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### **Wheatley Boys Score Big Catch on Craw "DAD" Day in Paradise**

Close family friends of Sharon Simas's, who have been visiting the park for almost forty years, Greg Wheatley and sons Weston (age 10) and Brooks ( age 4 1/2 ), captured "23" Crawdads at the Rocky Beach ( San Lorenzo River )...on Father's Day! They were elated to inspect and observe them for a little while....and then they released them back into the river.



# The "PIP"

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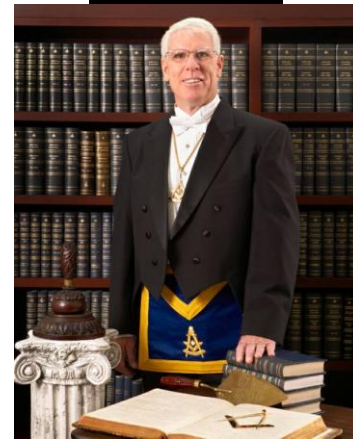


As I was bemoaning the fact that putting together this newsletter is a lot of work, (how can I do it by myself?....where am I going to get ideas for articles? how can I fill 10 pages this month?) I received articles from Bob Morgan and Tripura Anand which I hope you will find interesting. I have my regular pages with Masonic Family Info, Houses for Sale, the Calendar....etc....but I need "fillers" for the rest. I search the web, always looking for something of significance to print. The point I'm trying to make is that if you would like to submit an article for consideration, or even if you have a germ of an idea, please let me know as I can use all of the help I can get.

It took me several evenings to do it, but I finally input the e-mail addresses of the secretaries of Masonic Lodges in California. The June issue of the PIP was e-mailed to all of them with the request that the "houses for sale" page be read in their lodge and also posted on their lodge bulletin board. Hopefully that will generate some interest in Paradise Park and perhaps this will stimulate sales. I'll continue to send out the PIP to these Lodges just as long as I have listings for houses for sale  
*Shirley Radder*

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## Annual Visit of the Grand Master of Masons to Paradise Park



The Grand Master of Masons in California, Most Worshipful Ken Nagel, will be visiting Paradise Park on June 26th. The occasion will be a barbeque and reception at our picnic grounds. In addition to the Grand Master being present, many of our Grand Lodge officers traditionally join him for this time-honored social event.

Social time begins at 11:00 AM, lunch will be served at 12:30 PM, and the program will follow at 1:30PM. A historical walking tour of the old California Powder Works will be conducted at 11:00 AM by Park Historian Barry Brown. The cost of the event is \$10.00 per person and includes a meal of BBQ chicken or beef, beans and salad, dessert and beverage. RSVP's are not required.

This annual event is sponsored by the Men's Club of Paradise Park, and their event chairman this year is Bill Lind, assisted by Doug Hipsley. Any questions should be directed to Bill at 831-429-6735

All Masons of District #349, together with their families, are encouraged to attend, and all members of PPMC and their families are most certainly welcome.

Bob Morgan



# Masonic Family Information



## Youth Groups

- DeMolay* – July 8 & 22 at 7:00 p.m.  
*Job's Daughters* – July 10 & 28 at 7:00 p.m.  
*Rainbow for Girls* - July 1 & 15 at 7:00 p.m.

## Paideia Lodge

July 5 & 19 – 6 pm.

## Confidence Lodge

July 5 – 7:30 Stated Meeting

## SCSLV Lodge

- July 6 – Stated Meeting Guest Speaker  
 July 17 – Neil Splain Hiram Award  
 July 20 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Michael Boyd  
 July 27 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Donald Darst

## Eastern Star:

*SC Redwoods* 7:30 meetings

- June 28 – Officer's Party  
 July 12 – Rock & Roll Night  
 6:30 dinner  
 July 23 – Electa Circle - noon  
 July 26 – Dark

*Wild Lily* 7:30 meetings

- July 21 – Hobby Night (bring hobby...as well as hubby!) dress is red, white and blue

After several days of really depressing weather, Sunday was a beautiful one for the annual Memorial Day Picnic and Barbecue put on by Santa Cruz Redwoods Chapter #273. This year the barbecue/picnic was held at Paradise Park Picnic Grounds instead of in the Masonic Temple on Branciforte. What a pristine setting!

Chefs Linden Swanson, Ted Keller and Mark Zevanov outdid themselves with the tri tip (chicken was also served). Sondra provided the delicious strawberry/caramelized pecans/and lettuce salad, excellent beans, garlic bread and strawberry shortcake for dessert. It was a terrific meal for only \$10. Don Moore was really pleased with the microphone set up and was very appreciative of the help from Todd Hoffman.

The silent auction was composed of three picnic tables laden with unusual and delightful items. One of the items for sale was a dinner provided by Darlene Stumpf which offered four courses, and you could choose your entree. Another item was a discount coupon at Kookie's Kutter's (a hair salon in Scott's Valley), several brand new books and many hand made items.

Ellen Olsen, Worthy Matron, reported that \$440 was made on the silent auction and meal ticket sales were over \$1600! That, however, does not include expenses.....All in all, it was a very lucrative and productive day. A huge round of applause goes to Ellen Olsen who chaired this mighty event.



Tim & Natalie Heer, Bob Biendle, Carol Morgan

## Narrative Minutes of 19 June Board Meeting

The meeting opened with a moment of silence in honor of our Dumpster Diva, Myra Sandretti who passed away on June 6.

Cyndy started off her report with a very poignant tribute about Myra which included all of her recycling efforts for the Park. She continued her report with:

--box elders removed on Eastern Star

--people ignoring the Cal Trans signs on Highway 9.

--10 clickers for the back gate were ordered. Seven sold already (\$25.00 each)

--24-hour gate check sometime this summer

--\$4500 to paint the back of the Social Hall...windows not included.

--471-1121 which is the non-emergency Sheriff's Dept phone number. Don't be afraid to use the number as we would like to encourage the Sheriff's Dept to patrol our area. Do not leave your vehicles unlocked as several people have had items stolen.

--Thanked Ray Hoffman for filling up 35 cans of green waste.

--Annual meeting on 3 July at 7:30 p.m.

Bob Morgan started off the Treasurer's Report by stating he was very glad to see Myron in attendance. That earned Myron a round of applause.

--The water bill for last year for last month was \$7600 and this year it is at \$6000. However, the new water bill is \$1000 more than last year. He then talked about the infamous water project and how difficult it is for Pat McDonald to try to find out where the monies were spent. He said the costs should have been separately categorized and that did not happen.

His report was long and very informative.

--Our auditors have not been responsive to our needs and a new firm should be contacted.

--The Park is not being as firm in collecting fees as we should be.

--The Park also has a flawed computer back up system and we should switch to an online system.

When Bob was finished with his report, Cyndy took a long time to compliment Bob on the work, time and effort he has devoted to our Park. Mark Zevanov suggested that Bob keep a close working relationship, and eye, on the water fiscal project.

Well, now we come to the tree report and the tree on both the Cannon and Keller allotments. It was the recommendation of the tree committee to have the tree removed. Bob and Gayle strongly felt that if it could be established that a danger exists, it is the duty of the board to protect the members and the park from a liability. (This decision was based on information received from arborists, and from our Park Attorney and the fact that the Park would be liable if any harm came to the Kellers). They both voted to have the tree removed. Karen and Bill voted not to have the tree removed.

Prior to the vote, Sam Cannon spoke about how he had been in the Park since 1952 and that this tree shaded his patio area and home and I let out a large snort of a sorts. There is no way in Hades that tree shades his home. His house is SOUTH of the tree.

Tonight will be the 1<sup>st</sup> potluck weenie roast. All Wheels Parade will take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July at 3 p.m. The next meeting of the Recreation Committee will be 27 June at 10 a.m.

John Mancini suggested that the water project accounting be a priority. He stated that people are getting anxious about this report and feel a lot of money was wasted. Karen didn't agree as she felt there was no money wasted.

River and streambed....log jams on the river....army corps of engineers will intercede if there is an environmental impact. We need to actively pursue getting log jams cleared up. We can expect nothing from the county's help on this issue. This is a good item for the proposed political action committee

During the Open Forum, the question was posed as to how much would it cost to put together a program to have two gates that raise and lower at the front and exit gates, with a call phone to the office...what would that cost to do? Ted Keller volunteered to look into this. Someone else suggested an "arm" type of regulator for the bridge as many people do NOT see the 2 car limit signs

*Remember, these are my comments only. I may or may not have reported everything correctly. Be sure to read the Bulletin to see the recorded minutes of this meeting.*



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Wilma Vinson



## Do you remember Kilroy?

In 1946 the American Transit Association, through its radio program, "Speak to America," sponsored a nation-wide contest to find the REAL Kilroy, offering a prize of a trolley car to the person who could prove himself to be the genuine article.

Almost 40 men stepped forward to make that claim, but only James Kilroy from Halifax, Massachusetts, had evidence of his identity.

Kilroy was a 46-year old shipyard worker during the war, who worked as a checker at the Fore River Shipyard in Quincy. His job was to go around and check on the number of rivets completed. Riveters were on piecework and were paid by the rivet. Kilroy would count a block of rivets and put a check mark in semi-waxed lumber chalk, so the rivets wouldn't be counted twice. When Kilroy went off duty, the riveters would erase the mark. Later on, an off-shift inspector would come through and count the rivets a second time, resulting in double pay for the riveters.

One day Kilroy's boss called him into his office. The foreman was upset about all the wages being paid to riveters, and asked him to investigate. It was then he realized what had been going on.

The tight spaces he had to crawl in to check the rivets didn't lend themselves to lugging around a paint can and brush, so Kilroy decided to stick with the waxy chalk. He continued to put his checkmark on each job he inspected, but added KILROY WAS HERE in king-sized letters next to the check, and eventually added the sketch of the chap with the long nose peering over the fence and that became part of the Kilroy message. Once he did that, the riveters stopped trying to wipe away his marks.

Ordinarily the rivets and chalk marks would have been covered up with paint. With war on, however, ships were leaving the Quincy Yard so fast that there wasn't time to paint them. As a result, Kilroy's inspection "trademark" was seen by thousands of servicemen who boarded the troopships the yard produced.

His message apparently rang a bell with the servicemen, because they picked it up and spread it all over Europe and the South Pacific. Before war's end, "Kilroy" had been here, there, and everywhere on the long hauls to Berlin and Tokyo. To the troops outbound in those ships, however, he was a complete mystery; all they knew for sure was that some jerk named Kilroy had "been there first." As a joke, U.S. servicemen began placing the graffiti wherever they landed, claiming it was already there when they arrived.

Kilroy became the U.S. super-GI who had always "already been" wherever GIs went. It became a challenge to place the logo in the most unlikely places imaginable (it is said to be atop Mt. Everest, the Statue of Liberty, the underside of l'Arc De Triomphe, and even scrawled in the dust on the moon).

In 1945, an outhouse was built for the exclusive use of Roosevelt, Stalin, and Churchill at the Potsdam conference. Its first occupant was Stalin, who emerged and asked his aide (in Russian), "Who is Kilroy?"

To help prove his authenticity in 1946, James Kilroy brought along officials from the shipyard and some of the riveters. He won the trolley car, which he gave to his nine children as a Christmas gift and set it up as a playhouse in the Kilroy front yard in Halifax, Massachusetts..

So, now you know!

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## Calendar of Events

### JULY

July 2 – <b>NO</b> Quilts of Valor in July	2 - 4	Sue Lovelace, 501 Amaranth
July 3 – Crafts Faire & Bazaar		Social Hall
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 7 – Men's Club		Small Social Hall
July 10 – Fire Brigade Training	10 a.m.	Firehouse
July 13 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall
July 16 – <b>NO</b> Quilts of Valor in July	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
July 29 – Preview Night	7 - 9	Social Hall
July 30- Aug 1 Flea Market	9 – 3	Social Hall

### AUGUST

Aug 2 – Knittin' Kittens	11:30 – 4	Small Social Hall
Aug 3 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall
Aug 4 – Men's Club		Small Social Hall
Aug 6 – Quilts of Valor	2 – 4	Sue Lovelace, 501 Amaranth
Aug 10 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall
Aug 14 – Fire Brigade Training	10 a.m.	Firehouse
Aug 17 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall
Aug 18 – Bingo	6:30 – 8	Social Hall
Aug 20 – Quilts of Valor	2 – 4	Sue Lovelace, 501 Amaranth
Aug 20 – Golf Tournament	9 – 11	Valley Gardens, Scott's Valley
Aug 24 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall
Aug 31 – Tuesday Coffee	9 – 11	Small Social Hall



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## MAKING OF A MONUMENT

Barry Brown, our resident historian, gave a comprehensive slide show on the California Powder Works a few years back in the Social Hall. During his talk, I learned about the numerous explosions and deaths due to explosions that shattered this place prior to the existence of Paradise Park Masonic Club.

It is my understanding that explosion can negatively disrupt the energy pattern of a place for many years, and is one of the most energetically disturbing ways that a person can possibly die. I also heard that Paradise Park may have inherited some of this disruptive energy, and possibly even some disembodied, restless souls.

As an artist it has been my experience that when creative ideas arise in the mind, and especially if that idea persists, it will eventually prompt me into action. **The idea:** acknowledge those lost to explosions. **The action:** erect a monument to memorialize all those killed by explosion. **The goal:** assuage any inherited disruption and invoke peace.



As the shape and form of the monument became clearer (etched-metal plaque set into a concrete base inside an abandoned river-rock pedestal in the picnic grounds) one element was missing --- Powder Works era artifacts. Judy Wahl, whose house is situated on the old Powder Works Village dump, donated a number of glass, ceramic, metal and pottery objects.

Judy's artifacts were wired to the inside surfaces of two cardboard forms. 180 lbs of cement mixed and poured into the forms, embedding the artifacts. The monument was cast in three sections: 1) cement landing pad in existing pedestal 2) top section containing the etched plaque 3) central section joining top and bottom

The making of this monument from beginning to end took a couple of years. A little bit here, and then slowly a little bit there. And then one fine morning in May, I awoke to the realization that the monument must be completed and dedicated by this Memorial Day. Suddenly, with a self-imposed deadline, everything started to come together very quickly.



Many picnic-ground dwellers agreed to contribute to the dedication ceremony on Memorial Day. Ken Ernest (plantings); Gayle Logan-Silva; Marty and Debbie Miller; Corey Keller and I all helped to set the scene. Our resident historian, Barry Brown and our resident minstrel, Jay De Vore honored us on the day with their unique talents.

Memorial Day took on an additional overlay of solemnity and dedication as approximately 50 people converged on site to help dedicate the memorial. Marty and Debbie undraped the monument and focused our attention as they folded the American flag. Gayle read the opening poem specifically dedicated to the Powder Workers:



Then Gayle's beautiful granddaughters, Madisyn and Lani, offered flowers while Barry Brown read the known names of those who lost their lives, sometimes adding their ages which ranged from 16 - 64:

As those gathered placed their additional flower offerings upon the monument, I read the prayer, "May there be Peace". Many voices raised up as one singing the closing song, "I'll Fly Away" written by Albert E. Brumley in 1932 and led by Jay. People mingled for almost another hour looking at the Powder Works display and enjoying the beauty of the picnic grounds and community. There was happiness in the air as people slowly dispersed.

Once the picnic grounds was the scene of terrible explosion and tragic deaths. Now it is our playground. This new monument marks that transition and memorializes those who worked and died at the Powder Works in Santa Cruz. May they all (including all those not-named who died far away from their birth places) rest in everlasting Peace.

#### The Poem

*I read these words of honor, for those who gave their lives;*

*And for their families, ancestors, descendants, and their wives.*

*For those whose lives were daily spent, doing what they must;*

*Working hard for an honest living, just like some of us.*

*Their time cut short, by explosions that didn't have to be;*

*They gave their lives for a better place, for people like you and me.*

*We must make sure their stories will never go untold;*

*To always keep their memories from ever growing cold.*

*We must remember the horrible price they all were made to pay;*

*When we honor Powder Works men and boys on this Memorial Day.*

#### A visit with Virgil Land



When: Monday, July 12, 2010  
Reason: His 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
Where: Masonic Home Union City  
Depart: 12:00 Noon from Park Office  
Return: Back in PPMC by 8:30pm  
RSVP: Not later than July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to Mike Sawley at 427-2237  
**COST: Only \$2.00 for dinner!**

#### Introduction:

I will drive to the Masonic Home in Union City to visit with Virgil Land for his 95<sup>th</sup> birthday. I can carry 7 plus the driver (me). If more people want to visit, we will find another driver and car.

#### The Details:

Meet at the PPMC office at 11:45am and depart at 12:00 noon. Arrive at the Home at 1:15pm. Sit in Siminoff Daylight Lodge 850 with Virgil located within the home starting at 1:30pm. I'm sure that Virgil or Irwin or Doc can vouch for most of the brothers.

Entertainment will be organized for the ladies during the time the lodge works. Stated meeting dinner is offered later in the afternoon. Doors open at 4:30pm for social. The dinner is cafeteria style and raffles are generally held after eating. We should finish about 7:00pm which would put us back in PPMC by 8:30pm.

#### Please RSVP

Please RSVP not later than July 1<sup>st</sup> if you will attend. We want to advise the home how many dinners to prepare and have enough dinner seating. We also want to have appropriate entertainment for the ladies arranged. You can contact me at [ms1@cruzio.com](mailto:ms1@cruzio.com) or PPMC Box 577

## Masons Visit World War II Memorial

Last month Carol and I, together with members of my travel firm, escorted 206 Masons and their wives on the Grand Master's Tour of Washington DC. In addition to those sites that have purely Masonic significance, such as the George Washington Masonic Memorial and the House of the Temple, we also visited national historic sites such as the WWII Memorial.



The WWII Memorial is located on the Capital Mall midway between the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument. The memorial was dedicated by President George W. Bush at a Memorial Day celebration in May of 2004.

This very beautiful and touching memorial consisting of 56 pillars and two beautiful arches surrounding a plaza and fountain was completed in 2004, about 60 years following the end of the conflict. It is dedicated to the 16,000,000 men and women who contributed their efforts, and their lives, to protect our way of life. Bringing that conflict to an end was accomplished at the horrendous expense of 400,000 lives.

One of the most touching aspects of our visit to the memorial was hearing and seeing the emotions that were evoked among members of our group. Particularly touching were the stories that were passed back and forth about the Masonic connection with the war effort which found Masons going out of their way to help other Masons, military Masonic Lodges and Clubs being formed during that time, and the surge in Lodge membership following the end of the conflict,

Current estimates show that more than 4.4 million people visit the memorial each year. If anyone reading this article ever has occasion to be in or near Washington, a visit to this site is highly recommended.

Bob Morgan

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Aerial view of the National World War II Memorial

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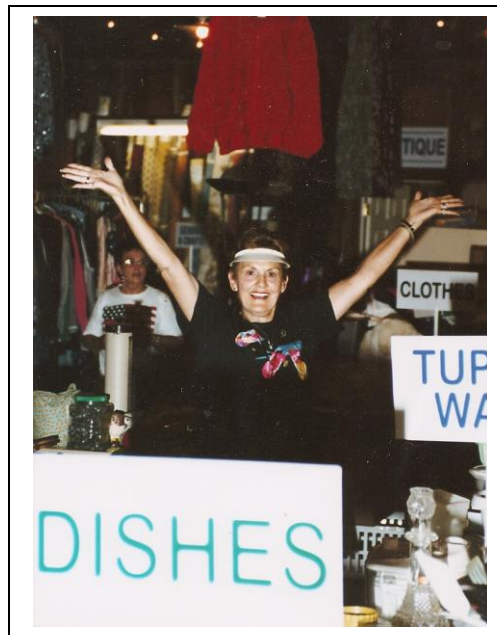
# PPMC FLEA MARKET

## **Volunteers needed:**

Men needed outside and on the porch to help sell larger items like furniture and bikes, to put sold signs on items and collect money

Youth needed (10 years old and above) on Monday and Tuesday (July 27 & 28) to place items on the tables.

Women needed to help on sale days and on sorting through the treasures on Monday through Thursday, July 26 – July 29



Now here comes the “biggie”....Tuesday, August 2 from 9 a.m. to noon to pack up all the leftovers for a charity to pick and haul away.

Remember to keep donating....large items the week of the sale, label linens as to size, and donate clean items, only, please.

Sign ups sheets are in the foyer of the Office Building. Please volunteer and help us to make this an outstanding fund-raising event.