



# **The Trestleboard**

**\*\*April 2014\*\***

YOLO LODGE #195  
FROM THE EAST- THE PILLAR OF WISDOM

March is a month of change, some happy and some sad. At the Stated Meeting Dinner, the Mast Family stepped into the kitchen on short notice and served us a most excellent corned beef and cabbage dinner. Thanks to Worshipful Jack Mast and his kin for all their hard work! In the meeting, it was announced that Wor. Brian Walker was appointed to be Inspector of the 418th Masonic District, and Wor. Mike woo was appointed to be Inspector of the 416th Masonic District. Congratulations to both Past Masters!

Our next Degree will be held on April 17th at Yolo Lodge at 7 PM. This will be the Third Degree for Bro. Di Maso. Practices will be held every Thursday until then, except for the next Stated Meeting, of course. If you are a Master Mason and interested in learning degree work, you are welcome to stop by.

Back on February 27, Yolo Lodge passed Bro. Nicholas Polussa to the Degree of Fellowcraft. After the degree, Bro. Mike Di Maso was examined for his Proficiency as a Fellowcraft. We are very excited to see the two Brothers advance in their Masonic careers. Little did I know, however, that the degree would be the last time I would sit in Lodge with Worshipful Richard Stall. At the end of the evening, Rich and I shook hands and he said to me, "Good Degree tonight, see you at the next one." And he was out the door. On March 4th, he was called to the Celestial Lodge above. Rich was a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather. He was a most excellent Mason, a mentor to many officers, past and present. I looked to him as a ritualist and certainly as a friend.

We will miss you, dear Brother. Watch over us as we carry on.

Michael Galli

Master, Yolo #195

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YOLO LODGE #195  
FROM THE WEST- THE PILLAR OF STRENGTH

Brethern:

Spring is upon us. The weather has been incredible, although we do need more rain. Time to get out and enjoy the wonderful weather while we can!

March was a very busy and difficult month for us here at our lodge. As you know we lost a pillar of our lodge, Worshipful Richard Stall. The turnout for his service was as great and lots of words of kindness were spoken about our brother. He will be missed! Please keep Julie and the rest of the Stall family in your prayers and thoughts. As we mentioned at the stated meeting, if you wish to drop by or write Julie a note, you can get the address from either Mike Galli or Brian Walker. I know she appreciates each and every note she gets! I was going to make a new plea to you as I plan to do each month but after losing our brother, I will make the same plea as last month as it seems timely. Please take a minute to say hi to each of our widows as you see them in the dinning room or anywhere else. It really does make a difference just for them to know they are not alone and have an extended family who loves them.

Speaking of Brian Walker, as you should have already heard by now, there were two openings for district inspectors in our area. One was for the 418th which is our district, and one for the 416th which is in Sacramento. We were blessed to have not one but two of our brothers be appointed to the openings! Worshipful Brian Walker was appointed to inspector of the 418th, which is our own district. We are excited to have him as our inspector and look forward to many years working with him! Worshipful Mike Woo, our current officers coach, was appointed to the 416th district as inspector. He will serve three lodges in the Sacramento area. I know the three lodges look forward to working with him! We are so proud of them both!

We did postpone the third degree we had scheduled in March for brother Mike Di Maso. We have rescheduled it for April 17th. Please join us on that evening as we raise our brother to the sublime degree of Master Mason. It is always a great degree and we appreciate you coming out to support our brother's journey.

Lastly, I just want to thank our officers and team as they had to all come together in our difficult time and put on the dinner. Thank you very much as well to the Mast family for stepping up and helping prepare the meal, we all appreciate it so much! Don't miss April's dinner, I am sure it will be special.

Thanks,

Jason, Senior Warden in the West.



YOLO LODGE #195  
FROM THE SOUTH- THE PILLAR OF BEAUTY

The passing of Worshipful Rich Stall this month has left us all with heavy hearts, as we reflect on the passion, love, and dedication he had for family, friends, and Masonry. Rich had a rare charisma that could bring brothers together to accomplish anything, and could inspire anyone by setting an example of altruism, selflessness, and patience. He would find the time to help anyone who needed it, and would always have that perfect quip that could dispel any discordance. Keep Julie and the Stall family in your thoughts.

I want to thank Worshipful Jack Mast and his family, Worshipful Jacob Brown, Stephe Kershaw, Mike Cunningham, and everyone who helped out with the March Stated Meeting Dinner. The hands of many brothers coming together really made the dinner a success.

The Annual Grand Master's Brunch was hosted at the Lodge on Sunday, March 16th. We are much appreciative to Jacob Brown and his family for stepping up to cook breakfast on very short notice.

*Then 'ere's to the sons o' the Widow,  
Wherever, 'owever they roam.  
'Ere's all they desire, an' if they require  
A speedy return to their 'ome.*

-Rudyard Kiping

Fraternally,  
Andrew Hartman  
Junior Warden  
530-400-1438



WOODLAND LODGE #81  
FROM THE EAST- THE PILLAR OF WISDOM

Hello everyone!

First off, thank you to Curtis Pyle for cooking the March dinner. It was delicious! Dinner for our April stated meeting will be expertly prepared by Dale and Ester Stiles. It will be baked ham, probably scalloped potatoes, and maybe even some asparagus. That's not very definite, but its almost a direct quote.

Also, thank you to all who helped to host the Grand Master, Grand Lecturer, and all the Northern California Inspectors for their meeting. They were impressed with our hospitality and our Masonic Center, and were able to get their work done in an efficient manner.

Brethren, please review your ritual for the second degree. We are likely to do one in April. I'll post practice and degree dates later.

Fraternally,  
Ed Caughie  
Worshipful Master



WOODLAND LODGE #81  
FROM THE WEST- THE PILLAR OF STRENGTH

Hello brethren,  
Spring has sprung, with the weather getting nicer and the days a little longer, come on out to the Stated meeting dinners. They are still the second Thursday of every month. Last Months' Corn Beef prepared by Curtis Pile was outstanding. The lodge will be conferring a second degree in the coming month and the date will be posted, side liners are always appreciated.

Kenneth Muller  
Senior Warden



## WOODLAND LODGE #81 FROM THE SOUTH- THE PILLAR OF BEAUTY

The spaghetti feed fundraising dinner for Whitehead School was very successful. I understand that well over 100 tickets were sold. I am sure that later on we will have a report from the principal if enough money was raised to send the entire 6th grade class to science camp again this year as we did last year. This is one of our best fundraising events we hold each year and the school really shows a lot of appreciation. It is also good public relations for the community to see how we direct our efforts. This year we held the dinner at the Foreign Legion hall on Bush Street, our gratitude and thanks go to them for the help on such short notice. WM Ed and his boys stayed behind to do a lot of the final clean up before we left. Brother Larry prepared his world famous sauce which has to be the reason everyone turns out each year. Many other brothers came out to help with the set up, take down, and serving.

Brother Curtis Pyle served up Corned Beef, cabbage, and potatoes for our Stated Meeting dinner night. The turn out for dinner was really good. We have not had that many people for dinner for a while. Corned beef is certainly a favorite. Everyone enjoyed the dinner as it was all excellent and perfectly prepared.

Our Job's Daughter's youth group was on hand to help serve and clean up afterward. It is always so much help to have the young people pitch in on the dinner nights. The Job's Daughter's were also selling purple cupcaked to help raise funds for Epilepsy awareness. Sales were brisk as many plates of cupcakes went out.

The following evening and the weekend the Lodge was honored with the presence of Grand Lodge officers for the Grand Lodge Inspectors. Since I joined my wife and daughter on the Chamber Singers trip to New York I missed out on the Grand Lodge visit. I was not going to miss the chance to see family members performing on the stage at Carnegie Hall.

Dale and Ester Stiles are on the calendar for preparing our dinner in April. I am sure that Worshipful Ed Caughie will be giving a detailed report on the April menu.

Our DeMolay youth group is scheduled for the service and clean up duties in April, please remember them when we pass the hat.

Bill Erdman, Junior Warden



## FROM THE DESK OF THE INSPECTOR

Brethren,

It is an honor and privilege to have been appointed the Inspector of this District. Worshipful Donald Jackson was a close friend and incredible Mason. He will be dearly missed and we will all need to work together to keep this district strong.

Over the next few weeks I will be contacting the Masters and scheduling time to meet with the officers of each lodge. If anyone has any concerns that need to be addressed please contact your Master and we will gladly evaluate them.

The Officer's School of Instruction will be held Wednesday, April 16th at Scepter lodge. I expect to see all of the installed officers at this meeting. If you have a special circumstance that prevents you from attending please let me know.

The three Lodges of this district provide valuable resources to our youth as well as various other programs that assist our communities. I am very proud to be a Mason and I'm looking forward to working together to keep this district successful.

Fraternally,  
Brian Walker  
Inspector  
418th Masonic District

### ROYAL ARCH MASONS WOODLAND CHAPTER #46

Companions,

Our next Stated Convocation will be held on Wednesday, April 2 at the Woodland #81 Lodge. We are having a dinner that night at 6:30 pm. I will be inviting all of our newly exalted members from our March 29 degree festival. The dinner menu will be lasagna, garlic bread, salad, and dessert. Following the dinner, our meeting will start at 7:30 pm. We have a guest speaker that night, Phil Hardiman, Past Grand High Priest of the State of California, who will be enlightening us with history of Royal Arch Masonry. I look forward to seeing you there!

Fraternally,

Oliver Martinex  
High Priest



## ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR GOLDEN VALLEY CHAPTER #60

The March 4th 2014 meeting was the first half of the Deputy Grand Matron Peggy Salm's Official Visit. Prior to the meeting the Past Matrons and Past Patrons annual Soup Dinner was served. The profits went into the Chapter budget.

Associate Matron Linda Peck will be presiding at our April 1st meeting as I will be out of town. It is not an April Fool's joke, Linda will be recovering from surgery on her foot so she will not have to wear those brightly colored casts any more. The only color will be her painted toe nails. Thank you for filling in with the use of a wheel chair. We will be balloting on a candidate for Affiliation. It will be great to have a new member. There are two more petitions for Affiliation waiting for Affiliation waiting for completion in the near future.

We are going to discuss plans for two summer outings, possible trips a tour of the Delta Wineries, a night at the movies and later a trip to Apple Hill. Come and put in your two cents at our May meeting. Beth Massengill and Terry Ramos will be serving their Cinco de Mayo dinner. The cost of dinner will be \$8.00 and dinner will be served at 6:30 pm.

I hope you have a great Easter Egg hunt with the young members of your families. Don't eat too much.

Hope to see you soon.

Nancy Stiles, WM                      Steve Nicholas, WP



# Birthdays and Anniversaries

## Yolo Lodge #195 Anniversaries

Orval F. Sievers- April 17, 1947  
Calvin C. Mast, PM- April 14, 1956  
Ronald J. Tsohis, Sr- April 20, 1971  
Kenneth E. Brownlee- April 17, 1980  
Stephe T. Kershaw- April 01, 1982  
Richard A. Usrey, PM- April 30, 1982  
Edward R. MacDonald- April 07, 1983  
Warren C. Mast- April 28, 1987  
Frank S. Jimenez- April 22, 2001  
Daniel S. Jameyson- April 29, 2004  
Karl C. Thurmond- April 28, 2011  
Kevin R. Pascual- April 26, 2012

## Yolo #195 Birthdays

Eugene K. Hsu- April 02  
Olin R. Mooy- April 02  
Norman L. Stevenson, PM- April 05  
Frank S. Jimenez- April 07  
Matthew E. Swanson- April 08  
James W. Williams- April 11  
John M. Simmons- April 17  
Michael J. Wright, PM- April 21  
James L. Thompson- April 27  
Michael J. Woo, PM- April 27  
Alexander L. Henderson- April 29  
William D. Young- April 29

## Woodland #81 Anniversaries

Ralph J. Stephenson- April 22, 1948  
Walter B. Jarrett- April 06, 1950  
Ted R. Carrion- April 09, 1951  
Robert L. Fairlee- April 25, 1957  
David B. Rexroat- April 18, 1962  
Robert D. Tamblyn- April 29, 1968  
Elmer L. Kincaid, Jr- April 05, 1973  
William D. Wilson- April 18, 1980  
Randolph W. Coleman- April 25, 1985  
William E. Lewis- April 09, 1987  
Curtis G. Pyle- April 01, 1993  
John R. Carroll- April 06, 1993  
Paul M. Rowe- April 18, 1996  
Daron A. Whittle- April 28, 1997  
Robert C. Blankenship- April 21, 1998  
Ronald T. Liles- April 28, 2011

## Woodland #81 Birthdays

John C. Stowers- April 01  
Willard J. Blankenship- April 04  
Eric P. Thor, III- April 04  
Delwin W. Hanson- April 18  
Grant W. Coffin- April 22  
Garlyn R. Aday- April 26  
Guy G. Harris- April 26  
James L. Heffernan- April 26  
Kirk H. Ochoa- April 26  
Jon K. Huffine- April 27



## THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

April 2, 1863 - A bread riot occurred in the Confederate capital of Richmond, Virginia, as angry people demanded bread from a bakery wagon then wrecked nearby shops. The mob dispersed only after Confederate President Jefferson Davis made a personal plea and threatened to use force.

April 3, 1860 - In the American West, the Pony Express service began as the first rider departed St. Joseph, Missouri. For \$5 an ounce, letters were delivered 2,000 miles to California within ten days. The famed Pony Express riders each rode from 75 to 100 miles before handing the letters off to the next rider. A total of 190 way stations were located about 15 miles apart.

April 6, 1896 - After a break of 1500 years, the first Olympics of the modern era was held in Athens, Greece.

April 11, 1970 - Apollo 13 was launched from Cape Kennedy at 2:13 p.m. Fifty-six hours into the flight an oxygen tank exploded in the service module. Astronaut John L. Swigert saw a warning light that accompanied the bang and said, "Houston, we've had a problem here." Swigert, James A. Lovell and Fred W. Haise then transferred into the lunar module, using it as a "lifeboat" and began a perilous return trip to Earth, splashing down safely on April 17th.

April 15, 1912 - In the icy waters off Newfoundland, the luxury liner Titanic with 2,224 persons on board sank at 2:27 a.m. after striking an iceberg just before midnight. Over 1,500 persons drowned while 700 were rescued by the liner Carpathia which arrived about two hours after Titanic went down.

April 18, 1906 - The San Francisco Earthquake struck at 5:13 a.m., followed by a massive fire from overturned wood stoves and broken gas pipes. The fire raged uncontrollably for three days resulting in the destruction of over 10,000 acres of property and 4,000 lives lost.

April 20, 1999 - The deadliest school shooting in U.S. history occurred in Littleton, Colorado, as two students armed with guns and explosives stormed into Columbine High School at lunch time then killed 12 classmates and a teacher and wounded more than 20 other persons before killing themselves.

April 22, 1889 - The Oklahoma land rush began at noon with a single gunshot signaling the start of a mad dash by thousands of settlers. They were seeking to claim part of nearly two million acres made available by the federal government. The land originally belonged to Creek and Seminole Indian tribes.

April 26, 1986 - At the Chernobyl nuclear power plant in the Ukraine, an explosion caused a meltdown of the nuclear fuel and spread a radioactive cloud into the atmosphere, eventually covering most of Europe. A 300-square-mile area around the plant was evacuated. Thirty one persons were reported to have died while an additional thousand cases of cancer from radiation were expected.

April 30, 1789 - George Washington became the first U.S. President as he was administered the oath of office on the balcony of Federal Hall at the corner of Wall and Broad Streets in New York City.

**Yolo Lodge #195**

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1655 Da Vinci Ct, Davis, CA 95616

Stated Meeting:

First Thursday at 7:30 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm

Worshipful Master-  
Michael Galli

Senior Warden-  
Jason Layland

Junior Warden-  
Andrew Hartman

Secretary-  
Lewis Wentworth

**Woodland Lodge #81**

(530)662-5978

228 Palm Ave, Woodland, CA 95695

Stated Meeting:

Second Thursday at 7:30 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm

Worshipful Master-  
Edward J. Caughie, PM

Senior Warden-  
Kenneth R. Muller, PM

Junior Warden-  
William J. Erdman

Secretary-  
Gerald D. Scott

**418th Masonic District**

**Royal Arch Masons, Chapter #46**

Stated Convocation: First Wednesday at 7:30 pm/228 Palm Ave, Woodland, 95695

High Priest- Oliver Martinez

**Yolo Shrine Club** President- Steve Waldeck

**Golden Valley Chapter #60, Order of the Eastern Star**

Stated Meeting: First Tuesday at 7:30 pm/1655 Da Vinci Ct, Davis

Worthy Matron- Nancy Stiles

Worthy Patron- Steve Nicholas

**Woodland Chapter, Order of DeMolay**

Meetings: First & Third Mondays at 7:30 pm/228 Palm Ave, Woodland 95695

Chapter "Dad" Advisor-Brian F. Walsh

**Woodland Assembly #2, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls**

Meetings: Second & Fourth Tuesdays at 7:00 pm/228 Palm Ave, Woodland 95695

Mother Advisor- Barbara Mustard

**Woodland Bethel #260, Job's Daughters International**

Meetings: Second & Fourth Wednesdays at 7:00 pm/228 Palm Ave, Woodland 95695

Bethel Guardian- Angela Allen

Associate Bethel Guardian- Don Killmer

# April 2014

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20 Easter Sunday	21 Woodland 81 DeMolay mtg 7:30 pm	22 Woodland 81 Rainbow Girls 7:00 pm	23 Woodland 81 Job's Daughter's 7 pm	24	25	26
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