

# Drytown Lodge No. 174

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9325 Main St. ~ Plymouth ~ CA ~ 95669

## *Buyers Wanted*

**What:** 2018 Fund Raiser Auction  
and Bar-B-Que

**When:** September 08, 2018

**Time:** Bar-B-Que - 12:30 PM  
Auction - 1:45 PM

**Where:** Drytown Lodge  
9325 Main Street  
Plymouth, CA

On the date and time indicated above, Drytown Lodge No. 174 will be hosting our Biennial Fund Raising Auction and Bar-B-Que. Bar-B-Que is \$10 per person, Children under 9 free. **Masons, their ladies and friends are invited.**

While engaging in a different project, we discovered a termite infestation that is threatening the structure of our building. We are dedicated to the extermination of the infestation and the replacing the key structural elements that are in danger. That will be where these funds will be directed.

**Our auction features several donated items of interest: Firearms, silver flatware and tea/coffee service, tools and laptop computers.**

**A catalogue of all items auctioned can be found on our website: [www.drytown174.net](http://www.drytown174.net) at the 2018 tab.**



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>1</b>	Item:	Genuine Leather Coats (One Large and One XXLarge)		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: Two coats: one Large and one XXLarge				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>2</b>	Item:	Electric Chain Saw		
	Manufacture:	Portland		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: New 14" Portland Electric Chain Saw				



<b>Item Number:</b>	<b>Description:</b>			
<b>3</b>	Item:	Scottish Rite Vehicle Emblem		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: New self-adhesive Scottish Rite Double Headed Eagle				



<b>Item Number:</b>	<b>Description:</b>			
<b>4</b>	Item:	Past Master's Vehicle Emblem		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: Past Master's self-adhesive Vehicle Emblem				



<b>Item Number:</b>	<b>Description:</b>		
<b>5</b>	Item:	Smith & Wesson .40 cal. Semiautomatic Pistol	
	Manufacture:	Smith and Wesson	
	Model Number:	MP 40 Shield	
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Smith & Wesson .40 Cal Semiautomatic Pistol with hard-shell case, belt holster, and two magazines			



<b>Item Number:</b>	<b>Description:</b>		
<b>6</b>	Item:	Near New Brauer .25 cal. Semiautomatic Pistol	
	Manufacture:	Brauer	
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$ 75.00	Selling Price:
Information: Near New Brauer .25 cal. Semiautomatic Pistol with one magazine and a cloth case.			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>7</b>	Item:	Near New US Army Wristwatch – Quartz Movement	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Near new with Quartz Movement			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>8</b>	Item:	Masonic Charm	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Used and in good condition without chain			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>9</b>	Item:	Antique Masonic Charm	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Used, very good condition; Spin Charm with chain.			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>10</b>	Item:	Multi-Compartment Tool Bag	
	Manufacture:	Klein	
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: New never used.			



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>11</b>	Item:	Western Style Holster		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: Very good condition tooled leather fast draw holster. For .38 cal. or .357 cal.; 46 inch waste,				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>12</b>	Item:	Golf Bag – with tags		
	Manufacture:	Galloway		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: New with tags.				



<b>Item Number:</b>	<b>Description:</b>			
<b>13</b>	Item:	5 Quart Slow Cooker		
	Manufacture:	Bella		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: New in box.				



<b>Item Number:</b>	<b>Description:</b>			
<b>14</b>	Item:	20 Ga. Pump Shotgun		
	Manufacture:	Stevens/Savage		
	Model Number:	77b		
	Reserve Price:	\$ 125.00	Selling Price:	
Information: Used in excellent condition. 1960s manufacture, light wear, perfect working condition.				





Item Number:	Description:			
<b>15</b>	Item:	Cap Lock Rifle		
	Manufacture:	Springfield		
	Model Number:	1831		
	Reserve Price:	\$ 400.00	Selling Price:	
Information: Very good condition U.S. Model 1816 Springfield musket .69 cal. Manufactured at the Springfield Arsenal 1831 Antique black powder rifle. Very good condition. Can be a wall hanger for shot. No FFL required.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>16</b>	Item:	5 Shot Pistol		
	Manufacture:	Iver Johnson		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$ 100.00	Selling Price:	
Information: 1890 Iver Johnson "Safety Automatic". Five shot .32 Cal. Top Break Pistol. Nickle plated. No FFL required, nickel plated.				



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>17</b>	Item:	Two Masonic Desk Clocks	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Both new and in presentation boxes			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>18</b>	Item:	Silver Serving Platter	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$65.00	Selling Price:
Information: Used fair condition. Appears to be a veggie-plate with a place to put dip in the center. Size: 14 ½ by 14 ½.			



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>19</b>	Item:	Silver Plated Drinking Goblets		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: Set of 8; used but very well taken care of. 6 ¼ inches tall.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>20</b>	Item:	.380 Automatic Pistol		
	Manufacture:	Bersa		
	Model Number:	Firestorm		
	Reserve Price:	\$ 275.00	Selling Price:	
Information: New weapon in hard shell box. Has two magazines, a security lock and a trigger lock.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>21</b>	Item:	Silver Serving Platter		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$ 30.00	Selling Price:	
Information: Used and in fair to good condition. Has feet.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>22</b>	Item:	Silver Plate Coffee and Tea Service		
	Manufacture:	Elton		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$ 100.00	Selling Price:	
Information: Absolutely beautiful. Used but in very god condition No Tray. Item #31 would finish off this item.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>23</b>	Item:	Silver Plate Tea and Coffee Service with Tray		
	Manufacture:	Leonard		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$ 175.00	Selling Price:	
Information: Excellent condition.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>24</b>	Item:	Silver Plate Coffee service with round Tray		
	Manufacture:	Leonard		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$ 135.00	Selling Price:	
Information: Excellent condition				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>25</b>	Item:	13 Inch Round Serving Plate		
	Manufacture:	Rogers Silver Co.		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: Round silver serving plate: Good condition.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>26</b>	Item:	Silver Plate Coffee service – No Tray		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$ 60.00	Selling Price:	
Information: Brand new never used in the original packaging. Battery included.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>27</b>	Item:	Stainless Serving Tray with Cloth Sleeve		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: Very good condition. 14 inches round.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>28</b>	Item:	Silver Plate Food Warmer with Spoon		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: New in box. 2 qt. round food warmer.				



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>29</b>	Item:	Serving Tongs	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$ 25.00	Selling Price:
Information: Silver plate serving tongs.			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>30</b>	Item:	Sugar and Cream service with tray and spoon	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Used but in excellent condition. Stainless steel.			





Item Number:	Description:		
<b>31</b>	Item:	Stainless Drinking Cups (Punch)	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Set of 8, 2 are damaged. Six are in very good condition.			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>32</b>	Item:	Set of 2 Ceramic Doves	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:		Selling Price:
Information: Used but in excellent condition. Doves have stainless wings.			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>33</b>	Item:	Silver Coffee and Tea Service	
	Manufacture:	Oeida	
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Very good condition. No tray.			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>34</b>	Item:	Various Candle Holders with Electric Candles	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Used in good condition; candles need new batteries.			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>35</b>	Item:	China Tea Cups with Saucers	
	Manufacture:	Fashion Bone	
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Used set of four in excellent condition.			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>36</b>	Item:	Two Silver Candle Sticks	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Used in excellent condition; 10 ½ inches tall.			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>37</b>	Item:	Silver Coffee Service – No Tray	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Excellent condition.			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>38</b>	Item:	Silver Flatware in a Storage Box	
	Manufacture:	R. Wallace & Sons	
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$ 25.00 Table	Selling Price:
Information: Service for 8 in excellent condition. Includes serving spoons.			



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>39</b>	Item:	China Tea Service for Eight		
	Manufacture:	Noritake		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: Cups and saucers are in beautiful condition.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>40</b>	Item:	24K gold over Ceramic Tea Service – No Tray		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$ 25.00	Selling Price:	
Information: In absolutely beautiful condition.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>41</b>	Item:	Case Logic Laptop Carrying Case		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: Used in excellent condition.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>42</b>	Item:	Silver Plate Gravy Boat		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: Used in excellent condition.				



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>43</b>	Item:	Assorted Antique Mason Jars	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Antique with lever secured lids. Sold separately or as any grouping.			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>44</b>	Item:	Chrystal Wine Serving Set	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: New in original packaging and in excellent condition. 9 Glasses, 9 Coasters, 1 Carafe.			



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>45</b>	Item:	Assorted Molds		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: Near new (bunt cakes, and jello/flan molds).				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>46</b>	Item:	Silver Coffee Service – No Tray		
	Manufacture:	F. B. Rogers		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$ 15.00 Table	Selling Price:	
Information: In excellent condition.				





Item Number:	Description:		
<b>47</b>	Item:	Metal Coffee Mugs – Set of six	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:		
Information: Used but in great condition. Suitable for hot or cold beverages..			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>48</b>	Item:	Metal goblets with Silver Laced Shot Glasses	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:		Selling Price:
Information: Ser of 5; Boilermakers here we go.			



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>49</b>	Item:	Silver Plate Flatware with storage box		
	Manufacture:	Godinger		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$ 85.00	Selling Price:	
Information: Very good condition service for 10 (with some extra pieces) to include serving spoon and desert server.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>50</b>	Item:	.22 cal. Lever Action Rifle		
	Manufacture:	Uberti		
	Model Number:	342350		
	Reserve Price:	\$ 300.00	Selling Price:	
Information: Finish Chrome-plated Alloy Receiver, Blue Barrel. Weight 5.8 lbs. Uberti is an Italian gun manufacture who specializes in modern reproductions of famous guns of the old West (Henry, Winchester, and Colts)				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>51</b>	Item:	Masonic Officers Jewels		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: Circa 186-1890 Silver Masonic Officer's jewels: Chaplain and Steward..				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>52</b>	Item:	Cowboy Action Shooting Pistol Cartridge Belt		
	Manufacture:	Hunter		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: A good to excellent condition.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>53</b>	Item:	Leather Cowboy Action Shooting Holster		
	Manufacture:	Hunter		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$ 15.00 Table	Selling Price:	
Information: Good to excellent condition.				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>54</b>	Item:	One Half-Day Backhoe excavation or Grading		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$ 250.00	Selling Price:	
Information: Used but in great condition. Good padding. Designed for aq 19" computer or tablet.				



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>55</b>	Item:	Lockable Wooden Humidor	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: New. 16" X 7 1/2" in size			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>56</b>	Item:	Case of Stone Cellars Wine	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: 2014 California Merlot			



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>57</b>	Item:	Printer		
	Manufacture:	HP		
	Model Number:	8620		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: Used HP 3-In-One Inkjet Pro Printer				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>58</b>	Item:	2 Boxes of Golf Balls		
	Manufacture:	Warrior		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: New two boxes of golf balls still in wrapper.				



<b>Item Number:</b>	<b>Description:</b>		
<b>59</b>	Item:	Humidor with 12 Cigars	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: New humidor, still in original box, with 12 cigars.			



<b>Item Number:</b>	<b>Description:</b>		
<b>60</b>	Item:	Box of Cigars	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Unopened box of Masonic banded cigaras.			



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>61</b>	Item:	Box of Cigars		
	Manufacture:			
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: Unopened box of Past Master banded Cigars				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>63</b>	Item:	Cold Weather Jacket		
	Manufacture:	Polo Jeans Co.		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: New XL cold weather jacket				





Item Number:	Description:		
<b>64</b>	Item:	Framed Picture	
	Manufacture:		
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: Beautifully framed sea scape with light house (55"X43 ½")			



Item Number:	Description:		
<b>65</b>	Item:	2 Coke/Beer Coolers	
	Manufacture:	Custom Made	
	Model Number:		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:
Information: New. Custom made drink coolers (52 quart)			



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>66</b>	Item:	Drywall Screwdriver		
	Manufacture:	Makita		
	Model Number:	6825TP		
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: New in box (box damaged)				



Item Number:	Description:			
<b>67</b>	Item:	Cooler		
	Manufacture:	Grizzly		
	Model Number:			
	Reserve Price:	\$	Selling Price:	
Information: NHRA Cooler with caring strap.				

**There will be a few items brought to the auction that are not in the catalogue.**

**Selected items not sold at auction will be sold at an “Opportunity Drawing” at the close of the Auction.**

# **Drytown Lodge No. 174**

## **Free and Accepted Masons**

### **Chartered – 1865**

This history, that I am about present, was researched and prepared by Worshipful Franklyn A. Dominy, P.M. of Drytown Lodge, on the occasion of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lodge; and is presented here as a testimonial to those who came before us.

The history of Drytown Lodge No. 174 cannot be told without mentioning the first Masonic Lodge in Drytown, Tyro Lodge No. 73, which was chartered May 4, 1855 and was later dissolved in 1859. It was the perseverance and spirit of brotherly love sustained by the last remaining members of Tyro Lodge that became the foundation of Drytown Lodge. These members by their fine example left a heritage of inspiration and loyalty that instilled in Drytown Lodge's members the courage and will to carry on through the lean years when gold mining in the area was on the decline. Many Lodge members move away to better diggings.

So it was that ten former members of Tyro Lodge No. 73, one member of St. Mark's Lodge No. 115 and a single member of Henry Clay Lodge No. 95 petitioned Grand Lodge for a dispensation to start a new Lodge. It had been decided that the proposed Lodge should be named "Drytown Lodge" since the Lodge would meet in the bustling mining town and which also was the home of the former Tyro Lodge.

A dispensation dated April 12, 1865, from the then Most Worshipful Grand Master Belcher, was received and the first meeting of Drytown Lodge was held on April 19, 1865. According to the by-laws, "The stated meeting of this Lodge shall be holden (SP) on the Wednesday of or next preceding the full moon of each month".

Maybe a quick word explanation is needed. Horses and mules of the day did not have headlights. Lodges that met in conjunction of the full moon so that members

could find their way to and from Lodge meetings. These Lodges were called LUNAR Lodges. Drytown Lodge was, in its early days, a Lunar Lodge.

Grand Lodge issues Drytown a Charter on October 13, 1865. They could now install officers and perform Degrees.

Although the Lodge was named Drytown, it could well have been named Hinkson Lodge. The minutes reveal that each of the Hinkson brothers, their fathers and their sons, numbering six in all, were devoted through the ensuing years to the welfare of Drytown Lodge.

In 1879, when membership had sadly declined, five Hinksons were holding office; namely John Milton Hinkson, Milton Adams Hinkson, Andrew Henry Hinkson, Nelson Cicero Hinkson and Richard S. Hinkson.

Outstanding in his loyalty and love for Masonry was John Milton Hinkson. He was the second Worshipful Master of Drytown, following Worshipful John B. Hill, and served in that capacity eleven times during the periods from 1868 to 1894. He lived to become the first fifty-year member in February, 1908, and when he died on February 18, 1917, he had been a Master Mason for fifty-nine years.

Drytown Lodge is fortunate that its records are intact from the very first meetings held in the Hall of the Aurora Camp, Independent Order of Knighthood. Early Lodge history reveals that the Lodge, at different times, occupied every hall in Drytown.

In 1866 the Lodge rented a brick hall for \$12 per month. The Lodge then sub-let the hall to another organization for \$5 per month. This rental arrangement eventually proved unsatisfactory; in April, 1867, it was agreed that Drytown Lodge would accept: 1 atlas, 1 picture frame, 3 officer's stands, 3 candle stands, 6 candlesticks, 4 spittoons and 5 chairs in lieu of \$15 of unpaid rent by the Aurora Camp, Independent Order of Knighthood.

In June 1867 the Lodge moved again, this time into the Evans Hall at a monthly rental of \$8. The Lodge agreed to sub-let the hall once again to the Ironclad Lodge, Independent Order of Good Templars for \$6 per month.

In April 1870, because of the gold miners moving to more profitable fields, there was a lack of officers to fill the stations and it was deemed advisable to move to the George Grimes Hall at a monthly rental of \$5.

The meeting place was again moved in 1871, this time back to the Evans Hall, and in July of that year plans were formulated to build their own hall. The new hall was completed in February, 1872, at a total cost of \$682.50.

The new meeting place was an addition, a second floor, to the Jennings General Store. Brother William Jennings was the Lodge Secretary at the time. At last Drytown Lodge owned its own home and seemingly the moving days were over.

A catastrophe occurred five years later in February, 1879; the event was recorded in Lodge meeting minutes as “damage by God’s destructive elements.” The rebuilding cost amounted to \$400.

On the night of October 16, 1884, the Lodge suffered another loss. The Secretary, still Brother William Jennings, kept the Lodge funds in the safe in his store on the first floor. The safe was robbed and the Lodge’s funds amounting to \$151.60 were taken. The Secretary and Treasurer were subsequently released from any and all responsibility.

The April 1905 minutes revealed that the Lodge, still occupying the second story of the Jennings Store, entered into agreement with Jennings to purchase the ground floor and land for a sum of \$300. The deed was recorded in May, 1905.

The Lodge Hall took on a modern air in August, 1906, when electric lights were substituted for the oil burning lamps.

On December 10, 1913, the Lodge resolved to move to the Odd Fellows Hall in the City of Plymouth and remained at that location until 1926.

A raise in rent prompted the Lodge to purchase the lot and building on Main Street in Plymouth from the Methodist Episcopal Church. While the Lodge had funds to purchase the property, it was decided to ask the Grand Lodge for help converting the old church to a Masonic meeting place.

Accordingly, on May 16, 1926, a note for \$500 was signed by Worshipful Master Mark Landrum, and the Secretary of the Lodge, Brother John J. Meyers, with the Grand Lodge.

The old Drytown Hall, in Drytown, was in such a dangerous state it was decided to salvage as much brick and lumber as possible for use in the renovation of the new property in Plymouth.

Untold hours of labor, furnished by members during their free hours from their individual jobs, went into the conversion of the church into the present Masonic Hall.

By July 4, 1928, all was completed even the erection of a wire fence around the property. After 61 years, Drytown Lodge has a good permanent home.

During the ensuing years Drytown Lodge has suffered financially due to the loss of membership. The mines in the Foothill mining area were closing and the remaining members struggled valiantly to keep their Lodge alive.

The note due Grand Lodge was still unpaid. On October 16, 1941, Grand Lodge returned the note marked “cancelled” with a covering letter stating in part: “In appreciation of the fine spirit which emanates from your old Lodge and evidence of esteem and affection for your membership...”

The latest major project was undertaken in 1961. At that time the lower floor banquet room area was enlarged to accommodate a then growing membership.

Thus over one hundred and fifty-one years have passed; years sustained by courage to face times of adversity with loyalty and brotherly love – a heritage present day members look to with pride.