

# Orinda



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TRESTLEBOARD

April, 2016

### APRIL CALENDAR

- Thu, Apr 7<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM Stated Dinner: Lamb  
Reservations Required \$15 Per.  
  
Meeting starts at 8PM  
Official Inspectors visit:  
Worshipful Greg Thompson
- Fri, Apr 8<sup>th</sup> 6PM Blue Lodge Night at the Oakland  
Scottish Rite call OSR for reservation
- Sat, Apr 9<sup>th</sup> 9AM Masonic assistance; we will be  
cleaning and clearing  
24 Beech Ct. Walnut Creek
- Sat, Apr 16<sup>th</sup> 4 –9PM Boutique and  
Clothing exchange dinner at Orinda  
Lodge (see flyer on pg. 3 for details)
- Thu Apr 14<sup>th</sup> 7PM Practice for Live Oak Visitation
- Tue Apr 19<sup>th</sup> 6:30PM DOSI Bay cities 3<sup>st</sup> Degree  
Light Meal 7PM work begins at 8PM
- Thu Apr 21<sup>st</sup> 89<sup>th</sup> Live Oak Visitation @ Live Oak  
Lodge 6:30PM Meal 7:30pm Degree  
Call Orinda Lodge for reservation
- Fri, Apr 22<sup>nd</sup> Public Schools Celebration  
See: E. Johnson Article
- Wed Apr 27<sup>th</sup> Hall Association Meeting 7PM

At Orinda Lodge, last year's event  
was exceptional hosted by  
Brother James Petersen  
Reservations required

Sat May 14<sup>th</sup> CSOI Live Oak Lodge 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree  
Breakfast 8am Practice starts at 9AM

Sat May 14<sup>th</sup> 50-year pin for MW Alvin J. Weiss  
Event is sold Out!!!

### MASTER'S MESSAGE

#### Brethren and Ladies



We had a very busy March and we  
are now heading into a very busy  
April. We started off the month  
with a very special Stated Dinner  
that was hosted by our Senior  
Deacon Sean Mergy. Thank you brother Mergy the  
meal was outstanding. Brother Pintado presented  
the De Anza High School Young Professionals  
Program, and the Orinda lodge ladies enjoyed a  
great night of bingo. Congratulations to Bernice  
Ball, who was the winner our bingo grand prize that  
consisted of two days' accommodations to  
glamorous Club De Soleil resort in Las Vegas.

The Three Principle Officers shared, the weekend  
together at the annual Masters and Wardens Retreat.  
We were able to get to know and understand each  
other better while meeting many of our counterparts  
from lodges across the State. Orinda lodge members  
and friends had a great time at our first ever Day-

### Upcoming Events

Tur May 5<sup>th</sup> **Cinco De Mayo Celebration**

At-the-Races. We are planning on continuing the event in future years.

We raised two new Master Masons in March, Brothers Bloom and Annan, and we have two others scheduled for April. A special thanks goes out to all the Officers and Brothers that have been very instrumental in making sure all of our degrees were very successful.

April also brings our official inspectors visit 4/7 and our 89<sup>th</sup> visit to Live Oak Lodge 4/21. Both events start at 6:30PM and both events require Reservations. Call our Junior Wardens Line for your Reservations. Call out to Orinda lodge members and friends we will be cleaning the yard of Marcy Soule, one of our widows is in distress. She is the widow of Thomas Morgan. Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup> 9AM and Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup> if needed.

Fraternally,

Vic Vickers Master

### GREETINGS FROM THE WEST



March has been a busy month as Spring bursts forth around us. The Master and Wardens attended the annual retreat in Monterey, where the focus was on the Fraternity's 2020 plan. The key elements of the plan include building in various forms: a rewarding member experience; meaningful and memorable ritual; strong lodges and halls; and our impact on society. Look forward to times ahead as the junior leadership of the lodge endeavors to build on the foundation laid by our present and past masters. Please contact the Master or Wardens if you have ideas on these topics that you think will benefit the lodge and its membership.

On the topic of meaningful and memorable ritual, we have a string of 3<sup>rd</sup> degrees planned for the coming weeks. Check in with the Master's calendar for the precise degree dates; 'tis always wonderful to have the sidelines full when raising a brother.

Cheers

Alan J Miller SW

## Starlight News - Diablo Star Chapter OES SAVE THE DATES

--Ladies... Fashion Show and Luncheon is set for April 10<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00 PM. We hope that you and the women you love are able to join us! More details next month.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual... "Happy Cinco De Mayo" Event!



### STATED MEETING DINNER – Thursday May 5, 2016

**5:30 – 6:30 PM Social Fellowship & Appetizers**

**6:30 – 7:50 PM Dinner, Entertainment, Speakers & Fun-Free Raffle**  
**Music and entertainment will continue until 9PM**

**8:00 – 9:00 PM Stated Meeting**

Come join us for a fun and "super-sized" stated meeting dinner event. Latin menu featuring ALL **HOMEMADE** food and famous margarita's. Please bring your empty bellies and huge appetites!

**(ALL YOU CAN EAT)**

**Reservations Required – SPACE LIMITED TO 150**  
**\$15 Per / NON-MASON "Guest" \$15.00**

**"Our Masonic Fraternity is a community of men and their families who share your beliefs and values. Our commitment to self-improvement, personal growth, philanthropy, volunteerism, and community service, helps make our World a better place for everyone."**

Hosted by James K. Petersen III

Theme: Latin

Attire: Sport Coat / Casual



## Enjoyable Clothing Exchange

*With door prizes and opportunities!*

## Boutique and Dinner

*Dresses, Blouses, Skirts, Pants, Hats, Jackets, Gloves, Jewelry, Scarves, T-Shirts, Shoes, Purses, Menswear*

**April 16, 2016**

**4:30 PM- 9 PM**

**Entrance Fee**

**\$25**

**Orinda**

**Masonic Temple**

**9 Altarinda Road**

**Orinda, CA**



*Questions:*

**Princess Pat Hedl**

**510 534 8377**

*Tickets:*

**Princess Marsha Antrobus**

**925 978 5808**

*or mail check written to*

**Nefru-Ari Temple No. 17.**

**to PQ Caren Fletcher**

**2310 Monte Verde Dr.**

**Pinole, CA 94564**

Items must be new, like new, clean, and in very good shape with no spots or holes.

Bring your items to Temple Session, Club or Unit installations.

Put your name and number you are donating on the items. Give them to a collector.

*Clothing Collectors*

Princess Pat Hedl: 510 534 8377

PQ Patricia Beringer: 925 933 7494

Princess Marsha Antrobus: 925 978 5808

Princess Linda Sehr: 510 792 3983

Princess Janet Salazar: 925 426 6058

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You may call to arrange to have items picked up at your home.

Collectors need clothing by Monday, April 11.

No items will be available for swap before 4:30 PM on day of event.

At 8 PM, items will be available for purchase.

Those left over may be returned to original owner, if requested at that time.

All final, left over items will be donated to charities and Nefru-Ari Temple #17 receives IRS credit.

We need food donations, hangers, and bags to carry clothing home.

*Proceeds will be used to support the sponsor's fraternal purposes.*

## April Birthdays

1 Kenneth T. Bartley PM	18 Leroy A. Galvin
3 Robert J. Miraglio	19 William Hovey PM
5 Benjamin M. Bloom	19 Duane G. Henry
5 Richard T. Breuner	20 Steven E. Spitzer
5 Charles W. Dunn	21 Joseph E. Ehorn
6 Erik s. Johnson PM	21 Bobby G. Robertson
9 Billy M. Hayes	28 Rudolph R. Zamora
11 Richard G. Williams	28 Laurence A. Willis
18 Ronald R. Montes	

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## Memoriam

Darwin H. Smith

Born January 30, 1927 in Oklahoma

Raised March 12, 1970

A 46-year member of Orinda Lodge #122

Entered into rest March 15, 2016

Age 89 years

Thomas D. Eychner

Born April 17, 1936 in Kansas

Raised January 19, 1978

A 38-year member of Orinda Lodge #122

Entered into rest March 9, 2016

Age 79 years

Robert E. Besser

Born August 30, 1920

Raised May 14, 1966

A 49-year member of Orinda Lodge #122

Entered into rest October 7, 2015

Age 95 years

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## Dear Brethren, ladies, and friends

The Masons of the East Bay Public Schools Advisory Council cordially invite you to attend a Public Schools Month Celebration and Grand Master's Visit this April. We are fortunate that the Grand Master will be the special guest.

This will be a wonderful way to show your pride in our fraternity's accomplishments promoting elementary school literacy and providing college scholarships for deserving high school seniors. Invitations will be sent out in March to all members of East Bay lodges.

### Public Schools Celebration

Friday, April 22, 2016

Sankofa Academy

581 61st Street  
Oakland CA 94609

8-8:30am - Meet & Greet

8:30-8:45am- School/classroom tours

9 am-10am - Public Schools Month Celebration Program

**\*Coffee and refreshments will be provided.**

**Please RSVP by Monday April 18, 2016.**

**By contacting Erik Johnson, P.M. at (510)872-9013**

**Or by email at: [esjohnson13@gmail.com](mailto:esjohnson13@gmail.com)**

Some parking spots will be available at the school. Please consider carpooling with your fellow brethren and friends! Looking forward to seeing you at the Public Schools Month Celebration.

All the best,  
Erik Johnson, PM

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## MESSAGE FROM JR. WARDEN



Brethren, Ladies and Friends,

As I was preparing to practice ritual for our upcoming 3rd degree, which we are raising five brothers in march and April, my mind harkened back my raising.

The anticipation, fear, and other things that I was feeling that night. As well as the reasons that brought me to do those three separate knocks at the door.

For my brethren, when you watch the raising of a brother, do you spirit back to the time when you were made a Master Mason? For our wives, girlfriends and significant others, do you remember waiting by the phone or the key turning the household lock, to find out how did it go, or if he made it? Let's have a time of reflection during these degrees for all of us, whether you are a sideliner or playing a part in it.

Fraternally,  
Earl Love Jr. Warden



**Congratulations Bernice Ball  
Winner of our March Bingo Grand Prize**



**Congratulations**



**Congratulations Ben Bloom Master Mason**



**Congratulations Guss Annan Master Mason**



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Young Professional Program Students**



## **Jobie Corner**

A big Thank You to the Master Masons who attended our Grand Guardians official visit at Crow Canyon Lodge last month. The room was packed, and the girls performed their work in a most excellent manner, making for a very memorable evening.