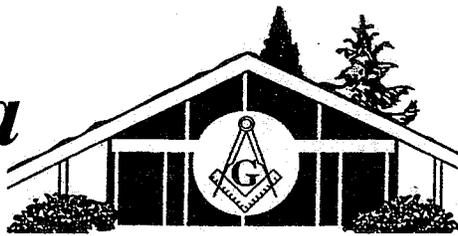


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## CALENDAR

- Thurs. August 1 6:00 p.m. Stated Meeting dinner – Hawaiian Night Luau – whole roast pig hors d'oeuvres. 6:30 p.m. Huli-Huli Chicken dinner. Reservations required for alternate meal or for those not on permanent list: 925-254-5211. Cost \$12 per person. 8:00 p.m. Stated Meeting
- Tues. August 6 7:00 p.m. Third Degree practice. All Master Masons are welcome.
- Thurs. August 8 6:30 p.m. Dinner  
7:30 p.m. District School of Instruction
- Tues. August 13 7:00 p.m. Third Degree practice. All Master Masons are welcome.
- Thurs. August 15 6:30 p.m. Third Degree for Brother Del Rush (Officers Tuxedo). All Master Masons are welcome.  
9:15 p.m. Light Dinner
- Tues. August 20 6:30 p.m. Dinner  
7:30 p.m. First Degree practice with Oakland Scottish Rite team. All Masons are welcome. Reservations: 925-254-5211.
- Thurs. August 22 6:30 p.m. Dinner: Burgers, Hot Dogs, Popcorn, refreshments, and more.  
7:30 p.m. Family movie night. Everyone is welcome. Reservations: 925-254-5211.
- Sat. August 24 1 – 6 p.m. Orinda Lodge Annual picnic at Castle Rock Park, Walnut Creek. See. p. 4.
- Tues. August 27 7:00 p.m., First Degree practice. All Masons welcome.
- Wed. August 28 7:00 p.m. Hall Association meeting.
- Thurs. August 29 6:30 p.m. First Degree for Sam Kashabi (Officers tuxedos). All Masons welcome.
- Thurs. Sept. 5 6:30 p.m. Stated Meeting dinner followed by special presentation: Honoring a Hero. Hiram Award presentation to Don Weisse, Jr., PM.

## MASTER'S MESSAGE



Greetings everyone. What a beautiful summer we are experiencing. Some days seem to be like spring. Hope that you are having a great time enjoying this great season with your families and loved ones.

We have many accomplishments to report for June and July.

Congratulations to brother Michael Gooding for becoming a Master Mason on May 30th. Brother Gooding has been doing a lot of work around the Lodge to include working to finish the last pieces on our new projector, painting, etc.

Congratulations are in order to brothers Daniel Rose and Bobby G. Robertson for receiving their 50-year pins and certificates on June 6<sup>th</sup>. Brother Rose and his wife, Linda and brother Robertson and his wife, Margaret joined us for our Stated Meeting Dinner. We would like to invite them to visit us again and participate in our Lodge activities.

Congratulations to brother Sean Mergy for becoming a Master Mason on June 20<sup>th</sup>.

I would like to thank brother Worshipful Cary Carlson for offering his endless dedication, knowledge and leadership in his teachings and conducting the ritual for proficiencies and funeral ceremonies. Brother Cary, you are the greatest.

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Lamorinda Parade was a total success. Our special thanks go to the Job's daughters, Worshipful Kilgallen for leading the committee, Worshipful Carter for providing the Mmodel A Ford and his many other services, and to all those who participated.

Congratulations are in order to Holly and Don Carter for receiving a recognition plaque on behalf of our beloved brother Bill Adams. The Lodge and the Hall Association voted that this beautiful plaque be displayed in the Tiler's Room.

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**(Master's Message continued):**

Our Stated Meeting Dinner of July 11<sup>th</sup> was another success. We had reservations for 60 people but 92 people showed up!! Somehow we made it through. We ask that you please make your reservation at least 3 days before the Stated Meeting to ensure that we have enough food for everyone.

On July 11<sup>th</sup> we installed four new officers. Congratulations to brother Earl Love, Junior Deacon; brother Sean Mergy, Marshal; brother Alan Miller, Senior Steward; brother Michael Gooding, Junior Steward. I am certain that these fine men will serve the Lodge with respect and dignity. Our heartfelt thanks go to the installing officers, Worshipful Jim Leonard, Installing Chaplain; Worshipful Cary Carlson, Installing Master of Ceremonies; the one and only Worshipful Jack Forseth, Installing Officer.

Please come and join us for our August 1, 2013 Stated Meeting Dinner. Wear your Hawaiian outfits. Our caterer will prepare a whole roasted pig served at 6:00 PM. Dinner will be Huli-Huli Chicken served at 6:30 PM.

The DSOI (District School of Instruction) will be held in our Lodge on Tuesday August 8<sup>th</sup>. Dinner at 6:30 PM and school at 7:30 PM. All Master Masons are welcome.

Brother Del Rush will be receiving his third degree on Thursday August 15<sup>th</sup>. Please come and support the officers of the Lodge. We will be honored by your presence.

On August 20<sup>th</sup> we will be doing our very first 1st Degree practice with the Oakland Scottish Rite team at Orinda Lodge. Dinner at 6:30 PM. Practice at 7:30 PM. All Masons are welcome.

Please mark your calendars for Thursday August 22<sup>nd</sup> for our movie night with friends and families. Hamburgers, hot dogs and more will be served for dinner at 6:30 pm. The movie will start at 7:30 PM. Please make your reservations by calling the Junior Warden's line at the Lodge.

The Lodge annual picnic will be on Saturday August 24<sup>th</sup> in Castle Rock Park of Walnut Creek from 1-6 PM. Job's daughters will also be there to challenge the Masons for a softball tournament.

Congratulations to our newly elected Hiram Award recipient, Brother Don Weisse Jr., PM. He will receive his Hiram Award Medal, Pin and Certificate at the September 5th Stated Meeting Dinner. Please join us in congratulating Don.

Enjoy the rest of the summer. We'll see you all soon.

**Tom Kavishi, Master**

## ORINDA ACCENTS

Our world traveler, Wint Mather returned from Burma and now is on his way to London and Iceland.

PM Sean Finney and Renée enjoyed a coastal road trip to see all the beautiful spring flowers in bloom. In September they will vacation in Maui.

PM Don Weisse and Pat Hedl will vacation in Scotland and Ireland; Don says it's the last trip for a while. We'll see!

The Gil Klingman family are all going on vacation to the Scandinavian countries of Norway and Sweden.

Marston and Kathy Watson will storm Washington, DC.

Maria Malliarys flew to Greece to attend the weddings of two nephews and one niece. PM Leo stayed at home and finished 30 years of writing his book entitled "The Greek World – A Greek history from the Stone Age to the 21st century." He also attended the 1948 high school class reunion from Oakland High.

**Winnie Brewer (510-530-8589)**

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

3 Ralph D. McDonald	18 Robert C. Long
4 William A. Jacob, Jr., PM	20 R. Trent Retallack
5 GTheodore J. Budach, Jr.	21 Charles R. Neil, PM
5 Ronald G. Light, D.D.S	22 Cary L. Carlson, PM
8 Michael I. Malliarys	23 Kenneth C. McCracken
9 William O. Richmond, PM	24 Edwin R. Riksheim, PM
10 Jon L. Benson, PM	25 Robert P. Dathe
14 Eric H. Doberenz	25 Donald E. Weisse, Jr., PM
14 Shawn E. Eyer, PM	26 Gary E. Dana
15 Michael D. Gooding	30 Robert E. Besser
17 Darrell R. Gray	30 Mete Soyoguz

## 2013 VETERAN OF THE YEAR

Our own Mickey Ganitch, PM, Lodge Chaplain, had a great write-up in the Friday, July 19th Oakland Tribune about his December 7, 1941 Pearl Harbor experiences. He was named the 2013 10th Senate District Veteran of the Year by State Senate Majority Leader, Ellen Corbett.



## FOURTH OF JULY PARADE, ORINDA

Brothers and Friends:

We have been participating in the Orinda 4th of July Parade for 8 years now. The idea was originally simple: Get as many of us together to march so the Masons and the Masonic Center will get some exposure, whether it is for rentals or attracting new members. The second year we participated, we invited the other Masonic groups at 9 Altarinda Road to join us in the celebration. Job's Daughters took up the invitation and have been with us ever since. A couple of years ago Bill Adams bought an antique car, a 1931 model "A" Ford and asked if he could enter the car with the Masons; it was a great idea that got us immediate attention from the crowd.

This year we had about 30 to 35 participants for the parade, including our ever present Job's Daughters, members of the York Rite Bodies, some members from Acalanes Fellowship Lodge, and, of course our own officers' line and members of Orinda Lodge #122. We have met our original goal in that we now are recognized by the crowd throughout the route of the parade. That brings up an issue that some of you have asked about; why are we called the Orinda Masonic Center in the parade and not the Orinda Masons? The simple answer is this: Since we have members of various groups and lodges joining us, we needed to use a descriptive term that will encompass everyone. Also, since our building is rented by various people from the community, we are getting free advertising in front of the whole audience. Lastly, we are only allowed about 3 short sentences to describe who we are before being announced. Our participation changes and evolves every year; we can adjust as we go!

A warm and gracious thank you to all who joined us, including all the parents who helped us. A special thanks to Worshipful Don Carter for getting his autos prepared for presentation - that is a chore in itself. Our after-parade lunch allowed us to sit and socialize while drinking some beverages to cool down. Let's try to make next year even bigger.

**Fraternally, Tom Kilgallen, PM**  
**President, Lodge Parade Committee**



*Don Carter driving his 1931 Ford Model A car in the 30th anniversary Lamorinda Fourth of July parade.*

## FROM THE WEST

Dearest Brothers and Sisters:

As you will see on page 4, our second annual picnic will be held at Castle Rock Park on August 24th from noon to six p.m. It will coincide with our Job's Daughters Bethel picnic also. Originally, we were to bestow the Hiram Award to worthy Brother Don Weisse, Jr., but, alas, he and Pat will be away. The best laid plans..... Anyway, please plan to join us.

**Fraternally yours,**  
**Cary Carlson, Senior Warden**



*(l-r) Brother Daniel Rose and Brother Bobby G. Robertson receive their 50-year pins at the June 6th Stated Mtg. dinner*

## JUNIOR WARDEN'S MESSAGE

On Thursday July 11th, Orinda Lodge installed the following officers: Earl Love as Jr. Deacon, Sean Mergy as Marshal, Alan Miller as Sr. Steward, and Mike Gooding as Jr. Steward. All of these brothers have been doing such great work and we are very excited to have these stations filled by such motivated and talented men.

The installation ceremony was performed beautifully by Wr. Tom Kavishi; S.W. Cary Carlson, P.M.; Jim Leonard, P.M.; and, of course by The Illustrious Jack Forseth, P.M.

Special thanks go to Ill. Jack Forseth and Secretary Dick Anderson, P.M., for presenting to the lodge, through Wr. Tom Kavishi, a new Master's hat.

\*Just a friendly reminder, please don't forget to call in your meal reservations for Stated Meeting dinners. It's easy; just call in no later than 10 a.m. the day before the Thursday Stated Meeting Dinner. The lodge number is: [\(925\) 254-5211](tel:9252545211); press 2, and leave a clear message with your name, number of your party, and if there is a desire for an alternate or vegetarian meal. This way we may plan ahead, and make sure that we have both a plate and a seat ready for you. We want you to come and have a great time at the Orinda Lodge.

Hope to see you soon.

**Sincerely & Fraternaly,**  
**Erik Johnson, Junior Warden**

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## ORINDA LODGE SECOND ANNUAL PICNIC

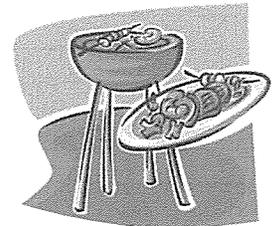
SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2013  
NOON – 6:00 P.M.

CASTLE ROCK PARK, WALNUT CREEK

Barbequed Tri-tip steak or chicken\* provided by Lodge  
(Hot dogs for kids)



BYOB



Swimming pool - \$3.50 (\$2.50 kids)

Horseshoes, Softball, Hiking, Volleyball, & Basketball

Ample shade, golf cart transportation to area

Near restrooms

**\*Make reservations by August 20th (925) 254-5211, Ext. 2**

Potluck items: A – L Side dish, M – R Salad, S – Z Dessert

Directions: Hwy 24 to 680N. Exit Ygnacio Valley, turn right about 3 miles to Walnut Avenue, turn right, go another 2 miles to make a right at circle to Castle Rock Road, to “Orchard” staging area. We are at “Castle Tree”.

Bring your family, friends, & neighbors!

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