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Brethren, Family and Friends welcome to spring a time to celebrate! I hope you and your family are doing well. We

are finally climbing out of the "year of Covid" and hopefully with fingers crossed...... in the not too distant future we can get back to meeting in PERSON. I miss the fellowship of in person meetings with my masonic brothers. I also appreciate the patience of the many new applicants, entered apprentices and fellow craft masons who are patiently waiting for us to be able to help you continue your masonic journeys.

We are still meeting virtually on Monday nights and our April Stated meeting will be via zoom starting at 7:30PM, with the room open around 7pm so our brother chaplain Herm and myself can share in some "good natured" virtual fellowship. Please reach out to myself or any of the officers if you need an invite. Stated meetings are "tiled meetings" aka for masons only however other nights are open to anyone. Please also join our Confidence Lodge slack channel which has helped us all remain connected.

This spring Confidence Lodge has a special celebration of a Diamond Jubilee Award for Brother Donald Nohrden. The Diamond Jubilee Award is in recognition of a minimum 75 years of Masonic membership. Brother Nohrden was raised a Master Mason on May 20th, 1946 in Confidence Lodge No. 110. Confidence Lodge and Grand Lodge are planning the presentation of his award which most likely will be via a virtual format. We will share the details with the members once the plans are finalized, please try and attend. I've been in contact with brother Nohrden and his family and they are excited about the celebration.

Congratulations brother Donald Nohrden celebrating 75 years of Masonic membership!

Keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.

Brian Calverley - Worshipful Master - 2021 -Baseball is back. - Go Giants!



Welcome to Spring!





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Dear Brethren,

Spring! Glorious Spring! I don't know about you, but after a year of this pandemic, I am more than ready for something new, and the promise of Spring seems to be just what is needed to help get us through the home stretch towards the finish line. This lengthy period of social distancing has really given me time to reflect on the importance of social connections and the benefits we share in Masonry. Obviously, a lot has changed in the past year, but our ancient Craft will surely weather this storm unaffected. The traditions of Freemasonry, and the principles upon which it was founded, provide an effective tool for navigating all of life's highs and lows. The bonds we form and the lessons we receive are not meant to be momentary aids or simply a passing fancy. Instead, they are intended to last a lifetime (if not longer!) and really aid in transforming each and every one of us into a more perfect version of ourselves. Those who join us are not accepted based on wealth, power, or prestige. It is the "internal qualifications" that make a Mason, and we humbly join together to better ourselves, give back to others, and hopefully leave this place better than we found it. I will close with these fine words of wisdom written by Maynard Edwards of the Scottish Rite:

"By valuing our work over our rank in society, Masonry provides all men with the opportunity to be equals. The rich man and the poor man are equal in the eyes of Masonry if their labors in the quarries of Brotherhood are equal. But are we to in some way "compete" with each other as Masons? Is there a race to see who is the most Masonic? No. Our only charge is to be better today than we were yesterday, and to use that common gavel to chip away at our own rough edges."

Until we meet again, my Brothers, remember to keep up the good work and stay safe and healthy!

Fraternally, Zeke Floro (Sr. Warden)

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Brothers, Family, and Friends,

One of my favorite things about Masonry is the rich use of symbolism. Symbols can communicate complex ideas, some of which may be difficult to express well with words. A symbol might have multiple interpretations and present them all, suggesting perhaps even more meaning to the eye that sees it. A symbol does, after all, only become meaningful once a person sees meaning in it. Holidays are full of symbols and it may be that most people have long ago stopped seeing the meaning in many of them. For instance, many can not imagine what the Easter Bunny could possibly have to do with Easter. Along with the Easter Bunny goes the Easter Egg, strangely paired as they may be, as the enduring symbols of a holiday which, at least observed by those who do so religiously, would seem to have nothing to do with rabbits or eggs.

Easter takes its name from an Old English word Eostre, which was the name of the goddess celebrated at the Spring Equinox. Hares, once thought to be nocturnal, were often associated with the moon as both were seen to "die" every morning and be "reborn" at night. In this way the hare was a symbol of immortality and was closely associated with the goddess Eostre (also called Ostara) who brought forth the "rebirth" of nature every spring, overcoming the "death" of winter. Additionally, the hare's remarkable ability to reproduce has made it also into a symbol of fertility across generations. The egg, itself a symbol of fertility and birth, also symbolizes potential and the cycle of new life springing from old. In this way, both the hare and the egg became natural symbols of the Vernal Equinox and the approaching spring season when both Easter and Passover are celebrated. The Easter Bunny symbolizes nature, undying and immortal, returning once more, reborn and delivering to you those miraculous gifts, Easter Eggs, the blessings of new life and unlimited, unimaginable potential.

Whatever your plans for the holidays, my wish for all of you the greatest blessing and the highest return on your potential.

With Brotherly Love, Peter Cardilla Ir. Warden

April 2021 Confidence Lodge #110 Soquel Masonic Center 3001 N. Main St. Soquel California (Meetings via Zoom)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Passover	2 Good Friday Passover	3 Passover
4 Easter Sunday Passover	5 7:00 PM Virtual Stat- ed Meeting	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 7:00 PM Virtual Hall Association Meeting	13	14	<i>15</i>	16	17
18	19 7:30 PM Virtual Social Meeting	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 7:30 PM Virtual Social Meeting	27	28	29	30	



Northern California DeMolay Celebrates Its Centennial

On January 2, 2021, DeMolay in Northern California entered its centennial year. This means that De-Molay has provided more than 100 years of positive and moral influences on young men in their formative years. Membership in DeMolay has always provided a safe, worthwhile program where young men may excel as exceptional people and successful leaders. And the teachings of DeMolay are youthcentric and based on similar values as Masonry. These values include the seven cardinal virtues of filial love, reverence, courtesy, comradeship, fidelity, cleanness and patriotism as well as toleration, brother-hood, and honor.

Founded in Kansas City, Missouri in 1919, DeMolay International (formerly the DeMolay Council and the Order of DeMolay) came informally to the California cities of San Francisco and San Jose in 1920. By the first of the new year, chapters were formally being organized across the state. The program and ritual of this Masonic Youth Order enriches the lives of its members by providing a fun-filled set of events which develops key life skills such as team work, public speaking, budgeting, fundraising, collaboration and event planning. Under the mentorship of certified adult volunteers, most of whom are Master Masons, every DeMolay member is encouraged to develop at his own pace, making his own unique DeMolay experience.

DeMolay counts among its alumni a multitude of gentlemen who transformed the lessons and examples from their DeMolay experience into the foundation of success in their personal or professional lives. A select few are enshrined in our International Hall of Fame and include such noted leaders and luminaries as Walt Disney, John Steinbeck, and A.G. Spanos.

Northern California DeMolay continues to provide opportunities for character development, leadership training, and making lifelong friends and mentors. And, thereby, is building tomorrow's leaders, today!



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The local Santa Cruz chapter of DeMolay meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at 7:30PM. They meet at Santa Cruz Masonic Temple, 828 N. Branciforte Avenue, Santa Cruz.

If you know of any young man 12 to 21 years of age and interested please contact myself or any of the officers of Confidence Lodge or directly to Linden Swanson "lindenswanson@outlook.com"

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