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# THE TRESTLE BOARD

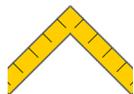
CONFIDENCE LODGE # 110 F. & A. M.  
 OF CALIFORNIA

MAY 2021

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Brethren, Family and Friends

welcome to May I hope spring is treating you well. The last Monday of May is Memorial Day, a day where we honor the men and women who died while serving in the U.S military this year it falls on Monday May 31<sup>st</sup>. Originally known as Decoration Day it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. Please take sometime to observe Memorial Day and think of those who payed the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms, thank a veteran and display your flags proudly!

On April 13<sup>th</sup>, the Grand Master Most Worshipful Arthur Weiss hosted a Town Hall virtual meeting to discuss plans for returning to in-person meetings, myself and many of the officers of Confidence Lodge attended along with approximately 2000 other attendees. Some of the guidelines for in-person Masonic-Sponsored Meetings and events during Covid-19 will be shared on page four. While we are all eager to get back to “normal” in-person events it’s going to take awhile. Our May stated meeting Monday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, will be a virtual event – social time at 7pm and meeting start 7:30PM, please join if available. Hopefully we have finally turned the corner on Covid-19.

Once we can meet in-person we have a number of EA, and FC masons patiently waiting to continue their masonic journey. We are also very fortunate to have a number of new approved applicants waiting to start their masonic journeys, thanks all for your patience. We are very fortunate to have so many young men interested in our fraternity, and becoming proud members of Confidence Lodge No. 110.

May is a special month for our brother Donald Chester Nohrden he is celebrating his 97<sup>th</sup> birthday on May 6<sup>th</sup> and his Diamond Jubilee – 75years of Masonic membership date is on May 20<sup>th</sup>. He was raised a master mason on May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1946. MW Arthur Weiss presented brother Donald with the Diamond Jubilee award officially on April 8<sup>th</sup> via virtual presentation and I presented the award in person to brother Donald at his residence on the Saturday prior. His residence is in the mountains outside of Corralitos, a beautiful secluded spot that he has lived in for 65years. I was happy that I could find their home “Nohrden’s Nest” without getting lost. I got to meet his wife Gloria a member of Wild Lilly OES, daughter Deanna, and granddaughter Grace along with a number of other family members in person. I heard about his years serving in the Navy during WWII and how his family are original pioneers in the area with deep roots in Santa Cruz County, we talked about his father Chester Nohrden who was a Past Master of Confidence Lodge (1947). I thanked the family for their hospitality and brother Nohrden for his service to our country and to our lodge. Some pictures of the event(s) further along in this trestle board.

Keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.

Fraternally,  
 Brian Calverley – Worshipful Master – 2021



*Happy May Birthdays!*

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|--------------------------|------|
| Francisco J. Beltran     | 5/3  |
| Johnie Thomas, Jr.       | 5/4  |
| Donald C. Nohrden        | 5/6  |
| Randal E. Mc Clellan, PM | 5/14 |
| Roger C. Allison         | 5/19 |
| John C. Fisher           | 5/22 |
| Wayne S. Salmon          | 5/24 |



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Dear Brethren,

It appears that we are finally rounding the corner on this pandemic, and will soon be meeting in person again. This is a good thing because our lodge has seen a tremendous amount of interest over the past year. Going back over the records, it appears that we are averaging one interested gentleman per month. What might account for this increased interest in Masonry and desire to seek membership at this time? Is it simply because we have the most well-established, inclusive society around? Or is it that during challenging times people desire to assist others, find meaning and purpose, and form strong bonds of friendship and support? Whatever the reason, it is stirring to see so many with an interest in Masonry these days, especially given that our fraternity offers all of these things and so much more.

Surely, the principles of Masonry have never been more relevant or needed, and we are certainly blessed to have the great responsibility of introducing the Craft to those deserving of that great honor. But no man can get there alone. It is time for all of us to dust off our ritual work and prepare to support the journeys of our new friends and latest brothers. In fact, I would encourage each of you to find ways to share your talents and wisdom to support the dreams and journeys of others even if unrelated to Masonry. If everyone put the focus of their attention on others rather than on themselves, society would greatly improve. Besides, in tending to the needs of others, our own needs often magically appear to be taken care of in the process!

*"No man, who continues to add something to the material, intellectual, and moral well-being of the place in which he lives, is left long without proper reward."* –Bro. Booker T. Washington

If there is anything you need, please just think to reach out. Your brothers are here to help in any way we can, but we can't help if we don't know when help is needed.

Looking forward to the next time we meet.

Fraternally,  
Zeke Floro

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Brethren, Family and Friends,

The month of May takes its name from Maia of Greek mythology. Maia was the oldest of seven sisters, daughters of the titan Atlas, known together as the Pleiades. These were the companions of Artemis the hunter, and were translated into the constellation of stars which today bears their name. Not a great deal was written about Maia. Much more however was written about her son with Zeus, the Greek god Hermes, who became an important figure in mythology. Hermes was called Mercury by the Romans and in Egypt was so closely associated with the Egyptian god Thoth that the two were worshiped as one god. Hermes, it was said, was responsible for the transmission of much secret knowledge to humans. These secrets have been alleged to be the source of all of mankind's ancient wisdom.

Whether or not any of this interests you, you can't totally escape the influence of Hermes and his legend. There exist still today, relics of these ideas that linger in modern society. One, the caduceus, a symbol with two snakes entwined around a winged staff, often carried by Hermes in artwork, has become an emblem for medical care in the United States. Another is the term "hermetically sealed." This term which you've likely heard, means to be sealed completely, and derives from a legend in which Hermes produces a glass tube sealed airtight. This he did, as the story goes, through the mysterious practice of alchemy, which is one of the secret "arts" Hermes is said to have shared with mankind. Many groups have claimed to inherit, in some part or other, these same secret teachings and there are at least a few within Masonry who feel our own fraternity is part of this mystical lineage. Many of the symbols of Masonry – the square and compass, the sun and moon – are also symbols of Hermeticism. This of course could be a coincidence though many are convinced it's not.

With all the popularity of her son Hermes, mythology was relatively quiet in remembering Maia. Posterity however seems maybe to have dealt her a more generous hand. Overlooked for years, the attention going instead to her son, what could be more motherly? Perhaps then, it is ultimately appropriate that she would end up linked as she is now, in this close way, as the very namesake for the month of May, waiting each year, along with all mothers, to be remembered on Mother's Day.

*Don't forget to call your moms!*

With warm fraternal wishes,  
Peter Cardilla  
Jr. Warden



*May 2021 Confidence Lodge #110  
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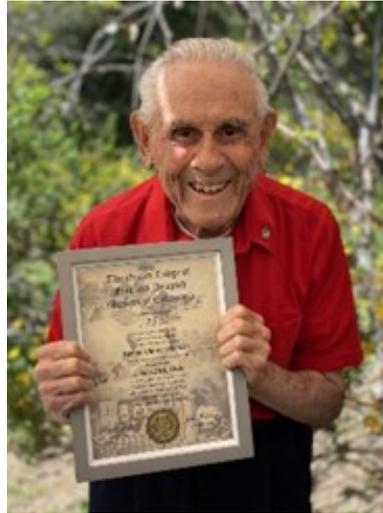
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<i>2</i>	<i>3</i> 7:30 PM Virtual Stated Meeting	<i>4</i>	<i>5 Cinco De Mayo</i> 	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>9 MothersDay</i> 	<i>10</i> 7:30 PM Virtual Hall Asso- ciation Meeting	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>
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<i>30</i>	<i>31</i> Memorial Day 					



*Congratulations - Brother Nohrden*  
*Diamond Jubilee Award - 75years of Masonic Service.*



*Brother Donald and Gloria.*



*Brother Donald and  
 Worshipful Calverley*



**Grand Master's Reopening Directive**

Permission to Hold In-Person Meetings and Events, Subject to Limitations

April 13, 2021

April 15 in counties assigned to the red, orange and yellow tiers, but not to the purple tier.

At a high level, the applicable limitations are:

1. Indoor private events and meetings are not permitted in counties assigned to the purple tier.
2. There must be a guest list and a seating chart for any meeting or event.
3. Attendees must show proof of full COVID-19 vaccination or proof of a negative COVID-19 test within the last 72 hours.
4. The facility must create and implement a COVID-19 site prevention plan.
5. Under the California mask mandate, attendees must wear a face mask unless they are specifically exempted under the mandate

*The directive and additional guidance can be found online at:*

<https://freemason.org/covid19>.