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AUGUST CALENDAR

- Aug 7th** 6:30PM Stated Meeting Dinner
Luau (Hawaiian attire)
8:00PM Stated Meeting
- Aug 14th** 6:30PM District School of Instruction
Orinda Lodge Hosting
(All Master Masons welcome)
- Aug 21st** 7:00PM First Degree
- Aug 28th** 7:00PM Second Degree

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept 4th** 6:30PM Stated Meeting Dinner
Constitution Observance
Guest Speaker:
Worshipful Sandy Kahn
Hiram Award presentation
- Sept 13th** 11:00AM
Annual Hiram Award Picnic
Hap Magee Park Danville, CA
- Sept 25th** 6:00PM Members only Dinner
7:00PM Past Masters First Degree
Conferral
- Oct 9th** 6:30PM Live Oak Lodge Visitation

MASTER'S MESSAGE



From the Oriental Chair:

Brethren and Friends, as your Officers return from our July recess, we are gearing up for our advancement to next year's chairs. Some of the Fellows have already performed in their advanced positions. We are fast at work.

Reflecting back on the months of June and July, we had a great run! Gil and Kathryn Klingman were celebrated at our June Stated Dinner and were presented with a plaque for their many years of devoted service to Orinda Lodge. It was a very touching evening. As you may know, Brother Gil has been going through a rough patch with throat cancer. The evening was made especially poignant with the return of Gil's voice just before the event. We are so truly grateful for Gil's continued improvement.

Later in June we made our second annual visitation to Texas Lodge No.46 in San Juan Bautista. We had a double First Degree Conferral upon a Father and Son. I was very proud of the work the Officers performed. We presented the Lodge with a Texas state flag (which flew over the Alamo on D Day this year) along with a case and certificate of authenticity. We also made a generous contribution to their building fund. They appreciated the gifts and the Degree work performed as well. It was a memorable day replete with a BBQ afterward.

Our beloved Brother Al Donnici, PM was celebrated at our July Stated Dinner in honor of his 90th birthday. Several Grand Lodge officers were in attendance along with a full house of his friends. Worshipful Al has served the G.L. in many capacities and is currently the Grand Bible Bearer. He has lived a celebrated life.

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Especial thanks go to Worshipful Tom Kavishi for making it such a splendid event.

July 4th found us marching/riding in Orinda's parade. This was our 9th year of participation. Our Jobbies and Eastern Star Ladies were also part of our contingent. We unfurled a new Lodge banner and soldiered on in the heat. It was a fun event followed by a nice lunch at the Lodge afterward. We were entertained by Brother Marsden Watson who reenacted the lighting of the lanterns in the bell tower during the famous ride of Paul Revere. He was resplendent in a proper Revolutionary War military uniform. Brother Marsden's antecedents were actual participants in Washington's army.

Thank you Worshipful Tom Kilgallen for all you do in making this event so special year after year.

August will find your Officers quite busy: We host a District School of Instruction, and will confer a First and Second Degree. This along with all the attendant practices we hold to represent the Ritual at the highest standards.

September will also be busy with our Constitution Observance, the Hiram Award Picnic, and a Past Master's Degree conferral.

I hope you all had a wonderful summer vacation, but now it's back to work as we labor during the second half of the year.

Yours, Cary



Greetings brethren, and friends

The CPR Class went well, Brother Pintado did an excellent job with the Training, with John McPartland and me assisting. Because of the turnout and responses received we are looking into turning this class into a series, with the next being First Aid. Anyone interested should contact me. Time and Date TBA

Fraternally, Earl Love JD

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

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|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 3 Ralph D. McDonald | 18 Robert C. Long |
| 4 William A. Jacob Jr. PM | 20 R. Trent Retallack |
| 5 Theodore 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 Shawn E. Eyer PM | 25 Donald Weisse Jr. PM |
| 15 Michael D. Gooding | 26 Gary E. Dana |
| 17 Darrell R. Gray | 30 Robert E. Besser |
| | 30 Mete Soyoguz |

SENIOR WARDEN'S MESSAGE



LET'S HELP BRING BASEBALL TO KIDS ONE MITT AT A TIME (MASONS4MITTS)

Baseball Season is in full swing, which means it's time for Orinda Lodge to step up to the plate!

We are once again supporting the Junior Giants-a youth program founded by the Giants Community Fund that provides- Safety, Health, and Character Building Skills for at risk boys and girls ages 5-18 years old. Currently, only about 55% of the youth involved in the Junior Giants Program have their own baseball mitt- and we will change that through Masons4Mitts.

Each contribution of \$20 provides a child with a brand new mitt! Your gift is fully tax deductible.

Please make checks payable to: Masons4Mitts Program. For your convenience you may either present your donation check directly to me or mail it to the lodge at: Orinda Lodge, 9 Altarinda Road, Orinda CA 94563. Attention: Mason4Mitts.

Thank you for your support!
Erik Johnson, SW



ESCRIP FUNDRAISING

One of the Lodge's fundraising projects is participation in the EScript program. With this program, a portion of your shopping receipts from participating stores is donated to a non-profit organization of your choice.

Here's how it works:

Go to escrip.com to sign up an account.

Select a non-profit as beneficiary, such as Orinda Masonic Lodge, or Job's Daughters Bethel 218.

Register the cards with which you will shop (debit card, credit card, loyalty cards)

Shop at participating stores, and use the cards you have registered for payment.

A portion of the amount (typically 2-3%) will be donated to the non-profit.

Participating merchants include Diablo Foods, Draeger Market, Piedmont Market, Big-O Tires...

A full list is available on the [escrip](http://escrip.com) website

Safeway is a special case, in that they will only donate to school-based groups.

Alan Miller SD

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