

# Orinda



# Lodge

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**TRESTLEBOARD**

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## MAY CALENDAR

- Sat May 2      11 am -2 pm. Sweethearts' Luncheon.  
 Hosted by our Sr. Deacon- Earl Love  
 Reservations (925)254-5211. Ladies no  
 charge. Men-\$10, Pay at the door.
- Tue May 5      Happy Cinco De Mayo!
- Thu May 7      6:30pm- Stated Meeting Dinner  
 Cinco De Mayo Celebration!  
 Homemade Mexican food.
- 7:10 pm- Public Schools Night!  
 Miramonte High School Speakers  
 Presentation.
- 8:10 pm - Masonic District 305 Official  
 Visit of Our Worshipful Inspector Greg  
 Thompson PM. Stated Meeting to  
 follow. Reservations for those not already  
 on the permanent list. (925)254-5211.  
 Cost \$15 per person. Non-Mason guests  
 and widows - NO CHARGE!
- Sun May 10     Happy Mother's Day!
- Thu May 14     7 pm Officers Practice (2nd Degree)
- Sat May 16      8 AM Breakfast. 9-noon Instruction.  
 Live Oak Lodge. Combined School  
 Of Instruction with 301st and 309th.  
 309th to exemplify 2nd degree work.  
 Please RSVP with our Jr. Warden at:  
 (925)254-5211.
- Wed May 20     7 PM Hall Association Meeting.
- Thu May 21     7 PM Officers Practice  
 (Degree work to be determined).
- Mon May 25     Memorial Day (Observed)

## MASTER'S MESSAGE



Brethren and Ladies,

Spring is in full swing and May is upon us! Our Lodge Calendar for the month begins with our Annual Sweethearts' Luncheon. It will be held on Saturday May 2nd, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. This year it will be hosted by our Senior Deacon- Br. Earl Love Jr. His theme for the event will be "Springtime In Paris". This event will feature the sights and sounds of Paris, France. We will have croissant sandwiches and French gift bags to give the lovely Sweethearts'. All Officers in Tuxedos. Please RSVP, as soon as possible by calling (925)254-5211. No cost to the ladies- they are all free of charge! All men-\$10 per person at the door.

Our Stated Meeting Dinner on Thursday May 7th, promises to be a Cinco De Mayo Celebration to remember! Hosted by our Junior Steward-Br. James Petersen 3rd. Expect Authentic Homemade Latin/Mexican style cuisine. Br. Petersen states that this dinner will be both fun and "Super-Sized".

Our May Stated Meeting Dinner is also our Public Schools Night! Get ready to enjoy another exciting presentation from the brilliant Miramonte High School Students. For the past approx. 15 years, Br. Weylin Eng, the Lana family and Br. Loren Piper have arranged this Orinda Tradition.

What could make this Stated Meeting even more special? How about if it was our 2015 Masonic District 305-Official Visit from our beloved Worshipful Inspector Greg Thompson PM. Hey it is! Be sure to make your reservations for our May Stated Meeting Dinner ASAP by calling (925)254-5211. Only \$15 per person. Non-Mason guests and Widows are free of charge.

On Saturday May 16th, we will have a Combined School of Instruction with the 301st and 309th Masonic Districts. 309th will exemplify the 2nd degree work. This school will be hosted by Live Oak Lodge in Oakland. 8 a.m. - breakfast. 9-noon- Instruction. Please RSVP with our Junior Warden.

Our 3rd Annual Persian Night at Orinda Lodge on Saturday April 18th, was another Big Hit!! Thank you Worshipful Tom Kavishi PM for hosting this fine event. To echo Worshipful Kavishi's sentiments: " Persian night is not about Persian New Year, food, culture or dance, it is about us Masons connecting with each other, families, communities and the World around". Thank you to all that participated and helped to make this an enjoyable event.

On Thursday April 16th, Orinda Lodge visited Live Oak Lodge for the 88th time since 1927. Live Oak Lodge is always such a great host. They made us a delicious Fillet Steak Dinner. In return, we brought them a bottle of wine and some Orinda tomatoes. We performed an Excellent 2nd degree for their candidate. Our Senior Warden Vic Vickers did a Wonderful job in the Oriental Chair! As well as the rest of our line. Special recognition goes out to our Sr. Deacon-Br. Love Jr., whose work in the 2nd section was really good.

Orinda Lodge's April Stated Meeting Dinner was a Success! Our Worshipful Anil Comelo PM presented us with the "Pass It On Program". It was both informative and inspiring.

#### Mark your Calendars for these upcoming events in June.

Sunday June 14th, Orinda Lodge Masons4Mitts BBQ Fundraiser. All you can eat BBQ, Live Music, and S.F. Giants Merchandise giveaways. Min. donation \$20 per person. All proceeds to go to Masons4Mitts. 1-6 P.M. Please mail your donation checks to: WR. Dick Anderson at 300 Calle Molino, Pacheco, CA 94553. Please make checks payable to: Masons4Mitts.

Saturday June 20th, Orinda Lodge performs an Outdoor Degree at the Union City Masonic Homes. Degree to be determined. Arrive at 8am. Degree at 9am. More details to follow...

Fraternally, Erik Johnson Master

### Message from the Sr. Warden



**Greetings Brethren and ladies,** I just wanted to take a few minutes to talk about two of our beloved brothers who are fulfilling their masonic dreams and enjoying different aspects of what it is to be masons.

Brother Peterson is graciously hosting our upcoming Cinco De Mayo Celebrations this month. His gesture will assist our lodge in offsetting some of its expenses. I am very happy for the lodge but also for Brother Peterson who after over 20 years in masonry has finally found a masonic lodge he calls home. Coming from a tradition of great masons, and literally growing up in a lodge, I am sure there has been a lot of pressure on him to become an officer and continue his fathers and grandfathers masonic journeys. However, up until now he hasn't been able set his masonic roots and chart his own masonic path. Well, that has all come to an end, the Orinda Lodge family has won him over

and he has now rooted himself here with us. We can look forward to many years of contributions, and participation from this very generous and caring Mason. Brother Peterson is a mason we should all be proud to call friend and brother.

Brother Earl Love Jr. is also fulfilling his Masonic dreams of travel, masonic education and fellowship. Brother Love is headed off to Israel this May. He is traveling with Grand Master Russ Charvonia, other Grand Lodge Officers, and other Distinguished Masons. Brother Love may even have an opportunity to perform a Degree with the Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers. Brother Love has only been a Master Mason a short period of time but has been able to accomplish many of the masonic goals he had set for himself. Brother Love is one of the most recognized masons I know, known by masons at every level. Brother Love has traveled to masonic conferences all over the world and has developed personal relationships with masons both nationally and internationally. Brother Love is another mason we should all be proud to call friend or brother.

There are a number of reasons why we become masons, for some of us it's a spiritual calling, for others it's educational, and still for others it's for social, political or philanthropic reasons. Whatever the reason we joined, once here we can find that which helps us to become better individuals, stronger masons, and fulfilling that which we may not have known was missing. Congratulation and masonic Cheer to brothers Peterson and Love following your masonic dreams.

Fraternally, Vic C. Vickers Sr. Warden

## Happy Cinco De Mayo! 😊

**THURSDAY MAY 7, 2015**

**5:30PM-6:30PM Social & Appetizers**

**6:30PM-8:00PM Dinner & Guest Speakers**

Come join us for a fun and "super-sized" stated meeting dinner event. Latin menu featuring homemade food and beverages. Please bring your appetites!

**\*ALL LEFTOVERS WILL BE DONATED\***

Masonry 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 the world a better place for all. Bring a guest non-member even better, to join in our friendship, fellowship, and a great dinner.

**(All You Can Eat)**

**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**

**Limited to 150 persons**

## May Birthdays

3 Daniel D. Rose	18 Jose V. Leiva
5 Aaron W. Barger	19 Francis S. Gettle
5 Edward Bessonov	21 James A. Leonard PM
6 James K. Petersen III	21 Williams G. Lang
6 G. David Edwards	22 Ali Alae
6 Bert W. Bartlett PM	22 Jerome L. Stark
7 William H. Garrett	22 Otto R. Vasak
10 William H. Wisheropp	26 James W. McCracken
12 Robert O. Moe	26 Christopher W. Capdevielle
15 Robert E. Olson	26 Gary A. Peare PM
15 David C. Henderson	26 David E. Lausch
15 Herbert E. Hansen	26 Siavash (Sid) Afshar
16 Timothy A. Wood PM	27 Kenneth L. C. Dorking
17 Alvin L. Richardson	27 Sean C. Mergy
	28 Donald R. Negus

## Greetings from the Jr. Warden



Brethren and Ladies: May promises to be a busy month around the lodge, with the Sweethearts luncheon May 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Cinco de Mayo feast on May 7th, and numerous opportunities to practice and demonstrate our ritual, as we strive to make every degree richly meaningful.

To that end, many of our lodge officers attended the Master Masons School of Instruction at Columbia Lodge in San Francisco. The event was hosted by our Asst. Grand Lecturer, WR. Jeff Wilkins, and featured keen instruction from the Grand Lecturer, the Very WR. Jack Rose. The work was exemplified by Inspectors from around the Bay Area, and the event provided the opportunity to meet with brothers from San Francisco, the Peninsula and the East Bay.

As something new this year, to further promote fellowship in our area, the Jr Wardens of our district are tasked with combing through our calendars, and finding a scheduled lodge event to turn into a district event. The first of these will be a dinner and theater night hosted by Br Harry Burt of Acalanes Fellowship on Saturday May 30<sup>th</sup>. The event includes dinner at Acalanes lodge, then a walk across the street to the Town Hall Theater to see the play "Moon over Buffalo", a comedy which features the daughter of our own Dick Kellogg. Contact Jr Warden Harry Burt at Acalanes ((925) 284-7815) for more information and/or to make a reservation.

Our District event will be the Masons-for-Mitts fundraiser BBQ, to be held at the Orinda Lodge on Sunday June 14. Details to follow in the June Trestleboard.

Alan J Miller Jr. Warden

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**Brother Earl Love Jr.**  
Senior Deacon



**Brother James Peterson  
Jr. Steward**

## Jobie's Corner:

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The Job's Daughters honored Don and Holly Carter for their many years for service to the Bethel. Don, who served as Associate Bethel Guardian for many years, was presented with a Member of Honor Certificate to the Bethel. Since Holly was already a member of the Bethel, the daughters planted a purple rose in front of the lodge, with a plaque that reads "In Honor of Holly Adams-Carter, for her years of service to Bethel 218 Orinda". Be sure to look for the rose and plaque on your next visit to the lodge.