



TRESTLEBOARD

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From the East

Brethren As we enter the month of May I want to take this opportunity to wish everyone a wonderful summer! May you get to spend much quality time with your friends and family. Don't forget the 1st Tuesday of every month is Brothers night! Come join us for good food and fellowship.

Our first holiday this month is May 5th which is Cinco De Mayo. Cinco De Mayo is a yearly celebration held on May 5, which commemorates the anniversary of Mexico's victory over the Second French Empire at the Battle of Puebla in 1862, led by General Ignacio Zaragoza. The victory over the French army was a morale boost for the Mexicans. Zaragoza died months after the battle from an illness, and a larger French force ultimately defeated the Mexican army at a Second Battle of Puebla and occupied Mexico City. However, this was not the end of the war and when the American civil war ended the Union started loaning money and guns to Mexican liberals, pushing France and Mexican Conservatives to the edge of defeat. At the opening of the French chambers in January 1866, Napoleon III announced that he would withdraw French troops from Mexico.

May 14th is Mother's Day this year. A day for us all to show great gratitude to the women in our lives that are mothers. So, make sure you treat your wife kindly that day, and don't forget to call your mother!

Last but not least, Memorial Day! May 29th is Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in service of the United States of America. It's difficult to prove the origins of this day as over two dozen towns and cities lay claim to be the birthplace. In May 1966, President Lyndon Johnson stepped in and officially declared Waterloo N.Y. the birthplace of Memorial Day. Regardless of the location of origins or the exact date, one thing is crystal clear – Memorial Day was borne out of the Civil War (which ended in 1865) and a desire to honor our dead. On the 5th of May in 1868, General John Logan who was the national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, officially proclaimed it in his General Order No. 11.

May we all forever remember the men and women who fought and died defending this Great nation. Thank you for your great courage and honor. As for the men and women serving today in the United States military. Thank you too for your service, your honor, and your courage.

Cameron Ellis, W.M.

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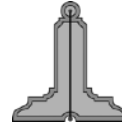
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From the West

April has passed and we are onto May. Hope your Easter was a good one and now that the weather is starting to warm up we can enjoy more fellowship. One thing we need to do is start getting our name out in the community more. Summertime is the perfect time to help sponsor events and meet and greet and possibly introduce more people to our wonderful fraternity and all it has to offer. I ask all of you, especially my blue lodge brothers to come up with an idea that would help get our name out there and be seen in the public eye. Let us show that we are proud and be an example to our next generation of Good men.

-Glenn Story, P.M., SW

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Chico Nile Club

Daughters of the Nile

Our Menzaleh Temple Queen, Ann Ward, attended our April meeting and installed the officers of Chico Nile Club for 2023. It was a very nice day for our small and mighty group of ladies dedicated to projects for "Our Kids" at Shriners Hospital. Sacramento. It's a true labor of love.

If you like to sew or quilt, we would love extra hands to help with our project on the 2nd Monday from 10 to 12 noon in the small dining room at our Chico Masonic Family Center. Please give Jill Ramsey, President, at 530-893-5750, with any questions.



Josephine Chico Chapter No. 104

Order of the Eastern Star

We are in need of our Masonic Brothers to join our Order. We are a "co-ed" order, dedicated to many of the same principals of Masonry, Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness.

One of our projects is creating and making "Port Pals" which is a little pillow that go around a seat belt to protect a port in your chest for medicinal purposes. If you know of someone in need of one of these items, please let us know. We would be delighted to provide you with one or two, as necessary, at no cost.

-Kyna Hendra, Worthy Matron; Gary Hendra, Worthy Patron.





!!!Youth Groups Combined Yard Sale!!!

May 21st another yard sale will take place at the Chico Masonic Family Center.

If you can DONATE or need the time, please contact one of the youth advisors!



DeMolay

This month I would like to take the time to thank the advisors and parent helpers who have been essential and regularly active in helping revitalize DeMolay post Covid.

Adviser Richard Gingery Jr. and his wife Gina. Advisors Cole and Lisa Hamilton, Tim Vadney, the executive officer of our jurisdiction who advises us, James Banta, and our own Kyna Hendra who is always so kind to reach out and offer help from the other masonic buddies she runs to offer help and promote our Masonic youth groups.

Thank you to everyone who supports the youth groups but especially these fine people who have been instrumental and always willing to step up and help. God bless you and God bless youth groups.

-Michael Meyer, Father Advisor

Chico Masonic Family Center Board of Directors

Crown Castle, the company that manages the cellular tower behind the lodge, is adding a backup generator and new phone equipment for Verizon phone company. They will be paying the Chico Masonic Family Center an additional \$547.50 per month. This is in addition to the monthly fee we receive.

Potholes at storm drains in front of and behind the lodge have been temporarily filled with road base until they can be patched properly. The traffic cones have been removed.

The storm drain shafts have filled with dirt over time. It appears that when installed, the holes to hook and hoist the concrete shafts were not sealed and over the decades dirt was pushed through those holes by gophers or ground squirrels. The holes will be sealed and a vacuum truck will be needed to clean out the dirt. A two-foot concrete apron around the drain should be created to replace the asphalt to prevent soil erosion.

-Dan Heal, CMFC Board President

Masonic Bodies Info :

Blue Lodge Stated Meeting: 2nd Tuesday of the month. 7:30 P.M. Dinner @ 6:30
Contact: Secretary893-3171

Royal Arch Stated Meeting: 2nd Monday of the month. 7:30 P.M.
Contact: John L Barneson, secretary. . .354-4754

Chico Shrine Club Stated Meeting: 1st Wednesday of the month. 6:00 P.M.
Contact: Larry Willis895-0156
Contact: Darrin Deatherage . . .774-7110

Eastern Star Stated Meeting: 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month. 7:30 P.M.
Contact: Kyna Hendra
Chico326JDI@gmail.com

Daughters of the Nile Meeting: 2nd Monday of the month. 10:00 A.M.
Contact: Jill Ramsey893-5750

DeMolay Stated Meetings: 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month. 7:00 P.M.
Contact: Michael Meyer514-0252

Job's Daughters Stated Meetings: 2nd & 4th Monday of the month. 7:00 P.M.
Contact: Kyna Hendra
Chico326JDI@gmail.com

Rainbow Stated Meetings: 1st & 3rd Monday of the month. 7:00 P.M.
Contact: Laura Ray345-4967

Black Butte Scottish Rite Club
Contact: Steve Moody343-2030

Butte Council No. 50 3rd Monday of the month. 7:30 P.M. Contact: Cameron Ellis. . .345-4754

Butte Commandery No. 5 3rd Wednesday of the month. 7:30 PM
Contact: TBD

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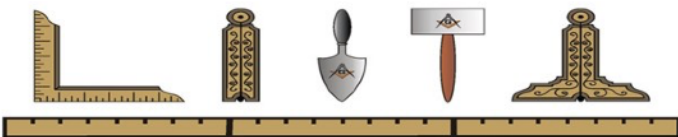
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Order of the Rainbow

The Rainbow Girls had a fun-filled March and April. We held a membership party and played bunco while getting to know 3 new prospective members. Our Assembly then traveled to Visalia for Grand Assembly where Charley and Hannah, our Grand Officers, gave speeches and recited their ritual work beautifully. Malia and Nylah sang in the Grand Choir and Abby played piano as Assistant to the Grand Musician for sessions. Hannah Ray was announced as the California Grand Worthy Advisor for 2024.

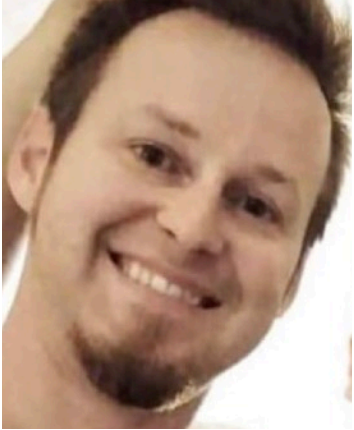
-Laura Ray, Mother Advisor



Spotlight Mason of the Month

Brother Matt Savage

What induced you to become a Mason? I was always curious about Freemasons from a young age. My dad had my great grandfather's Masonic Bible and ring. Over the years I met several musician friends that turned out to be Masons. Scott Shaw recorded my band Hazmat, Big Mo I heard through the grapevine was a mason, my band mate Nate Smith was an EA and told me about how he enjoyed it. From there I asked for a petition. I've met and made some of my best friendships through masonry and had brothers help me more than I knew was worldly possible.



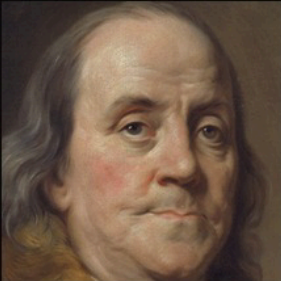
What do you do for a living? I've been a music teacher for the past 20 years, more or less right out of high school. Currently I am a teacher for 9 charter schools and the music connection as a special elective's teacher.

What do you do for your community? I pride myself on being a good role model and a leader for the current and future generations. I do my best to teach and help people in my life so that they can better take care of themselves to do good for the people they care about.

What do you do for your local lodge? I've had several officer roles, senior steward, Jr deacon and began doing Sr deacon work. Currently I play piano for various lodge meetings.

How do you occupy your free time? Currently I am actively working with two new bands, yesteryear, and broken table. I go gold mining in the form of metal detecting and sniping. Sniping is a term given for under water diving.

Benjamin Franklin



Masonic labor is purely a labor of love. He who seeks to draw Masonic wages in gold and silver will be disappointed. The wages of a Mason are in the dealings with one another; sympathy begets sympathy, kindness begets kindness, helpfulness begets helpfulness, and these are the wages of a Mason.

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A decorative black box with white scrollwork corners. At the top center, the name "Benjamin Franklin" is written in white. On the left side, there is a portrait of Benjamin Franklin. To the right of the portrait, a quote is written in white text. At the bottom center, the text "AZ QUOTES" is displayed in white.

A Mother's Day Poem

A Mother loves right from the start.
She holds her baby close to her heart.
The bond that grows will never falter.
Her love is so strong it will never alter.
A Mother gives never ending Love.
She never feels that she has given enough.
For you she will always do her best.
Constantly working, there's no time to rest.
A Mother is there when things go wrong.
A hug and a kiss to help us along.
Always there when we need her near.
Gently wipes our eyes when we shed a tear.
So on this day shower your Mother with Love.
Gifts and presents are nice but that is not enough.
Give your Mother a day to have some peace of mind.
Be gentle, be good, be helpful, be kind.
Happy Mother's Day.
-Carol Matthews.



Happy May Birthday's to our Brother's, Spouses and Widows!!

Masons

5/5 Albert Raitt
5/6 Eric Wells
5/7 Carlos Ramirez
5/9 Bobby Walden, Kenneth Clayton
5/12 Tracy Puritz
5/13 Shane Swithenbank
5/14 Michael Pingatore
5/15 David Perry
5/16 Hendra Cipta
5/17 Matthew Savage
5/18 Van Briggs
5/23 Dennis Smith
5/26 James Robertson, Floyd Miller
5/29 Danny Porter



Spouses/Widows

5/2 Debbie Estes
5/9 Syd Moody, Carolyn Clayton
5/13 Celisse Ramirez
5/15 Aldo Cruz
5/16 Maxine Guynn
5/18 Kyna Hendra



More Light From The East:

The Kybalion, a book on Hermetic Philosophy

The Kybalion is a great book that summarizes the hermetic philosophy. A philosophy named for Hermes Trismegistus, a man you have recently been informed of in last month's trestle board. It was published by the Yogi Publication Society in 1908. There are seven seed truths contained in The Kybalion, and these principles explain what Hermetists describe as the art of Mental Transmutation. This may sound like magic, but the hermetic teachings in The Kybalion are actually scientific. Most people don't realize that a set of Universal Laws that apply to all created things even exists. That is what hermetic philosophy is: an explanation of the universal, fundamental principles that determine how reality works. By adopting and mastering these Kybalion principles, you can tap into the divine power of the universe. Only those who are ready for the wisdom conveyed in the book ever even discover it.

Key Principles of *The Kybalion*:

There are axioms that the Three Initiates spread throughout the Kybalion. Each one provides you with a nugget of wisdom that illuminates one of the Hermetic principles. Every one of the proverbs of Hermetic Philosophy sheds more light on the topic. They help the student of The Kybalion to understand and apply the meaning of the Hermetic laws they relate to. Here's a sample of some of them:

- **THE ALL IS MIND;**
 - o the Universe is Mental
- **As above, so below,**
 - o as below, so above
- **Nothing rests;**
 - o everything moves;
 - o everything vibrates
- **Everything is Dual;**
 - o everything has poles;
 - o everything has its pair of opposites;
 - o like and unlike are the same;
 - o opposites are identical in nature, but different in degree;
 - o extremes meet;
 - o all truths are but half truths;
 - o all paradoxes can be reconciled
- **Everything flows, out and in;**
 - o everything has its tides;
 - o all things rise and fall;
 - o the pendulum-swing manifests in everything:
 - o the measure of the swing to the right is the measure of the swing to the left;
 - o rhythm compensates
- **Every Cause has its Effect;**
 - o every Effect has its Cause;
 - o everything happens according to Law;
 - o Chance is but a name for Law not recognized;
 - o there are many planes of causation, but nothing escapes the Law
- **Gender is in everything;**
 - o everything has its Masculine and Feminine Principles;
 - o gender manifests on all planes

It's an incredible book on the Hermetic principles discussed in Hermes Trismegistus' book "The Corpus Hermetica". Hermetics is at the core of freemasonry. I would encourage all to read this book as it has great knowledge and it's a pretty short read.