

NORTHCOAST MASONIC TRESTLEBOARD

APRIL 2024

FERNDALE CHAPTER #23

We had such a fun March meeting. For members who were not in attendance at the meeting, and a reminder to those who were, we will have two Coin March baskets at the next two meetings. One will be for our regular coin march, the second will be for our "OES Outreach" program. We have a member who has graciously pledged to match the funds donated to the "Outreach" basket. What an opportunity this is to help our Eastern Star Program grow and provide help to our Eastern Star Brothers and Sisters.

It was with much pleasure that Sister Joni Hewston, Worthy Matron of Camellia Star Chapter and myself had the pleasure and Honor to Present Brother Lee Astorino with His 25 year Certificate and Pin.

Major Date to include on Your April Calendar.

The Deputy's OV was postponed to the April 10th Meeting. Our Meeting begins at 7:30 PM. We will exemplify the following ritual work – Proving the Chapter, Examining Committee, and Balloting.

A very **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to our members with April birthday's! Amy McCracken, 4/7; Susan Young, 4/7; David Guggenbickler, 4/11; David Peterson, 4/17; and Honorary Member Karen Parlato 4/27.

Nancy Bay, WM and Kirby Bay, WP

"April is the sweetest month of the year, the mellow season of rebirth and renewal."



TRESTLEBOARD UPDATE

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each of you for your patience as we navigate the transitions with our Northcoast Trestle board. A special thank you goes out to Worshipful Brother Adam Carter for his swift deployment of our online platform and for dedicating his time to updating its contents. With this online resource, we ensure the most current information reaches you promptly, while the printed version may occasionally lag behind or miss updates that occur after printing.

In the spirit of progress, we are organizing training sessions for members of our various bodies. These sessions will empower each individual responsible for contributing articles to upload them onto the website autonomously, eliminating the need for direct assistance from Worshipful Carter. Further details will be communicated soon.

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SIX RIVERS LODGE #106

Brethren,

This being the month of April, the first order of business is the listing of this month's special activities. Our Stated meeting is on April 2nd, starting with dinner at 6:15PM, provided by Gary and Heidi Quintrell. Business meeting is at 7:00 PM; which is the new official time. On April 19th we will adjourn to the Elk's Lodge for "Cook your own steak" Night which starts at 6:00 PM. The cost will be \$27 for the meal. Please RSVP to George Durfee at (530) 262-0986, all are welcome. April 27th at 10:00 AM will be a School of Instruction at Humboldt Lodge, all Officers are required to attend.



Our new website is up and running, it can be accessed at lodge106.freemason.org. I have updated our lodge calendar now thru the end of June so please get used to checking in for our activities. We are practicing the Third Degree Ritual, in order to prepare for our next "raising" in the coming months. It is imperative that all Officers show up as we have several new men who need the instructional help.

I assume a good time was had by all at our Crab Feed which occurred on March 24th; 140 lbs. of crab can't be wrong. Congratulations to Bro. Barry Smith on being installed Exalted Ruler of the Eureka Elks Lodge.

This Trestleboard should be uploaded onto our new website if I can figure it up. Also we should be able to display pictures there as well; stay tuned.

Fraternally,
George Durfee, WM

EUREKA YORK RITE BODIES

Greetings All,

Welcome to the new district trestleboard. The vast majority of the recipients will be receiving this publication by email. For those that do not have access to an email we will make a hard copy available. It will take a little time to identify those who require a mailed copy, so please bear with us.

Eureka York Rite has an exciting year coming up. In addition to our regular monthly meetings (2nd Wednesdays at 7pm), we will be celebrating the Installation of our Companion Jeff White as the new Most Illustrious Grand Master of Cryptic Masons of California on Friday, May 17th in Burbank. Look for a special reception in the coming months as we honor one of our own.



The next meeting of the Eureka York Rite is the Humboldt Chapter No. 52 stated meeting on April 10th at 7:00pm. Wear your Red Coat if you have one. We look forward to seeing you and sharing some fellowship. If you are interested in joining the York Rite, or just learning more about it, you are welcome to come to our meeting early to chat with the Companions and Sir Knights. You can also email me at [grquintrell <at> gmail](mailto:grquintrell@gmail.com).

Best regards,
Gary Quintrell
Secretary/Recorder

Eureka York Rite: Humboldt Chapter No. 52, Royal Arch Masons; Pacific Council No. 37, Cryptic Masons, and Eureka Commandery No. 35, Knights Templar.

HUMBOLDT LODGE

No. 79

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.

A couple of weeks ago, the leadership team traveled to San Ramon for the Annual Master and Wardens retreat where a good time was had by all. There was a new format this year that included a lot more group participation. There was masonic trivia, the usual breakout sessions and we were asked to buddy-up with a brother not from our lodge. My buddy was Worshipful Jarrod Washington of Penrhyn Gold Hill No. 32 and it was a pleasure speaking with and getting to know him. I'm looking forward to seeing him again at this year's Grand York Rite Sessions in Burbank, CA.

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 4th 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.







Cory enjoys the friendship and support of the brothers.



Knowing that we are always there for each other is very important to him. He also likes the social aspects of membership and attending our events.

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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ROHNERVILLE- REDWOOD CHAPTER No. 76

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

At the time of writing this letter there is no Treastlboard as we have known it. I would like to know the email addresses of the members of Rohnerville-Redwood Chapter who are willing to receive quarterly letters by email. I am more than willing to mail these letters, or copies of a district newsletter when one is available. Please let me know how you would like to receive your newsletter.

The March meeting was Deputy Grand Matron Lisa McCombs' Official Visit. It was nice to see a full core of officers on the floor. Thank you to all those who filled that different stations so we could exemplify examination of an unvouched for visitor and balloting, and thank you Sister Tricia who beautifully gave the Associate Conductress candidates lectures.

April 3rd, chapter members will be preparing and serving the Masonic dinner. As always, we welcome anyone who would like to help. We will also prepare and serve a dinner on May 1st. During the summer the Mason's prepare their own dinners, but we will be back in action in September.

The theme for the April meeting will be '*Spring Bonnets*', so wear your favorite hat to the April 11th meeting.

Also in April, we will prepare and serve a dinner for Scottish Rite. This dinner will be on Thursday, April 18 at 7:00. Please let Christie (707 496-8171) or Karen (707 725-3532) know if you can help.

May 9th, the theme for our regular stated meeting will be '*Western*'. Put on your favorite pair of jeans, or western outfit, and plan to attend the 7:30 meeting.

At the end of May, or first part of June, we are planning to attend the Ferndale Rep. to see a production of '*The PROM*'. '*The PROM*' expertly captures all the humor and heart of a classic musical comedy with a message that resonates with audiences now more than ever." We will be attending this

on a Friday/Saturday evening, or Sunday afternoon, with Eel River Empire Lodge members and their families. Family and friends will be invited to join us. More information to come.

A Memorial Service will be held at our June 8th meeting. This is the evening when the alter is draped in memory of our departed members. Women officers, please wear white, and men a suit.

UP COMING EVENTS

April

3 – Masonic Dinner (6:30)

11 – Regular Stated Meeting (7:30) – Theme '*Spring Bonnet*' – Wear your favorite hat.

18 – Scottish Rite Dinner (7:00)

May

1 – Masonic Dinner (6:30)

9 – Regular Stated Meeting (7:30) – Theme '*Western*'

The PROM – Evening or afternoon at the Ferndale Rep.
(May 24-June 16)

June

8 – Regular Stated Meeting (7:30) – Memorial.

July

NO MEETING IN JULY (Enjoy Fortuna Rodeo Activities – July 15 thru 21)

August

8 – Regular State Meeting (7:30) – 50's night and honoring 50-year members.

11 – Masonic Picnic (noon) – Rohner Park (**Yes, it is the 2nd Sunday this year**) 31 – Grand Electa Deanna's Reception
Karen Parlato, Secretary

CAMELLIA STAR

CHAPTER No. 63

Hello, Everyone!

Our Deputy's Official Visit in March went well, with help from several visiting Sisters and Brothers! Many thanks to those who filled in and assisted our Chapter!

At our March meeting, Brother Lee challenged all members to pay into the Coin March for three meetings (March, April, and May) on behalf of Star Care, and he will match whatever is donated into those three Coin Marches! So let's take him up on that very generous offer and donate as much as we can for him to match!

Brother Lee has been making some treats for us each of the last two meetings, trying out new recipes in anticipation of having a District-wide tea fundraiser for Paws for Purple Hearts. The Worthy Matrons and Lee will be making plans for this event soon, and I will let you know when we have more information.

At each of our meetings, Lee and I have "We are So Glad You Came" gifts to give away to two attendees. These gifts are because we truly are so glad you come to the meetings (those of you who can). Whether a member of Camellia Star or a visitor from another Chapter, we are very glad to see you at our meetings, and we want you to know that! Those who received our "We are So Glad You Came" gifts in March were Sister Jean Thomson and Sister Laird Crandall!

Our next meeting is April 3, and will be a "Titanic Remembrance" night. No special ceremonies or exemplifications are planned, but we will do long form. Please come in semi-formal dress. Pretend you are going to board the Titanic and set sail on a wonderful adventure! (We won't emphasize how that voyage ended; we'll just enjoy the initial part of the journey.) Refreshments will be at 7:00, and the meeting at 7:30.

Looking ahead, in May, both our Worthy Matron and our Worthy Patron will be MIA (enjoying Scotland and Prague/Provance respectively), so planning the May 1 meeting will be in Sister Peggy's hands. She can do what she likes, from long-form formal to casual ante room meeting/game night or anything in

between! I'm sure she will come up with something fun and interesting!

Either right before we leave or as soon as we get back from our respective adventures, we will contact the Humboldt County Library to see how our Chapter can participate in the Summer Reading Program again. We have had a fun time in years past creating prizes buckets for the children who participate, and we look forward to doing it again!

The June 5 meeting will be a tribute to Star Points, and the theme will be "Shining Bright as a Star!" It will also be Memorial, so ladies please to dress in white for the evening, and men in black suits.

The Worthy Matrons and Patrons of District 1 are planning a tea fundraiser which will include a silent auction. (We already have a donation for that silent auction, thanks to Barbara Kennedy of Ferndale Chapter — thank you, Barbara!) The date is not yet set because we are hoping to have Terri Ewing of General Grand come speak on Paws for Purple Hearts! We need to get her availability before we nail down a date. More to come!

Then July 3 will be "Hats Off to American Heroes!" and Friendship Night. Those who wish to say who they see as an American Hero may share. The heroes may be alive or dead, contemporary or historical. It would be a great night for wearing red, white, and blue!

Our August 7 meeting will be an ante room meeting and board game night. Bring a board game you enjoy (that doesn't take too long to play and would be easy to learn). Dress casual, and be ready to have a great time socializing with your Sisters and Brothers.

September 4 we will pay tribute to teachers and gather school supplies to donate to local schools.

An event we definitely need to plan soon is presenting a 50-year certificate to our newest 50-year member. More information to come about that too!

Best Spring Wishes to one and all!

Joni L. Hewston, WM

Lee Astorino, WP

Camellia Star Chapter No. 63

APRIL 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	7pm Crescent Lodge #45 stated meeting	6:30pm Six Rivers Lodge #106 Stated Meeting	6:30pm Eel River Empire Lodge Stated Meeting	7pm Humboldt Lodge #79 Stated Meeting		
	7pm Bethel 86 Job's Daughters		7:30pm Camellia Star	7:30pm Arcata OES #207		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	6:30pm Humboldt Assembly IORG		7:30pm Ferndale OES #23	7:30 Rohnerville-Redwood OES #76		
	7:30pm Ferndale Lodge #193 Stated meeting		7pm Humboldt Chapter No.52			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	7pm Bethel 86 Job's Daughters			7:30pm Scottish Rite Stated Meeting		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
				2pm Redwood Shrine Club Board Meeting		
				6pm District Officers School of Instruction @ Humboldt Lodge		
28	29	30				