

# Humboldt Lodge No. 79 – July 2024



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Quote of the month:

***“Success is not final; failure is not fatal: It is the courage to continue that counts.” –Winston Churchill***

July events:

July 4<sup>th</sup> – Thursday – Humboldt lodge is dark for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Holiday

July 11<sup>th</sup> – Thursday – Stated Meeting @ 7pm

July 18<sup>th</sup> – Thursday – 3<sup>rd</sup> degree rehearsal @ 6pm

July 20<sup>th</sup> – Saturday – Masonic Race Day Barbecue at the Samoa Drag Strip @ 11am. We will need volunteers to help with set-up, packing and cleanup.

July 25<sup>th</sup> – Thursday – 3<sup>rd</sup> degree for Brother Tom Lazio @ 6:30pm

July 27 – Saturday – Coffee with the Master @ 9am

And now, I would like to introduce you to Brother Jesse Hindbaugh.

Jesse was born in Illinois and grew up in the Midwest. He spent time in the Sierra Nevada's and then moved to Humboldt County.

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Jesse is also the adventurous type that likes to ride motorcycles, 4 wheelers, and jet skis. When pushing the limits of his vehicles, he sometimes went a little too fast which led him to break a few bones. About 76 of them! *Hey Jesse, are you moonlighting as a Hollywood stuntman?*

Golfing is another favorite pastime and while he admits that he will never be the greatest golfer, his goal is to be the best dressed golfer.

When I asked Jesse what he most enjoys about masonry, he said it is the strong friendships he has made over the years; how his brothers are always there to lend a helping hand if needed and how everyone gets along. "I wouldn't trade masons for anything. I just really like this group."

Jesse lives in McKinleyville with his wife Erica, and three

teen daughters.

Respectfully,

Daniel Sarver

Master

Humboldt Lodge No. 79

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# **Humboldt Lodge No. 79 – Masons 4 Mitts**

Details and QR code below. Every \$20.00 buys a baseball mitt for a child. Donate today!

# MASONS4MITTS SUMMER EXPERIENCE

Do you remember  
your first  
baseball mitt?

Now these  
children will too!

#1

## SUMMER ENRICHMENT

Kids from under-resourced communities have access to an amazing summer "camp" experience.

#2

## EDUCATION & FUN

Kids learn important life skills and lessons like Health, Teamwork & Education while they HAVE FUN!

#3

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Give A Mitt Today!

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# Humboldt Lodge No. 79 – June 2024

Greetings, brethren.

June is finally here. Temperatures are rising and the weather has been beautiful lately. It's the perfect time to enjoy the great outdoors of Humboldt County. Whether it's strolling on the beach, or hiking in the redwood forests, now is the time to be outside.

I would like to take a moment to thank all the brothers that showed up at Ocean View and Sunset cemeteries to put flags out for Veterans Day. It was a fun time, except for those blood thirsty mosquitoes. In the end, we put out and collected about 3,000 flags in total.



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Quote of the month:

***“What lies behind us, and what lies before us, are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.”—Ralph Waldo Emerson.***

Our June calendar of events is listed below.

June 6<sup>th</sup>, Thursday – Humboldt Lodge Stated Meeting at 7:00pm

June 8<sup>th</sup>, Saturday – District School of Instruction at Crescent Lodge in Crescent City. Starting at 10:00am.

June 13<sup>th</sup>, Thursday – Taco Thursday for the Eureka Police Department, where the lodge will be treating EPD to a free taco lunch. Also, we will have a rehearsal of the 2<sup>nd</sup> section of the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree at 6:30pm.

June 15<sup>th</sup>, Saturday – Father's Day Dinner at the VI in Ferndale starting at 5:30pm. Tickets are \$30.00 per person and can be purchased on the lodge website. When you buy your ticket, please specify your meal choice, chicken or steak.

June 18<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday – Humboldt Lodge Festive Board at Six Rivers Lodge No. 106 starting at 6:00pm. This year, we will have our annual festive board with our brothers in Arcata. This is a free event. Please RSVP to [info@humboldtlodge79.org](mailto:info@humboldtlodge79.org) if you'd like to attend.

June 20<sup>th</sup>, Thursday – Rehearsal of the 2<sup>nd</sup> section of the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree at 6:30pm.

June 22<sup>nd</sup>, Saturday – Coffee with the Master at Humboldt Lodge starting at 9:00am. Come on out and enjoy a cuppa with the leadership team and share your ideas for future lodge events.

June 27<sup>th</sup>, Thursday – 2<sup>nd</sup> degree for Brother Leo Herrera at 6:30pm.

June 30<sup>th</sup>, Sunday – Crabs baseball game at the Arcata Ballpark starting at noon. \$10.00 a person and this includes the game ticket, food and drinks. Bring the whole family. Tickets can be purchased on the lodge website.

And now, I'd like to introduce you to Joshua Lawrence.



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In his spare time Josh likes to work with his hands. One project that Josh enjoyed was remodeling his AirBnB. It gave

him the chance to, “do something that doesn’t require a computer” he told me. I understand that feeling. (I also work with computers all day.)

And he has done some traveling. He was telling me about a trip to Machupicchu in Peru, before COVID and how he enjoyed taking pictures and trying some of the local delicacies, including fire roasted guinea pig on a spit. “Gamey” was how he described its flavor. Funny, I thought it would have tasted like chicken.

When I asked Josh what he most liked about Freemasonry, he said it was the friendships he has made over the years with his lodge brothers. “I have made friends with guys that I might have never crossed paths with outside of the lodge.”

Josh frequently attends our lodge events with Ann and you can also find him at our monthly stated meetings.

Respectfully,

Dan Sarver

Master

Humboldt Lodge No. 79

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## **Humboldt Lodge No. 79 – Additions to the May Events Schedule**

Hello Brothers.

We have some additions to the Humboldt Lodge events schedule for May 2024 and beyond. They are as follows:

May 9<sup>th</sup>, Thursday – 1<sup>st</sup> degree for Mr. Sheyenne Stillinger at Humboldt Lodge– 6:30pm

May 10<sup>th</sup>, Friday – Cook your own steak night at the Elks – 6:00pm

May 11<sup>th</sup>, Saturday – Two events: Coffee with the Master at Humboldt Lodge – 9:00am. Humboldt Lodge group blood donation at Northern California Community Blood Bank – approximately 11:00am

May 13<sup>th</sup>, Monday – Humboldt Lodge carpet repairs begin.

May 16<sup>th</sup>, Thursday – 3<sup>rd</sup> degree rehearsal at Humboldt Lodge – 6:00pm. This will take place in the library (read through) or the dining room due to the lodge carpet repairs.

May 23<sup>rd</sup>, Thursday – 3<sup>rd</sup> degree rehearsal at Humboldt Lodge – 6:00pm. This will also take place in the library (read through) or the dining room due to the lodge carpet repairs.

May 25<sup>th</sup>, Saturday – Place flags on the graves of veterans at Ocean View Cemetery – 7:30am. The whole family is welcome. We usually put out a few thousand flags in a few hours. Donuts are also provided.

May 25<sup>th</sup>, Saturday – BBQ with Six Rivers Lodge at Six Rivers No. 106 – 6:00pm. Brothers this is a FREE event. There will be standard BBQ food, with whiskey and cigars by the campfire!

May 27<sup>th</sup>, Monday – Remove flags from the graves at Ocean View Cemetery – 3:00pm

May 30<sup>th</sup>, Thursday – 3<sup>rd</sup> degree rehearsal

***June 1<sup>st</sup>, Saturday – Herman Bouler Masonic Funeral at Six***

***Rivers Lodge No. 106 – 1pm. Brothers, if you only attend one event this month, this is the one. Herman was a beloved brother of the fraternity, and he is sorely missed. Please join me as we pay our respects to Herman and his family.***

June 8<sup>th</sup>, Saturday – District School of instruction at Crescent City Lodge – 10am to 12pm

June 15<sup>th</sup>, Saturday – Two events: the annual trap shoot at the Humboldt Trap Club – 10am to 2pm. See Buster Garrison for more information. Father's Day dinner at the VI in Ferndale – 5:30pm to 8pm

June 18<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday – FESTIVE BOARD at Six Rivers Lodge No. 106 – 6:15pm. This year, our festive board will be sponsored by Six Rivers and will take place at their lodge. Brothers, this is another FREE event. Beef stew is the main course this time. Please RSVP to me at [info@humboldtlodge79.org](mailto:info@humboldtlodge79.org) if you'd like to attend. Masons only.

Take care, talk soon.

Dan Sarver

Master

Humboldt Lodge No. 79

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# **Humboldt Lodge No. 79 – May 2024**

Greetings, brethren.

The month of May is here, and Spring is in full bloom. It's my favorite season for a lot of reasons, the beautiful flowers, the mild temperatures, but mostly, it's the fragrances. Lilacs blooming, their sweet smell on the breeze. Falling asleep at night to the scent of Jasmine flowers right outside the bedroom window. And my wife's favorite, viburnum, sweet and spicy in all its splendor.



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Congratulations to Brother Doug Brown for obtaining his 3<sup>rd</sup> degree proficiency. Well done! And a special thank you to Worshipful Nick Bertell for being his coach.

I would like to thank all the brothers that attended the district school of instruction on April 25<sup>th</sup>. The brethren's ritual is coming along nicely and I'm proud of the commitment you all have shown. A special thank you to Sandy Lambo for the absolutely excellent meatball sandwiches.

**Upcoming events:**

**Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Stated meeting at 7pm.

**Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>** – The all-important 1<sup>st</sup> degree for Mr. Sheyenne Cimaron Stillinger at 6:30pm. Brothers, I want as many masons on the sidelines as possible for this degree. Let's give Mr. Stillinger a 1<sup>st</sup> degree he'll always remember!

**Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>** – Coffee with the Master at 9am. We have some things to discuss regarding the upcoming cornerstone events in September. Right after coffee, there is a Masonic Blood donation at the Northern California Community Blood Bank, approximately 11am.

**Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>** – 3<sup>rd</sup> degree rehearsal.

**Thursday, May 23<sup>th</sup>** – 3<sup>rd</sup> degree rehearsal.

**Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>** – There are two events. First at 8am, we are meeting up at Oceanview cemetery to put flags on the graves of our veterans. Flags will be collected on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> starting at 3pm. All masons and their families are welcome to attend.

The second event, later that evening at 6pm, we are having a masonic barbecue at Six Rivers Lodge No. 106. This is a no cost event that will feature fellowship, food, whisky, and cigars. All masons are welcome.

**Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>** – 3<sup>rd</sup> degree rehearsal.

A very busy month indeed. I'm looking forward to it.

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Born in Oklahoma, Pete moved to Florida at age 7. He then moved to Humboldt in 1999 to attend college.

Pete is a direct support professional for Humboldt Community Access and Resource Center (HCAR) and works at The Studio, helping people with disabilities. Over time, he worked himself

up the ranks and now manages the program.

Pete has a lot of interests and hobbies. In his spare time, he enjoys cooking, going to the beach, kayaking, fishing, photography, collecting marbles, rock hunting and rock tumbling.

Caitlan is Pete's wife of 7 years. And they have two fur babies, Ved the dog and Davey the cat.

When I asked Pete what he most enjoys about free masonry he said that the fraternity gives him the opportunity to have a larger effect on the world than just by himself. "It's a better framework for improving myself. Making me a better person. And let's not forget helping Santa get tuned up for Christmas as his masonic elf!

Respectfully,

Dan Sarver

Master

Humboldt Lodge No. 79

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## **Humboldt Lodge No. 79 – Masons for Mitts**

See details below...



Support the North State  
Hotshots and youth in  
need! Donate today!

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## Humboldt Lodge No. 79 – 3/24/2024 update

Hello Brethren,

I just wanted to post a quick update on the letter C, suspended in the east (yes, we had a letter C for a while). I met with Brother Biesen this morning and together we replaced all six lights in the lamp with new LED bulbs. Hopefully we won't have to replace them again for a very long time.





A couple of things to note about the G lamp. First, there is a single flathead screw on the back left side that holds the entire back piece in place. There is no hinge. Once that screw is removed, the entire back panel pulls off. Secondly, I was zapped twice when replacing the top dead center bulb. After replacing the back piece, I was able to touch the outer metal case without issue, but I think at some point the lamp will need to come down and be rebuilt so as not to zap any one else.

I'd like to thank Brother Biesen for helping out this morning. We're all ready to go for Brother Toland's 2nd degree on Thursday.

Respectfully,

Dan Sarver

Master

Humboldt Lodge No. 79

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# Humboldt Lodge No. 79 – April 2024

Hello brothers,

April is nearly here and everywhere I look; I see the delightful signs of Spring in bloom. It's so pleasing to see the flowers popping up everywhere, and it reminds me of the time I spent in my youth with my grandmother. She loved her garden, and I was her little helper; always quick with the trowel or the watering can. Together we planted countless annuals and bulbs each Spring. It was time well spent, and I still remember it like it was yesterday. Those are some very fond memories and to this day, I love gardening and the springtime as much as grandma did.



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The guys have been putting in some good practices in preparation for our upcoming degree. Please brothers, come out and support our candidate.

March 28th is a Second Degree for Brother Darren Albert Toland.

We also have a new candidate and a third degree on the horizon. I'll keep you posted. More updates to follow shortly after I review the events calendar.

Our next stated meeting is Thursday, April 4th and we'll be enjoying a presentation from Bethel No. 86 – Job's Daughters and the triumphant return of Sandy Lambo's famous meatloaf dinner! So glad you are feeling better Sandy.

Another favorite quote:

***"There is nothing noble in being superior to your fellow man; true nobility is being superior to your former self."***

– Ernest Hemingway

And now, I'd like to introduce Brother Cory Ng. Cory hails from San Francisco and spent some time in Minnesota while his father worked for what would become Northwest Airlines. In the 4<sup>th</sup> grade, he moved back to the bay area where he lived until 2003. At that time, he moved to Humboldt County, and met Brother Josh Lawrence while working at the Bay Shore Mall. They became fast friends and kept in touch when Cory moved back down south to Sacramento a year later. In 2018, Cory made the move to Humboldt permanently. By that time, Josh was a member of Humboldt Lodge and introduced Cory to Freemasonry. A few of Cory's uncles that live in San Francisco are masons, and his friend Aaron Eaton is the master of Redding-Trinity Lodge No. 27.



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In his spare time, Cory enjoys the great outdoors. Hiking,

walking his dog, and shooting at the range are some of his favorite activities. He is also a big fan of Star Wars and Disney. I'll bet he is looking forward to the next season of The Mandalorian as much as I am.

Respectfully,

Daniel Sarver

Master

Humboldt Lodge No. 79

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## **Humboldt No. 79 – February 2024**

Greetings brethren,

February is here and it brought wet weather and chills. As I sit and write this article, I occasionally look out the window to see the rain falling sideways. The wind is blowing that hard. I don't know about you, but I'm really looking forward to drying out and getting some sun, hopefully soon.

We have started our regular degree practices. We will be meeting every Thursday evening at 6pm. A meal (usually pizza) will be provided. We have a third degree for brother Kevin Miller tentatively scheduled for February 29th. Confirmation of the date and time is forthcoming. Please come out and support our brother as he is raised to the sublime degree of master mason.

The next Humboldt 79 mason in our "Get to Know Your Lodge" series is brother Gabriel Cirrintano. Gabriel is originally from Chicago. He moved to Humboldt County in 2015 and settled in Willow Creek. He

volunteered and taught music. Guitar is his specialty, but he also teaches drums and piano. He spent time working at Dream Quest youth center before moving to Eureka and getting a position in the Eureka city school district as a behavior support assistant. Gabriel is currently studying psychology and is training to become a behavior analyst. In his spare time, he enjoys playing music, reading philosophy, and spending time with his partner Shelly and his 2 years old daughter Briah. When asked what he likes best about masonry he says, it is the esoteric teachings. This led him to join the Scottish rite, so he can learn more about the morals and dogma of our gentle craft. Gabriel is looking forward to meeting all the brethren and getting more involved in our lodge. You can usually find him at our stated meetings and as a sideliner at our degrees.

Respectfully,  
Dan Sarver, Master  
Humboldt Lodge No. 79