

# Forbestown Lodge No. 50 May 2014 Trestleboard



**My tired eyes have attempted to proof read all items, check dates and spelling, etc.... please forgive any mistakes!**

**Don't miss the "History Corner" at the end of the Trestleboard!**



*Getting to dive into history of the Butte/Yuba areas, I am sometimes made aware of the military service of some of the members of our Masonic family. I wish I knew more about who has served. Suffice it to say our members have served in all branches of the military. It is always a source of pride to see the accomplishments of our members... There are those who wanted to serve, but couldn't, who did find alternate ways to support our military. Then there are those of us who just want to show our support. Let's remember what Memorial Day's purpose is.....*

*AND..... shamelessly I ask you to please look under the event's list and if you or someone you know can help.... please see the Wreath event for May 17th (I know that is tomorrow or today depending on when you receive this short notice reminder) which event is also being repeated in June on the 14th..... **ANYONE** is welcome!*

*The information below is from the website :*

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/memorial-day>

*Memorial Day is observed on the last Monday of May. It was formerly known as Decoration Day and commemorates all men and women, who have died in military service for the United States. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials on Memorial Day and it is traditionally seen as the start of the summer season.*

*It is traditional to fly the flag of the United States at half mast from dawn until noon. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials, particularly to honor those who have died in military service. Many volunteers place an American flag on each grave in national cemeteries. Memorial Day is combined with Jefferson Davis' Birthday in Mississippi.*

*Memorial Day has become less of an occasion of remembrance. Many people choose to hold picnics, sports events and family gatherings on this weekend. This day is traditionally seen as the start of the summer season for cultural events.*



**The invitations to Forbestown's Grand Lodge visit have been sent out! There are still things to do and duties to assign... the time is approaching too fast!**

If you need more information or have questions on this upcoming event email [WM John Davis of Forbestown Lodge](mailto:WM John Davis of Forbestown Lodge)

happy birthday !!



Happy Birthday!

If you have a birthday in May, you share this special month with Harry S. Truman our 33rd President of the United States and a Past Grand Master 1940.

Happy Anniversary!!



### !EVENTS!



Wow! These guys are busy! **Saturday May 17th 9-10 a.m.**  
Redding may be a bit out of the way  
but that's where they will be if you can't get enough of them!  
Shriners Mini Cars  
Parade - Redding



#### **May 17th**

Paradise Order of the Eastern Star is presenting the New York Ritual at 1 p.m.  
Dinner is \$10 **RSVP by May 12th**

**The Wreath Project needs help! We are way behind due to the growing number of wreaths to place on our Veteran's graves.... pass the word... Do you know anyone who would love to contribute 2 hours on a scheduled Saturday? Event repeats June 14th at Oroville Lodge's basement from 1-3 p.m.**



#### **May 17th 1-3 p.m.**

Looking for a way to **honor our Veterans**? What you see at Christmas is beautiful - Wreaths decorating our Veterans graves at the "New" Oroville Cemetery. Getting them ready to place is the hard part and where a lot of help is needed as the wreath count now exceeds 3,600. Do you know someone who would like to honor the Veterans? Share this message with them. **Anyone can help!** 2 hours per month is all that is asked! We will be cleaning and fixing the wreaths, once again, on Saturday May 17th. Help is very much desired! The project takes place in the basement of the Oroville Masonic building. The door is located at

the base of the stairs at the back of the building where you park. Treat yourself to lunch at one of the local restaurants and then join us for a couple hours of dusty work....



**OFFICERS ASSOCIATION** - A message was sent stating that Oroville #103 will be hosting Officer's Association and doing the 2nd Section of the 3rd Degree.  
They will also be paying their debt to the organization by providing a dinner at 6 p.m. prior to the Association Meeting.



Butte Commandery #5  
**Wednesday May 21st** 7:30pm – 9:30pm  
Oroville Lodge  
Commandery Stated Meeting



Wednesday May 28th Chapter starts at 7:30  
Josephine Chico Chapter at Chico  
"In Memoriam"



**May 29th Official Visit** at Marysville  
Starts at 7:30  
All Chapters in the district are taking part or attending.  
You will need your dues card! Do not leave home without it!



**Sunday June 1st** Josephine Chico will be having their 125th Anniversary at 2 p.m. but you need to **RSVP by May 25th.**



Orland Laurel #245 Stated Meeting Tue, June 3, 7pm – 9pm  
Light refreshments follow

Oroville No. 103 - Stated Meeting Tue, June 3, 7pm – 8pm



Amapola Chapter - OES  
June 5th - Memorial - Chapter starts @ 7:30 p.m. Oroville Masonic Temple  
June 6th - Sew n Sews 9-12 final day!



**Saturday June 7th Forbestown Lodge No. 50 final Stated Meeting before Grand Lodge's visit!**

**Pot luck at 6:30.....**



Table Mountain #124 - Stated Meeting Monday, Jun 9, 2014  
Monthly Stated Meeting. Dinner @ 6pm, \$5 donation; Meeting @ 7pm.



Chico-Leland Stanford #111 Stated Meeting  
Tuesday June 10, 7:30pm – 9:30pm



Josephine Chico Chapter #104 - OES  
June 11th 7:30 p.m. Flag Day and Celebrate Fathers  
Chico



North Butte #230 - Stated Meeting  
Thursday June 12, 7pm – 8pm

**Amapola Chapter #35 annual BBQ will be coming up June 22nd!**



#### History Corner

A sneak peak! Have you ever seen something like this? This small section of an item from approximately the mid 1800's is in possession of the Yuba Feather Historical Association's Forbestown Museum. It is part the the Masonic display they have put together for this year. It is quite the item! It created a flurry of emails trying to figure out just what it represented. It was fun to be a part of the discussion which included the Henry Coil Museum! It's a fun find, beautiful and interesting!

This particular item is part of a collection of personal belongings of Horace T. Persons who affiliated with Forbestown Lodge in September of 1868. He was a doctor and had been a prisoner during the Civil War. The items were donated to the museum some years back and have been waiting for an opportunity to come out of hiding! Come up and see the display! Hopefully you will be able to attend on the 28th of June when we will have the honor of a visit from Most Worshipful John L. Cooper III of Grand Lodge.