

# THE BULLETIN BOARD

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## OUR NEXT BUREAU MEETING

*Sunday, November 7, 2010*

### Midnight Mission Clothing Drive

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**START SAVING YOUR  
GENTLY-USED MEN'S &  
WOMEN'S APPAREL  
NOW!**

## **Help Your Lodge's Financial Future!**

**Our Grand Lodge Finance and Investment Committees are offering special get-togethers at the Annual Communications this year, for any interested Lodges that would like to discuss their finances and investments. The meetings are open to all Lodge Officers, Hall Ass'n. Officers and Lodge Investment Committee members/Trustees. One-half hour sessions are being scheduled from 8 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 24. Make reservations via e-mail with [eboyer@freemason.org](mailto:eboyer@freemason.org).**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It is with great sadness that we note the passing of last year's Potentate for Al Malaikah Shrine, Illustrious Sir Ron Bianchi. There will be a Celebration of his life on Monday, September 13, at the Shrine Auditorium, starting at 4:00 p.m. A hosted dinner will follow.  
RSVP: 213-748-0173.

## **American Democracy:**

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### **A Portrait of Masonic Influence**

At the 10th Annual California Masonic Symposium last June, the significant role of our fraternity in the American Revolution and its influence on the development and ideals of the New World were discussed in detail by the distinguished presenters. Following the Symposium, many Brothers there have strongly recommended that this part of early American history should be much more widely taught and studied.

For those of you who missed the well-researched presentations up north, you still have an opportunity to read and learn the observations made by those academic scholars in their talks, by accessing their research papers on the Grand Lodge Web Site. Go to the *Masonic Education* section of [www.freemason.org](http://www.freemason.org), and click the links under the *Annual California Masonic Symposium* heading.

One of the primary observances discussed in these papers noted how, in those early days, our fraternity gave a stamp of approval and authority to men who might otherwise have been considered too common for leadership in the young nation. "Masons straddled the line between being an exclusive society based on important values and an inclusive organization that helped men of humble birth rise in society." Enjoy reading more of these concepts that started our great country!

## **Remember! September is Constitution Observance Month**

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ANNUAL  
COMMUNICATION



The 2010 Annual Communication of the California Grand Lodge is about here. Its formal opening is at 1:00 P.M. Friday, September 24th, and concludes with the Installation of next year's Grand Lodge Officers at 11:00 A.M. on Sunday, September 26th. The many Resolutions and Grand Master Recommendations this year should be discussed at your September Stated Meeting, and opinions given to assist your Lodge Officers in their voting.

For those attending, the following other activities are also planned:

- Royal Order of Scotland Breakfast, Friday, 6:30 a.m.
- Fifth & Seventh Division Inspectors Breakfast for the Grand Master, Saturday, 7 a.m.
- "A Lunch at Tiffany's" – Ladies Luncheon, Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Grand Master's Banquet, Saturday, 6:30 p.m.
- Sunday Public Ceremonies
- Installation of 2010-2011 Grand Lodge Officers

Registration for the Hotel/Banquet Packages should be made immediately. Don't forget to bring with you your current Dues Card for registration, and be sure to order your tickets in advance for the events requiring payment. No-Charge Parking at the Grand Lodge Garage will again be available, but with no in-out privileges.



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