

# Orinda



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## CALENDAR

- Tues. Feb 4<sup>th</sup> 7pm Installation Practice
- Thurs. Feb 6<sup>th</sup> 6pm Stated Meeting Dinner & Speaker  
**Mr. Fred LaCosse:**
- Your American Freedoms:  
Protect Them or Lose Them*
- Reservations required (925) 254 5211 Opt. 2  
New Cost \$15.00 (See Master's Message)  
8pm Stated Meeting/Installation
- Tues. Feb 11<sup>th</sup> 7pm Officer's Practice 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree
- Thurs. Feb 13<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm District School of Instruction  
Orinda Host Lodge 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree
- Tues. Feb 18<sup>th</sup> 7pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Practice (Tentative)
- Thurs. Feb 20<sup>th</sup> 7pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree—Brother Bessanov  
Fellow Craft and Master Masons welcome  
Refreshments served after Degree
- Tues. Feb 25<sup>th</sup> 7pm 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Practice
- Thurs. Feb 27<sup>th</sup> 7pm 1<sup>st</sup> Degree  
All Masons welcome  
Refreshments served after Degree
- Friday Feb 28<sup>th</sup> 6pm Annual Crab Feed (See flyer)  
Reservations required (925) 254 5211

## MASTER'S MESSAGE

### FROM THE EAST



Brethren, I hope your holiday season was joyous. Our Masonic year is off to a good start. The installation was a great success. The ceremony was conducted with aplomb. Thank you, Brothers Forseth, Peare and Leonard. We were entertained by Stefan Miller, who sang some of my favorite Masonic music by Brother Mozart. His sister, Miss Jaquelin Miller led us in *America the Beautiful*. Both Brother Alan and his wife, Michele must be very proud. We filled the banquet room to capacity and enjoyed a delicious meal. Thank you all again who participated in making that day the success it was.

We held a Memorial Service for our departed brethren on December 19th in the lodge room. I was very much moved by the calling of the Roll. Thirteen brethren passed on this past year, averaging 88.6 years of age. We will continue this tradition next December.

Our January Stated Meeting Dinner attendees were treated to a fine talk by Brother James Gibson, PM, who told us about the founding and history of our Lodge. The meal was fine as always and a new crew of Jobbies served us. It is so good to see these young ladies mature before our eyes. Our meeting went well also. By the time you read this we will have raised two more brethren during the month of January.

February portends to be very fruitful as well. Our Stated Meeting Dinner will feature a speaker well-known to Bay Area residents of a certain vintage. I refer to Mr. Fred LaCosse, erstwhile news anchor and television personality (famously married to the lovely Terry Lowry). By clever means of audio technology, Fred has conversations with key Founding Fathers who were involved in the period of 1763 to 1789. The talk is entitled *Your American Freedoms: Protect Them or Lose Them*. I know you will enjoy the evening, so please come. We will enjoy Cannelloni Crepes that evening. The Stated Meeting will include the installation of our Junior Deacon, Marshal, and Organist.

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*(From the East continued)*

We will also have a Second and a First Degree during the month. Please see the calendar.

One of the highlights of the year, our Annual Crab Feed, will again be organized by our irreplaceable brother Greg Bloom, PM. I often refer to Greg as a pillar—he is the fellow all masters can rely upon. I might add that it is the best crab feed around at the best price. Please see the flyer in this issue.

One more note: The cost of the Stated Meeting Dinners has been increased to \$15. It has been many years since our last increase and the Lodge has been incurring a loss for each dinner served. The members approved the increase at our December meeting, to be effective in February.

That is about all for this month; we have a lot in store for you during March as well.

Fraternally, Cary Carlson, PM, Master

### Orinda Accents

Four friends celebrated their 55th anniversary of their friendship recently in Rossmoor; Sheila Gorsuch of Orinda Lodge, Patricia Black, Joy Haywood, and Sue Taylor all of Toronto, Canada. They had a great time catching up on news of each and lots of chitter-chatter. Sheila's husband Norman Gorsuch is the Lodge's Treasurer.

Sheila worked with Patricia Black in London, they all moved to Toronto, except Sheila settled in Foster City and worked for a travel agency in the Fairmont Hotel, the north American sales office of Thai Airways International, the Hong Kong Tourist Office and finally at DHL Headquarters where she met her husband Norman Gorsuch where he was Sales and Marketing Manager for Cathay Pacific Airways in San Francisco. After so much traveling so many years, they are happy to be at home at "Rossmoor Resort".

Ron and Valerie Montes were in Los Angeles for their annual get together with their relatives.

This is all I have for now and I truly do look forward to helping continue with our Orinda Accents column!

Holly Adams-Carter

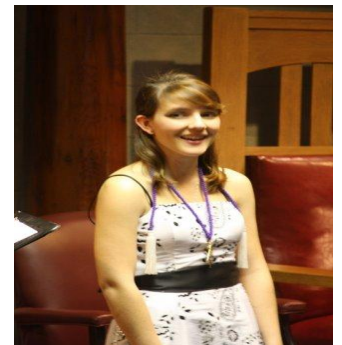
### Installation photos



Orinda Installed Officers for 2014



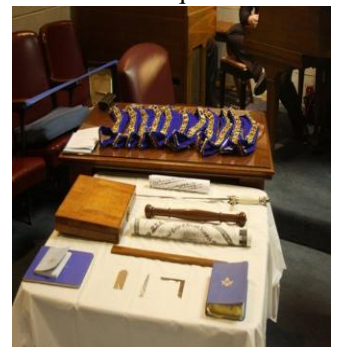
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