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Big Bear Lake, No. 617
&
Rim Of The World No. 711



Mountain Top Lodges



Rim Of The World Masonic Lodge No. 711 F & A M And Big Bear Lake Masonic Lodge No. 617 F & AM

Proposed Officers For The Ensuing Masonic Year.

Rim of the World # 711

Richard Pumerantz, PM
Johnny Royal
Chet Olson, PM
Doug Highlen
Ken Witte, PM
Johnny Wells, PM
Clint Waugh
Cliff Beacham
Sean Devine

Alexander Vallejos
J. T. Price
Jon Olson
William Martinez

Master
Senior Warden
Junior Warden
Treasurer
Secretary
Asst Secretary
Chaplain
Senior Deacon
Junior Deacon
Marshal
Senior Steward
Junior Steward
Organist
Tiler

Big Bear Lake, #617

Michael Weber, PM
Cesar Falconett, PM
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Robert Dow, PM
Johnny Wells, PM

Dave Schonland
Cliff Beacham
Alex Vallejos
Richard Pumerantz, PM
Fred Davis, PM
*
Christopher Hernandez
Don Lovelace

Now Accepting Application for Affiliation.

To Be One Ask One.

FROM THE EAST – BIG BEAR 617



Reflecting

on My First Year as Master of Big Bear Lodge #617

As I reach the end of my first year as Master of Big Bear Lodge #617, I find myself filled with gratitude and reflection. What an incredible journey it has been! This past year has been a whirlwind of activity, filled with meaningful rituals, fellowship, and the unwavering support of our dedicated members.

Together, we have accomplished so much. From initiating new brothers to hosting community events that strengthened our ties, each moment has contributed to the vibrant spirit of our Lodge. I am proud of what we have achieved, but I also recognize that our work is far from over. There are still many goals to pursue and challenges to overcome as we continue to grow and serve our community.

I want to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt thanks to each of you. Your assistance, guidance, and mentorship have been invaluable to me. The light you have shared has not only illuminated my path but has also inspired me to lead with integrity and purpose. It is through your support that I have been able to navigate this role and strive to uphold the values of Freemasonry.

As we look forward to the coming year, let us carry this momentum forward. Together, we can build on our successes and embrace new opportunities for growth and service. I am excited about what lies ahead and am grateful to be part of such a remarkable brotherhood.

Thank you for your trust and camaraderie. Here's to another year of brotherly love, support, and the pursuit of Masonic light!

Make it a great day,



Michael J. Weber
Master of Lodge #617 Big Bear
949-423-8206 Cell

Big Bear Lake No, 617 - Officers 2024

Wor. Michael Weber	ExOfficio Hall Director	Master
Cesar Falconett, PM	Hall Director	Junior Warden & Officers Coach
Robert Dow, PM	Hall Director	Treasurer
Johnny Wells, PM	Hall Director	Secretary & Candidates Coach
James Morgan, PM	Hall Director	Chaplain
Cliff Beacham	Hall Director	Senior Deacon
David Schonland	Hall Director	Junior Deacon
Richard Pumerantz, PM		Marshal
Freddie Davis, PM		Senior Steward
Alexander Vallejos	Hall Director	Junior Steward
Christopher Hernandez		Organist
Michael Arredondo		Tiler
Robert Bronner, PM		District Inspector



Secretary's Corner



Officers Check List for October Includes:

Secretary - Begin collecting member dues starting Nov 1. Set up election results

Jr. Wardens – Report on Officer Participation in the annual fund; Contact Suspended Members.

Sr. Warden - Confirm: The Officers Line 2025 is set and qualified; the Calendar and Budget for 2025 are set; and the Installation Officers and date are confirmed.

For More, see this month's **The Leader**. [Click here.](#)

NOTE: Some meetings are required monthly, such as Exec & Temple Board

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It has a world of information about our Lodge at your fingertips. **PLEASE BE SURE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION**
is up to date. If you don't have Login credentials, contact
Grand Lodge @ (415) 776-7000

Rim - Ken Witte, PM, Secretary (661) 549-2179
Big Bear - Johnny Wells, PM, Secretary (909) 866-0862

Rim Of The World No. 711 - Officers 2024

Richard Pumerantz, PM	Hall Director	Master, Officers Coach
		Senior Warden
Chet Olson, PM	Hall Director	Junior Warden
Doug Highlen		Treasurer
Ken Witte, PM		Secretary & Candidates Coach
Clint Waugh		Chaplain
Cliff Beacham	Hall Director	Senior Deacon
Sean Devine		Junior Deacon
Johnny Wells, PM		Marshal
Kevin Herrick, PM		Senior Steward
Alexander Vallejos	Hall Director	Junior Steward
Jon Olson		Organist
William Martinez		Tiler



HALL ASSOCIATION
Try Just Saying **YES.**



Some people say you should “just say no – it’s how you avoid burnout”.

If you cultivate the habit of saying NO to things – think of all the Life you are missing out on! There are more opportunities to grow and enrich your life than you can ever experience. People to meet, to get to know. Things to learn and master. If you say No – You’ll Never Know.

This is especially true when your lodge needs a little help – after all, WE ARE the lodge. And our home needs all of us to pay attention. And just because you didn’t help, doesn’t mean those “things” are non-essential, it doesn’t mean they don’t get done (although sometimes that is the case – occasionally critical things do go undone), It means someone else carried the load. It just means YOU chose to turn a blind eye. You deemed whatever you were doing was more important. You made that choice.

Some say, “I don’t know how to . . .” (There is a learning Opportunity Missed) Some say, “I can’t fit anything else into my schedule” (amazing how some can, isn’t it?) Check out the resumes of the leaders of our lodges. Some say, “I just don’t have time to . . .” Really?

We ALL have the same 24 hours each and every day. And you ARE doing something with each one of those 24 . . . So try something new; Turn off the TV. Hang out with your Brothers and grow a little. It can be quite Fun! At the end of your week, you may not know the score of the latest game, but you will not have grown or even changed. **Now THAT is burnout.**

Get Involved – We all can do something to help.
Learn the true meanings of Masonry, MASTER Your Craft,
Say **YES** to your Lodge.



FROM THE EAST – ROTW 711



Every Time

I attend the Annual Communications
I am reminded of all the great friends I have through Masonry, and moreover, all the amazing work we do as an organization.

True friends, who will move heaven and earth to help when needed. No hesitation, no questions, no excuses, no qualifiers, just whatever needs done, it happens. In discussing my upcoming repeat as master, the Past Grand Larry Adamson and John Cooper, said, “we do what we have to do to keep masonry moving.” It was a matter of fact and a forgone conclusion that to perpetuate our good works, we do whatever needs be done.

Also to watch the true democratic process unfold is heartening, it brings back hope for our country. ([Click here to see this year’s results](#))

But probably the most invigorating and humbling part of Annual Communications is listening to the introductions of the men – and lets not forget the youth at the helm of our affiliates. It doesn’t seem possible that we all share the same 24-inch gauge. The amazing works that are done to help those less fortunate, the charities and fundraisers to benefit our brethren and their families. The difference they make in their communities, our craft, and through that – the world.

Men who never say “I want”, but rather “What can I do to help”. If you ask the answer will come. And these men were listening. Moreover, they will never be done.

I am once again invigorated and empowered. I truly hope ALL of you can come with us next year. If you want to be an outrageous success and be remembered for your work. Choose who you emulate carefully. Your choices matter. The path you follow sets your destination.



Richard Pumerantz, PM
Master Rim Of The World Lodge #711



Mountaintop Masonic Lodges Combined Calendar

November 2024

BBL = Big Bear Lake **ROTW** = Rim Of The World
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Weekly Recurring Activities

Wednesdays	Big Bear Lake	5:30 – 6:45 Open House. 7:00 Improving Your Mastery of the Craft
Wednesdays	Rim Of The World	Ritual Work, Coaches Meetings, and fellowship
Thursdays	Rim Of The World	Farmers Market at The Lodge
Thursdays	Big Bear Lake	Podcast Recordings at Lodge. Contact Master Weber to participate.

Tuesday, November 5, 2024 - ELECTION DAY

Day	Date & Time	Lodge	Event The + sign indicates Both Lodges
Wednesday	November 6	ROTW + BBL	Lodge Dinner 6-7. 7:00 ROTW Stated Meeting, Election of Officers
Thursday	November 7	BBL	Hospital Staff Party Invitation Only- Community Outreach
Saturday	November 9	ROTW	Gabby Lopez Baby Shower
Thursday	November 7	BBL	Monica Negratti - Renter Big Bear Hall
Monday	November 11	BBL	Lodge Hosts monthly BBV Garden Club, 9:00 AM - Community Outreach
Tuesday	November 12	BBL	Lodge Hosts Monthly CPR Class for Bear Valley Hospital and Healthcare District - Community Outreach
Wednesday	November 13	BBL + ROTW	7:00 Stated Meeting, Big Bear Election of Officers 7:45 Special Meeting - Installation of Officers – All Masons Welcome Desert to Follow
Saturday	November 16	ROTW + BBL	ISI - Inspectors School Of Instruction at Redlands Annual Planning. 8 AM Contact the inspector for location details.
Saturday	November 16	BBL	Pacheco - Renter Big Bear Hall
Sunday	November 17	BBL	Millian - Renter Big Bear Hall
Monday	November 18	BBL	CERT Meeting Community Outreach
Wednesday	November 19	ROTW	Planning Meeting for Installation Festive Board
Wednesday	November 20	BBL	Third Degree Rehearsal for Brother. Garcia.
Friday	November 22	BBL	Brenda. Pacheco - Renter Big Bear Hall
Wednesday	November 27	ROTW	Degree Practice
Monday	November 24-30	BBL	Lodge Dark for Thanksgiving

OSI NOTE: Officers School of Instruction (OSI) begins at **6:30 pm**, all lodge officers are required to attend. If you cannot attend, you **“MUST”** contact the inspector. Three missed OSI “may” result in forfeiture of elected or appointed station. Business attire is required; business formal from November through April, and business casual from May through October.

DECEMBER Can't Miss . . . December 27 Rim Of The World **INSTALLATION** Of Officers & St. Johns Festival

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