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Wisteria at Pat McDonald's House



# The "PIP"

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Have you ever received e-mails telling you about a kidnapped child, escaped piranha's in a flooded mall, cats sucking the breath out of babies or anything along those lines? There is a wonderful website at [Urbanlegends.about.com](http://Urbanlegends.about.com) where you can type in the subject and find out if this is a legend or if it is true. I use the site all of the time and often advise my friends to go there BEFORE forwarding these types of messages.

I should have taken my own advice before printing, in last month's PIP, 5 Things You Didn't Know Your Cell Phone Could Do.

#1 – Dial 112 for Emergency Services. That will NOT work in North America.

#2 – Opening your car remotely with your cell phone. Cell phones and keyless entry systems work on entirely different radio frequencies and are incapable of opening a car door.

#3 – Press #3370 to access "reserve battery power." False

#4 – Press #06 to disable a stolen cell phone. False. Simply call your provider with the appropriate information.

#5 – Make 411 calls on your cell phone without charge. Basically true.

To learn more about this subject, go to the website above, type in "cell phone" and these five statements will be explained more thoroughly.

I apologize for any inconvenience publishing these cell phone tips may have caused

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As I wrote in last month's PIP, the donated funds to keep this newsletter going are slowly disappearing. This is the last free newsletter you will receive, unless you receive it by e-mail. If you like the newsletter and wish to receive it, the subscription rate is \$15 a year (July 2010 – June 2011) for a mailed copy and \$8.00 a year (July 2010 – June 2011) for a copy placed in your box or delivered by my trusty assistant, Florence.

I have over 160 addressees to whom I send this via e-mail. I'm in the process of collecting e-mail addresses for Masonic Lodges (statewide) and Eastern Star Chapters locally as well as in the San Joaquin Valley and will be e-mailing any issues that contain houses for sale. Perhaps this will help sell some of the homes here in the Park. Remember, a ¼ page ad is \$25.00 per issue, and a business card ad is \$5.00 per issue.

*Shirley Radder*

Monday May 31st

12 Noon

Dedication Ceremony for the new Powder Works Memorial in the PPMC Picnic Grounds  
Everyone Welcome!

This memorial monument will be dedicated to all the men and boys who lost their lives by explosion during the era of the Powder Works

*Please bring a flower to offer.*

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## Masonic Family Information



### Youth Groups

- DeMolay* – June 10 at 7:00 p.m.  
*Job's Daughters* – June 12 & 23 at 7:00 p.m.  
*Rainbow for Girls* - June 3 & 17 at 7:00 p.m.

### Paideia Lodge

7 June – 6 pm.

### Confidence Lodge

7 June – 7:30 Stated Meeting

### SCSLV Lodge

1 June – Stated Meeting Speaker: Sheriff Wowack  
 29 June – 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Michael Ray

### Eastern Star:

*SC Redwoods* 7:30 meetings  
 May 30 – Memorial Day BBQ, PPMC Picnic  
 Grounds at noon  
 June 14 – Brother's Night & Initiation  
 June 25 – Electa Circle (Shari Keller cooking)  
 June 28 – Summer Fun Officer's Party

### *Wild Lily* 7:30 meetings

May 19 – DGM OV & Memorial – wear white  
 June 16 – Brother's Night – wear white or black

Take Me Out To the Ballgame was the theme of Star Point night at Santa Cruz Redwoods Chapter #273 on Monday, April 26. All the star point officers wore Giants jerseys and Giants hats.

After the closing, the Worthy Matron (Ellen Olsen) and Worthy Patron (Perry Olsen) had to hit a ball (a big foam basketball) with a bat (one of those swimming "noodles") and run the bases. At each base Ellen had to correctly answer a baseball question and Perry had to correctly answer a question regarding sailing before they were allowed to advance.

Designated pitch hitters batted to get Ellen and Perry to home plate. The North held up a signs that spelled out E L L E N and the South had P E R R Y.. The West held up letters spelling "G O"

When the WM and WP cleared all of the bases, they were given a gift of embroidered chair savers. Refreshments were nut breads and fresh fruit.



Gayle Jones, Shirley Radder, Susie Zevanov, Holly Swanson and Emily James

## Grate News!

Last summer, Fred Maltern, a friend of Jim Clark (on Consistory), visited Paradise Park. While wandering around in the Picnic Grounds, he noticed the state of the grill tops and commented on them. Apparently they were a little warped and were in need of repair.

He suggested that the grill tops be refurbished and offered his company to do the work. The old top was made of angle iron and these two new ones are made of carbon steel with the square and compass laser cut twice on each top. Jim told me laser cutting costs about \$100 an hour and each top took 7 hours to cut.



(photo by Fred Dunn-Ruiz)

Can you guess what the cost was to our Park? Absolutely nothing! Fred donated the materials as well as the labor....and he is not a Mason. He just did it because he is good friend of Jim's.

Note: Please use charcoal fires (not wood fires).

## My Plea

By M.T.

Rancor, slander, vandalism, theft –  
What's happening to our Park?  
Lawsuits, surveillance cameras, breakins, threats,  
It all seems very dark.

Is this what Masonry is all about?  
This chaos where peace should reign  
Is this what we want our park to be?  
To think so seems insane.

Have respect for all members.  
Make peace with your brothers.  
Let's renew our Masonic vows.  
Our future depends on our treatment of others  
And how we are acting right now

## The Veteran

It is the **VETERAN**, not the preacher, who has given us freedom of religion.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the reporter, who has given us freedom of the press.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the campus organizer, who has given us freedom to assemble.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the lawyer, who has given us the right to a fair trial.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the politician, Who has given us the right to vote.

It is the **VETERAN** who salutes the Flag,  
It is the **VETERAN** who serves under the Flag,

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*Life is very short, and there's no time  
for fussing and fighting, my friend.*  
~from "We Can **Work** It Out" by Lennon/McCartney

I grew up with the Beatles. I watched and listened as their music evolved from simplistic love lyrics, through spiritual awakening, to humanitarian issues of global peace. When I first became interested in the subject of mediation, some of their lyrics seemed to epitomize this concept. Mediation sometimes takes more **work** than just being cold; or withholding; or exclusive; or mean; or condemning; or judgmental; or angry; or resentful; or violent. However, the **work** is well worth it because it maintains the integrity and humanity of everyone involved. The emphasis is on the **work**.

Here in PPMC, a dedicated group of individuals are committed to helping others **work** things out. That group is the Mediation Committee and we volunteer our time in the service of "Truth and Love, Unity and Peace" (to quote the OES Chaplin's prayer). As the first Chairperson of this fledgling group, I have been privileged to **work** with superlative volunteers and numerous residents and members of this unique community. It's heartening when individuals come together, take the time, and do the **work** required to listen and speak their truth in a spirit of brotherhood/sisterhood/neighborhood. And it is saddening when egoism/greed/selfishness seems to get in the way of the **work**. Again, popular culture serves to encapsulate the concept.

*Nation to  
the world  
together,  
problems  
then maybe  
we can **work**  
I asked my  
a favor, she  
What has  
the people?*



*nation all  
must come  
face the  
that we see  
somehow  
it out.  
neighbor for  
said "later".  
come of all  
Have we*

*lost love of what it's about?  
~ from "Jam" by Michael Jackson  
Let's **work** it out together for peaceful relations in  
PPMC.*

Tripura Anand [mc@paradiseparkmasonicclub.com](mailto:mc@paradiseparkmasonicclub.com)

## FLEA MARKET

July 30- Aug 1

Do you know what momentous occasion is happening in July...at the end of the month? Well, shut my mouth...the Flea Market is back, thanks to Char Reynolds...but she cannot do it alone. She needs help...hopes to have many, many volunteers.

Items for sale are also needed. Items in good condition, that is. Please no TVs, beds, computers or mattresses.

Friday night will be "preview evening"...but no purchases allowed. For a minimal fee (\$5.00) wine and heavy snacks will be served.

Don't forget the Boutique Room which traditionally holds items that are more valuable and more collectible. It would help if the donated item had a value of what was paid for it. It gives a starting base for pricing. Volunteer sign up sheets are in the foyer of the office building. We need any and all help....youth (10 and older), men, women,

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## Narrative Minutes of 15 May Board Meeting

(Shirley Radder's take only....read the official minutes in the Bulletin for the real scoop)

We are inside, the heat is turned on..and the Board (Bill, Bob, Karen & Acting Mgr Tim Heer) has arrived and there are no agendas. Natalie Heer graciously beat feet to the office and made several copies. .

Changes to the agenda were discussed and Bob asked that the staking at 644 St. Augustine be discussed at a later time.

Bob discussed a \$91 ballot box that was ordered by, I believe, the Manager for the Board to use in their closed sessions. He felt this was a frivolous expense. Karen was very upset and felt Bob brought this up at the last minute and the item should have been put into the packet Board members receive before attending the monthly meeting. She said she likes to take her time to review items and think about them for awhile to make an informed decision. The motion was made to send back the ballot box, but Karen voted against the motion. The motion passed.

The water will be turned off on Monday, May 17 from 10 to noon. The back flow valve needs repair.

The gate code will be changed on June 1. Call the office to find out the new code.

If you have not pumped your septic tank within the last 5 years, think seriously about doing it.

Highway 9 will be closed from June 9 - October 1. The closure will be below our exit road and all the way up to Felton. .

Tim announced that the new dog signs are working. People have reported a change in the amount of "bombs" around the Park. Unfortunately, some idiot (and I mean that...stealing is NOT the answer) took down all of the signs. Now new signs have to be made.

He also mentioned the Memorial Day Weekend Cleanup Campaign.

He said the Manager's goal is to have the staff up to date on our Bylaws.

The cutoff date for ballots is July 2 at 1 p.m. the annual meeting is July 3. Candidate's Night is May 29.

The restraining order has been lifted. The judge ordered the person who put out the order to pay attorney fees and the cost of hiring a temporary manager .

Dawn is now working only 3 days a week,

Monday, Wednesday and Friday with Natalie Heer working on Tuesday and Thursday.

Bob announced a turnaround in finances ...the deficit has been overcome...but it comes at a stiff price. A worker was eliminated, and there's been a cutback in office hours and the membership must expect a cut back in services from the staff. .

John Demsen passed out sheets of paper to the Board members, apologized for not having them in the board packets. I was surprised that Karen did not object to discussing this item (the discussion lasted over 1/2 hour) since she was so adamant about having time to think things over when Bob proposed his ballot box objection.

Recreation, Shirley Moore a craft fair and bazaar will be on July 3 from 11 - 4; the all-wheels parade will be on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Bylaws was another brouhaha because Bob felt a copy of the bylaws should be sent to each member. It was argued that members could get a copy by coming into the office and asking for one. Bob moved that a current copy of the bylaws be mailed to each member.....the motion was lost.

The Manager purchased a new round table for the conference room ..

The published changes to the bylaws and rules are wrong and need to be published two more times in the Bulletin. The published changes do not show where words have been changed or substituted.

There was another "lively" discussion regarding the use of the word "accredited" as in an "accredited" lodge or "accredited" Mason. Bob argued there was no such "accreditation" program in the Grand Lodge of California. Tim argued that it was written that way in the 30's. .

The Board voted to get the committee booklets out to everyone on a committee.

Bob brought up the subject that George mentioned at the board meeting in April regarding the anonymous packet of trash about Greg Laskey that was distributed. Bob said he saw no mention in the minutes that the Board was opposed to such a cowardly act. I believe I heard Bill Uber say that it wasn't a "letter" but legal documents...as if THAT makes it OK. Anyway, the Board moved to state in the minutes that they did not condone such disgusting and cowardly act Motion carried. Meeting adjourned around 1 p.m.

**George Washington Masonic Memorial,  
Alexandria, Virginia** By: Bob Morgan



During the first week in May Carol and I had the privilege and pleasure of escorting 206 Masons, their ladies and friends, through the U.S. Capitol, Arlington Cemetery, White House Visitors Center, Mount Vernon, Collingwood Museum, and such important Masonic sites as the House of the Temple and the George Washington Masonic Memorial. The occasion was Grand Master Ken Nagel's tour, the arrangements for which were made by me and by the associates of my firm, Star and Compass Travel.

One of the highlights of that tour was a daylong visit to the George Washington Masonic Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia. Grand Master Ken, together with several of his grand officers, opened and closed California Grand Lodge, after which the officers of Liberty Lodge #299 of Santa Clara performed a Third Degree for one of their candidates. Tours were conducted through the memorial building enabling everyone to view the exhibits and displays of Masonic memorabilia collected from various concordant bodies of Freemasonry throughout the world.


Another highlight of the tour was the ceremonial dedication of a tree to be planted in the new California Grove on the grounds surrounding the Memorial building. This project of Kathy Nagel, wife of Grand Master Ken, has already raised sufficient funds to plant 35 trees in that grove.

Some of the unique display items at the Memorial building include the Washington family bible, the Masonic apron worn by George Washington when he laid the cornerstone of the U.S. Capitol, together with the silver trowel used on that occasion. Also on display is his bedchamber clock that was stopped by his doctor at the exact moment of his death.

Topping off the tour of the Memorial was a nighttime ride up the elevator to the balcony at the top of the 333 foot building where we could see the lights of our Nation's Capital across the Potomac River.

The tower shaped building is fashioned after the Lighthouse of Alexandria in Egypt, in part because of the common names of both cities, but also because of Masonic interest in great buildings of the ancient world. This memorial building is the only Masonic building supported and maintained by all of the Grand Lodges of the United States; which is in great contrast to the otherwise total independence of each Masonic jurisdiction.

For those individuals who might like to tour this famous Masonic structure, they'll find it open seven days a week, reservations are not required and there is no charge for admission. Access is freely available to the lodge rooms, theater, gift shop, and the several floors of museum displays.



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## Famous Masons

William Claude Dukenfield was born on January 29th, 1880 in Darby, Pennsylvania. By age 15, he had begun performing a juggling act at church and theater shows, and entered vaudeville as a "tramp juggler" using the name W. C. Fields. He soon was traveling as the 'The Eccentric Juggler', and included amusing asides and increasing amounts of comedy into his act, becoming a headliner in North America and Europe. In 1906 he made his Broadway debut in a musical comedy, *The Ham Tree*.

Fields starred on Broadway in Florian Ziegfeld's *Ziegfeld Follies* revues. There he delighted audiences with a wild pool skit, complete with bizarrely shaped cues and a custom-built table used for a number of hilarious gags and surprising trick shots. His pool game is also reproduced, at least in part, in some of his films, notably in *Six of a Kind* (1934).

He starred in multiple editions of the *Follies* and in the Broadway musical comedy *Poppy*, where he perfected his persona as a colorful small-time confidence man.

Fields' screen character was often fond of alcohol and this trait has become part of the Fields legend. In his younger days as a juggler, Fields himself never drank, because he didn't want to impair his functions while performing. The loneliness of his constant touring and traveling, however, compelled Fields to keep liquor on hand for fellow performers, so he could invite them to his dressing room for companionship and cocktails. Only then did Fields cultivate a fondness for alcohol.

A notable quote regarding alcohol is attributed to Fields: "I can't stand water because of the things fish do in it". Fields expressed his feelings to Gloria Jean (playing his niece) in *Never Give a Sucker an Even Break*: "I was in love with a beautiful blonde once, Dear. She drove me to drink. That's the one thing I am indebted to her for."

On movie sets, Fields kept handy a vacuum flask of mixed martinis, which he

referred to as his "pineapple juice". One day a prankster switched the contents of the flask, filling it with actual pineapple juice. Upon discovering the prank, Fields was heard to yell, "Who put pineapple juice in my pineapple juice?!"

W.C. Fields was a member of Mitchell Lodge No. 605 in Pennsylvania

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One man gets nothing but discords from the keys of a piano; another gets harmony. No one claims the piano is at fault. Life is that same way. The discord is there; so is the harmony. Play it correctly and it gives forth the beauty; play it falsely and it will utter ugliness. But life is not at fault. The trouble lies in the player.

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The High Priest of a Royal Arch Chapter who had been called for jury service asked to be excused.

"On what grounds?" asked the judge.

"My Royal Arch Chapter is host for the statewide York Rite Festival, and as High Priest, I should be there."

"So, you are one of those men who think you are indispensable, you think your organization can't function without you. Is that it?"

"No sir; far from that. I know very well they can, but I don't want them to find out."

"Excused," said the judge.

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## Calendar of Events

### JUNE

June 1 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall
June 2 – Men’s Club	Noon	Small Social Hall
June 4 – Quilts of Valor	2- 4	Sue Lovelace, 501 Amaranth
June 7 – Knittin’ Kittens	11:30 – 4	Small Social Hall
June 8 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall
June 12 – Stitch ‘n Rip	10 – 12	Jean Cook...698 St. John
June 12 – Fire Brigade Training	10 a.m.	Firehouse
June 15 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall
June 16 – Bingo	6:30 – 8	Social Hall
June 18 – Quilts of Valor	2 - 4	Sue Lovelace, 501 Amaranth
June 22 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall
June 26 – Grand Master’s Visit	11 – 2:30	Picnic Grounds
June 29 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall

### JULY

July 2 – Quilts of Valor	2 - 4	Sue Lovelace, 501 Amaranth
July 3 – Annual Meeting	7 p.m.	Social Hall
July 4 – All Wheel’s Parade		
July 5 – Knittin’ Kittens	11:30 – 4	Small Social Hall
July 6 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall
July 10 – Fire Brigade Training	10 a.m.	Firehouse
July 13 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall
July 16 – Quilts of Valor	2 - 4	Sue Lovelace, 501 Amaranth
July 20 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall
July 21 – Bingo	6:30 – 8	Social Hall
July 27 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall



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you would like to promote.

Are you a Plumber, Electrician, Contractor, Wine Maker, Salesman,  
Landscaper, or have a talent for something and would like to gain  
recognition, advertise your business, or make a few dollars?

For a donation of **\$25.00** you can have a table reserved to sell or show  
your craft.

(This is NOT the Flea Market)  
Please contact Cheryl Dangreau at 423-5766  
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**PPMC GOLF TOURNAMENT:**

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following information: the names of participants, your preference for golf  
9:00-11:00 with party at noon or golf from 2:00-4:00 with party at 5:00. The  
date is Friday, August 20, 2010 at Valley Gardens in Scotts Valley