that you have elected me to this most prestigious office.

I am blessed to have had some very great mentors in my Masonic journey: Worshipful Vic Ropac; Worshipful Steve Sutton; Worshipful Harold Whitford; and Worshipful Marty Gushwa to name a few. But also, I am deeply indebted to Brothers Chuck Markel; TC Dowden; and Bill Lewis. Without their untiring counsel and support, this journey would have never reached this point.

I take this responsibility very seriously and commit to each of you my promise that I will endeavor to fulfill this challenge



to the very best of my ability. The standard has been set high and it is my intention to continue this standard going forward.

I have chosen the theme for the ensuing Masonic Year to be "Enhancing the Masonic Experience". I hope to accomplish this by providing enhanced evening activities at a number of the stated meeting dinners.

This coming year is a very special year indeed. It is the anniversary of 300 years of speculative Masonry. On June 24, 1717, the Grand Lodge of England was formed. I will speak to this at the installation. This truly is the oldest men's fraternity in the World and I am proud to be a part of it.

I hope all of you will come to Lodge and enjoy the comradery which is evident at every event. See you here.

### Master's Message (con't.)

I want to offer my special appreciation to: TC Dowden for making our Trestleboard one of the best in the State; to Bud Smith, our faithful and excellent Lodge photographer for all of his fine work; and to Eric 'Chef' Rucker, who has given us appetizing dinners to look forward to (which replaced our rubber chicken and chain-saw lasagna).

Rather than continue to prattle on, please accept my humble gratitude for being allowed to lead you over this past year. While "thank you" does not begin to express what I want to say, it's all I can muster up at this time and will have to suffice.

It has been an Honor. Thank you.

Steve Sutton, Master







# From the South

Bro. Chuck Markel Junior Warden



Our new Master and Officers of our Lodge will soon be installed. I hope to see all of you in attendance for this important event. Remember to call me or Monte Euler and let us know how many will be attending the installation dinner with you. I also hope many of you have been able to attend the Installations Ceremonies held at the other lodges in our district.

I'm sure most of us have seen and heard the news of events that are transpiring around our Nation. In these difficult times we must keep our Masonic principles ever on display. It is easy to be good and moral in conduct during the good times but that matters not for that is so easy to do; there is no challenge to that. The real challenge is to display the same moral code of behavior when times are tuff and demanding, when it is the most difficult to do so. It is during times of great difficulty that our Masonic mettle is truly tested and the authenticity of our principles



can serve our society the best. So in these times of tribulation when it seems the whole of our society has never been so polarized and hearing government officials and members of our academia promoting violence and ill will against our fellow citizens merely because they have a difference of political view, we must be vigilant and make every effort to spread the cement of brotherly love and affection among those we meet and have occasion to talk to.

During our installation practice I heard the words that the Installing Officers speaks for the installation of the future Senior Warden. The words hit a cord inside me and it seemed something our whole Nation should hear and bear in mind as we go forward into the coming years. The symbol at the end of the Senior Warden's jewel is the Level. The Installing Officer explains what the Level symbolizes in Masonry. I wish to share with you these words and hope you retain them as food for thought:

inought:

"The Level, my Brother, demonstrates that we are descended from the same stock, that we partake of the same nature, and share the same hope; and that although distinctions among men are necessary to preserve subordination, yet no eminence of station should make us forget that we are Brethren; for he who is placed on the lowest spoke of fortune's wheel may be entitled to our regard; because a time will come, and the wisest know not how soon, when all distinction save that of goodness shall cease; and death, the mighty leveler of human greatness, reduce us to the same state."

Let us all go forward into our New Year as model Masons and display our Masonic principles to all of our society. I hope all of my brethren and their families have a great Christmas. God bless you all and God bless America.



A beautiful system of Morality, veiled in Allegory, illustrated by Symbols



# The Editor's Corner

"I believe that the most precious thing you have to give to another is your time, attention, and affection. ."





Bro. T.C. Dowden

Christmas, Hanukkah, and Thanksgiving are very special holidays for nearly all Americans. But along with the "Norman Rockwell" feelings and memories of holidays past comes the realization that not everyone's holidays live up to what we remember or imagine that they should be.

All too often though, this time of year brings depression over lost loved ones, unrealized family plans, financial issues, and generalized anxiety. What we, as brother Masons, should be doing is keeping aware of how our brothers and their families are doing and then offer assistance with comradery, invitations to celebrations, sharing of meals, and brotherly love.

Let's be real, many of our brethren are aged. Many have lost loved ones or are forgotten because they don't regularly attend Lodge. Reach out to someone you remember but haven't seen lately. It is not up to just the officers or committee members to make contact. Each of us has a responsibility to one another. We all have access to the Grand Lodge website to get a member's contact numbers or email. Use the tool

Listen closely to what your brothers say and how they say it. Too often, we mask those feelings of loneliness or depression with gregariousness. When you see or hear your brother Mason express holiday sadness, take a minute and bring peace to his troubled mind. It is also a time to reach out to those brothers who may have lost touch with the lodge, even though they may be "right next door". There are many ways to lose touch: not knowing the current leaders, not knowing the current activities and schedules, but worst of all... not knowing if anyone at the lodge cares.

Each month I publish the lists of birthdays and raising anniversaries. Each month I see brothers who have been with us for decades and I wonder how many of them will read this publication and get something from it. It is my fervent hope that our words reach them and give them a sense of the community our lodge is. If we don't know you, brother, please understand and reach out to us. We won't turn you away!

Oh, and before anyone says anything... yes, I know I used "The Lodge Night Before Christmas" last year as well. I just like it!









# From the Secretary

Wor. Marty Gushwa PM, Secretary



Grand Lodge increased the per capita assessment again this year and, consequently, that portion of our annual dues were increased to reflect this increased cost to the Lodge. This year, our total dues payments are set at \$137.00. Please watch your mail for dues statements and send in your payments.



## ACTIVITY AT THE LODGE PHOTOS BY BRO. BUD SMITH





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The Lights of both Christmas and Hanukkah are traditions calling us to a time of thanksgiving and remembrance.

As Christians, we give thanks to the Great Architect of the Universe for the gifts of His Son. Our Jewish Brethren thank the Creator for the miracle of Hanukkah with the restoration and cleansing of the Temple. Perhaps at this time of the year, more than any other, we should be grateful for our many blessings. Of course, we say thanks for the material gifts customarily received during the holiday season, but we should remember the gifts of greater value, those intangible blessings in our lives that are beyond price-family, friends, and good health. Another of these rich blessings is membership in the Fraternity we hold so dearly as Masons.

Freemasonry shares a second common factor with Christmas and Hanukkah-Light. Christians celebrate the coming of the Light of Christ into the world. Jewish Brethren celebrate the miraculous supply of oil that kept the eternal lamp burning during the re-consecration of the Temple.

Christmas and Hanukkah occur when darkness and cold rule. Gone are the golden crisp days of autumn, and the freshness of spring is only a promise. And yet, in the midst of winter, these two great religious traditions share the symbol of Light and the theme of sharing it with others. And in 2016, Hanukkah begins on Christmas Day.

Keep the Light burning, always.



Happy Thanksgiving!

### My dear brothers,

As the days become shorter and the year comes to a close, we turn our thoughts from the distractions of the world around us to focus inward once again. We feel a familiar warm appreciation for our family, good friends, and great celebrations - and look forward to the tremendous food that so often accompanies our holiday festivities!

While we count our blessings at this special time of year, I encourage you to be proud of the Masonic traditions that guide our identity as citizens of this great land. Thanks to our work and that of our forefathers, we stand together to continually honor freedom, the dignity of each person, and our love for one another – regardless of, and with appreciation for - our differences.

Margo and I send our very best wishes to all our Masonic family members throughout this holiday season and into the new year and beyond. Happy Thanksgiving and many joyous celebrations to all!

Sincerely and fraternally,

John R. Heisner Grand Master



# Masonic Poem – The Lodge Night Before Christmas

T'was the Night before Christmas, and down at the lodge Not a gavel was stirring, and in the hodge-podge. Of aprons and jewels and chairs East and West You could savor the silence, most gladly divest All metal and mineral, it mattered not, Since Christmas was nigh and the coals were still hot.

Back in their homeplace, old Masons were abed, As visions of Trestleboards danced in their head; When up on the Lodge roof there arose such a clatter Our Tyler jumped up to see t'was the matter! He picked up his sword and ran fast to the door, Three knocks shook the panels - he wondered 'What for?'

He answered the knocking with raps of his own, And once the door opened he saw, with a moan Of delight it was Santa, all jolly and red Except for one notable feature instead! Upon his large finger he wore what we knew Was compass and square on a background of blue!

'Why Santa!' he shouted and lowered his blade, 'I see you're a Mason!' the Tyler relayed. He looked to the Master's most dignified chair And said, voice near trembling, 'Most Worshipful there Is a Gentleman properly clothed at the gate!' The Master replied, 'Let's allow him - but wait!

You tell me a Gentleman, but I surely don't see His Apron beneath that red suit, can it be Our visitor hasn't been properly raised? We must offer a test that is suitably phrased! 'I do beg your pardon,' ol' Santa said quick As he pulled up his coat and displayed not a stick

But a cane with engraving, two balls did appear And oh, what an apron, he wore and held dear! Adorned like the Master's, complete with a sign Of "Lodge Number One, the North Pole" on one line! "Now let this man enter," the Master declared, And once in the Lodge room, the Brethren all stared.

For Santa was wearing a jewel not been seen For many a century – right there in between The fur of his coat and the splendid red collar Gleamed two golden reindeer that shone like a dollar! "It's Donner and Blitzen, who I must confess "Are actually images brought from the West By my Warden, a craftsman, like none in the world!" And with a great laugh from his bag he unfurled An ear of fine corn, and some oil from the East, "My friend I have plenty, tonight we will feast On all that is good! We are Masons, kind sir!" A murmur went throughout the Lodge, quite a stir.

Why, presents and promises flew from his sack! This Santa, a Mason, had showed quite a knack For making this Christmas the best you could glean, And soon even Deacons were laughing, they'd seen On this very night only happiness reigned! This jolly Saint Nicholas quickly explained

That truly a Mason would be so inclined To make all kids happy, help all people to find That Christmas is special, yes, Santa was right! Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!

Written by W Bro. Tofique Fatehi Edited by Bro. TC Dowden









# Masonic Education - The Significance of Symbolism

"A picture is worth a thousand words." We've heard that saying many times. In Masonry that saying is changed to: "A symbol is worth a thousand words." Symbols are everywhere in our lives, from logos to signage, in religion, in art, in business, in mathematics, in the military, and especially in Freemasonry. Our country's flag is a symbol with many meanings and explanations. Every culture develops symbols to tell a story... or a lesson.

A lesson can be written, it can be told, and it can be alluded to, as Aesop and Jesus are so famous for. Both uses allegory and symbolism to teach lessons to improve their followers or students.

Masonry is "veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols" because these are the surest ways by which moral and ethical truths may be taught. It is not only with the brain and the mind that the initiate must take in Masonry but also with the heart.

Mind speaks to mind with spoken or written words. Heart speaks to heart with words which cannot be written or spoken. Those words are symbols; words which mean little to the indifferent, much to the understanding.

The body has its five senses through which the mind may learn; the mind has also imagination. That imagination may see farther than eyes and hear sounds fainter than may be caught by ears. To the imagination symbols become plain as printed words to the eye. Nothing else will do; no words can be as effective. Each Mason can and should analyze for himself each symbol, each allegory, and form his own personal and moral philosophy. Through a study of its symbolism he will learn the meaning of Masonry, and his own life will be enriched thereby.

The significance of symbolism is emphasized in the following quotation from Oliver Day Street's Symbolism of the Three Degrees:

"It may be asserted in the broadest terms that the Mason who knows nothing of our symbolism knows little of Masonry. He may be able to repeat every line of ritual without an error, and yet, if he does not understand the meaning of the ceremonies, the signs, the words, the emblems and the figures, he is an ignoramus Masonically. It is distressing to witness how much time and labor is spent in memorizing 'the work' and how little in ascertaining what it all means. Far be it from me to underrate the importance of letter perfection in rendering our ritual. In no other way can the symbolism of our emblems, traditions and allegories be accurately preserved, but I do maintain that, if we are never to understand their meanings, it is useless to preserve them. The two go hand in hand, without either the beauty and symmetry of the Masonic temple is destroyed".

Take from Masonry its symbols and but the husk remains, the kernel is gone. He who hears but the words of Masonry misses their meaning entirely.



## Together We Can Achieve So Much

The Masonic Outreach Services (MOS) team has thousands of stories about vulnerable brothers and widows whose lives have been dramatically improved, thanks to crucial fraternal relief. One powerful story is that of a California widow, Mary\*, who lived alone for more than 30 years after her husband's death. One day she fell and had no one to call for help – until she remembered her husband's promise, "You can always count on the Masons." After one phone call, brothers connected her with Masonic Outreach Services, and soon she had a safe and comfortable place to call home.

Crucial Masonic Outreach Services are funded entirely through generous gifts from brothers like you – in the past and today. Every gift made in support of our Masonic charitable programs makes a difference much greater than we could hope to bring about alone. Together we can achieve so much.

# MAKE PLANS NOW!!

It's finally here!

Mark your calendars for December 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm, the date for the

# **2017 Installation of Officers**.

This year will be quite unique. The Installation of Officers Program begins at 4:30pm, followed by a Prime Rib dinner, with all of the extras, including wine, prepared for us by our very own 5 Star Chef, brother Eric Rucker!

Dress for men will be coat and tie (or Tuxedo if you prefer), and the ladies can reach into their closets and pull out those beautiful gowns that have been hanging there just waiting for an occasion like this!

**HOWEVER**...*Reservations are required*, due to the dinner requirements for the Chef. Please contact Monte Euler or Chuck Markel to reserve your seat now. 951-926-9864 or 951-834-4926.



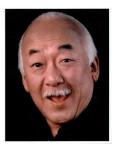
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# **Our Masonic Heritage:**

## Pat Morita, Actor, Shriner, Freemason. Submitted by Br. Gary Trammell



Noriyuki "Pat" Morita was an American television and movie actor.

Morita was born on June 28th. 1932 in Isleton, California. At the age of two he developed spinal tuberculosis. He would spend the next nine years in and out of hospitals. Several times he was told that he would probably never walk again. Among the hospitals that he was treated at was the Shriner's Hospital in San Francisco. It was from there that he was taken to rejoin his family in Arizona at a Japanese internment camp during World War II.

After the war Morita's family ran a restaurant called Ariake Chop Suey, a restaurant in Sacramento, California. As a teenager he would act as a master of ceremonies for groups that were meeting at the restaurant, as well as telling jokes to customers.

In the early 1960's Morita started performing stand-up comedy. He was billed as "The Hip Nip." He performed at nightclubs and bars.



He was also part of an improvisational group called The Groundings.

In 1967, Morita landed his first movie role as a comical henchman in *Thoroughly Modern* Millie. In the early 70's Morita began appearing on television. Starting with the television series M\*A\*S\*H where he had a recurring role as a South Korean officer. He also appeared on Sanford and Son and on two seasons of Happy Days as "Arnold" Takahashi and as Mr. Miyagi in the The Karate Kid movie series, for which he was nominated for the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor in 1984. Later, he starred in the movie Midway about the World War II battle playing Rear Admiral Kusaka. He played a wide range of characters on

television, some in starring roles and others in guest appearances and recurring characters.

He died at age 73 of natural causes at Sunrise Hospital in Las Vegas, Nevada on November 24, 2005.

Brother Pat was a Mason and a Shriner, but nowhere does information say with which Lodge he was affiliated.

Morita was a very big supporter of the Shriner's Hospitals. After his passing his family created a fund in his name to support the Shriner's Hospitals and the good works that they do for children. All treatments that are provided at Shriner's Hospitals are given at no charge to the patients or their families.



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| 4   | 5         | 6                                | 7<br>Scottish Rite<br>San Diego<br>Shrine Club | 8                                   | 9      | 10   |
| 11  | 12        | 13<br>Job's Daughters<br>7:00 PM | 14<br>Order of Easter<br>Star<br>7:00 PM       | 15<br>Installation<br>Practice 6PM  | 16     | 17<br>Installation of<br>Officers<br>4:30 PM<br>Food Charity<br>Distribution<br>10:00 AM |
| 18  | 19        | 20                               | 21   | 22                                  | 23     | 24<br>Christmas Eve<br>Hanukkah<br>Begins  |
| 25<br>Christmas                           | 26        | 27<br>Job's Daughters<br>7:00 PM | 28<br>Order of Easter<br>Star<br>7:00 PM       | 29                                  | 30     | 31<br>New Years<br>Eve   |
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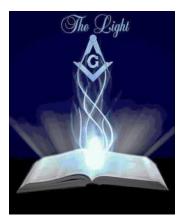
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## Menifee Valley Lodge #289 Officers

| Worshipful Master                            | Wor. Steve Sutton       | 925-206-5645 |
|--|-------------------------|--------------|
| Senior Warden                                | Monte Euler             | 951-733-2925 |
| Junior Warden                                | Chuck Markel            | 951-926-9864 |
| Treasurer                                    | Brandon Clark           | 951-355-8297 |
| Secretary                                    | Wor. Marty Gushwa, PM   | 805-603-2064 |
| Chaplain                                     | Wor. Harold Whitford PM | 951-246-9961 |
| Senior Deacon                                | William Lewis           | 951 639-4211 |
| Junior Deacon                                | Gary Branson            |              |
| Marshal                                      | Edward Sibby            | 951 704-2035 |
| Senior Steward                               | Robert Oberdorfer       | 951-245-2426 |
| Junior Steward                               | Daniel Vasquez          | 951-657-0562 |
| Tiler  | Sidney Lee              | 951-657-2794 |
| Officer's Coach                              | Wor. Marty Gushwa, PM   | 805-603-2064 |
| Inspector 826 <sup>th</sup> Masonic District | Wor. Vic Ropak, PM      | 951-850-2319 |

## **Concordant Bodies**

Job's Daughters Bethel No. 165, Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7:00pm Karen Freeman, Bethel Guardian, 537-8032 Bro. Alan Walbridge AG, 909-241-5547



Menifee Valley Chapter No. 243, O.E.S. Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 7:00pm Delphine Galba-Bright, Worthy Matron, 224-1738 Bro. Jacob Galba-Bright, Worthy Patron 224-1713





Did you know that being an officer is both a privilege and an honor? These leaders have made a commitment to being at the practices and meetings/degrees and doing an outstanding job. We are all indebted to them for this commitment and their efforts. If you are interested in becoming an officer, please contact the Worshipful Master or the Officers Coach listed above.

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## COMMITTEES

Here are our committees for 2016. By being a Committee member, you are 'paying it forward' to the Lodge by giving a little of your time. Some Committees only meet once a year, others quarterly, and some monthly. The point is, we need your help. Contact the Chairman for meeting times. And if you want to serve on a committee and are not listed, contact the Worshipful Master, as we want your help.

Sickness & Distress

Harold Whitford

Chuck Markel

CH - Alan Bowman, PM

Audit CH – TC Dowden SW Chuck Markel

**Budget** 

Marty Gushwa

Brandon Clark

Steve Sutton

Chuck Markel

Monte Euler

Bill Lewis

<u>Charity & Relief</u> Steve Sutton Monte Euler Chuck Markel

Widows CH – Harold Whitford, PM Chuck Markel

<u>Finance</u> Marty Gushwa Brandon Clark Hall Association Bill Lewis, President ('18) Marty Gushwa, Secretary ('18) Paul MacQuiddy, PM, ('19) Rob Sandberg, ('16) Charles Markel, Treasurer ('16)

Steve Sutton, WM Ex-Officio Monte G. Euler SW. Ex-Officio

ASSIGNMENTS

<u>Hiram Award</u> Monte Euler - Chmn Chuck Markel Bill Lewis Bob Oberdorfer Marty Gushwa

<u>Trestleboard</u> Editor – TC Dowden Marty Gushwa PM

Public Schools CH – Steve Sutton Bill Lewis

#### Funeral

CH – Harold Whitford, PM Alan Bowman Dick Staley

#### **Refreshments**

CH – Chuck Markel Chef Eric Rucker Sr. & Jr. Stewards All EA'a & FC's Newly Raised MM's

Officer's Coach(s) Marty Gushwa PM Harold Whitford PM

Member Retention Paul MacQuiddy, PM Masonic History Gary Trammell, HA Photographer Bud Smith

Masonic Education TC Dowden

Gary Trammel, ('19)

Fraternal Support Amb Alan Bowman, PM Head Candidate Coach Monte Euler

Facebook/Website Tom Berger

## **BIRTHDAYS AND RAISING ANNIVERSARIES FOR DECEMBER**

Raisings

| Birthdays              |          |
|------------------------|----------|
| Name                   | Birthday |
| Thacker, Kenneth W.    | 03       |
| Danner, Lewis A.       | 04       |
| Collins, Charles       | 07       |
| Miller, William M.     | 09       |
| Gonzalez, Joel         | 14       |
| Marston, David W.      | 16       |
| Harter, Russell A.     | 18       |
| Leigh, Mark            | 18       |
| Harr, Grove D.         | 19       |
| Armstrong, Jonathan S. | 20       |
| MacQuiddy, Paul A.     | 21       |
| Barber, Bo P           | 28       |
| Dawson, Thomas P.      | 28       |
| Marple, George C.      | 28       |
| Schwartz, Irving       | 28       |
| Whitford, Harold R.    | 28       |
| Germain, Roy M.        | 29       |

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|-------------------------|------------|-----|
| Name                    | Date       | Yrs |
| Adams, Daniel M.        | 12/14/2007 | 8   |
| Barnett, David R.       | 12/28/1961 | 54  |
| Claypool, Herbert H.    | 12/29/1955 | 60  |
| Cowan, Robert A.        | 12/16/1954 | 61  |
| Eisenstein, Yale B.     | 12/14/1960 | 55  |
| Hecklinski, Clarence V. | 12/13/1972 | 43  |
| Jackson, Jimmie F.      | 12/30/1954 | 61  |
| Ross, Robert E.         | 12/14/1989 | 26  |
| Severns, Richard L.     | 12/16/1996 | 19  |
| Staley, David L.        | 12/16/1976 | 39  |
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# SHRINE CLUB ANNOUNCEMENT:

THE SHRINE CLUB WILL BE MEETING AGAIN ON DECEMBER 7, 2016 FOR OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY AND RECOGNITION OF LILLIAN KLUTTS

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