

## ORINDA LODGE Alamo 122 | Chartered May 13, 1858

 Acorn 494 | 10/14/1920
 East Bay 489 | 10/14/1920
 Hillcrest 573 | 10/11/1923

 Piedmont 521 | 10/12/1923
 Plymouth 560 | 10/9/1923
 Orinda 704 | 10/12/1950

## From the East Sean C. Mergy, Worshipful Master

#### Ladies, brethren, friends and guests.

Thank you to everyone who attended our annual picnic that was hosted in the Steam Train Picnic area of Tilden Park. A wonderful time was had by all and train rides were enjoyed by many, thanks to our new friends in the Golden Gate Live Streamers. I highly recommend that anyone who didn't attend check out this jewel of a place located in our very own Tilden park, off of Grizzly Peak Boulevard.

This month we also had the honor of initiating a newly obligated brother for Acalanes Fellowship Lodge at our annual visitation to their lodge. Mick Finein did a fantastic job in the East for this advanced stations degree, and I am proud to say that all of our officers did a fantastic job. Our new brother is excited to start his Masonic Journey and can't wait to visit our Lodge.

Worshipful Cary Carlson enjoyed a little extra curricular activity this year as he manned a Masonic booth for the Knights of Saint Andrew and Scottish Rite in the Pleasanton Scottish Games. Although I did not get a chance to personally see him don his garb and bonnet at this event I heard nothing but exciting news in how he represented our fraternal organizations.

Brethren, I wish you all a wondrous month and I look forward to see all your smiling faces at the next stated meeting. We will be feasting on a fine lamb dinner and, of course, enjoying fraternal fellowship and friendly conversations that will forever be carried in our hearts.

Fraternal Regards,

S&F W. Mergy

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### Lodge at a Glance

Thur. Sept. 5th Stated Meeting Please make your

reservations Dinner 6:00 pm Lamb Dinner.

Officers: Suit or Jacket & Tie.

Job's Daughters Bethel 2018, Orinda

> Honored Queen Aubrey Newton

Bethel Gaurdian Cynthia Tubbs

Assoc. Bethel Gaurdian Allan Miller, PM

Meets 2nd & 4th Sundays Orinda Masonic Center 6:30pm



# **Jobies Corner**

### Message From the Bethel Gaurdian

**The Job's Daughters would like to cordially invite everyone to** attend a reception honoring our own Tom Steig, Associate Grand Guardian of the State of California, Job's Daughters International, to be held on Saturday Sept 21st, at 7:00PM at Richmond Masonic Center (Bay Cities).

Address is 5050 El Portal Dr, El Sobrante. The reception is hosted by Bethel 218 Orinda. Would love to see everyone there.

Cynthia Tubbs | Bethel Guardian Bethel 218 Orinda JDI

For any question, please contact Bethel Guardian Cynthia Tubbs at wtrbb510@gmail.com or 925-890-7297.



The girls seeing Lion King for their summer mystery trip



Happy Birthday Don Weise! Don and Pat happily celebrate another wonderful year of life with their family and loved ones!



# Annual Visitation

**to Acalanes Fellowship Lodge #480** *Mick Finein, in The East, and Worshipful Sean Mergy, in The West, led a fantastic 1st Degree in advanced stations for our Annual Visitation on August 20th.* 

### Hall Association Report Brethren.

This update from the Hall Association:

the re-roofing of the lodge is complete. The work was done in compliance with the City of Orinda's strictures. It was done in a timely manner, but not without complications. We had agreed to a bid by the "best roof and construction company" of \$21,000. As that amount was below the grand lodge's \$25,000 approval treshold, so they were not notified.

Upon removal of the existing tar and gravel, a layer of foam like insulation was discovered. It provided what slope was necessary to direct the water to the drains. The foam had failed and had created the pooling of water and resulting blisters. It had to be removed. The added time, labor, framing, new insulation and disposal of the material resulted in an increase cost of \$13,000. The Grand Lodge Properties Committee was notified and gave their approval to proceed.

We were not happy to have to pay the increased amount, but really had no choice. The result is that we now have a sound roof with 2 inches of insulation and a solid framework underneath.

Cary Carlson | President Orinda Hall Association.

# **Upcoming Celebration!**

This coming November 16th, we will be hosting a celebration for our esteemed chaplain Mickey Ganitch, commemorating his 100th birthday, and his 50 years as a Freemason.

The event will be a luncheon held on the USS Hornet, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Dress is Hawaiian in honor of his Pearl Harbor service. No gifts please.

Space is limited. Please make reservations by September 31st, by emailing me at milleraj61@yahoo.com.

As an event such as this does require much planning and effort to pull off, I would also ask that Orinda Lodge members strongly consider volunteering for one of the many committees, such as set up, clean up, decorations, registration/greeting etc.

Look for updates in the Trestleboard as the event approaches.

Fraternal Regards,

Alan J. Miller | Past Master Orinda Lodge #122 F&AM 510-673-2900

## **Happy Birthday**

From Orinda Lodge to our Brethren, may you know nothing but happiness from this day onward. May God protect and keep you. Happy Birthday!

Gene F. Trimblem 9/03 Donald M. Jones 9/05 Sydney B. Saperstein 9/05 Robert E. Johnson 9/08 Robert D. Young PM 9/09 Donald D. Bishop 9/10 Delano D. Rush 9/10 Brian J. Stewart 9/11 Edgar W Lana 9/12 **Emanuel Jimenez** 9/16 Donald I. Thiess 9/17 Leo M. Malliarys PM 9/17 David R. Nicholson 9/22 John L Mc Partland 9/24 Richard W. Westlake 9/25 Douglas C. Gompertz Sr. 9/25 Robert J.Streeter 9/28 Peter L. Carter 9/28 Kent W. Hawley 9/29 Mahyar Nooraei 9/30



Among whom no contention should ever exist but that noble contention. or rather emulation, of who best can work and best agree."

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### **Our Lodge Mission**

Orinda Lodge's mission is to promote personal growth and improve the lives of others. We take responsibility for the well-being of our brothers, our families, and the community as a whole. We value respect, kindness, tolerance, and our differences – religious, ethnic, cultural, generational, and educational, and strive for harmony in our individual lives, in our lodge, and in the global community.

As a lodge, we strive to be active in our community. We have various charitable and educational events throughout the year, as well as social occasions. Some events are for members only, but many include our families.

### September Masonic Lodge Open House Month

Whereas, the Masonic halls in which our lodges meet ared estinations that create and foster a sense of community amongst our brethren, friends, and family; and

Whereas, for many years our Masonic halls have symbolized history, community, and the collective betterment of society; and

Whereas, we must strive to share the light of Freemasonry with the world by openly identifying ourselves as members of our fraternity amongst our neighbors and community; and

Whereas, as Masons, we believe that our practices of brotherly love, relief, and truth can benefit all of society; now

**Therefore**, as grand master, I proclaim September 2019 as Masonic Lodge Open House Month in California. I ask all California Masons to select a date in September to open their lodges tothe general public, during which is planned a community program about Freemasonry, locally and around the world. When we publicly share our craft and values with our local community, friends, and neighbors, we can promote the aims of our treasured fraternity and nspire others to follow in our footsteps.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Stuart A. Wright Grand Master

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