

## From The East

### Mick Finein, Worshipful Master

Happy New Year! Welcome to 2022. Most of us, I think, welcome the new year as an opportunity to let the last year go (and we really need to let go of 2021) and starting off with a fresh perspective and renewed energy.

The Lodge Officer's and I are truly excited to continue our work on improving our lodge and building on the great work of the previous Masters and Officers.

**Orinda Rides Fund:** For 2022 we have established a small fund for Brothers and Sweethearts who are not able to drive to Lodge. If you cannot drive to the lodge, please first check with the Lodge by email and ask if a Brother can give you a ride. If not, you can get to the lodge by Uber or Lyft. Send the receipt for the Uber/Lyft ride to the lodge Secretary and you will be reimbursed.

At this point we do not have a great deal of money in the Ride Fund. I am asking the Brothers to contribute a small amount to the fund. Even \$20 would be a great help. I know we all want to see our Brothers and Sweethearts be able to attend lodge events. To contribute just send a check to the Lodge Secretary Gary Peare with a notation on the check that is for the Ride Fund.

#### Covid Requirements:

Unfortunately, Covid is still with us. We will be following the County guidelines as usual. The guidelines require that all those attending lodge events need to show proof of vaccination OR proof of a negative Covid test within the last 3 days.

I am informed that new health care regulations may provide you with the ability to obtain free Covid test kits through your insurance. So look into that if you want to provide a negative test result. We have been in a recent Covid surge and it is fairly common now to have been exposed to someone with Covid. So, even if vaccinated, you'll want to avoid lodge events until you have received a negative Covid test or quarantined for 14 days from exposure per the CDC.

I look forward to seeing you all and kicking off what I hope will be a terrific 2022.

#### Upcoming Events & Dinners:

**January 27th at 7 p.m.**  
*This degree has been postponed.*

**February 3rd Stated Meeting:**  
**Due to COVID this meeting will not have a dinner.** We are pushing off large decisions such as the change in bylaws to March. Although we will be voting on approval of funds being transferred to the Hall Association.

**February 25th Crab Feed:**  
 Usually our biggest event of the year! This year we are capped at 120 attendees, so a paid reservation is required. Please refer to the Crab Feed flyer in the Trestle Board for more information on how to reserve your seats, and make sure to get your reservation in early. For the first time we are offering a drive thru take out option. The take out option is limited, so get your request in early.

**Deadline for RSVP is February 13th.**

**March 3rd Stated Meeting:**  
 As is our custom this will be our St. Patrick's Day dinner. Also, Eleanor Atienza from Masonic Outreach will give a presentation on Masonic Outreach services after the dinner in the dining room.



**CRAB FEED**  
 Scannable QR code for  
 RSVP and ticket purchases.  
 Try it out on your smart phone camera!



## ORINDA LODGE CRAB FEED



ALL YOU CAN EAT & LIVE MUSIC  
 PAID RESERVATIONS REQUIRED  
 RSVP DEADLINE IS FEB. 13, 2022

**\$60 PER PERSON**    **FEB. 25, 2022**    **6 PM**  
DRINKS & SNACKS 6:30 CRAB FEED



## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS!

CHARLES CRANE	2
JOHN HUTCHENS	5
PHILLIP BROOKS	5
BEHZAD RAUFI	9
FALIH ALJIBURY	9
MARVIN RASMUSSEN, PM	9
GREGORY BLOOM	10
CRAIG ANDREWS	11
TIMOTHY BROWN	17
REYHEO ESPIRITU	17
KENNETH FERGUSON	19
THOMAS LORENTÉ III	19
SEAN FINNEY PM	20
DENNIS TRAMMELL JR.	24
MUSTAFA TINAWI	25
MARK GLASGOW	28

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

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## From The Secretary

By Gary Peare, PM

### Notice of Vote on Proposed Bylaws Changes

All Members of Orinda Lodge No. 122, F. & A. M. are hereby notified that at the March 3rd Stated Meeting, we will vote on two proposed changes to our Bylaws. Please note that you must be a Master Mason in Good Standing to participate in the vote. If you have not yet paid your 2022 dues, now would be a great time to do so.

The first would change the time of our Stated Meetings from 8:00pm to 7:30pm. The second would dispense with holding a Stated Meeting during the month of July, an option made permissible by legislation recently adopted at the most recent Communication of the Grand Lodge.

Here, as required by our Bylaws, is the text of the two Resolutions proposing the bylaws changes.

### RESOLUTIONS TO AMEND THE BYLAWS

#### Article II, Section 1

##### 1. Stated Meeting Time Change

WHEREAS, members of this lodge desire to begin their stated meetings one half hour earlier than currently specified in its bylaws;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the bylaws of this lodge be amended as follows:

Article II, Section 1. The stated meetings of this Lodge

shall be held at 7:30 o'clock p.m...

##### 2. Stated Meeting Less Frequently Than Monthly

WHEREAS, the California Masonic Code requires a lodge to hold a monthly stated meeting unless the lodge decides to meet less frequently, so long as the lodge meets quarterly; and

WHEREAS, members of this lodge desire to meet less frequently than monthly: specifically to dispense with the stated meeting during the month of July;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the bylaws of this lodge be amended as follows:

Article II, Section 1. The stated meetings of this Lodge shall be held on the First Thursday in the months of January, February, March, April, May, June, August, September, October, November, and December...

### Notification

These Amendments will be voted upon at the Stated Meeting held on the 3rd day of March, 2022. The amendments each require a two-thirds affirmative of the members in good standing present on that date for adoption. If adopted, this Amendment shall have no effect until approved by the Grand Master.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gary A. Peare, P.M., Secretary