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Photos by Myron Coleman



Former location of playground slide....was very close to the food serving line...



New location of slide....in the playground area...



The “PIP”



Parque Independent Press

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In the April issue of the PIP, I wrote about my friends, Terry and Marilyn Scharon who dated while in high school, parted ways, and met 50 years later and married. Their honeymoon was spent in Paris.

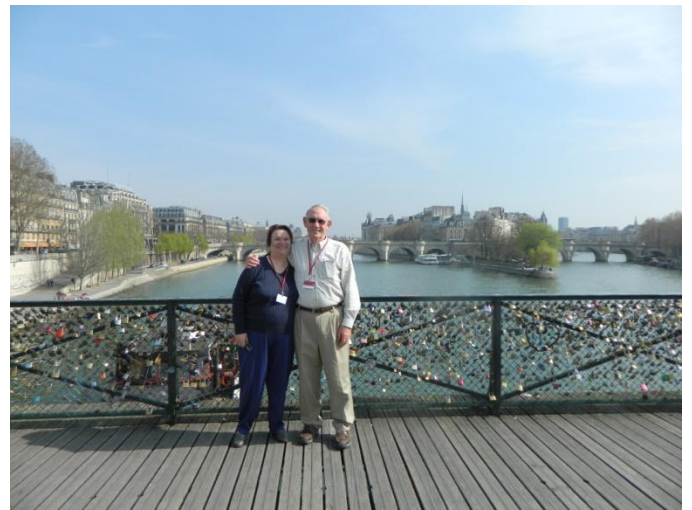
One spot of special interest, in Paris, was “lover’s bridge” where they attached their lock which was engraved with their initials. The following article was obtained on the internet:

Around the world, there are several bridges where lovers, friends or families hook little locks on bridges to symbolize their eternal love. In Paris, this bridge is right behind Notre Dame Cathedral, on Pont de l’Archevêché.

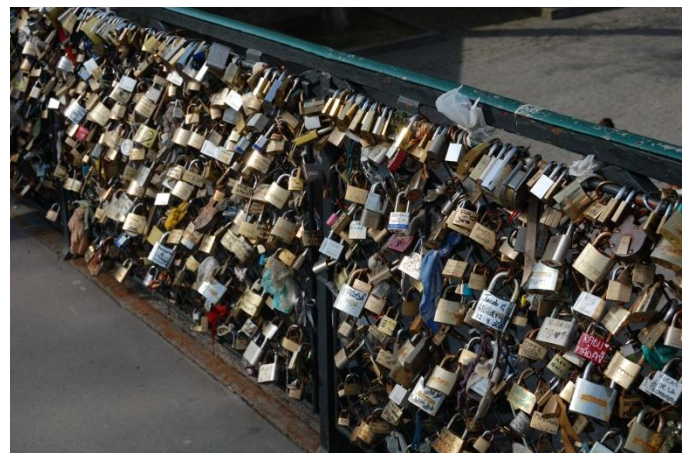
Lovers write their names on the locks, hook to the bridge, and throw the key in the Seine. There are currently over 2,000 locks on the Pont de l’Archevêché.

The origin of this tradition is a bit foggy. For some, it comes from an Italian novel, whose main characters hook a lock with their names on it to a street light on the Bridge Milvio, near Rome. Others believe this is a much older tradition which started in Moscow. The tradition is world-famous and each country is trying to tie its origins to its own history.

This tradition is becoming more and more popular, and the very famous and romantic Pont des Arts is starting to be covered in locks as well. But not for long... it seems like the City of Paris is concerned with the protection of their heritage and wants to remove all those locks. However, they promise they will find a replacement, possibly metallic trees, like in Russia, where lovers will be able to lock away.



Marilyn & Terry Scharon



Locks on Lover’s Bridge in Paris

A Cloud over Paradise

Shirley Radder

On April 18, I sent a letter to the Board regarding threatening, anonymous phone calls placed to Tripura Anand and Wilma Vinson. I asked the Board to TAKE A STAND and CONDEMN this egregious behavior.

The gist of the calls warned each lady to "be careful," "watcher their "a**" and Wilma was told to NOT run for the Board of Directors and also that she was not welcome to attend Confidence Lodge #110. Her husband was a past master and Wilma has been regularly attending the stated meeting dinners every month. The following is what was published in the May 7a Town Crier:

Sadly, Those were not idle threats!!!!

Wilma Vinson received an anonymous phone call warning her to stay away from Confidence Lodge and to not run for a position on the Board of Directors. Sadly, they were not idle threats as tonight she was attending the stated meeting dinner at Confidence Lodge when **the windows of her car were smashed.**

Another outstanding cowardly act! Does it disgust you as much as me to see a widow of a Master Mason having to go through this hell!!! When will it end?

I was very disappointed with the latest issue of the Bulletin in which there was no mention of the incidents and therefore no mention of the Board condemning this type of behavior.

The police are involved in the matter and we hope the perpetrator will soon be caught. Thankfully, Wilma has no respect for cowards and these violent and cowardly acts have made her more determined to win a seat on the Board



Comments:

Hi,

I'll attempt to keep this brief.

I can only speak for myself but I'm sure you're feeling as upset and sickened as I am to hear about what happened to Wilma Vinson.

I can imagine Wilma, or any of us for that matter would have had a hard time believing that a threatening phone call would result in violence, especially in a Masonic community. But it did and it's not the first time, other people have been attacked in recent days, and for years.

Upon hearing this latest news, the first thing I thought was, WOW!, REALLY!!!!????!!!! Someone followed through on a threat to do harm to a woman by bashing her car window at a Masonic Lodge!!!!????!!!!

Clearly things have gotten out of hand and the line has been crossed. I don't care who you are or how you identify yourself, we must do everything we can as a community to stand up against violence and oppressive of any sort.

And you don't want to mess with Wilma!

Cyndy Crogan

Hi Cyndy and all~

You are absolutely right! Wilma is a tough lady, but no one should have to go through this.

As I laid awake the last couple of nights thinking about this and how it affects us all, I can only think about what's next and are those who were called to testify at Billy's trial the result of this? I believe that is the case.

Greg has been out on patrols at night, cruising the Park with Gus and making extra trips by Wilma's and Tri's.

How can this terrorism be stopped?? I am sure George, Bob, local police and others are investigating this whole ugly situation. Now that a threat has been made and followed through with, perhaps the local FBI office should be notified?

Sickened and very concerned about everyone's safety.

Becky Laskey

Becky, The Sheriff has pin pointed the location and they have done some very good investigating. If I can share anything that will not jeopardize their investigations, I'll update you. Thanks,

George Turegano.

Masonic Family Information



Youth Groups

DeMolay –	Jun 14 & 28	7 pm
Job's Daughters –	Jun 9 & 27	7 pm
Rainbow for Girls	Jun 7 & 21	7 pm

Masonic Lodges

Confidence	Jun 4	7:30 pm
Paideia	Jun 18	6 pm.
SCSLV dinner	Jun 5	6:30 pm

Eastern Star

SC Redwoods 7:30 meetings

Jun 11	Honor fathers 6:30 dinner
Jun 22	Electa Circle
Jun 25	Honor Youth (anteroom mtg)
Jun 29	WGM/WGP OV Salinas 7:30

Wild Lily 7:30 meetings

Jun 20 –	Friendship (Hawaiian)
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Robert A. "Bob" Morgan
 Inspector, Division III, District 349
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May 10, 2012

TO: All officers of Masonic Lodges in District #349, and, to all members of Paradise Park who attend Men's Club functions

COPY TO: Board of Directors of PPMC

COPY TO: Grand Lodge

Brothers:

I received a letter from Grand Master Frank Loui, instructing me to cancel his planned visit to Paradise Park Masonic Club. As a result, the event that was scheduled for June 23rd will not take place.

This message is being sent to you either because you are an officer of a Lodge in this

District and had been encouraged to promote attendance at the planned event; or, because you are a participant in Paradise Park Men's Club activities, and one of those activities is the sponsorship of the Grand Master's visit.

The cancellation of this traditional event will no doubt come as a great disappointment to many of you, and some of you may question why this happened. To quote portions of the Grand Master's letter, "**there has been significant disharmony among a number of the residents and board members**" and, "**this disharmony has made its way into our Masonic Lodges and into our Masonic judicial system**" and, "**the disharmony continues to invade the fraternity in a very negative way**".

From a positive point of view the Grand Master remains hopeful "**that the park is able to resolve the issues that now seem to be pervasive**".

As the Inspector of this Masonic District, it is my sincere hope that the cancelling of the Grand Master's visit will have the positive effect of sending an extremely strong message to those few dissidents who have been fostering unrest in our Masonic living community. The message of the Grand Master should make it known that untoward actions outside of our Lodge rooms which have an effect on our Lodges will not be tolerated by Grand Lodge.

Anyone requiring further information about the cancellation of this event is welcome to contact me.

Fraternally

Bob Morgan

Inspector, Division III, District #349

Men's Club Happenings

By Bob Morgan

The first Wednesday in May (like the first Wednesday of most every month) found the Brothers of Paradise Park gathered together in the social hall for a time of good food, good fun, and good fellowship, and, with two very good speakers.

Brothers Claude Lindquist and Malcolm Kirby made a presentation to the Men's Club that was similar to a talk they put on after a recent Board meeting, concerning the way that Caltrans allows their water runoff to affect our Park. With all of the research those two diligent Brothers have performed, it now only remains to lay their wok out in front of Caltrans and plead our case for some relief. How fortunate we are that the two of them have such a grasp of the details and can pull them all together.

The luncheon this time was a sandwich deli, with all kinds of cold cuts, salads and chips for the men to choose from.

The business portion of the meeting found them pulling together the remaining details for the annual visit of the Grand Master to our Park on June 23rd. A little arm-twisting filled some of the committees, but additional help is still needed. If anyone reading this article is willing to lend a hand, then please get in touch with Club President Alan Schattenburg and he'll be happy to put you to work.

Hope to see more Brothers turn out at our June luncheon - - remember, it is the first Wednesday.



Toss a penny 10000 times, it will not be heads 5000 times, but more like 4950. The heads picture weighs more, so it ends up on the bottom.

Sikh Wedding

By Don Radder

On April 28, My wife and I attended a Sikh wedding at the Sikh Temple in Selma Ca. For those not familiar with the Selma area, the Temple is located a very short distance from where State Route 43 passes under State Route 99. Heading east on SR 43 the temple is almost opposite the Selma Auto Mall.

The Temple grounds are surrounded by an attractive wrought iron fence. Inside the fence, two rectangular single story flat roof buildings are surrounded by ample parking on several sides. One building serves as a social hall and consists of a large dining room with an attached kitchen.

The second building is the "Temple" proper. On the outside, the Temple Building is topped with a gold colored onion-shaped sphere, otherwise, except for signage on the buildings and at the parking lot entrance one would not know that the facility wasn't a convention center or church of another faith.

Entrance into the Temple anti-room/lobby was through modern store front glass doors. In the Lobby, women stayed to the right and men to the left. On each side was what could best be described as a mini shower complete with a hand held shower head in a four by two foot tiled "booth" for those who were bare foot to wash and dry their feet. Past the foot shower was a cloak room with shelves for the placement of your shoes. Shoes are not worn into the Temple Worship/Assembly Room.

After leaving your shoes, you walk through a glass front entry door into the main worship room. The worship room is quite large and on the scale of a large convention center with an occupancy rating of perhaps 500 or more. The floor is covered in red carpet, the only seating is a few benches along the back wall, otherwise one sits on the carpeted floor. One next notices a platform about 4 ft

high complete with a canopy and about 30 ft square against the back wall. The distance from the inter entrance to the platform is perhaps 100 ft. From the entrance to the platform are two blue carpet stripes perhaps 2 ft wide and separated by 4 ft. of red carpet. Sitting cross legged on the platform is a Sikh Holy man waving a white bushy 2ft long horse hair wand. He never stopped waving the wand during the entire 1 1/2hr ceremony. Later it was explained that the Holy man represented the person of one of the founders/Guru's of the Sikh religion.

Upon entering the temple room, the Sikh's of both sexes would walk up to the platform, each on their respective blue lined side, deposit a small cash donation in a box in front of the platform, and on their knees bow to the holy man before retiring to the area they were going to sit for the wedding ceremony.

The Platform is adorned in a lot of red, yellow and gold colored fabric. Much of the Holy man's lower body is blocked from view by something draped with red and gold colored fabric; later in the ceremony it was revealed the covering was draped over a large book from which the holy man would later read verses.

The Platform was set forward from the back wall sufficiently to allow one to walk behind the platform. On each side of the platform were ceiling-mounted projection screens showing live TV of the wedding ceremony. On the left of the platform, on the men's side of the room was a second but lower raised platform containing three cross legged Sikh musicians'.

Two musicians each played what could best be described as a horizontal accordion, and while pumping a bellows with one hand they played a key board with the other hand. The third musician kept beat by playing two small hand drums. The middle musician chanted throughout the entire ceremony in the Punjabi language. In fact the entire

ceremony was in Punjabi except for a brief explanation in English at the conclusion of the ceremony for the benefit of the non-Punjabi's attending to explain the significance of the ceremony.

After paying their respects to the holy man many of the Sikh's also paid respects to the musicians by placing a small donation, what appeared to be a single dollar bill on their platform.

Upon commencement of the ceremony, a 3 x 6 ft white cloth was placed on the floor in front of the center platform, the groom "sans" any grooms men, adorned in a traditional Sikh long coat, pants and turban, holding a long gold sword sat on the right side of the white cloth, his turban was wrapped in a string of white beads with a small hair upright plume. The Beads and Plume were removed by an attendant just prior to the ceremony. At this time I should explain the custom that all in the Temple must wear a head covering. Most but not all the adult Sikh men wore turbans, the remaining Sikh men, including us non believers, men and women wore a triangular red cloth that could best be described as a handkerchief that we tied on our heads to make us look like Hulk Hogan or a Saturday cleaning women.

About half of the Sikh men wore a suit or sport jacket, the Sikh women, including small female children wore colorful saris.. seemed like the Sikh women were the only barefoot attendee's.

After the groom was seated, the bride entered with a procession of perhaps 10 women who sat behind the bride on the floor.

The ceremony lasted approximately 1 1/2 hours. At one point, the father of the bride stood between the sitting bride and groom and appeared to be giving his daughter to her new husband, this was accomplished by the bride's father removing several wraps of a long scarf from the brides neck and draping one end over the grooms shoulder, apparently

signifying that bride and groom were then united as one life but two individuals (as explained later if I remember correctly) the couple then stood, with the groom leading by 1/2 step, the cloth still dapped between them, and with the assistance of male Sikh attendants walked around the raised platform four times as a symbol of how/the way they should live their married life. There was no exchange of "vows" as such. If I remember correctly it was between each circling of the platform, the couple would pause, and the Holy Man would read from the book covered fabric on the center platform.

At completion of the ceremony, an opportunity was given for guests to present the couple with a gift, and most appeared to be in the form of a monetary gift in a sealed envelope. We were also given paper flower chains to drape over both the bride and groom.

Everyone was then invited to attend a luncheon in the social hall. The lunch consisted of vegetarian fare, some of which were spicy hot, others very sweet. Serving ample sweet dishes seems to be part of the Sikh culture. No alcohol was served.

After the wedding we attended a reception at the bride's parent's residence, where similar but different spicy and sweet food was served, of great interest was how the hot naan, un-leaven bread was being cooked. A vertical oven that was about the size of a 55 oil drum, that I suspect was brick lined on the inside, was used. The cook/baker appeared to slam/place dough vertically against the bricks for a very fast cooking and then remove them with a 3 ft long hooked rod to keep from getting burned. The bread was delicious!

There was the standard wedding cake and a toast to the couple using sparking non alcoholic cider. Of interest was the cake cutting ceremony, after feeding each other, the couples' parents, siblings and close relatives also fed each newlywed a

piece of cake. A box of sweets was also given to each guest.

This was a very enjoyable experience, note worthy was how a number of the Sikh men went out of their way to seek us out and explain what was going to happen as well as answer any questions we had.

We, as well as a number of friends were invited to the wedding as a result of having worked with the brides father.



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AN ACTUAL CRAIG'S LIST
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To the Guy Who Tried to Mug Me in Downtown Savannah night before last.

I was the guy wearing the black Burberry jacket that you demanded that I hand over, shortly after you pulled the knife on me and my girlfriend, threatening our lives. You also asked for my girlfriend's purse and earrings. I can only hope that you somehow come across this rather important message.

First, I'd like to apologize for your embarrassment; I didn't expect you to actually crap in your pants when I drew my pistol after you took my jacket.. The evening was not that cold, and I was wearing the jacket for a reason.. my girlfriend was happy that I just returned safely from my 2nd tour as a Combat Marine in Afghanistan .. She had just bought me that Kimber Custom Model 1911 .45 ACP pistol for my birthday, and we had picked up a shoulder holster for it that very evening. Obviously you agree that it is a very intimidating weapon when pointed at your head ... isn't it?!

I know it probably wasn't fun walking back to wherever you'd come from with crap in your pants. I'm sure it was even worse walking bare-footed since I made you leave your shoes, cell phone, and wallet with me. [That prevented you from calling or running to your buddies to come help mug us again].

After I called your mother or "Momma" as you had her listed in your cell, I explained the entire episode of what you'd done. Then I went and filled up my gas tank as well as those of four other people in the gas station, -- on your credit card. The guy with the big motor home took 153 gallons and was extremely grateful!

I gave your shoes to a homeless guy outside Vinnie Van Go Go's, along with all the cash in your wallet. [That made his day!]

I then threw your wallet into the big pink "pimp mobile" that was parked at the curb..... after I broke the windshield and side window and keyed the entire driver's side of the car.

Earlier, I managed to get in two threatening phone calls to the DA's office and one to the FBI, while mentioning President Obama as my possible target. The FBI guy seemed really intense and we had a nice long chat (I guess while he traced your number etc.).

In a way, perhaps I should apologize for not killing you ... but I feel this type of retribution is a far more appropriate punishment for your threatened crime. I wish you well as you try to sort through some of these rather immediate pressing issues, and can only hope that you have the opportunity to reflect upon, and perhaps reconsider, the career path you've chosen to pursue in life.

Remember, next time you might not be so lucky. Have a good day!
Thoughtfully yours, Semper Fi,
Alex

Shirley - You may have seen this on the OESStar website, written by a PGM about Eastern Star Chapters. I've edited it to be appropriate for the Park. It really rang a bell for me. Hope you think it's worthy of printing in the PIP.
Shirley Moore

I really pray that we will listen and take the words and feelings of our newer members to heart. It's the only way our Park will survive!

Our newer members, full of enthusiasm, run into a great deal of resistance when they try to do new and different things. There are those within our organization who actually target certain members and ideas and deliberately do things to derail them! Until we all look into our hearts and revive the spirit of charity, truth, and loving kindness, stop resisting change and feeling the need for control, and learn to encourage and be genuinely happy for others, our organization will suffer. We

must talk TO each other, and not ABOUT each other. We need to stop assuming that a hidden agenda exists in new ideas. We must stop taking things personally, and work for the OVERALL good of our Park!

Don't be mistaken.... I love our Park. I have served on several committees and would not trade the experience (full of both happiness and hurt) for anything. Many of our Sisters and Brothers have been supportive and loving through my years of membership; but there is within our ranks a group working to set us back in time, and to hurt and discredit those who have worked hard and who deserve the good things that come to them. The bad thing is, they don't even realize what they're doing.

President Truman, a Master Mason, said "It is amazing how much you can accomplish when it doesn't matter who gets the credit."



"Live for yourself and you will live in vain; live for others, and you will live again. - Author unknown"

Cindy Weigelt

Board Member Candidate

Rainfall total as of 4 October 2011 is:
44.36 inches per J. Mancini.



Update on Duty Twins

My daughter, Julie and her husband, Ryan are expecting twins. Everyone has been asking and asking for months about the sex of the babies.

Right before Mother's Day, I received a bouquet of flowers with white, pink and blue daisies. Julie called me and asked me to describe the bouquet. When I told her what color the flowers were, her response was, "How appropriate..." Turns out they are expecting one of each sex!



Cheers & Jeers

Cheers to Virginia Williams for once again tackling the job of cleaning up the garden area in front of the social hall. Thank you!

Jeers to the person who put hot ashes into a green waste bin, (on York) causing it to start a fire and to the person who put fireplace ashes into a greenwaste pile!

Note: they were still hot!!!!!! Idiots!!!!!!

BYLAW CHANGE – FILLING A DIRECTOR VACANCY

John Mancini

You will be given an opportunity to vote on a Bylaw Change that will appear on the Annual Election Ballot. There are two proposed changes, which are very similar and it is important that you understand the difference between the two. One would allow a Recalled Director to be seated and the other would prohibit that from happening.

Ballot Proposal 8, Option A will allow a Recalled Director to be chosen to fill a Director vacancy and the list of Directors will be those who have served as Directors within the last ten (10) years.

Ballot Proposal 8, Option B **will not** allow a Recalled Director to be chosen to fill a Director vacancy and the list of Directors will be those who have served as Directors within the last five (5) years.

Both proposals require that the first eligible Director chosen in a lottery be seated. Since there will be no vote by the membership, nor control exercised by the rest of the Board Members, it is important that those in the former Director pool (that are deemed eligible to serve) do not contain a Recalled Director.

If Ballot Proposal 8, Option A passes, (to fill a seat vacated by a director, whether by resignation or recall) ***theoretically a “recalled” director could be selected from the lottery to fill the seat from which he/she was recently recalled!***

I, as Chairman of the Bylaws Committee, proposed the change to the original submission that was authored by Fred Dunn-Ruiz. It is important that you understand the type of Director that this Club could have again if a Recalled Director is allowed to participate in the seating lottery.

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Board of Director's Meeting Open

The following are my impressions only. To see the actual minutes, read them in the Official Bulletin.

A regular meeting of the Board of directors was held on Saturday, May 19, 2012 in the small social hall. Those board members present were President, Sam Cannon; Vice President, Diana Cook; Treasurer, Gary Brandenburg; and Director at Large, Sharon Simas. Shirley Radder was asked to take the minutes as Pat McDonald was absent. A prayer was offered by Sharon Simas followed by the flag salute which was led by Diana Cook. The meeting started at 10:06 a.m.

Open Forum

Fred Dunn Ruiz – Sweatshirt sale to be delivered by 4 July. How did option “b” on amendment “a” come onto the ballot; Distinguish what you do in closed session vs “open” closed session; Procedure in place for acknowledging correspondence.

John Mancini – awaiting BoD social plan for PPMC. Disappointed no mention made in the Bulletin of broken windows of Wilma Vinson's car. Note: windows broken after cutoff date for Bulletin.

Shirley Radder – How did Carla respond about taking down her website and no mention in the Bulletin of anonymous phone calls to Vinson and Anand.

Sam Cannon read letter to entire membership from Grand Master regarding removal of the word “Masonic” in our title. (see page 14)

Leigh Wunce – Dr. Manning's gathering was successful and gave us a grand

plan. There are serious problems that we cannot ignore. Dangreaus's were treated abominably

Charlotte Hoffman – If a member knows who took part in the vandalism to Wilma Vinson, please let the police know.

Marty Miller– dog chooses not to change his spots

Mark Zevanove– when Rod Rodler served on the board he said that if an idea was thrown on the table, it was put out there and talked about by everyone.

Michael Sawley – thanked the board for the open forum before the board meeting.

Char Reynolds – Gloeckler received a big insurance bill.

Report from Closed Board Meetings tabled for next meeting

Approval of 4/21/2012 – approved as submitted. Motion carried

Director's spotlight award – **Mable Coleman** changing all street signs refurbishing bathroom and painted bathroom in section 4

Manger report – cal trans has come in and cleared out the drains along highway 9; received five bids on painting the office and also bids for asphalt work. Hope to have work completed by 4 July. Berms on allotments should be paid for by the members. Cameras are in and will be put on the front gate next week. Almost finished building the building on the back gate to house the cameras. Reports of drug usage in the bathrooms in the picnic grounds. Keep an eye out for that type of activity. Scooters and gas-powered scooters are allowed and will be allowed, but not from the office to the bottom of cardiac hill or on Washington pathway.

President's Report – the letter

Treasurer's Report – Gary read out assets and liabilities which can be found on the PPMC Profit & Loss Sheet of 30 April Last month \$20,000 was put down on water loan...suggest more money be put toward the loans. However some of them have prepayment penalties.

Tree Committee – Dangreau – Langford & Brown. Moved to approve tree committee recommendations. M/S/P An update of tree removal rules will be placed in the Bulletin.

Building Procedures packet to M. Bates and M. Green for review. Bates and Douglas talked to the county about changing their fees and the county is not going to change any fees.

Recreation –Weaver Thanked the hard work of the committee members and those who donate to our events; meeting at 3:30 today; potluck tonight; get beach toys out for Memorial Day weekend; dance scheduled next Sunday for Memorial Day; starting a bocce league.

Bylaws – Zevanove – Option A & Option B of filling a vacancy on the Board. Letter to the Board asking why was Bylaws Committee taken out of the loop regarding guests and procedures. Board Secretary responded by mail as to why this happened.

Picnic Grounds – Clark – permit for picnic grounds was not granted because we had an electrical permit which was pulled and not followed through which voided the permit. County was going to charge us again, but Terry was able to talk to the county to get it waived. Need to replace some tables, Terry and Eduardo moved the slide and Tim Heer cleaned up the area. Move to “loan” the Picnic Ground Renovation Committee a not-to-exceed amount of \$3,000 **to be repaid within six months of today.** M/P **DO NOT BURN WOOD in the barbeque pits! CHARCOAL ONLY.** Suggest Eduardo make a sign that states “Charcoal Only – No Wood.”

Clean Up - Suggest a flip chart be placed on the porch with areas of where to be cleaned over Memorial Day.

Insurance - Simas – Board asked that we double our crime limit which has been taken care of.

ERT – Hoffman – one 911 call. No charcoal briquettes in green waste piles or bins!

Dog Park – Dangreau – asked to be kept in the loop. Is a permit needed? Park is covered by insurance in this instance.

Website Committee – Sawley – Committee will meet on June 1. What do you want on the website? All links have been removed.

Fines – written report – move to accept presented mission statement and objective as presented by the committee.., M/P (see below)

Mission Statement - The fines committee is meeting to create a system which holds all members and guests of PPMC to an equal standard, thereby improving the living conditions within our Park.

Objective- As volunteers our objective is to define all procedures relating to rule enforcement in PPMC. Which it is hoped will encourage and demand adherence to the letter and spirit of our rules and procedures.

Unfinished Business – Tim Heer is head of Staking Committee. Sawley asked that the Board direct the staking committee hold regular meetings which are open to the public. Minutes should be published in the committee book.

Water Project - Kirby and Linqvist sent out requests to law schools asking about a graduate program and if a student would be interested in participating in one regarding our water project. University of Pacific has a Master's Program dealing with Water Law.

Security Camera – Lovelace – cameras are here and in process of getting them configured. Also a portable camera system.

Neighborhood Watch – Suggest metal signs be placed in appropriate places around the park front gate, back gate, picnic grounds, near office. Recommend Park purchase six 12 x 18 signs...agreed by consensus.

Election Committee - Those nominated were Shirley Radder (Simas) , Ron Weaver (Cook), Tony Fleming (McDonald), Sharon Naraghi (Cannon). Brandenburg absent.

Regarding a radar-detected speeding sign, the costs were too prohibitive.

Shirley Radder – mentioned how much fun and nice the Board meeting was today...everyone seemed to get along...no rude outbursts...laughter...all in all a very pleasant time.

Meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m.

Attention Members!!

If you have a drain on your allotment, would you please notify either Malcolm Kirby (m2kirby@comcast.net) or Claude Lindquist at (drclaudelindquist@yahoo.com).

This is very important as it relates to their work on the Park's drainage problems.

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Paradiseparkmembers.com

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Remember when?????

These stories were submitted in 2006 when the Long Range Planning Committee did a survey of the Membership. Several members gave permission for their stories to be told....

From Mark Hasey at 607 Keystone, Mark's house was built in 1975 by Glen and Harriet Seigner, who lived there until 1998. Both were very active in Masonic organizations. The house has many clever devices and improvements installed by Glen, who was an engineer.

(Editor note – I believe this house even has an elevator!)

Comments from 609 Keystone, Ed Moellering:

Ruth Moellering was the Member when Ed wrote this in 2006 and she was 98 years old at that time.

Ed's grandfather and his brother and sister purchased the three lots that they now have in approximately 1926. They purchased a "kit" cabin, and hired a person to construct it on the lot. It took about two years to complete. Almost all the cabins around them were owned by

school teachers and they all spent most of the summer in Paradise Park. Ed's Great Aunt, Mary Moellering, was a school teacher. Her best friend was Mabel Breedman. Mabel spent the summer in the cabin directly behind ours (it now belongs to Griff Nelson.) They constructed a path to go between the two cabins, and as a kid, Ed reports that he remembers climbing that path along with his Great Aunt Mary to go up to that cabin. (That path is all overgrown today and does not exist.)

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Char Reynolds

Wednesday, May 23

5p.m. – 7 p.m.

454 York Avenue

Hors d'oeuvres provided...but bring your own Beverage

Please, your "presence" is the only "present" I require.

No gifts, please.

Calendar of Events

MAY

May 22	Tuesday Coffee	9:00 – 11:00	SSH
May 26	Park Clean Up	Park wide	
May 26	Candidates Night	7:00	Social Hall
May 27	OES Barbeque	Noon	Picnic Grounds
May 27	Recreation Dance	7:00	Social Hall
May 29	Tuesday Coffee	9:00 – 11:00	SSH

JUNE

Jun 4	Knittin' Kittens	11:30	SSH
Jun 5	Tuesday Coffee	9:00 – 11:00	SSH
Jun 6	Men's Club	11:30	SSH
Jun 7	Tree Committee	7:00	SSH
Jun 8	Quilts of Valor	10:30	Sue Lovelace, 501 Amaranth
Jun 9	Fire Brigade Training	9:00	Fire House
Jun 12	Tuesday Coffee	9:00 – 11:00	SSH
Jun 16	Open Board Meeting	10:00	SSH
Jun 16	Thompson Family wedding reception	Social Hall	
Jun 19	Tuesday Coffee	9:00 – 11:00	SSH
Jun 20	BINGO!	6:30	SSH
Jun 22	Quilts of Valor	10:30	Sue Lovelace, 501 Amaranth
Jun 26	Tuesday Coffee	9:00 – 11:00	SSH
Jun 30	Annual Meeting	7:30	Social Hall



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This is the letter President Cannon read during the Board Meeting (see page 10)
May 18, 2012

Dear Fellow Members of Paradise Park:

This letter will familiarize you with a challenge facing Paradise Park Masonic Club (PPMC) that your Board of Directors is currently working diligently to resolve.

We recently received a letter from the Grand Master of Masons in California, Frank Loui, who expressed his concern that the disharmony within our Park is spilling over into individual Lodges, Grand Lodge, and the Masonic Judicial System. His degree of concern is so great that he went to the extreme of asking that we remove the word "Masonic" from our name and cease using any words in our publications that infer a connection with Freemasonry. (I have attached a copy of his letter.)

Arrangements are currently underway for a meeting to take place between the Grand Master and Members of your Board of Directors. During that meeting, we will present to the Grand Master a specific plan of action directed at resolving the disharmony within PPMC, and will ask the Grand Master to hold his decision in abeyance while we implement our plan. It remains to be seen if this approach will achieve the desired result of having him set aside his decision, but we have every confidence that it will succeed—and there can be no question we must try.

It is our hope that this very significant problem will sound a wake-up alarm among our membership, and will help those individuals who have been responsible for instigating conflicts to recognize that their actions are having a disastrous impact on their fellow members and on our corporation.

As many of you know, there have been acts of vandalism and harassing telephone calls against some members. These acts are criminal in nature and active investigations are underway by law enforcement. This is a concern on a Masonic level because such actions are not consistent with any teachings or principles we hold near and dear. **Just so it is crystal clear, we expect our members to conduct themselves appropriately in accordance with all laws within the state of California as well as the California Masonic Code and this includes the obligations undertaken in respective lodges including the pledge signed as members of PPMC. People who cannot behave in such a manner will find themselves facing suspension of membership and ultimately termination in accordance with the bylaws of PPMC.**

The challenge we face has already had a positive impact as your five Directors have united to set aside any differences and work together as a team to create a plan that will restore harmony in PPMC. Although the plan is still in its beginning stage, we have agreed that it will include a comprehensive study of the underlying causes of conflict, a call for mediations to take place between members who find themselves in disagreement and, enforcement of the suspensions and termination provisions contained in our Bylaws for any member who refuses to abide by the rules of conduct as stated above.

In conclusion, you should know that each of us must work together for restoration of the values held near and dear by the members of our Masonic community and we call upon you to help us restore this vision.

Signed by all Directors

Annual Memorial Day Barbeque

And Silent Auction



Sunday, 27 May

Noon

Paradise Park Picnic Grounds

Ribs or Chicken and all the fixin's!

\$10.00

purchase tickets from any OES #273 member

Silent Auction